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**Alabama**

*Primary*
- *A Black Elephant with a Brown Ear (In Alabama)* by Bill Traylor

*Elementary*
- *I Am Rosa Parks* by Rosa Parks

*Upper Elementary*
- *Alabama Moon* by Walt Key
- *The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963* by Christopher Paul Curtis
- *Run Away Home* by Pat McKissack
- *Bird* by Angela Johnson

**Alaska**

*Primary*
- *Running with the Big Dogs: A Sled Dog Puppy Grows Up in Denali National Park, Alaska* by Lori Yanuchi

*Elementary*
- *The Year of Miss Agnes* by Kirkpatrick Hill

*Upper Elementary*
- *The Great Eagle Spirit* by Hal Granum

**Arizona**

*Primary*
- *Arizona Charlie and the Klondike Kid* by Julie Lawson
- *Desert Trip* by Barbara Steiner

*Elementary*
- *Charlie Moves to Arizona (Charlie's great adventure)* by C.A. Goody

**Arkansas**

*Primary*
- *Amistad: The Story of a Slave Ship: Station Stop 3* by Patricia McKissack

*Elementary*
- *Casey Jones (On My Own Folklore)* by Stephen Krensky

*Upper Elementary*
- *I've Already Forgotten Your Name, Philip Hall!* by Bette Greene

**California**

*Primary*
- *Smoky Night (Caldecott Medal Book)* by Eve Bunting
- *Earthquake* by Milly Lee

*Elementary*
- *Lion Singer* by Sylvia Ross
- *Surfer Dog* by Elizabeth Spurr

*Upper Elementary*
- *Earthquake!: A Story of the San Francisco Earthquake (Once Upon America)* by Kathleen V. Kudlinski
- *Higher Power of Lucky* by Susan Patron
- *Al Capone Does My Shirts* by Gennifer Choldenko

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Colorado
Primary
   *Grandfather's Christmas Tree* by Keith Strand
Elementary
   *In the Heart of the Rockies* by G.A. Henty
   *Prairie School* by Avi
Upper Elementary
   *The Coach That Never Came* by Patricia Beatty
   *Nowhere, Now Here* by Ann Howard Creel

Connecticut
Primary
   *The Middle Moffat* by Eleanor Estes
Elementary
   *Little Maid of Old Connecticut* by Alice Turner Curtis
Upper Elementary
   *Windcatcher* by Avi
   *Where the Great Hawk Flies* by Liza Ketchum
   *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court* by Mark Twain
   *The Witch of Blackbird Pond* by Elizabeth George Speare

Delaware
Elementary
   *Reaching Tidewater: Life on the Delaware Canal* by Noreen F. Moore
Upper Elementary
   *Moon of Two Dark Horses* by Sally M. Keehn

Florida
Primary
   *Chessie: The Meandering Manatee* by Carol A. Amato
Elementary
   *The Goose’s Gold (A to Z Mysteries)* by Ron Roy
   *Panther Girl* by Maity Schrecengost
   *My Name is Sally Little Song* by Brenda Woods
Upper Elementary
   *Because of Winn-Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo
   *A Key Keepers Mystery: The Game Begins* by Liz Shore
   *Manatee Blues* by Laurie Halse Anderson

Georgia
Primary
   *Georgia Music* by Helen V. Griffith
Elementary
   *Eight Paws to Georgia* by Pamela Bauer Mueller
Upper Elementary
   *Moonpie and Ivy* by Barbara O’Conner
   *Blue Ridge* by John Harper

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Hawaii
Primary
The Best Hawaiian Style Mother Goose by Kevin Sullivan
Luka's Quilt by Georgia Guback
Elementary
The Broccoli Tapes by Jan Slepian
Upper Elementary
Kaiulani: The People's Princess, Hawaii, 1889 by Ellen Emerson White

Idaho
Primary
Snowboard Twist (Outdoor Adventures) by Jean Craighead George
Elementary
Fire Storm by Jean Craighead George
Upper Elementary
*Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech
Fire in the Hole! by Mary Cronk Farrell

Illinois
Elementary
Growing Seasons by Carolyn Pratt
On The Wings of Heroes by Richard Peck
Upper Elementary
*The Great Fire by Jim Murphy
*A Long Way from Chicago by Richard Peck
*A Year Down Yonder by Richard Peck
SURVIVAL! Fire (Chicago, 1871) by Kathleen Duey

Indiana
Primary
A Goose Named Gilligan by Jerry M. Hay
Elementary
Ahyoka and the Talking Leaves by Connie Roop
Ruthie's Gift by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
Upper Elementary
Throwing Stones by Kristi Collier
The Teacher's Funeral: A Comedy in Three Parts by Richard Peck

Iowa
Primary
Junkyard Junction: Squirt's New Home by James Pottebaum and Kelly Johns
Elementary
Cora Frear by Susan E. Goodman
Upper Elementary
Blue Jasmine by Kashmira Sheth

