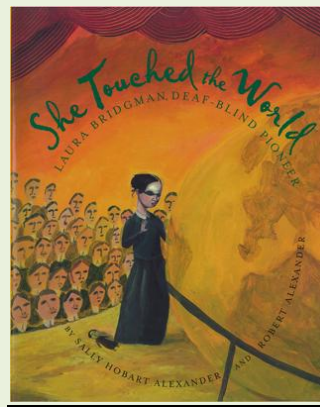
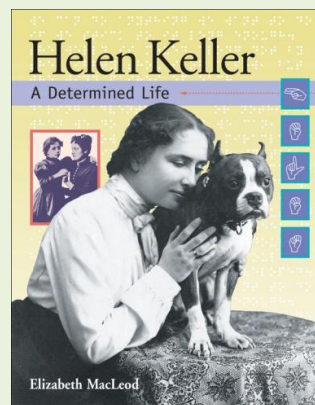


Children's & Young Adult Books about Disabilities

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ADHD

Gantos, Jack. [Joey Pigza Loses Control.](#)

Joey tries to keep his life from degenerating into total chaos when his mother sends him to be home-schooled with a hostile blind girl, his divorced parents cannot stop fighting, and his grandmother is dying of emphysema. Rd Lvl: 5.9 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction [Ga](#)

Gantos, Jack. [Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key.](#)

To the constant disappointment of his mother and his teachers, Joey has trouble paying attention or controlling his mood swings when his prescription meds wear off and he starts getting worked up and acting wired. Rd Lvl: 5.1 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC- Fiction [Ga](#)

Harrar, George. [Parents Wanted.](#)

Twelve-year-old Andrew, who has ADD, is adopted by new parents after years of other foster homes and desperately hopes that he will not mess up the situation. Rd Lvl: 6.5
Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction [Ha](#)

Smith, Mark. Pay Attention, Slosh.

Eight-year-old Josh hates being unable to concentrate or control himself, but with the help of his parents, his teacher, and a doctor, he learns to deal with his condition, known as ADHD or attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder. Rd Lvl: 2.2 Int Lvl: 3-6
EMC-Fiction Sm

Lears, Laurie. Waiting for Mr. Goose.

Stephen, who has trouble sitting still and paying attention, surprises himself when he summons up the patience to catch and help an injured goose. Includes a note to adults about children who have difficulty staying focused, including those with ADHD.

Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Picture Books Le

Gantos, Jack. What Would Joey Do?

Joey tries to keep his life from degenerating into total chaos when his mother sends him to be home-schooled with a hostile blind girl, his divorced parents cannot stop fighting, and his grandmother is dying of emphysema. Rd Lvl: 5.5 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Picture Books Ga

Janover, Caroline. Zipper, The Kid with ADHD.

Zach, a fifth-grader who has attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, has trouble concentrating and controlling himself until a retired jazz musician who believes in him gives him the motivation to start trying to do better. Rd Lvl: 5.5 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Ja

Autism

Baskin, Nora. Anything but Typical.

Jason, a twelve-year-old autistic boy who wants to become a writer, relates what his life is like as he tries to make sense of his world. Rd Lvl: 4.1 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ba

Choldenko, Gennifer. Al Capone Does My Shirts.

A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister. Rd Lvl: 4.0 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ch

Edwards, Becky. My Brother Sammy.

A boy describes some of the many feelings he has about his brother Sammy, who is autistic.

Rd Lvl: 3.9 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Picture Books Ed

Lears, Laurie. Ian's Walk: A Story about Autism.

A young girl realizes how much she cares for her autistic brother Ian when he gets lost at the park. Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Picture Books Le

Lord, Cynthia. Rules.

Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, twelve-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence but her world is further complicated by a friendship with a young paraplegic.

Rd Lvl: 3.9 Int Lvl: 3.6

EMC-Fiction Lo

Stork, Francisco. Marcelo in the Real World.

Marcelo Sandoval, a seventeen-year-old boy on the high-functioning end of the autistic spectrum, faces new challenges, including romance and injustice, when he goes to work for his father in the mailroom of a corporate law firm.

Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction St

Watson, Esther. Talking to Angels.

A child tells about her autistic sister, who is also her best friend.

