

Antarctic, Arctic, Australia, and Oceania

Chapter Books (J Fiction) --- Grades 3-8

[ESCAPE FROM DISASTER](#)

Series Title: [Antarctica #2](#)

by Lerangis, Peter

When the ship of a secret American expedition to discover the South Pole is frozen in the Antarctic ice in the year 1910, Jack Winslow and his sons are forced to make a daring rescue attempt at the risk of their own lives.

[ICE DRIFT](#)

by Taylor, Theodore

In 1848, two Inuit brothers must fend for themselves while stranded on an ice floe that is adrift in the Greenland Strait (Arctic Circle.)

[ICEBERG HERMIT](#)

by Roth, Arthur

Shipwrecked in 1757 on an iceberg in the Arctic seas with only an orphaned polar cub for companionship, 17-year-old Allan begins a seemingly hopeless struggle for survival. Based on a true story.

[JOURNEY TO THE POLE](#)

Series Title: [Antarctica #1](#)

by Lerangis, Peter

In 1909, a secret group of American explorers, including the leader's teenage son and stepson, and their sponsor's nephew, must concede defeat and give up their dreams of reaching the South Pole. Yet going back to civilization isn't nearly as easy as they thought it would be, and so each passing day becomes a battle for survival against the elements.

[KAIULANI: The People's Princess](#)

Series Title: [Royal Diaries](#)

by White, Ellen Emerson

J FICTION WHI

Follows the life of Victoria Kaiulani Cleghorn from 1889 to 1893 as she studies to be a better princess, even as Hawaii's monarchy, and her throne, are being undermined by American businessmen.

[LEIF'S SAGA: A VIKING TALE](#)

by Hunt, Jonathan

A Viking boatbuilder tells his daughter the story of Leif Ericson's voyage to and discovery of North America.

[MINUK: Ashes in the Pathway](#)

Series Title: [Girls of Many Lands](#)

by Hill, Kirkpatrick

J FICTION HIL

12-year-old Minuk's traditional Eskimo way of life is changed forever in 1892 with the arrival of Christian missionaries.

[SHACKLETON'S STOWAWAY](#)

by McKernan, Victoria

A fictionalized account of the adventures of 18-year-old Perce Blackborow, who stowed away for the 1914 Shackleton Antarctic expedition and, after their ship Endurance was crushed by ice, endured many hardships, including the loss of the toes of his left foot to frostbite, during the nearly two-year return journey across sea and ice.

[YEAR OF MISS AGNES](#)

by Hill, Kirkpatrick

10-year-old Fred (short for Frederika) narrates the story of school and village life among the Athapascans in Alaska during 1948 when Miss Agnes arrived as the new teacher. NOTE: Alaska became a state in 1959.

Books for Teens (YA Fiction)

[ABDUCTION](#)

by Newth, Mette

YA FICTION NEW

Based on an actual kidnapping of Inuit Eskimos by European traders in the 17th century, this novel tells the story of the abduction of two Inuit Eskimos who are taken to Norway and are treated as animals by their captors.

[COLD SKIN](#)

by Herrick, Steven

YOUNG ADULT FICTION HER

In a rural Australian coal mining town shortly after World War II, teenaged Eddie makes a startling discovery when he investigates the murder of a local high school girl.

[EARLY SUNDAY MORNING](#)

Series Title: [Dear America](#)

by Denenberg, Barry

J FICTION DEN

Subtitle: The Pearl Harbor Diary of Amber Billows, Hawaii, 1941 In her diary, 12-year-old Amber describes moving to Hawaii in 1941 and experiencing the horror of the bombing of Pearl Harbor.