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KANSAS
Primary
Twister Twyla: The Kansas Cowgirl by Jerri Gerretson
Aunt Minnie and the Twister by Mary Skillings Prigger
Elementary
Billy's Mountain by Steve Richardson
Upper Elementary
Steal Away Home by Lois Ruby

KENTUCKY
Primary
My Mountain Song by Shutta Crum
Elementary
Keeper of the Doves by Betsy Byars
Upper Elementary
Tadpole by Ruth White

LOUISIANA
Primary
Clovis Crawfish and the Big Betall by Mary Alice Fontenot
Elementary
Mister and Me by Kimberly Willis Holt
Upper Elementary
Fiddle Fever by Sharon Arms Doucet
The Red Rose Box by Brenda Woods

MAINE
Primary
Birdie's Lighthouse by Deborah Hopkinson
The Sea Chest by Tony Buzzeo
Elementary
The Seal Island Seven by Susan Bartlett
Upper Elementary
*Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy by Gary D. Schmidt

MARYLAND
Elementary
Catie and Josephine by Jonathan Scott Fuqua
Upper Elementary
Amelia's War by Ann Rinaldi
The Art of Keeping Cool by Janet Taylor Lisle

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**Massachusetts**

**Primary**
- *Letting Swift River Go* by Jane Yolen
- *Tattered Sails* by Verla Kay

**Elementary**
- *Three Young Pilgrims* by Cheryl Harness
- *The Pilgrims of Plimoth* by Marcia Sewall

**Upper Elementary**
- *A Break with Charity: A Story about the Salem Witch Trials* by Ann Rinaldi
- *Someday* by Jackie French Koller
- *Olive’s Ocean* by Kevin Henkes

**Michigan**

**Primary**
- *By the Light of the Moon: A Story of Kindness and Friendship Above the Mighty Mac* by Lisa Dos Santos

**Elementary**
- *Night of the Full Moon* by Gloria Whelan

**Upper Elementary**
- *The Loon Feather* by Iola Fuller

**Minnesota**

**Primary**
- *Marven of the Great North Woods* by Kathryn Lasky

**Elementary**
- *Bigger* by Patricia Calvert

**Upper Elementary**
- *The Foxman* by Gary Paulsen
- *The Shrouding Woman* by Loretta Elsworth

**Mississippi**

**Primary**
- *Monday on the Mississippi* by Marilyn Singer

**Elementary**
- *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain
- *I Dream of Trains* by Angela Johnson

**Upper Elementary**
- *Let the Circle Be Unbroken* by Mildred D. Taylor
- *Night Cry* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

**Missouri**

**Elementary**
- *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain

**Upper Elementary**
- *Sooner* by Patricia Calvert

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Montana
Elementary
When the Circus Came to Town by Laurence Yep
Upper Elementary
Rescue Josh McGuire by Ben Mikaelson
*Hattie Big Sky by Kirby Larson

Nebraska
Primary
Prairie Friends by Nancy Smiler Levinson
Elementary
Dandelions by Eve Bunting
Upper Elementary
Worth by A. LaFaye

Nevada
Elementary
Weird Stories from the Lonesome Café by Judy Cox
Upper Elementary
Washoe Seasons of Life: A Native American Story by Karen Wallis

New Hampshire
Elementary
Dillon Dillon by Kate Banks
Upper Elementary
The Sin Eater by Gary D. Schmidt
Heart of a Chief by Joseph Bruchnac

New Jersey
Primary
The 18 Penny Goose by Sally M. Walker
Elementary
The Battlefield Ghost by Margery Cuyler
Upper Elementary
The Edison Mystery: Qwerty Stevens, Back in Time by Dan Gutman
Tales of the Atlantic Pirates by Geoffrey Girard

New Mexico
Primary
The Dirty Cowboy by Amy Timberlake
Elementary
The Mystery of the Lost Village by Gertrude Chandler Warner
Upper Elementary
Kokopelli’s Flute by Will Hobbs

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New York
Primary
What Zeesie Saw on Delancey Street by Elsa Okon Rael

Elementary
Fleabiscuit Sings! by Marlene Fanta Shyer

Upper Elementary
Between Madison and Palmetto by Jacqueline Woodson
From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg

North Carolina
Primary
Rescue on the Outer Banks by Candice F. Ransom
Freedom on the Menu: the Greensboro Sit-Ins by Carol Boston
Weatherford

Elementary
Back Home by Gloria Jean Pinkney

Upper Elementary
*Surviving the Applewhites by Stephanie S. Tolan

North Dakota
Elementary
Spaceship Over North Dakota by Kevin Kremer

Upper Elementary
Jake’s Orphan by Peggy Brooke
Blizzard’s Wake by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Ohio
Primary
Ohio Thunder by Denise Dowling Mortensen

Elementary
Danger Along the Ohio by Patricia Willis
Night Boat to Freedom by Margot Theis Raven