Rd Lvl: 1.9 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Non Fiction 618.92.W338t

Blindness

Adler, David A. Brian's Bird.

Eight-year-old Brian, who is blind, learns how to take care of his new parakeet and comes to realize that his older brother, while sometimes careless, is not so bad after all.

Rd Lvl: 3.0 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Da

Alexander, Sally Hobart. Do You Remember the Color Blue? And Other Questions kids ask about Blindness.

Children ask questions of an author who lost her vision at the age of twenty-seven, including "How did you become blind?" "How can you read?" and "Was it hard to be a parent when you couldn't see your kids?" Rd Lvl: 4.0 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non-Fiction 362.41 A378d

Alexander, Sally Hobart. Mom Can't See Me.

A nine-year-old girl describes how her mother leads an active and rich life despite being blind.

Rd Lvl: 4.9 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC- Non-Fiction 617.712 A378m

Alexander, Sally Hobart. Mom's Best Friend.

Describes how a blind mother adjusts to getting a new dog guide.

Rd Lvl: 4.3 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC- Non-fiction 362.41 A378

Alexander, Sally Hobart. She Touched the World: Laura Bridgman, Deaf-Blind Pioneer.

When she was just two years old, Laura Bridgman lost her sight, her hearing, and most of her senses of smell and taste. But then a progressive doctor, who had just opened the country's first school for the blind in Boston, took her in. Laura learned to communicate, read, and write--and eventually even to teach. Rd Lvl: 8.3 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Non-Fiction 362.41.A378s

Butler, Beverly. Gift of Gold.

A young girl is determined to prove she can succeed as a speech therapist despite her blindness.

EMC-Fiction Bu

Clements, Andrew. Things Not Seen.

When fifteen-year-old Bobby wakes up and finds himself invisible, he and his parents and his new blind friend Alicia try to find out what caused his condition and how to reverse it.

Rd Lvl: 5.0 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC- Fiction Cl

Condra, Estelle. See the Ocean.

Driving through mountain fog to the beach, two young brothers compete to see who will catch the first glimpse of the ocean, but it is their blind sister Nellie who senses it first.

Rd Lvl: 4.0 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC- Picture Books Co

Creech, Sharon. Granny Torrelli Makes Soup.

With the help of her wise old grandmother, twelve-year-old Rosie manages to work out some problems in her relationship with her best friend, Bailey, the boy next door.

Rd Lvl: 4.5 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Cr

Dickinson, Peter. Annerton Pit.

In search of their grandfather who has disappeared while tracking down ghosts, two brothers, one blind, stumble upon a headquarters of subversive revolutionary activity in an abandoned mine.

Rd Lvl: 7.5 Int Lvl: Ya

EMC-Fiction Di

Dorris, Michael. Sees Behind Trees.

A Native American boy with a special gift to "see" beyond his poor eyesight journeys with an old warrior to a land of mystery and beauty. Rd Lvl: 5.7 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC- Fiction Do

Eyerly, Jeannette. Seeing Summer.

After her initial shock, Carey adjusts to having a blind playmate and takes it upon herself to locate her friend when she is kidnapped.

EMC- Fiction Ey

Fine, Anne. The Summer-house Loon.

A teenage girl and her blind history professor father help a young couple in love solve their biggest problem. Rd Lvl: 6.2 Int Lvl: YA

EMC- Fiction Fi

Fraustino, Lisa Rowe. Hickory Chair.

A blind boy tells of his warm relationship with his grandmother and the gift she left for him after her death. Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Fr

Gantos, Jack. What would Joey do?

Joey tries to keep his life from degenerating into total chaos when his mother sends him to be home-schooled with a hostile blind girl, his divorced parents cannot stop fighting, and his grandmother is dying of emphysema. Rd Lvl: 5.5 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC- Fiction Ga

Garfield, James B. Follow My Leader.

After Jimmy is blinded in an accident with a firecracker, he has to relearn all the things he used to know. With the help of a determined therapist, he learns to read Braille and to use a cane. Then he's given the chance to have a guide dog. Learning to work with Leader is not easy, but Jimmy tries harder than he ever has before. Rd Lvl: 5.0 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Ga

Gregory, Nan, How Smudge Came.

