

Black History Bibliography 2023 Sorted by Call Number

- 081 HUD Hudson, Wade. Powerful words : more than 200 years of extraordinary writing by African Americans. New York : Scholastic, c2004.
Presents excerpts from the speeches and writings of over thirty notable African-Americans from colonial times to the twenty-first century, and includes commentary about the time period in which each person lived, information about the speaker/writer, and notes on the public response to the words.
- 081 VOI Voices of the dream : African-American women speak. San Francisco : Chronicle Books, c1995.
Quotations by notable African-American women are accompanied by reproductions of paintings, drawings, and mixed-media art works by contemporary African American women artists.
- 305.5 HAN Hansen, Joyce. Breaking ground, breaking silence : the story of New York's African burial ground. 1st ed. New York : Henry Holt, 1998.
Describes the discovery and study of the African burial site found in Manhattan in 1991, while excavating for a new building, and what it reveals about the lives of African-American people in Colonial times.
- 305.89 ARE Aretha, David. Black power. 1st ed. Greensboro, NC : Morgan Reynolds Pub., c2012.
Traces the development of the Black Power movement of the 1960s and 1970s, discussing how the movement stirred strong emotions among the African-American and white communities and how it influenced the fight for equal rights in America.
- 305.896 BUT Butler, Sana. Sugar of the crop : my journey to find the children of slaves. Guilford, CT : Lyons Press, c2009.
Explores the lives of the children whose parents were African slaves freed from the American Civil War, and describes how their experiences were similar to other immigrants and became the foundation for the civil rights movement of the twentieth century.
- 306.3 LES Lester, Julius. From slave ship to freedom road. 1st ed. New York : Dial Books, c1998.
Presents the author's meditations on twenty paintings by artist Rod Brown, designed to encourage reflection on the hardships faced by African-American slaves until their emancipation.
- 323 KIN King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1929-1968. A call to conscience : the landmark speeches of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. New York : Intellectual Properties Management, Inc. in association with Warner Books, c2001.
Presents eleven of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s most famous speeches, with introductions written by individuals such as Rosa Parks, the Dalai Lama, and Ted Kennedy.
- 323.092 EDW Edwards, Pamela Duncan. The bus ride that changed history : the story of Rosa Parks. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 2005.
A cumulative narrative tells the story of Rosa Parks, an African-American woman who sparked the civil rights movement when she refused to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama, for a white man.
- 323.092 LEW Lewis, John, 1940 February 21-. March. Oversized hardcover ed. Marietta, GA : Top Shelf Productions, [2016].
Presents in graphic novel format events from the life of Georgia congressman John Lewis, focusing on

his youth in rural Alabama, his meeting with Martin Luther King Jr., and the birth of the Nashville Student Movement.

- 323.1 DUN Dunn, John M., 1949-. The civil rights movement. San Diego, CA : Lucent Books, c1998.
A historical overview of the movement for freedom and equality for blacks in the United States.
- 323.1 FRE Freedman, Russell. Freedom walkers : the story of the Montgomery bus boycott. 1st ed. New York : Holiday House, c2006.
Presents the story of the Montgomery bus boycott and the key persons and events that contributed to the year-long struggle for equal rights on Montgomery's city buses.
- 323.1 HAR Harmon, Rod. American civil rights leaders. Berkeley Heights, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c2000.
Profiles prominent men and women of the civil rights movement, including Charles Houston, Ella Baker, Thurgood Marshall, Rosa Parks, Fannie Lou Hamer, Malcolm X, Martin Luther King, Jr., Andrew Young, Julian Bond, and Jesse Jackson.
- 323.1 HEN Henry, Christopher E. Forever free : from the Emancipation Proclamation to the Civil Rights Bill of 1875, 1863-1875. New York : Chelsea House, c1995.
Focuses on the African American experience between 1863 to 1875.
- 323.1 LEW Bausum, Ann. Freedom riders : John Lewis and Jim Zwerg on the front lines of the Civil Rights Movement. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic, c2006.
Black America -- White America -- Common ground -- Early rides -- Blood brothers -- Rolling on -- Separate paths -- Toward one America -- Partial roster of Riders -- Chronology. Recounts the freedom ride of John Lewis and Jim Zwerg into the South in 1961 as part of the Civil Rights Movement.
- 323.11 ADA Adamson, Heather. The civil rights movement : an interactive history adventure. Mankato, MN : Capstone Press, 2009.
A world divided -- The Little Rock Nine -- Riding for freedom -- Bombingham, 1963 -- The battle for equality. Describes the people and events of the U.S civil rights movement. The reader's choices reveal the historical details from the perspectives of a Little Rock resident, a Freedom Rider, and a Birmingham protester.
- 323.11 BOW Bowers, Rick, 1952-. Spies of Mississippi : the true story of the spy network that tried to destroy the civil rights movement. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic, c2010.
Chronicles how the Mississippi State Sovereignty Commission attempted to halt racial integration in the 1950s and 1960s through an extensive propaganda effort to label civil rights leaders and their followers as communists.
- 323.11 FRE Fremon, David K. The Jim Crow laws and racism in American history. Berkeley Heights, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c2000.
Traces the struggles of African Americans from the end of slavery through the period of Jim Crow segregation in the South, to the civil rights movement and legal equality.
- 323.11 GEO George, Charles, 1949-. Life under the Jim Crow laws. San Diego : Lucent Books, [1999], c2000.
Discusses the background and effects of the Jim Crow laws that were enacted after the Civil War to keep the races segregated.

- 323.11 MCW McWhorter, Diane. A dream of freedom : the Civil Rights movement from 1954 to 1968. New York : Scholastic Nonfiction, c2004.
Examines the rise of the Civil Rights movement in America, the men and women whose lives made an impact in the pursuit of social and political equality, and landmark Supreme Court cases that changed the fabric of American society in the mid-to-late twentieth century.
- 323.11 PAR Partridge, Elizabeth. Marching for freedom : walk together, children, and don't you grow weary. New York : Viking, 2009.
Recounts the three months of protest that took place before Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s landmark march from Selma, Alabama, to Montgomery to promote equal rights and help African-Americans earn the right to vote.
- 323.11 STO Stokes, John A., 1931-. Students on strike : Jim Crow, civil rights, Brown, and me : a memoir. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic, c2008.
Fear makes me hide -- Growing up rich in spirit -- School days -- Life in the Jim Crow South -- Beating the system -- Lessons from Ned -- The sky did not fall -- Separate but never equal -- Our Manhattan project -- There's a riot at the school -- Taking care of business -- Don't give up -- Uncharted waters -- A skittish night -- Cover me -- Davis v. County School Board of Prince Edward County -- Massive resistance -- Standing on shoulders. John A. Stokes, one of the leaders of the student strike at R. R. Morton High School in 1951, describes the conditions in which he and his fellow classmates learned and provides an account of how they fought against segregation.
- 323.11 WOO Woog, Adam, 1953-. The fight renewed : the civil rights movement. Detroit : Lucent Books ;, c2006.
The roots of the civil rights movement -- Postwar progress -- Victories in Montgomery and Little Rock -- Sit-ins and freedom rides -- Birmingham, Selma, and Washington, D.C. -- Black power rises. Examines the civil rights movement of the twentieth century, and discusses Jim Crow laws and segregation, desegregation of the schools, sit-in's and freedom rides, the march on Washington, and more.
- 323.119 LEV Levinson, Cynthia. We've got a job : the 1963 Birmingham Children's March. 1st ed. Atlanta : Peachtree, c2012.
Discusses the 1963 Birmingham Children's March in Birmingham, Alabama.
- 323.4 KIN King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1929-1968. The words of Martin Luther King, Jr. New York : Newmarket Press, c1987.
Selections from Dr. King's speeches and writings illustrating his vision, his passion, and his faith.
- 324.62 QUI Quinn, Barbara, 1974-. Understanding your right to vote. 1st ed. New York : Rosen Pub., c2012.
How the right to vote affects you -- Giving African Americans the right to vote -- Giving women the right to vote -- Giving young people the right to vote -- The struggle over the right to vote continues. Presents a historical guide that follows some pioneers through history as they struggled, worked, protested, and won their rights to vote as American citizens. Not only does it preserve these great moments in history, it gives modern voters a reason to get out and vote.
- 355 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. African American military heroes. New York : John Wiley, c1998.
Presents information about the lives and careers of thirty African-American military heroes who served the United States from the Revolutionary War to Desert Storm.

