

HISTORICAL FICTION

United States - 1700's

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Juvenile and Young Adult Departments.

Anderson, Laurie Halse. **FEVER**, 1793
Philadelphia, 1793
J Fiction c2000

In 1793 Philadelphia, 16-year-old Matilda Cook, separated from her sick mother, learns about perseverance and self-reliance when she is forced to cope with the horrors of a yellow fever epidemic. Contains an appendix with questions and answers about the yellow fever epidemic in 1793.

Avi. **ENCOUNTER AT EASTON**
Pennsylvania, mid 1700's
J Fiction (5-8 gr.) c1994

The doomed flight of two young indentured servants from their unkind master brings together an unlikely assortment of people in a mid-18th-century Pennsylvania town. (sequel to **NIGHT JOURNEYS**)

Avi. **NIGHT JOURNEYS**
Pennsylvania, mid-1700's
J Fiction (5-8 gr.) c1994

In the spring of 1768, 12-year-old Peter, living with his Quaker guardian near the Pennsylvania-New Jersey border, joins in the search for two runaway indentured servants.

Blackwood, Gary. **YEAR OF THE HANGMAN**
New England, 1777
YA Fiction c2002

In 1777, having been kidnapped and taken forcibly from England to the American colonies, 15-year-old Creighton becomes part of developments in the political unrest there that may spell defeat for the patriots and change the course of history.

Bradley, Kimberly. **WEAVER'S DAUGHTER**
Tennessee, 1791
J Fiction c2000

In 1791, after her family's journey from Pennsylvania, 10-year-old Lizzie suffers from the disease of asthma in her new home in the Southwest Territory (present-day Tennessee).

Brady, Esther Wood. **TOLIVER'S SECRET**
New York, Revolutionary War
J Fiction c1976

During the Revolutionary War, a 10-year-old girl disguises herself as a boy and crosses enemy lines to deliver a loaf of bread containing a message for the patriots.

Bruchach, Joseph. **ARROW OVER THE DOOR**
New York, 1777
J Fiction (4-7 gr.) c1998

In the year 1777, a group of Quakers and a party of Indians have a memorable meeting.

Bruchac, Joseph. **WINTER PEOPLE**
Northeast, 1759
YA Fiction c2002

As the French and Indian War rages in October of 1759, Saxso, a 14-year-old Abenaki boy, pursues the English rangers who have attacked his village and taken his mother and sisters hostage.

Bulla, Clyde Robert. **WHITE BIRD**
Tennessee, 1797
J Fiction c1990

A lonely boy is found and reared by a hermit in the wilderness of the Tennessee mountains in the 1790's.

Durrant, Lynda. **BETSY ZANE, THE ROSE OF FORT HENRY**
Philadelphia and West Virginia, 1781
J Fiction C2000

In 1781, 12-year-old Elizabeth Zane, great-great-aunt of novelist Zane Grey, leaves Philadelphia to return to her brothers' homestead near Fort Henry in what is now West Virginia, where she plays an important role in the final battle of the American Revolution.

Field, Rachel. **CALICO BUSH**
Maine, 1743
J Fiction (5-9 gr.) c1931

In 1742, 12-year-old Marguerite left France with her grandmother and uncle to seek a home in America. A year later, Marguerite is alone in the world and a "bound-out girl" on her way to Maine. Newberry Honor Book, 1932

Fleischman, Paul. **PATH OF THE PALE HORSE**
Philadelphia, PA, 1793
J, YA Fiction c1983

Lep, an apprentice to a doctor, helps his master take care of yellow fever victims in Philadelphia during the epidemic of 1793.

Fritz, Jean. **CABIN FACED WEST**
Pennsylvania, 1784
J Fiction (3-5 gr.) c1958

Ten-year-old Ann overcomes loneliness and learns to appreciate the importance of her role in settling the wilderness of western Pennsylvania.

Hansen, Joyce. **THE CAPTIVE**
West Africa to New England, ca 1780-1800
J Fiction (5-9 gr.) c1994

Kofi's safe world is shattered and he is taken captive and taken to New England as a slave. He eventually comes to find Paul Cuffe, an African American ship builder with a dream of taking Africans back to their homeland. The story reveals an unusual chapter in American history.

Keehn, Sally M. **I AM REGINA**
Pennsylvania, 1755-1763
J Fiction (5-8 gr.) c1991

In 1755, as the French and Indian War begins, 10-year-old Regina is kidnapped by Indians in western Pennsylvania, and she must struggle to hold onto memories of her earlier life as she grows up under the name of Tskinnak and starts to become Indian herself.

Keehn, Sally M. **MOON OF TWO DARK HORSES**
Pennsylvania, 1776
YA Fiction c1995

At the beginning of the Revolutionary War, hoping to keep bloodshed away from their valley, a 12-year-old Delaware

Indian boy and his white friend search sacred land for the bones of a legendary beast.