Cindy, a developmentally challenged woman, finds a stray dog to love, and shares it with a blind man at the Hospice where she works, but is not allowed to keep it at home. She tries to retrieve it from the SPCA, but it has already been taken: by the Hospice, where she can care for it & see it everyday, along with all the patients.

Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Gr

Heide, Florence Parry. Sound of Sunshine, Sound of Rain.

Records the experiences and sensations of a blind black boy as he maneuvers in his small world. Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC- Picture Books He

Hermann, Spring.

Seeing lessons: the story of Abigail Carter and America's first school for the blind.
When ten-year-old Abby Carter attends the newly established school for the blind in Boston in 1832, she proves that blind people can learn and be independent.

Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC- Fiction He

Jensen, Virginia Allen. What's That.

Four friends attempt to find a hidden playmate. Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC- Picture Books Je

Kurtz, Jane. Storyteller's beads.

During the political strife and famine of the 1980's, two Ethiopian girls, one Christian and the other Jewish and blind, struggle to overcome many difficulties, including their prejudices about each other, as they make the dangerous journey out of Ethiopia.

Rd Lvl: 5.9 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC- Fiction Ku

Lang, Glenna. Looking out for Sarah.

Describes a day in the life of a seeing eye dog, from going with his owner to the grocery store and post office, to visiting a class of school children, and playing ball. Also describes their three-hundred mile walk from Boston to New York.

Rd Lvl: 3.9 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books La

MacLachlan, Patricia. Through Grandpa's Eyes.

A young boy learns a different way of seeing the world from his blind grandfather.

Rd Lvl: 3.7 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC- Picture Books Ma

MacLeod, Elizabeth. Helen Keller: A Determined Life.

Rd Lvl: 6.4 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non-Fiction 921.K29m 2004

Mathis, Sharon Bell. Listen for the Fig Tree.

A sixteen-year-old girl's first celebration of Kwanza gives her a sense of the past and strength to deal with her troubled mother and her own blindness.

Rd Lvl: 6.0 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ma

McMahon, Patricia. Listen for the Bus: David's Story.

A real-life look at David, who is blind, as he begins kindergarten.

Rd Lvl: 3.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Non-Fiction 362.41 M1671

Quigley, Lillian Fox. Blind Men and the Elephant: An Old Tale from the Land of India.
Six blind men each feel a different part of the elephant and then try to describe what he is like.

EMC-Non-Fiction 398.2.Q6b

Ripley, Marion. Private and Confidential: a Story about Braille.

When Laura finds out that her new Australian pen pal, Malcolm, is blind, she learns to use a braille machine to write to him. Rd Lvl: 4.3 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC- Picture Books Ri

Rodriguez, Bobbie. Sarah's Sleepover.

When the lights go out while her cousins are spending the night, a young blind girl shows them what to do in the dark. Int Lvl: K-3

EMC- Picture Books Ro

Strom, Maria Diaz. Rainbow Joe and Me.

Eloise shares her love of colors with her blind friend Rainbow Joe, who makes his own colors when he plays beautiful notes on his saxophone. Rd Lvl: 3.0 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC- Picture Books St

Sullivan, George. Helen Keller: Her Life in Pictures.

The fascinating life of one of the most popular historical figures is told through images -- most rarely, if ever, seen -- from the American Foundation for the Blind and The Perkins School for the Blind. The images trace Keller's life from birth, to childhood with Annie Sullivan in the cottage, to college, and on to her many years as a dedicated social activist and spokesperson.--From amazon.com. Rd Lvl: 6.0 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC- Non-Fiction 921.K29s 2007

Taylor, Theodore. Timothy of the Cay.

Having survived being blinded and shipwrecked on a tiny Caribbean island with the old black man Timothy, twelve-year-old white Phillip is rescued and hopes to regain his sight with an operation. Alternate chapters follow the life of Timothy from his days as a young cabin boy.

Rd Lvl: 5.6 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC- Fiction Ta

Townley, Roderick. Sky: A Novel in Three Sets and an Encore.

In New York City in 1959, fifteen-year-old Alec Schuyler, at odds with his widowed father over his love of music, finds a mentor and friend in a blind, black jazz musician.

Int Lvl: YA

EMC- Fiction To

Whelan, Gloria. Hannah.

Hannah, a blind girl living in Michigan in the late nineteenth century, doesn't go to school, until a new teacher comes to board at their house. Rd Lvl: 2.4 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Wh

Yolen, Jane. Seeing Stick.