- 364.15 RIB Ribeiro, Myra. The assassination of Medgar Evers. 1st ed. New York : Rosen Pub. Group, 2002. Chronicles the events surrounding the assassination of civil rights leader Medgar Evers in 1963.
- 371.1 COX Cox, Clinton. African American teachers. New York : John Wiley & Sons, c2000. Presents profiles of twenty-five African-American scholars and educators from throughout history, grouped in four sections, including the early years, the Civil War years and Reconstruction, the new century, and modern times.
- 398.2 FAU Faulkner, William J. The days when the animals talked : Black American folktales and how they came to be. Trenton, NJ : Africa World Press, c1993. Presents more than twenty African-American folktales featuring the escapades of Brer Rabbit and more than ten tales describing the lives of African-American slaves.
- 398.2 HAM Hamilton, Virginia, 1936-2002. Her stories : African American folktales, fairy tales, and true tales. New York : Blue Sky Press/Scholastic, c1995. A collection of twenty tales which present the history and lore of African American women.
- 398.2 HAR Harris, Joel Chandler, 1848-1908. The favorite Uncle Remus. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, c1975. Contains some of the best-loved stories, songs, and sayings from Uncle Remus.
- 500 YOU Yount, Lisa. Black scientists. New York : Facts on File, 1991. Profiles African Americans who made important contributions to science despite racial prejudice and institutional barriers to black education and achievement.
- 609 SUL Sullivan, Otha Richard, 1941-. African American inventors. New York : Wiley, c1998. Profiles the lives of twenty-five African-American inventors who made significant scientific contributions from the eighteenth century to modern times.
- 609.2 AAS Aaseng, Nathan. Black inventors. New York : Facts on File, c1997. Contains profiles of the lives and achievements of ten African-American inventors from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, including Garrett Morgan, the creator of the gas mask and traffic signal, Elijah McCoy, the holder of over sixty patents, and Sarah Walker, a beauty product mogul.
- 610.92 COX Cox, Clinton. African American healers. New York : John Wiley & Sons, c2000. Profiles over thirty notable African Americans in the health field, including Civil War nurse Susie King Taylor, Dr. Charles Drew, father of the blood bank, and young pioneering surgeon Ben Carson.
- 617.4 YOU Yount, Lisa. Alfred Blalock, Helen Taussig & Vivien Thomas : mending children's hearts. New York : Chelsea House, c2012. Recounts the lives and careers of three medical pioneers--Alfred Blalock, Helen Taussig, and Vivien Thomas, who together created an operation that saved thousands of children born with heart defects, and also made surgeons realize that surgery on living hearts was possible.
- 629.45 BUR Burns, Khephra. Black stars in orbit : NASA's African American astronauts. 1st ed. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, c1995. Story of the first three African Americans to journey into space and the others who have followed them and taken their place in the forefront of space exploration and discovery.

- 641.59 HOL Holland, Tanya. New soul cooking : updating a cuisine rich in flavor and tradition. New York : Stewart, Tabori & Chang, c2003.
A collection of recipes for dishes inspired by the cuisine of the Caribbean, Brazil, and the American South.
- 700.92 HAR Hardy, P. Stephen. Extrordinary people of the Harlem Renaissance. New York : Children's Press, c2000.
Looks at the many artists, photographers, choreographers, musicians, composers, poets, writers, and other creative people who made Harlem such an amazing place in the 1920s and 1930s.
- 780 IGU Igus, Toyomi. I see the rhythm. San Francisco, CA : Children's Book Press ;, c1998.
Chronicles and captures poetically the history, mood, and movement of African-American music.
- 780 SOU Southern, Eileen. The music of black Americans : a history. 3rd ed. New York : Norton, c1997.
Narrative history of African-American music, examining performers, composers, and genres.
- 780 TAT Tate, Eleanora E. African American musicians. New York : J. Wiley, c2000.
Presents biographical profiles of African Americans, both legendary and less well-known, who have made significant contributions to music in the United States over the past 200 years.
- 781.62 Woo Woog, Adam, 1953-. The history of American folk music. Detroit : Lucent Books ;, c2006.
British folk in the new world -- African-American roots -- New and different voices -- Folk goes national -- The folk revival begins -- The folk boom -- Recent developments. Presents a history and development of American folk music including slave music and spirituals, the Blues, Cajun music, cowboy songs, minstrels, and country western.
- 781.65 LEE Lee, Jeanne. Jam! : the story of jazz music. 1st ed. New York : Rosen, 1999.
Describes the history and development of jazz music in America from its roots in Africa to the contemporary music scene.
- 793.3 MED Medearis, Angela Shelf, 1956-. Dance. New York : Twenty-First Century Books, 1997.
Explores the dance traditions of African-Americans, from their origins in the expressive dances that the slaves brought from Africa through the development of jazz and tap to modern dance and ballet.
- 796.332 CRU Cruz, Victor, 1986-. Out of the blue. Young reader's ed. New York, N.Y. : Celebra Children's Books, [2013].
American football wide receiver Victor Cruz discusses the challenges he overcame and the people who supported him throughout his life.
- 796.357 GIL Gilbert, Thomas W. Baseball and the color line. New York : Franklin Watts, c1995.
Traces the influence of race on baseball before and after 1946, when the sport was no longer segregated, highlighting the achievements of several African American players such as Bud Fowler and Fleet Walker.
- 796.357 GOL Golenbock, Peter, 1946-. Teammates. 1st ed. San Diego : Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, c1990.
Describes the racial prejudice experienced by Jackie Robinson when he joined the Brooklyn Dodgers and became the first black player in Major League baseball and depicts the acceptance and support he received from his white teammate Pee Wee Reese.