Lunn, Janet. CHARLOTTE
New York City and Nova Scotia, 1783
J Fiction (4-6 gr.) c1998

At the end of the Revolutionary War, all of the Loyalist families are exiled to Nova Scotia. When Charlotte's father discovers that she has been visiting her Loyalist cousins, she is banned from her home and forced into exile with her cousins, never to see her father, mother, or brother again. Based on a true story.

Lunn, Janet. HOLLOW TREE
New Hampshire, Vermont, and Ontario, Canada
J Fiction c2000

It is 1777, and 15-year-old Phoebe Olcott is thrown headlong into the turmoil of war when her cousin Gideon is hanged as a British spy. After she finds a message from him, she decides to deliver it herself to the British general.

Moore, Robin. BREAD SISTER OF SINKING CREEK
Pennsylvania, 1776
J Fiction (5-9 gr.) c1990

14-year-old Maggie Callahan, who has a special talent for making bread, struggles to survive on her own on the Pennsylvania frontier when she arrives in Sinking Creek only to find that the aunt she was supposed to find there has moved on to Ohio.

Moore, Robin. MAGGIE AMONG THE SENECA
Pennsylvania, late 1700's
J Fiction (5-9 gr.) c1990

Maggie Callahan journeys across the rugged Pennsylvania frontier to find her kin but, just before she reaches her destination, she is taken captive by a band of Seneca warriors and forced to travel with them along the war trail.

Myers, Walter Dean. THE GLORY FIELD
U.S. (mostly South Carolina), 1750-1991
YA Fiction c1994

Follows a family's 241-year history, from the capture of an African boy in the 1750's, through the lives of his descendants, as their dreams and circumstances lead them away from and back to the small plot of land in South Carolina that they call the Glory Field.

O'Dell, Scott. SARAH BISHOP
New England, Revolutionary War period
J Fiction (4-8 gr.) c1980

Left alone after the deaths of her father and brother who take opposite sides in the War for Independence, and fleeing from the British who seek to arrest her, Sarah Bishop struggles to shape a new life for herself in the wilderness.

Rinaldi, Ann. BREAK WITH CHARITY: A STORY
ABOUT THE SALEM WITCH TRIALS
Massachusetts, 1706
J Fiction (6-10 gr.) c1992

While waiting for a church meeting in 1706, Susanna English, daughter of a wealthy Salem merchant, recalls the malice, fear, and accusations of witchcraft that tore her village apart in 1692. "Based on historical accounts of the Salem witch trials and the premise that the accusations were fueled by long-standing animosities between neighbors, as well as the girls' desires for attention in what was a very restrictive society."

Rinaldi, Ann. CAST TWO SHADOWS: THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION IN THE SOUTH
South Carolina, 1780
YA Fiction c1998

In South Carolina in 1780, 14-year-old Caroline sees the Revolutionary War take a terrible toll among her family and friends and comes to understand the true nature of war.

Rinaldi, Ann. A RIDE INTO MORNING: THE STORY OF
TEMPE WICK
New Jersey, Revolutionary War period
J Fiction (7-9 gr.) c1991

When unrest spreads at the Revolutionary War camp in Morristown, New Jersey, under the command of General Anthony Wayne, a young woman cleverly hides her horse from the mutinous soldiers who have need of it. Based on actual historical events and people.

Rinaldi, Ann. A STITCH IN TIME ("Quilt Trilogy" #1)
Salem, Massachusetts, 1788-
YA Fiction c1994

Shortly after the War of Independence, Hannah sees her family being torn apart by old secrets and new developments, as her sister resolves to marry a sea captain and other siblings prepare to help start a new town in the Northwestern Territory.

Speare, Elizabeth. SIGN OF THE BEAVER
Maine, 1700's
J Fiction c1983

Left alone to guard the family's wilderness home in 18th-century Maine, a boy is hard-pressed to survive until local Indians teach him their skills.

Van Leeuwen, Jean. HANNAH OF FAIRFIELD
Connecticut, 1779
J fiction (2-5 gr.) c1999

For almost 9-year-old Hannah of Fairfield, Connecticut, growing up means facing new challenges, both great and small --from saving the life of a baby lamb to helping the family prepare to send her brother Ben to join the colonial soldiers in the American Revolutionary War.

Van Leeuwen, Jean. HANNAH'S HELPING HANDS

Connecticut, 1779

J Fiction (2-5 gr.) c1999

In 1779 in Fairfield, Connecticut, Hannah and her family try to maintain a sense of normalcy as the Revolutionary War rages around them, threatening to destroy their way of life.

(Sequel to HANNAH OF FAIRFIELD.)

Van Leeuwen, Jean. HANNAH'S WINTER OF HOPE

Connecticut, 1780

J Fiction (2-5 gr.) c2000

In 1780 in Fairfield, Connecticut, Hannah worries about her brother Ben, a colonial soldier being held prisoner by the British, and joins her family in rebuilding their home and preparing for Ben's homecoming.

(Sequel to HANNAH'S HELPING HANDS.)

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