Relates how an old man teaches the emperor's blind daughter to see.

Rd Lvl: 4.4 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC- Picture Books Yo

Cerebral Palsy

Carter, Alden R. Stretching Ourselves: Kids with Cerebral Palsy.

Describes cerebral palsy and focuses on the daily lives of three children with varying degrees of this condition. Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Non-Fiction 362.19 C323s

Dwight, Laura. We Can Do It!.

Depicts children living with spina bifida, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, or blindness with the help of family and friends. Rd Lvl: 1.9 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Non-Fiction 305.908 D992w

Emmert, Michelle. I'm the Big Sister Now.

Nine-year-old Michelle describes the joys, loving times, difficulties, and other special situations involved in living with her older sister Amy Emmert, who was born severely disabled with cerebral palsy.

EMC-Non-Fiction 618.92 E54i

Fassler, Joan. Howie Helps Himself.

Though he enjoys life with his family and attends school, Howie, a child with cerebral palsy, wants more than anything else to be able to move his wheelchair by himself.

Rd Lvl: 3.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Fa

Gray, Susan H. Living with Cerebral Palsy.

Rd Lvl: 4.8 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non-Fiction 616.836 G7821 2003

Heelan, Jamee Riggio. Rolling Along: the story of Taylor and His Wheelchair.

Explains how having cerebral palsy affects Taylor, and how getting a wheelchair makes a big difference in helping him get around, do things by himself, and even play basketball with his twin Tyler. Rd Lvl: 4.3 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non-fiction 616.836 H458r

Holcomb, Nan. Danny and the Merry-Go-Round.

Danny, who has cerebral palsy, is faced with another frustrating day at the playground watching the other children play, until a friendly gesture from another kid gives him an unexpected adventure and helps him feel better about himself.

Rd Lvl: 2.4 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ho

Johnson, Harriet McBryde. Accidents of Nature.

Having always prided herself on blending in with "normal" people despite her cerebral palsy, seventeen-year-old Jean begins to question her role in the world while attending a summer camp for children with disabilities.

EMC-Fiction Jo

Koertge, Ron. Stoner & Spaz.

A troubled youth with cerebral palsy struggles toward self-acceptance with the help of a drug-addicted young woman. Rd Lvl: 5.9 Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Ko

McMahon, Patricia. Summer Tunes: a Martha's Vineyard Vacation.

Ten-year old Conor, who has cerebral palsy, spends a summer vacation with his family on Martha's Vineyard in this photographic essay. Rd Lvl: 4.8 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non-fiction 974.4 M167s

Sachar, Louis. Small Steps.

Three years after being released from Camp Green Lake, Armpit is trying hard to keep his life on track, but when his old pal X-Ray shows up with a tempting plan to make some easy money scalping concert tickets, Armpit reluctantly goes along.

Rd Lvl: 4.2 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Sa

Thompson, Lauren. Ballerina Dreams: A True Story.

True story of five little girls with cerebral palsy or other physical disabilities who were determined to become ballerinas. Rd Lvl: 2.7 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Non Fiction 792.8.T473b

Trueman, Terry. Stuck in neutral.

Fourteen-year-old Shawn McDaniel, who suffers from severe cerebral palsy and cannot function, relates his perceptions of his life, his family, and his condition, especially as he believes his father is planning to kill him. Rd Lvl: 6.7 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Tr

Zimmer, Tracie Vaughn. Reaching for Sun.

Josie, who lives with her mother and grandmother and has cerebral palsy, befriends a boy who moves into one of the rich houses behind her old farmhouse.