- 796.42 MAL Malaspina, Ann, 1957-. Touch the sky : Alice Coachman, Olympic high jumper. Chicago : Albert Whitman, 2012.
A biography of the first black woman to win an Olympic gold medal, from her childhood in segregated Albany, Georgia, in the 1930s, through her recognition at the 1996 Olympics as one of the hundred best athletes in Olympic history.
- 796.83 SMI Smith, Charles R., 1969-. Black Jack : the ballad of Jack Johnson. 1st ed. New York : Roaring Brook Press, 2010.
Art and poetry combine to tell the story of boxer Jack Johnson, who became the first African-American world heavyweight boxing champion in the early part of the twentieth century.
- 810.8 AFR African-American voices. Brookfield, Conn. : Millbrook Press, c1995.
A collection of writings by such authors as W.E.B. DuBois, Toni Morrison, Rita Dove, Richard Wright, and Ralph Ellison, exploring the connections of circle, veil, water, and song that link past and present African American cultures.
- 810.9 WIL Wilkinson, Brenda Scott. African American women writers. New York : John Wiley & Sons, c2000.
Discusses the lives and work of such notable African American women authors as: Phillis Wheatley, Ida B. Wells-Barnett, Zora Neale Hurston, Gwendolyn Brooks, Nikki Giovanni, and Terry McMillan.
- 811 ANG Angelou, Maya. I shall not be moved. 1st ed. New York : Random House, c1990.
A collection of poetry describing the pain and triumph of being black and telling of history and heartbreak and love.
- 811 BOO The book of American Negro poetry. Rev. ed. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, [1983], c1931.
Collection of poetry by African-Americans such as Arna Bontemps, Langston Hughes, and others that includes prefaces and critical notes on the poets.
- 811 CHE Cheng, Andrea. Etched in clay : the life of Dave, enslaved potter and poet. 1st ed. New York : Lee & Low Books, c2013.
A biography, written in verse, that explores the life of a South Carolina slave named Dave, who became skilled at turning pots and jars on a pottery wheel, reading, and writing, and went on to use these skills to speak out against slavery.
- 811 HUG Hughes, Langston, 1902-1967. The collected poems of Langston Hughes. 1st ed. New York : Knopf :, 1994.
A complete collection of Hughes's poetry spanning five decades, from the 1920s through the 1960s.
- 811 HUG Hughes, Langston, 1902-1967. Langston Hughes. New ed. New York : Sterling Children's Books, 2013, c2006.
An illustrated collection of twenty-six poems by noted African-American poet Langston Hughes, and contains a detailed introduction and biography, as well as brief notes accompanying each poem.
- 811 JOH Johnson, Angela. The other side : shorter poems. New York : Orchard Books, c1998.
A collection of poems reminiscent of growing up as an African-American girl in Shorter, Alabama.

- 811 MY My Black me : a beginning book of Black poetry. Rev. ed. New York : Dutton, c1994.
A compilation of poems reflecting thoughts on being African-American by such authors as Langston Hughes, Lucille Clifton, Nikki Giovanni, and Imamu Amiri Baraka.
- 811 NEL Nelson, Marilyn, 1946-. Carver, a life in poems. Asheville, N.C. : Front Street, c2001.
A collection of poems that combine to provide a portrait of the life of nineteenth-century African-American botanist and inventor George Washington Carver.
- 811 NEL Nelson, Marilyn, 1946-. The freedom business. Honesdale, Pa. : Wordsong, 2008.
A collection of poems by Marilyn Nelson, accompanied by prose by African slave Venture Smith and watercolor painting by Deborah Dancy.
- 811 NEL Nelson, Marilyn, 1946-. A wreath for Emmett Till. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, c2005.
This illustrated poetry collection eulogizes Emmett Till, an African American man who was killed in a brutal, racially motivated lynching in 1955.
- 811 WEA Weatherford, Carole Boston, 1956-. Birmingham, 1963. 1st ed. Honesdale, Pa. : Wordsong, c2007.
Free verse tells the story of September 15, 1963, when members of the Ku Klux Klan planted dynamite under the back steps of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church.
- 811 WRI Wright, Richard, 1908-1960. Haiku : this other world. New York : Arcade Pub., 1998.
A collection of 817 haiku written by African-American author Richard Wright during the last eighteen months of his life, in which he focuses on man's relationship to nature and the natural world.
- 811.54 CHR Adoff, Arnold. Roots and blues : a celebration. New York : Clarion Books, 2011.
Lyrical text explores how Blues have been part of everyday life throughout history, from its origins in the sounds of the earth, through slaves' voices singing of freedom, to today's greatest performers--and listeners.
- 811.54 NEL Nelson, Marilyn, 1946-. Fortune's bones : the manumission requiem. 1st ed. Asheville, NC : Front Street, c2004.
A series of poems on the life of Fortune, an eighteenth-century African-American slave in New England whose skeleton came to be an exhibit at Connecticut's Mattatuck Museum; includes notes and archival photos.
- 910 REE Reef, Catherine. Black explorers. New York : Facts on File, c1996.
Esteban -- Jean Baptiste Pointe du Sable -- James Beckwourth -- Charles Young -- Matthew Henson -- Albert Jose Jones -- Guion S. Bluford -- Mae C. Jemison. Profiles eight black explorers, ranging from pioneers of the 1700s to people working today.
- 920 GRE Greenfield, Eloise. Childtimes : a three-generation memoir. 1st ed. New York : Crowell, 1979.
Childhood memoirs of three black women--grandmother, mother, and daughter-who grew up between the 1880's and the 1950's.
- 920 LOM Lommel, Cookie. The history of rap music. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c2001.
Traces the development of rap music from origins in the hip hop of the 1970s through various controversies to its widespread popularity in the 1990s.

- 920 SMI Smith, Matthew Jordan. Sepia dreams : a celebration of Black achievement through words and images. 1st ed. New York : St. Martin's Press, 2001.
Presents photographs of and short essays by fifty African-American celebrities, each discussing a personal quality or topic, such as ambition, integrity, mothers and mentors, and patience.
- 920 TUR Turner, Glennette Tilley. Follow in their footsteps. New York : Puffin Books, 1999, c1997.
Brief biographies of ten African-Americans including C.G. Woodson, Dorothy Height, Thurgood Marshall, Charlemae Rollins, and Alex Haley with a skit about each to be acted out.
- 929 HAL Haley, Alex. Roots. New York : Dell, [1977], c1976.
A black American traces his family's origins back to the African who was brought to America as a slave in 1767.
- 959.7 CAN Canwell, Diane. African Americans in the Vietnam War. Milwaukee, WI : World Almanac Library, 2005.
Discusses the role of African-Americans in the Vietnam War and considers issues of equality and discrimination as they became part of the first fully integrated fighting units in U.S. history.
- 960 KLE Kleinman, Joseph, 1948-. Life on an African slave ship. San Diego : Lucent, c2001.
Describes the history of the slave trade, focusing on the journey to America aboard slave ships.
- 970 VAN Van Sertima, Ivan. They came before Columbus. 1st ed. New York : Random House, c1976.
Examines of the facts of navigation, shipbuilding, cultural analogies, and other sources to confirm the presence of Black Africans in Ancient America.
- 973 HAN Hansen, Joyce. "Bury me not in a land of slaves" : African-Americans in the time of Reconstruction. New York : F. Watts, c2000.
An account of African-American life in the period of Reconstruction following the Civil War, based on first-person narratives, contemporary documents, and other historical sources.
- 973 HAS Haskins, James, 1941-. African American entrepreneurs. New York : J. Wiley & Sons, c1998.
Profiles a variety of African-American entrepreneurs, from the early years, through the Civil War and Reconstruction, to modern times.
- 973 KAL Kallen, Stuart A., 1955-. A history of free Blacks in America. Detroit : Lucent Books :, c2006.
Free Blacks in the countryside -- Working in the city -- Out on the western frontier -- Serving their country -- Intellectuals, inventors, and innovators -- Fighting slavery in word and deed. Examines the plight of pre-Civil War African-Americans who were freemen, and describes the laws and restrictions placed upon them in the mid-seventeenth century and the roles they played in American society.
- 973 PAL Palmer, Colin A., 1942-. The first passage : Blacks in the Americas, 1502-1617. New York : Oxford University Press, c1995.
Chronicles the experiences of the first Africans in the New World and the roles they played in the new societies.
- 973 TIM Perseverance. Alexandria, Va : Time-Life Books, c1993.
Text, illustrations, and photographs discuss the fundamental role that African Americans have played in the making of the American republic.