Upper Elementary
Gina.Jamie.Father.Bear. by George Ella Lyon

Oklahoma
Primary
Don’t Forget Winona by Jeanne Whitehouse Peterson
Green Snake Ceremony by Sherrin Watkins

Elementary
I Have Heard of a Land by Joyce Carol Thomas
Angels in the Dust by Margot Theis Raven

Upper Elementary
The Starplace by Vicki Grove
*Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse

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Oregon
Primary
  Apples to Oregon by Deborah Hopkinson
Elementary
  The Mystery of Devil's Gulch by Patricia Rose Upczak
  Emily’s Runaway Imagination by Beverly Cleary
Upper Elementary
  Operation Clean Sweep by Darlene Bailey Beard

Pennsylvania
Primary
  The Egg Tree by Katherine Milhous
  Sparrow Jack by Mordicai Gerstein
Elementary
  Brady by Jean Fritz
  The Prometheus Project: Trapped by Douglas E. Richards
Upper Elementary
  The Bread Sister of Sinking Creek by Robin Moore
  The Philadelphia Adventure by Lloyd Alexander
  *An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1793 by Jim Murphy

Rhode Island
Primary
  Alfred Visits Rhode Island by Elizabeth O’Neill
Elementary
  Little Maid of Narragansett Bay by Alice Turner Curtis
Upper Elementary
  The Crying Rocks by Janet Taylor Lisle

South Carolina
Elementary
  Secret Holes by Pansie Hart Flood
Upper Elementary
  The Girl Who Ate Chicken Feet by Sandy Richardson
  The Keeping Room by Anna Myers

South Dakota
Primary
  Alfred Visits South Dakota by Missie Mcpherson
Elementary
  Prairie Summer by Bonnie Geisert
  Little Town on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder
Upper Elementary
  Prairie Whispers by Frances Arrington

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**Tennessee**

**Primary**
- *Swamp Angel* by Anne Isaacs
- *Daniel’s Duck* by Clyde Robert Bulla

**Elementary**
- *Sweet By and By* by Patricia Hermes

**Upper Elementary**
- *Graveyard Girl* by Anna Myers
- *Cold in Summer* by Tracy Barrett

**Texas**

**Primary**
- *Ten Cows to Texas: Handprint Books* by Peggy Mercer
- *The Foot-Stomping Adventures of Clementine Sweet* by Kitty Griffin

**Elementary**
- *West Texas Chili Monster* by Judy Cox

**Upper Elementary**
- *Lucky Lady* by Susan Saunders
- *Our House on Hueco* by Carlos Nicolas Flores

**Utah**

**Elementary**
- *Hannah Stands Tall* by Shirley Rees

**Upper Elementary**
- *The Great Brain Is Back* by John D. Fitzgerald

**Vermont**

**Primary**
- *Here Comes Darrell* by Leda Schubert
- *A Christmas Like Helen’s* by Natalie Kinsey-Warnock
- *Nora's Ark* by Natalie Kinsey-Warnock

**Elementary**
- *A Llama in the Family* by Johanna Hurwitz

**Upper Elementary**
- *Stray Voltage* by Eugenie Doyle

**Virginia**

**Primary**
- *One Christmas Dawn* by Candice F. Ransom

**Elementary**
- *Moonshiner's Son* by Carolyn Reeder

**Upper Elementary**
- *Belle Prater’s Boy* by Ruth White
- *Virginia Bound* by Amy Butler

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**Washington**

**Primary**
- *Salt & Pepper at the Pike Place Market* by Carol A. Losi
- *Dear Ichiro* by Jean Davies Okimoto

**Elementary**
- *The Secret Voice of Gina Zhang* by Dori Jones Yang

**Upper Elementary**
- *Our Only May Amelia* by Jennifer L. Holm
- *Jackie’s Wild Seattle* by Will Hobbs
- *Hannah West in Deep Water* by Linda Johns

**West Virginia**

**Primary**
- *Little Ned Stories: A Chapter-Picture Book for Kids* by Edward Allen Faine

**Elementary**
- *Shiloh* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
- *Witch Catcher* by Mary Downing Hahn

**Upper Elementary**
- *The Haunting of Swain’s Fancy* by Brenda Seabrooke
- *Dream Soul* by Laurence Yep
- *A Blue-Eyed Daisy* by Cynthia Rylant

**Wisconsin**

**Primary**
- *The Deer in the Wood (Little House)* by Laura Ingalls Wilder
- *The Giant Ball of String* by Arthur Geisert

**Elementary**
- *Caddie Woodlawn* by Carol Ryrie Brink

**Upper Elementary**
- *Ida B: . . . and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and (Possibly) Save the World* by Katherine Hannigan

**Wyoming**

**Primary**
- *Dinosaur Hunter* by Elaine Marie Alphin

**Elementary**
- *One Day in the Alpine Tundra* by Jean Craighead George

**Upper Elementary**
- *Hope Was Here* by Joan Bauer
- *Walker’s Crossing* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

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