Rd Lvl: 5.8 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Zi

Deafness

Alexander, Sally Hobart. She Touched the World: Laura Bridgeman, Deaf-Blind Pioneer
When she was just two years old, Laura Bridgman lost her sight, her hearing, and most of her senses of smell and taste. But then a progressive doctor, who had just opened the country's first school for the blind in Boston, took her in. Laura learned to communicate, read, and write--and eventually even to teach. Rd Lvl: 8.3 Int Lvl: 5-8
EMC-Non Fiction 362.41.A378s

Ancona, George & Miller, Mary Beth. Handtalk School.
Words and sign language depict a group of students involved in putting on a Thanksgiving play at a school for deaf children. Rd Lvl: 2.8 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Non-fiction 419 M393h

Ancona, George. Handtalk Zoo.
Words and sign language depict children at the zoo discovering how to sign the names of various animals and how to tell time. Rd Lvl: 1.3 Int Lvl: 3-6
EMC-Picture Books An

Charlip, Remy. Handtalk Birthday: a Number and Story Book in Sign Language.
Words and sign language depict friends helping a deaf woman celebrate her birthday.
Rd Lvl: 1.9 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Picture Books Ch

Ferris, Jean. Of sound mind.
Tired of interpreting for his deaf family and resentful of their reliance on him, high school senior Theo finds support and understanding from Ivy, a new student who also has a deaf parent.
EMC-Fiction Fe

Gilmore, Rachna. Screaming Kind of Day.
Rd Lvl: 3.4 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Picture Books Gi

Greenberg, Judith E. What is the Sign for Friend?.
Text and photographs depict the life of Shane, a deaf child who goes to a regular school and enjoys normal activities with the help of sign language and a hearing aid.
Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Non-fiction 362.42 G798w

Jordan, Sherryl. Raging quiet.
Suspicious of sixteen-year-old Marnie, a newcomer to their village, the residents accuse her of witchcraft when she discovers that the village madman is not crazy but deaf and she begins to communicate with him through hand gestures.
EMC-Fiction Jo

Levi, Dorothy Hoffman. Very Special Friend.

In search of a friend her own age, six-year-old Frannie meets Laura, who is deaf, and learns sign language from her.

EMC-Picture Books Le

Levine, Edna S. Lisa and her Soundless World.

A little girl with impaired hearing learns through various methods to use and understand speech. Rd Lvl: 4.9 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non-fiction 362.7 L6651

LeZotte, Ann Clare. T4: A Novel in Verse.

When the Nazi party takes control of Germany, thirteen-year-old Paula, who is deaf, finds her world-as-she-knows-it turned upside down, as she is taken into hiding to protect her from the new law nicknamed T4. Rd Lvl: 3.9 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Le

Look, Lenore. Ruby Lu, Empress of Everything.

After Ruby Lu's deaf cousin, Flying Duck, and her parents come from China to live with her, Ruby finds life challenging as she adjusts to her new family, tries to mend her rocky relationship with her friend Emma, and faces various adventures in summer school.

Rd Lvl: 3.8 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Fiction Lo

MacLeod, Elizabeth. Helen Keller: A Determined Life.

Using photographs, quotes, letters and drawings, this biography in the Snapshots: Images of People and Places in History series introduces young readers to Helen Keller. Also included are a timeline of her life and a list of places to visit to learn more about this inspirational woman.

Rd Lvl: 6.4 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non Fiction 921.K29m 2004

Miller, Sarah Elizabeth. Miss Spitfire: Reaching Helen Keller

At age twenty-one, partially-blind, lonely but spirited Annie Sullivan travels from Massachusetts to Alabama to try and teach six-year-old Helen Keller, deaf and blind since age two, self-discipline and communication skills. Rd Lvl: 5.8 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Mi

Millman, Isaac. Moses Goes to a Concert.

Moses and his schoolmates, all deaf, attend a concert where the orchestra's percussionist is also deaf. Rd Lvl: 2.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Mi

Millman, Isaac. Moses Goes to School.

Moses and his friends enjoy the first day of school at their special school for the deaf and hard of hearing, where they use sign language to talk to each other.

Rd Lvl: 3.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Mi

Peterson, Jeanne Whitehouse. I Have a Sister, My Sister is Deaf.

A young girl describes how her deaf sister experiences everyday things.

Rd Lvl: 2.0 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Non-fiction 362.78 P485i

Rorby, Ginny. Hurt Go Happy.

When thirteen-year-old Joey Willis, deaf since the age of six, meets Dr. Charles Mansell and his chimpanzee Sukari, who use sign language, her world blooms with possibilities but that of the chimp begins to narrow.

EMC-Fiction Ro

Seeger, Pete. The Deaf Musicians.

Lee, a jazz pianist, has to leave his band when he begins losing his hearing, but he meets a deaf saxophone player in a sign language class and together they form a snazzy new band. Rd Lvl: 2.8 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Se

Shreve, Susan Gift of the Girl Who Couldn't Hear.