- 973.04 BUR Burgan, Michael. African Americans. Chanhassen, MN : Child's World, c2004.
Few by choice -- Slave life -- Struggles of a free people -- Contributions in many fields -- Glossary terms -- Timeline. Describes African-American history and culture and the ways African-Americans have shaped American culture as a whole, and includes photos, a time line, a glossary, and a further resource list.
- 973.04 FRA Fradin, Judith Bloom. 5000 miles to freedom : Ellen and William Craft's flight from slavery. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic, c2006.
Ellen and William Craft were two of the few slaves to ever escape from the Deep South. Their first escape took them to Philadelphia, then on to Boston pursued by slave hunters, and finally 5000 miles across the ocean to England, where they were able to settle peacefully.
- 973.0496 CAN Cantor, George, 1941-. Historic landmarks of Black America. Detroit : Gale Research, c1991.
A state-by-state tour of monuments, museums, and sites important to African-American history.
- 973.0496 HOR Hornsby, Alton. Chronology of African American history : from 1492 to the present. 2nd. ed. Detroit : Gale, c1997.
Out of Africa (1492 to 1769) -- Building a nation (1770 to 1859) -- War and freedom (1860 to 1889) -- Separate but equal (1890 to 1949) -- The Civil rights and Black power -- Toward a Black agenda. Focuses on the events and the people who have shaped the history of African-Americans from the year 1492 to the present.
- 973.2 BRO Brown, Gene. Discovery and settlement : Europe meets the New World, 1490-1700. 1st ed. New York : Twenty-First Century Books, c1993.
Presents primary source materials related to the discovery and settlement of America and daily life in the colonies, including the experiences of Native Americans, African Americans, and women.
- 973.2 TAY Taylor, Alan, 1955-. American colonies. New York : Viking, 2001.
The first in a five-volume history of the United States, covering a period that ranges from 13,000 B.C. to 1820, looking at how the intermingling cultures, people, plants, and animals of England, Spain, Russia, France, and the Netherlands, as well as African slaves and Native Americans, influenced the development of the American colonies.
- 973.3 DAV Davis, Burke, 1913-. Black heroes of the American Revolution. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, [1992], c1976.
An account of the black soldiers, sailors, spies, scouts, guides, and wagoners who participated and sacrificed in the struggle for American independence.
- 973.7 BRO Brooks, Victor. African Americans in the Civil War. Philadelphia : Chelsea House Publishers, c2000.
Relates the experiences of Black soldiers who fought in the Union Army as well as of those who fought with the Confederate forces during the Civil War.
- 973.7 HAM Hamilton, Virginia, 1936-2002. Many thousand gone : African Americans from slavery to freedom. New York : Knopf :, 1993.
Recounts the journey of Black slaves to freedom via the underground railroad, an extended group of people who helped fugitive slaves in many ways.

- 973.7 KEN Kennedy, Robert Francis, 1954-. Robert Smalls : the boat thief. 1st ed. New York : Hyperion Books for Children, c2008.
"Robert Smalls was a true American patriot. Despite the burdens America laid upon him, he loved our country. He believed in the "inherent justice" of American democracy and in the principles espoused in the Declaration of Independence"--Afterword.
- 973.7 KIN King, Wilma, 1942-. Children of the emancipation. Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c2000.
Explains how the nearly four million slaves and nearly half a million free blacks gained freedom and basic rights as citizens, following Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation.
- 973.7 SLA Slave narratives : the journey to freedom. New York : Franklin Watts, c2001.
Austin Steward -- Louis Hughes -- Bethany Veney -- James L. Smith. Contains excerpts from four slave narratives that provide insight into what life was like for African-Americans before, during, and after the Civil War.
- 973.7 SLA Slavery time when I was chillun. New York : Putnam, c1997.
Twelve oral histories of former slaves selected from the more than 2000 interviewed as part of the Slave Narratives of the Library of Congress for the Works Progress Administration in 1936.
- 973.7 TAC Tackach, James. The Emancipation Proclamation : abolishing slavery in the South. San Diego, Calif. : Lucent Books, 1999.
Discusses slavery as a cause of the American Civil War and examines the events surrounding Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation and the impact of this declaration on the course of the war and the institution of slavery.
- 973.923 KAL Kallen, Stuart A., 1955-. Life in America during the 1960s. San Diego, CA : Lucent Books, c2001.
Discusses life in 1960s America, including prosperity, baby boomers, African-Americans, Vietnam protesters, and the changing role of women.
- 974.7 KOO Koopmans, Andy. The Harlem Renaissance. Detroit : Lucent Books :, c2006.
Harlem, city of hope -- The "New Negro" movement -- Ushering in the Renaissance -- Voices of the Renaissance -- Harlemania -- Decline and legacy. Presents a short study of the Renaissance Era in Harlem during the early twentieth century when African-American literature, art, and music crossed racial barriers and were accepted by white Americans.
- 975 BIA Bial, Raymond. The strength of these arms : life in the slave quarters. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 1997.
Describes how slaves were able to preserve some elements of their African heritage despite the often brutal treatment they experienced on Southern plantations.
- 975 KAT Katz, William Loren. Breaking the chains : African-American slave resistance. 1st ed. New York : Atheneum, c1990.
Describes slavery in the United States, the harsh conditions under which slaves lived, the active and passive resistance with which they fought for their rights, the revolts, and the involvement of slaves in the Civil War.

- 975.8 ONJ On Jordan's stormy banks : personal accounts of slavery in Georgia. Winston-Salem, N.C. : John F. Blair, c2000.
A collection of personal narratives from twenty-eight former Georgia slaves.
- 978 GLA Glaser, Jason. The Buffalo soldiers and the American West. Mankato, Minn. : Capstone Press, c2006.
Presents a short history of the Buffalo Soldiers of the American West written in graphic novel format, and focuses on the African-Americans who fought against Native Indians and helped to protect the United States frontier.
- 978 MIL Miller, Robert H. (Robert Henry), 1944-. Pioneers. East Orange, NJ : Just Us Books, 2006.
Profiles five African American pioneers of the American West: York, Ed "Cut Nose" Rose, Alvin Coffey, Biddy Mason, and George Monroe.
- B AAR Aaron, Hank, 1934-. I had a hammer : the Hank Aaron story. New York, NY : HarperPapaerbacks, 1992, c1991.
The legenday major league star discusses his family life and friendships, the difficulties of being an African-American, his teammates; including Clemente, Campanella, Mays, Musial, and Robinson, and his shattering of Baby Ruth's home run record.
- B AAR Rennert, Richard Scott, 1956-. Henry Aaron. New York : Chelsea House, c1993.
Biography of baseball player Henry Aaron from his childhood to his climb to the top of the baseball world.
- B ABD Borrello, Helen A. Kareem Abdul Jabbar. New York : Chelsea House Publishers, c1995.
Photographs and text present a biography of the National Basketball Association's all-time leading defensive rebounder and scorer, who was born Lew Alcindor.
- B ALI Myers, Walter Dean. The greatest : Muhammad Ali. New York : Scholastic, 2001.
A biography of the controversial boxer, Muhammad Ali.
- B ALI Stout, Glenn, 1958-. Muhammad Ali. 1st ed. New York : Little, Brown, c2005.
A biography of Muhammad Ali which emphasizes the famous matches in which he boxed.
- B AND Freedman, Russell. The voice that challenged a nation : Marian Anderson and the struggle for equal rights. New York : Clarion Books, c2004.
Easter Sunday, April 9, 1939 -- Twenty-five cents a song -- A voice in a thousand -- Marian fever -- Banned by the DAR -- Singing to the nation -- Breaking barriers -- "What I had was singing.". Tells the life story of singer Marian Anderson, describing her famous 1939 Lincoln Memorial performance and explaining how she helped end segregation in the American arts after being refused the right to perform at Washington's Constitution Hall because of the color of her skin.
- B ANG Angelou, Maya. I know why the caged bird sings. 2002 ed. New York : Random House, 2002.
Poet Maya Angelou chronicles her early life, focusing on her childhood in 1930s rural Arkansas, including her rape at the age of five, her subsequent years of muteness, and the strength she gained from her grandmother and Mrs. Bertha Flowers, a respected African-American woman in her town.
- B ANG Raatma, Lucia. Maya Angelou : writer and documentary filmmaker. Chicago : Ferguson, c2000.
A biography of twentieth-century African-American author, poet, journalist, teacher, activist, and