Two friends, one of whom is deaf, help each other when tryouts are held for a seventh-grade production of "Annie." Rd Lvl: 5.8 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Sh

Steele, Mary. Down in the Boondocks.

Relates in rhyme what happens when a thief decides to rob a deaf farmer.

EMC- Picture Books St

Stryer, Andrea Stenn. Kami and the Yaks

In the Himalaya Mountains of Nepal, a deaf Sherpa boy proves himself to his father by rescuing the family's yaks. Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books St

Sullivan, George. Helen Keller: Her Life in Pictures.

The fascinating life of one of the most popular historical figures is told through images -- most rarely, if ever, seen -- from the American Foundation for the Blind and The Perkins School for the Blind. The images trace Keller's life from birth, to childhood with Annie Sullivan in the cottage, to college, and on to her many years as a dedicated social activist and spokesperson.

Rd Lvl: 6.0 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non Fiction 921K29s 2007

Taylor, Theodore. Tuck Triumphant.

Fourteen-year-old Helen, her blind dog Friar Tuck, and her family face some dramatic challenges when they discover that the Korean boy they have adopted is deaf. Sequel to "The Trouble with Tuck." Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ta

Uhlberg, Myron. Dad, Jackie, and Me.

In Brooklyn, New York, in 1947, a boy learns about discrimination and tolerance as he and his deaf father share their enthusiasm over baseball and the Dodgers' first baseman, Jackie Robinson.

Rd Lvl: 3.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Uh

Uhlberg, Myron. The Printer.

A boy recalls the day his deaf father saved everyone's life when fire broke out at the newspaper printing plant where he worked. Rd Lvl: 3.8 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Uh

Wolf, Bernard. Anna's Silent World.

Describes special training and equipment used to help a deaf youngster talk, read, and write.

Rd Lvl: 5.1 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non-fiction 371.9 W853a

Woodson, Jacqueline. Feathers.

When a new, white student nicknamed "The Jesus Boy" joins her sixth grade class in the winter of 1971, Frannie's growing friendship with him makes her start to see some things in a new light.

Rd Lvl: 4.4 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Wo

Down Syndrome

Baldwin, Norris. A Little Time.

A ten-year-old begins to understand her feelings and those of her family toward her younger brother who has Down's syndrome.

EMC- Fiction Ba

Carter, Alden R. Big Brother Dustin.

A boy with Down Syndrome helps his parents and grandparents get ready for the birth of his baby sister and chooses the perfect name for her. Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC- Picture Books Ca

Carter, Alden R. Dustin's Big School Day.

Second-grader Dustin, who has Down syndrome, anticipates the arrival of two very special guests at his school one day. Rd Lvl: 2.8 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ca

Dwight, Laura. We Can Do It!

Depicts children living with spina bifida, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, or blindness with the help of family and friends. Rd Lvl: 1.9 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC: Non-Fiction 305.908 D992w

Fleming, Virginia. Be Good to Eddie Lee.

Although Christy considered him a pest, when Eddie Lee, a boy with Down's Syndrome, follows her into the woods, he shares several special discoveries with her.

Rd Lvl: 4.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Fl

Girnis, Margaret. 1 2 3 For You and Me.

Photographs show children with Down syndrome in activities with objects corresponding to numbers one through twenty.

EMC-Picture Books Gi

Girnis, Margaret. A B C For You and Me.

Photographs show children with Down syndrome in activities with objects corresponding to the letters of the alphabet.

EMC-Picture Books Gi

Holcomb, Nan. How About a Hug.

Though it takes much concentration and will for her to accomplish each task, a little girl with Down's syndrome is happy to have many loving helpers along the way.

Rd Lvl: 1.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Fiction Ho

Johnston, Basil. Crazy Dave.

EMC:Non Fiction 970.3 O39j

Rabe, Berniece. Where's Chimpy?

Text and photographs show Misty, a little girl with Down's syndrome, and her father reviewing her day's activities in their search for her stuffed monkey.

Rd Lvl: 3.1 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Fiction Ra

Rheingrover, Jean Sasso. Veronica's First Year.