documentary filmmaker Maya Angelou; also includes information on becoming a professional writer or film director.

- B ASH Cunningham, Kevin, 1966-. Arthur Ashe : athlete and activist. Chanhassen, MN : Child's World, c2005.
A biography of Black tennis star and activist Arthur Ashe.
- B ATT Millender, Dharathula H. Crispus Attucks : Black leader of colonial patriots. 1st Aladdin Paperbacks ed. New York : Aladdin Paperbacks, 1986.
Focuses on the youth of the Massachusetts slave who, after joining the colonial patriots in their struggle for freedom, was the first man to die in the American Revolution.
- B BAK Schroeder, Alan. Josephine Baker. New York : Chelsea House, c1991.
Biography of the African-American singer and dancer who achieved fame in Paris in the 1920s and was awarded the French Legion of Honor for her work during World War II.
- B BAL Tackach, James. James Baldwin. San Diego : Lucent Books, c1997.
Discusses the life of James Baldwin, his activism in civil rights, and the importance of his writings.
- B BAN Litwin, Laura Baskes. Benjamin Banneker : astronomer and mathematician. Berkeley Heights, N.J. : Enslow, c1999.
A biography of the eighteenth-century African-American who taught himself mathematics and astronomy and helped survey what would become Washington, D.C.
- B BAT Fradin, Judith Bloom. The power of one : Daisy Bates and the Little Rock Nine. New York : Clarion Books, c2004.
Presents a biography of Daisy Bates, examining her accomplishments as a civil rights activist, journalist, and organizer, and discussing her role as mentor to the nine African-American students who integrated Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1957.
- B BLU Jeffrey, Laura S. Guion Bluford : a space biography. Springfield, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c1998.
A biography of the first African American astronaut, Guion Bluford, Jr., who flew aboard the Challenger space shuttle in 1983.
- B BON Jordan, Denise. Julian Bond : civil rights activist and chairman of the NAACP. Berkeley Heights, NJ : Enslow, c2001.
A biography of the African-American activist and politician who has been on the cutting edge of civil rights reform since the 1960's.
- B BON Savage, Jeff, 1961-. Barry Bonds : record breaker. Minneapolis : Lerner Publications, c2002.
A biography of the power hitter for the San Francisco Giants who in 2001 broke Mark McGwire's single-season home run record and earned his fourth Most Valuable Player award.
- B BUN Schraff, Anne E. Ralph Bunche : winner of the Nobel Peace Prize. Springfield, NJ : Enslow, c1999.
Discusses the personal and professional life of the statesman and diplomat who was one of the founders of the United Nations and who received the Nobel Prize for his peacemaking efforts.

- B CAR Adair, Gene. George Washington Carver. New York : Chelsea House, c1989.
A biography of the African-American man whose scientific research revolutionized the economy of the South.
- B COL Hart, Philip S. Up in the air : the story of Bessie Coleman. Minneapolis : Carolrhoda Books, c1996.
Presents the story of Bessie Coleman, an American, who in 1920 traveled to France to become the first African-American woman to earn a pilot's license.
- B COS Herbert, Solomon J. Bill Cosby. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c1999.
Examines the life and show business career of Bill Cosby.
- B COU Jaffe, Nina. A voice for the people : the life and work of Harold Courlander. 1st ed. New York : Henry Holt and Company, 1997.
A biography of the folklorist and novelist who recorded the traditional songs and stories of the people of Haiti, the Hopi Indians, and black communities in the South, connecting the African-American traditions to the cultures of Africa.
- B CRA Jurmain, Suzanne. The forbidden schoolhouse : the true and dramatic story of Prudence Crandall and her students. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 2005.
Chronicles the life and struggles of Prudence Crandall who, in the 1830s closed her all-white boarding school for girls in Canterbury, Connecticut, and began admitting African-American students; and describes the intense opposition from the townspeople.
- B CRA Lemke, Donald B. The brave escape of Ellen and William Craft. Mankato, Minn. : Capstone Press, c2006.
Presents a short history of the brave escape by slaves Ellen and William Craft in 1848, written in graphic novel format, and focuses on how the light-skinned Ellen disguised herself as a white slave owner while William posed as her slave in order to flee bondage in Georgia.
- B DAV Davis, Mo'ne. Mo'ne Davis : remember my name : my story from first pitch to game changer. 1st ed. New York, NY : Harper, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, [2015].
Looks at the life of Little League Baseball pitcher Mo'ne Davis.
- B DEV Gutman, Bill. Gail Devers. Austin, Tex. : Raintree Steck-Vaughn, c1996.
The story of the courageous woman who overcame a debilitating illness to go on to become an Olympic gold medalist in track and field events.
- B DOU Adler, David A. Frederick Douglass : a noble life. 1st ed. New York : Holiday House, c2010.
Chronicles the life of Frederick Douglass, discussing his years as a slave, escape to freedom, acclaim as a famous orator, journalist, and presidential advisor, work as an abolitionist, and other related topics.
- B DOU Douglass, Frederick, 1818-1895. Narrative of the life of Frederick Douglass : an American slave. New York : Signet Classic, [1997].
An autobiographical account by the runaway slave Frederick Douglass that chronicles his experiences with his owners and overseers, and discusses how slavery affected both slaves and slaveholders.

- B DU Randolph, Ryan P. W.E.B. Du Bois : the fight for civil rights. 1st ed. New York : PowerPlus Books, c2005.
A biography of the writer who pioneered modern urban sociology and helped found the NAACP.
- B ELI Halasa, Malu. Elijah Muhammad. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c1990.
A biography of a leader of the Black Muslim movement, which combined religious beliefs with strong social protest.
- B FAR De Angelis, Therese. Louis Farrakhan. Philadelphia : Chelsea House Publishers, c1998.
A biography of the African-American who dreamed of a career as a violinist before joining the Nation of Islam and rising in its ranks, eventually becoming its leader.
- B FOR Yates, Elizabeth, 1905-. Amos Fortune, free man. New York : Puffin Books, 1989, c1950.
The life of the eighteenth-century African prince who, after being captured by slave traders, was brought to Massachusetts where he was a slave until he was able to buy his freedom at the age of sixty.
- B FRA Gourse, Leslie. Aretha Franklin : Lady Soul. New York : F. Watts, c1995.
Explores Aretha Franklin's life and musical development, from her childhood in Detroit to her continued success in the recording industry.
- B GAR Lawler, Mary. Marcus Garvey. New York : Chelsea House, c1988.
A biography of the African-American leader who started a "Back-to-Africa" movement in the United States, believing blacks would never receive justice in countries with a white majority.
- B GLO Blakely, Gloria. Danny Glover. Philadelphia : Chelsea House Publishers, c2001.
- B HAM Wheeler, Jill C., 1964-. Virginia Hamilton. Edina, Minn. : Abdo & Daughters, c1997.
A biography of the children's writer known for her varied novels and interest in black history.
- B HAN McKissack, Pat, 1944-. Young, Black, and determined : a biography of Lorraine Hansberry. 1st ed. New York : Holiday House, c1998.
A biography of the African-American playwright who received great recognition for her work at an early age.
- B HEN Hoena, B. A. Matthew Henson : Arctic adventurer. Mankato, Minn. : Capstone Press, c2006.
Presents a short biography of African-American explorer Matthew Henson written in graphic novel format, and focuses on his attempts to reach the North Pole with Robert Peary in the late nineteenth century.
- B HEN Litwin, Laura Baskes. Matthew Henson : co-discoverer of the North Pole. Berkeley Heights, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c2001.
Examines the life of African-American explorer Matthew Henson, and discusses his role in the discovery of the North Pole in 1909.
- B HUR Fradin, Judith Bloom. Zora! : the life of Zora Neale Hurston. Boston : Clarion Books, 2012.
A biography of African American author Zora Neale Hurston.

- B HUR Witcover, Paul. Zora Neale Hurston. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c1991.
A biography of the African-American writer well-known for her novels and collections of folklore.
- B JAC Orgill, Roxane. Mahalia : a life in gospel music. 1st ed. Cambridge, Mass. : Candlewick Press, 2002.
A biography of Mahalia Jackson, who helped to introduce gospel music to the world and inspired the civil rights workers of the 1960s.
- B JAM Peters, Stephanie True, 1965-. On the court with-- LeBron James. 1st ed. New York : Little Brown and Co. Books for Young Readers, 2008.
A biography of LeBron James, discussing his early days playing basketball in Akron, Ohio, his standout performance with the Cleveland Cavaliers, and his reputation as a team player.
- B JEM Yannuzzi, Della A. Mae Jemison : a space biography. Springfield, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c1998.
Traces the life of the first African-American woman to go into space, from her childhood in Chicago through her astronaut training and first spaceflight to life after working with NASA.
- B JON Swanson, Gloria Borseth. I've got an idea! : the story of Frederick McKinley Jones. Minneapolis : Runestone Press, c1994.
A biography of the black engineer and inventor credited with many inventions, including refrigeration units for trucks and railroad cars, portable X-ray units, and the ticket dispenser.
- B JOR Aaseng, Nathan. Sports great Michael Jordan. Hillside, N.J. : Enslow Publishers, c1992.
A biography of the star player for the Chicago Bulls who led the team to their first ever NBA championship in 1991.
- B JOR Naden, Corinne J. Barbara Jordan : politician. New York, N.Y. : Chelsea House, 1991.
Examines the life and career of the African-American woman from Texas who became a prominent political figure.
- B JOY Burby, Liza N. Jackie Joyner-Kersey : record-breaking runner. record breaking runner. New York : PowerKids Press, 1997.
Dreaming of a better life -- A young runner and jumper -- Jackie tries the pentathlon -- The finest athlete in Illinois -- Jackie meets Bob Kersey -- Training for the heptathlon -- Asthma -- A gold medal at last -- Jackie makes sports history -- The greatest athlete ever. Covers the life and achievements of the record-breaking runner, Jackie Joyner-Kersey.
- B JOY Harrington, Geri. Jackie Joyner-Kersey : champion athlete. New York : Chelsea House Publishers, c1995.
Willing to win -- The early years -- A glimpse of glory -- A whole new world -- Great expectations -- The dream comes true--almost -- The best of times -- As good as it gets. Biography of Jackie Joyner-Kersey, highlighting her fight with asthma and her rise to track and field success.
- B KIN Ching, Jacqueline. The assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. 1st ed. New York : Rosen Pub. Group, 2002.
Examines the life and death of Martin Luther King, Jr., his impact on society, his assassination, and his legacy as a slain African American hero.

- B KIN Haskins, James, 1941-. The life and death of Martin Luther King, Jr. 1st Beech Tree ed. New York : Beech Tree Books, 1992.
A biography of a man who dedicated his life to the cause of civil rights, which also reexamines unanswered questions concerning his assassination.
- B KIN King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1929-1968. The autobiography of Martin Luther King, Jr. New York : IPM in association with Warner Books, c1998.
An autobiography of the Baptist minister Martin Luther King, Jr., compiled and edited from articles, essays, speeches, sermons, letters, and other sources, examining his private and public life and describing his involvement in many important events in the civil rights movement.
- B KIN Medearis, Angela Shelf, 1956-. Dare to dream : Coretta Scott King and the civil rights movement. 1st ed. New York : Lodestar Books, c1994.
The story of Coretta Scott King covering her childhood and her help in leading the civil rights movement.
- B KIN Rhodes, Lisa Renee. Coretta Scott King. Philadelphia : Chelsea House Publishers, c1998.
Biography of Martin Luther King's widow, from her childhood in rural Alabama to her crusade to keep her husband's message of peace and equality alive after his murder in 1968.
- B KIN Shirley, David, 1955-. Every day I sing the blues : the story of B.B. King. New York : F. Watts, c1995.
Traces the life of the dedicated and talented blues musician, from his birth in the Mississippi Delta in 1925 through the early 1990s.
- B LAW Haskins, James, 1941-. Delivering justice : W.W. Law and the fight for civil rights. 1st ed. Cambridge, Mass. : Candlewick Press, 2005.
Biography of W.W. Law, an African American who grew up in Jim Crow era Georgia, to become a Civil Rights activist who valued nonviolence as a means to accomplish equality.
- B LEE Hardy, James Earl. Spike Lee. New York : Chelsea House, c1996.
Provides an overview of the life and works of the African American filmmaker.
- B LYO Bolden, Tonya. Maritcha : a nineteenth-century American girl. New York : Harry N. Abrams, 2005.
Presents the personal memoirs of Maritcha Remond Lyons who was born in nineteenth-century New York City and describes how she and her family escaped to Rhode Island during the 1863 Draft riots and how she overcame prejudice to become the first African-American person to graduate from Providence High School.
- B MAH Darraj, Susan Muaddi. Mary Eliza Mahoney and the legacy of African-American nurses. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c2005.
Boston roots -- Angels of mercy -- Nursing and the Civil War -- Something to prove -- The National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses -- Battling for acceptance -- Integration at last -- Current challenges. Tells the life story of Mary Eliza Mahoney, the first professional African-American nurse in the U.S., and discusses the development of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses and the advances made and challenges faced by African-Americans in nursing since.

- B MAR Aldred, Lisa. Thurgood Marshall. New York : Chelsea House, c1990.
Examines the life of the first black man to be appointed an associate justice of the highest court in the country.
- B MAR Kallen, Stuart A., 1955-. Thurgood Marshall : a dream of justice for all. Edina, Minn. : Abdo and Daughters ;, c1993.
A biography of the first African-American Supreme Court justice, who worked at making civil rights possible for all Americans.
- B MCN Naden, Corinne J. Ronald McNair. New York : Chelsea House, c1991.
A biography of the African-American astronaut who was part of the ill-fated Challenger space shuttle mission that exploded on take-off in January 1986.
- B MFU Paterra, M. Elizabeth. Kweisi Mfume : congressman and NAACP leader. Berkeley Heights, NJ : Enslow, c2001.
Follows the life of the current president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People from the gang-plagued streets of Baltimore, Maryland, to his position of leadership in Congress and among the African-American community.
- B MYE Jordan, Denise. Walter Dean Myers : writer for real teens. Berkeley Heights, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c1999.
Presents the life and career of the African-American author who grew up listening to stories and who carries on the storytelling tradition in his numerous and award-winning books.
- B OBA Devaney, Sherri. Barack Obama. Detroit, Mich. : Lucent Books, c2009.
The first African American President -- A fateful beginning -- The streets of Chicago -- Senator Obama -- Obama and the issues -- The campaign for president -- President Obama. Reveals the story about the life and election of the first African American President of the United States.
- B OBA Marcovitz, Hal. Barack. Broomall, Pa. : Mason Crest Publishers, c2009.
Obama family timeline -- Playing hard to win -- Discovering his roots -- Connecting with the voters -- Preaching change -- Hitting from three-point range. Discusses the life of Barack Obama; from growing up in Hawaii and Indonesia to becoming the President of the United States.
- B OBA Marcovitz, Hal. Michelle. Broomall, Pa. : Mason Crest Publishers, c2009.
Obama family timeline -- Proclaiming victory in Grant Park -- Lawyer from the South Side -- Devoted mother, vigorous campaigner -- The presidential campaign begins -- Preparing for 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue -- Chronology -- Accomplishments & awards -- Glossary. A brief biography of Michelle Obama that chronicles her childhood and heritage, education, marriage, and becoming First Lady of the United States.
- B ONE Unga, Tim. Shaquille O'Neal. New York : Chelsea House, c1996.
A biography focusing on the basketball career of professional athlete Shaquille O'Neal, who was named Player of the Week in his first week of play with the Orlando Magic in 1992.

- B O'NE Temple, Bob. Shaquille O'Neal. Chanhassen, MN : Child's World, c2001.
Photographs and text provide information about the life and career of basketball star Shaquille O'Neal. Includes a time line, glossary, and index.
- B OWE Gentry, Tony. Jesse Owens. New York : Chelsea House, c1990.
A biography of the track and field star who won three gold medals in the 1936 Summer Olympic Games.
- B OWE Nuwer, Hank. The legend of Jesse Owens. New York : F. Watts, c1998.
Explores the personal life, athletic accomplishments, and career of Jesse Owens.
- B OWE Sutcliffe, Jane. Jesse Owens. Minneapolis, MN : Carolrhoda Books, c2001.
Describes the life of track-and-field athlete Jesse Owens, from his childhood in Alabama and his family's move to Cleveland to his athletic career which culminated in his winning four gold medals at the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin, Germany.
- B PAI Schmidt, Julie. Satchel Paige. New York : Rosen Pub. Group's Rosen Central, 2002.
This book describes the life of Satchel Paige, who became the first black pitcher to play in a major league World Series.
- B PAR Donovan, Sandra, 1967-. Rosa Parks. Chicago : Raintree, c2004.
Growing up in Alabama -- Separate lives -- Fighting for equal rights -- Riding the bus -- More trouble -- Good times and hard times -- Rosa Parks' legacy. Presents a biography of Rosa Parks, an African-American woman whose refusal to give up her bus seat to a white man led to the desegregation of buses in Montgomery, Alabama in the 1960s.
- B PAR Giovanni, Nikki. Rosa. 1st ed. New York : Holt, 2005.
Presents an illustrated account of Rosa Parks' refusal to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama in 1955, and the subsequent bus boycott by the black community.
- B PAR Parks, Rosa, 1913-. Rosa Parks : my story. 1st ed. New York : Dial Books, c1992.
Rosa Park's life story reveals the deliberate choices she made that earned her the title "Mother to a Movement."
- B PIC Sanford, William R. (William Reynolds), 1927-. Bill Pickett : African-American rodeo star. Berkeley Heights, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c1997.
Describes the life and accomplishments of the son of a former slave whose unusual bulldogging style made him a rodeo star.
- B POW Brown, Warren, 1963-. Colin Powell. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c1999.
Examines the life and career of the first African-American chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, focusing on his role during the Persian Gulf War.
- B REE Dean, Tanya. Della Reese. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c2002.
Describes the life and career of the award-winning singer and actress, now famous for her role in the television show "Touched by an Angel."

- B RIC Blakely, Gloria. Condoleezza Rice. Philadelphia, PA : Chelsea House Publishers, 2004.
This book is a biography of the professor, author, and businesswoman who became National Security Advisor to President George W. Bush.
- B ROB Brown, Jonatha A. Jackie Robinson. Milwaukee, WI : Weekly Reader Early Learning Library, 2005.
Presents a short biography on Jackie Robinson, the first African American major league baseball player in the United States, and profiles his life and struggles against racism and segregation as well as his involvement in the Civil Rights movement.
- B ROB Jackie Robinson : strong inside and out. 1st ed. New York : HarperCollins, c2005.
Presents a short biography on Jackie Robinson and discusses his early childhood in Georgia and California, college sports and days with the Kansas City Monarchs baseball league, and recruitment as the first African-American to play major league baseball.
- B ROB DeAngelis, Gina. Jackie Robinson. Philadelphia : Chelsea House Publishers, c2001.
An illustrated biography of African-American baseball legend Jackie Robinson, who overcame the obstacle of racism in his life and career.
- B RUD Biracree, Tom, 1947-. Wilma Rudolph. New York : Chelsea House, c1988.
A biography of the woman who overcame crippling polio as a child to become the first woman to win three gold medals in track in a single Olympics.
- B SHA Marcovitz, Hal. Al Sharpton. Philadelphia, Pa. : Chelsea House, 2001.
This book presents the life and achievements of Al Sharpton, minister, civil rights activist, and politician.
- B SMI Grabowski, John F. Sports great Emmitt Smith. Springfield, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c1998.
Profiles the personal life and football career of the All-Pro running back with the Dallas Cowboys, Emmitt Smith.
- B SMI Manera, Alexandria. Bessie Smith. Chicago : Raintree, c2003.
Recounts the life of the famous blues singer who flourished during the 1920s.
- B SWO Burby, Liza N. Sheryl Swoopes : all-star basketball player. 1st ed. New York : PowerKids Press, 1997.
You can't play with boys -- Never give up -- Player of the year -- Sheryl sets basketball records -- Playing in Europe -- Sheryl makes the U.S. team -- A special shoe for Sheryl -- Sheryl goes to the Olympics -- A basketball legend. Discusses the life and achievements of the record-breaking basketball star whose team won a gold medal in the 1996 Olympic Games.
- B THO Deegan, Paul J., 1937-. Clarence Thomas. Edina, Minn. : Abdo & Daughters, c1992.
A career biography of Supreme Court Associate Justice Clarence Thomas.
- B TIL Tillage, Leon, 1936-. Leon's story. 1st ed. New York : Farrar Straus Giroux, 1997.
The son of a North Carolina sharecropper recalls the hard times faced by his family and other African Americans in the first half of the twentieth century and the changes that the civil rights movement helped bring about.

- B TRU Krass, Peter. Sojourner Truth. New York : Chelsea House, c1988.
Traces the life of the former slave who could neither read nor write, yet earned a reputation as one of the most articulate and outspoken antislavery and women's rights activists in the United States.
- B TRU Whalin, Terry. Sojourner Truth : American abolitionist. Philadelphia, Pa. : Chelsea House Publishers, c1999.
Presents the life and times of the woman born into slavery who became a well-known abolitionist and crusader for the rights of African-Americans.
- B TUB Harriet Tubman : a woman of courage. 1st ed. New York : HarperCollins, c2005.
Examines the life of Harriet Tubman, who escaped to the North in 1849 from Maryland and who returned to the South several times to lead over three hundred slaves to freedom and discusses her work during the Civil War as a nurse, cook, scout, and spy for the Union army.
- B TUB Petry, Ann Lane, 1911-. Harriet Tubman : conductor on the Underground Railroad. 1st Harper Trophy ed. New York : HarperTrophy, 1996.
A biography of the famous woman who worked to free her people on the Underground Railroad.
- B TUB Taylor, Marian. Harriet Tubman. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c1991.
Examines the life and achievements of Harriet Tubman, discussing her childhood as a slave, her escape to freedom, and her heroic efforts to help other slaves to freedom along the Underground Railroad.
- B TUB Taylor, Marian (Marian W.). Harriet Tubman : antislavery activist. Rev. ed. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c2005.
Examines the life and achievements of Harriet Tubman, a woman who escaped slavery and then risked her freedom to help others along the Underground Railroad.
- B TUR Bisson, Terry. Nat Turner. New York : Chelsea House, c1988.
A biography of the slave and preacher who, believing that God wanted him to free the slaves, led a major revolt in 1831.
- B WAL Bundles, A'Lelia Perry. Madam C.J. Walker. New York : Chelsea House Publishers, c1991.
A biography of the African-American businesswoman whose invention of facial creams and other cosmetics led to great financial success and who, throughout her life, devoted herself to many social and political causes.
- B WAL Lazo, Caroline Evensen. Alice Walker : freedom writer. Minneapolis : Lerner Publications, c2000.
Discusses the personal life and literary career of the African-American woman who won the Pulitzer Prize for her novel, "The Color Purple."
- B WAS Hill, Anne E., 1974-. Denzel Washington. Philadelphia : Chelsea House Publishers, c2000.
A biography of the African-American actor who rose to the top of his profession, won an Academy Award, and was named one of the most popular movie stars in 1998.
- B WAS Schroeder, Alan. Booker T. Washington. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c1992.
Examines the life of the African-American educator who rose from slavery to found Tuskegee Institute.

- B WAS Washington, Booker T., 1856-1915. Up from slavery. New York, N.Y. : Airmont Books, c1967.
The autobiography of the man who, though born in slavery, educated himself and went on to found Tuskegee Institute.
- B WEL Fradin, Dennis B. Ida B. Wells : mother of the civil rights movement. New York : Clarion Books, [c2000].
An illustrated biography of nineteenth-century activist Ida B. Wells, focusing on her crusade against the practice of lynching, and discussing her role in the founding of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and the campaign for women's voting rights.
- B WIL Aronson, Virginia. Venus Williams. Philadelphia : Chelsea House, c2000.
A biography of the teenage tennis player who was ranked among the top ten women players in the world in 1998.
- B WIL Asirvatham, Sandy. Venus Williams. Philadelphia : Chelsea House Publishers, c2002.
A biography of the young tennis player who has been ranked among the top ten women players in the world.
- B WIL Gutman, Bill. Venus & Serena : the grand slam Williams sisters. New York : Scholastic, c2001.
Describes the childhood and accomplishments of the teenaged professional tennis players who share the goal of becoming the only sisters ranked number one and two in the world.
- B WIL Kaye, Judith. The life of Daniel Hale Williams. 1st ed. New York : Twenty-First Century Books, 1993.
A biography of the African-American doctor who performed the first surgery on the human heart in the nineteenth century and who founded the first interracial hospital in the United States.
- B WIL Stewart, Mark. Venus & Serena Williams : sisters in arms. Brookfield, Conn. : Millbrook, c2000.
Describes the lives of the two African-American sisters who stunned the professional tennis world with their rapid rise to the top.
- B WOO Durden, Robert Franklin. Carter G. Woodson : father of African-American history. Springfield, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c1998.
A biography of the son of former slaves who received a Ph.D. in history from Harvard and devoted his life to bringing the achievements of his race to the world's attention.
- B WRI Urban, Joan, 1950-. Richard Wright. New York, N.Y. : Chelsea House, c1989.
Traces the life and achievements of the African-American novelist.
- E CRO Crowe, Chris. Just as good : how Larry Doby changed America's game. 1st U.S. ed. Somerville, Mass. : Candlewick Press, 2012.
An African American family in Cleveland, Ohio, listens on their new radio to the first game of the 1948 World Series, in which Larry Doby, the first black player in the American League, won the game for the Cleveland Indians.
- E POL Polacco, Patricia. Pink and Say. New York : Philomel Books, c1994.
Chronicles the friendship of Pink, a fifteen-year-old African-American Union soldier, and Say, his poor white comrade, as one nurses the other back to health from a battle wound and the two of them are imprisoned at Andersonville. Based on a true story.

- E WIL Wiles, Debbie. Freedom Summer. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2001.
In 1964, Joe is pleased that a new law will allow his best friend John Henry, who is African-American, to share the town pool and other public places with him, but he is dismayed to find that prejudice still exists.
- E WOO Woodson, Jacqueline. Show way. New York : G. P. Putnam's Sons, c2005.
The making of "Show ways," or quilts which once served as secret maps for freedom-seeking slaves, is a tradition passed from mother to daughter in the author's family.
- GB ROB Glaser, Jason. Jackie Robinson : baseball's great pioneer. Mankato, Minn. : Capstone Press, c2006.
Presents a short biography of baseball great Jackie Robinson written in graphic novel format, and focuses on his achievements which included being the first African-American to play major league baseball when he was hired on with the Brooklyn Dodgers.
- GB TUB Martin, Michael. Harriet Tubman and the underground railroad. Mankato, MN : Capstone, 2005.
An illustrated look at the life of Harriet Tubman and her work to free slaves.
- GB TUB Shone, Rob. Harriet Tubman : the life of an African-American abolitionist. 1st ed. New York : Rosen, 2005.
Who's who -- The Underground Railroad -- Harriet Tubman's world -- Harriet Tubman : the life of an African-American abolitionist -- Freedom!. Examines the life of Harriet Tubman, an escaped slave who risked her freedom to help other slaves along the Underground Railroad. Presented in graphic novel form.
- GB WAS Braun, Eric, 1971-. Booker T. Washington : great American educator. Mankato, Minn. : Capstone Press, c2006.
Presents a short biography of American educator Booker T. Washington written in graphic novel format, and focuses on his accomplishments in the promotion of education for all African-Americans.
- GB X Helfer, Andrew. Malcolm X : a graphic biography. 1st ed. New York : Hill and Wang, 2006.
Presents a brief biography of Malcolm X in graphic novel format that describes his life from his early experiences with racism through his political and religious conversions.