Nine-year-old Nathan helps welcome his baby sister, who has Down's syndrome, into the family and eagerly anticipates the day when she will be able to ride his tricycle.

Rd Lvl: 3.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Rh

Rodowsky, Colby F. What About Me?

Dorrie must learn to deal with her feelings of frustration, anger, and resentment as her life seems constantly affected by the fact that her younger brother has Down's syndrome.

EMC-Fiction Ro

Stuve-Bodeen, Stephanie. We'll Paint the Octopus Red.

Emma and her father discuss what they will do when the new baby arrives, but they adjust their expectations when he is born with Down syndrome.

Rd Lvl: 4.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books St

Wood, June Rae. Man Who Loved Clowns.

Thirteen-year-old Delrita, whose unhappy life has caused her to hide from the world, loves her uncle Punky but sometimes feels ashamed of his behavior because he has Down's syndrome.

EMC-Fiction Wo

Learning Disabilities

Abeel, Samantha. My Thirteenth Winter: A Memoir. Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction AB

Barrie, Barbara. Adam Zigzag.

Adam, who is dyslexic and has great difficulty with his homework, struggles to find the right school, resist the lure of drugs, and endure the jealousy of his older sister Caroline.

Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Ba

Connely, Elizabeth Russell. A World Upside Down and Backwards: Reading and Learning Disorders. Int Lvl: YA

EMC Non-Fiction 371.9144 C752w

Draper, Sharon M. Double Dutch.

Three eighth grade friends, preparing for the International Double Dutch Championship jump rope competition in their home town of Cincinnati, Ohio, cope with Randy's missing father, Delia's inability to read, and Yo Yo's encounter with the class bullies.

Rd Lvl: 5.3 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Dr

Gehret, Jeanne. The Don't-Give-Up Kid and Learning Differences.

As Alex becomes aware of his different learning style, he realizes his hero Thomas Edison had similar problems and works with his teachers to solve them. Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Fiction Ge

Hall, Lynn. Just one Friend.

Just as sixteen-year-old learning-disabled Doreen is about to be mainstreamed into a regular school, the loss of her best friend to another girl drives her to a desperate act.

Rd Lvl: 5.4 Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Ha

Hansen, Joyce. Yellow Bird and Me.

Doris becomes friends with Yellow Bird as she helps him with his studies and his part with the school play and discovers that he has a problem known as dyslexia.

Rd Lvl: 4.5 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Ha

Janover, Caroline. Josh: A Boy with Dyslexia.

Josh struggles to live down the stigma of his learning disability, dyslexia, and receive both respect and friendship from his peers. Includes information on the characteristics of dyslexia and a list of organizations that deal with learning disabilities.

Rd Lvl: 4.3 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ja

King, Clive. Me and My Million

When Ringo, a young Londoner, finds himself in sudden possession of a stolen painting worth a million pounds, his life turns into a series of wild adventures.

EMC-Fiction Ki

McNamee, Graham. Sparks.

When Todd is both happy and anxious about trying to fit in with the regular fifth grade class but feels confused about how to relate to his former friends in Special Needs class, a school assignment on the exploited pygmy, Ota Benga, helps give him confidence and clarity. Rd Lvl: 4 Int Lvl: 3-5

EMC-Fiction Mc

Pevsner, Stella. Keep Stompin' till the Music Stops.

Twelve-year-old Richard struggles to achieve independence in spite of a learning disability while his great-grandfather defies the family's plans to curtail his own independent lifestyle. Rd Lvl: 5.5 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Pe

Philbrick, W.R. Freak the Mighty.

At the beginning of eighth grade, learning disabled Max and his new friend Freak, whose birth defect has affected his body but not his brilliant mind, find that when they combine forces they make a powerful team. Rd Lvl: 6.3 Int. Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ph

Roby, Cynthia. When Learning is Tough: Kids Talk About their Learning Disabilities.
Children describe their learning disabilities, talents, learning techniques, and misconceptions associated with learning disabilities. Rd Lvl: 4-6 Int Lvl: 3-6
EMC Non-Fiction 371.9 R668w

Wolff, Virginia Euwer. Probably Still Nick Swansen.
Sixteen-year-old learning-disabled Nick struggles to endure a life in which the other kids make fun of him, he has to take special classes, his date for the prom makes an excuse not to go with him, and he is haunted by the memory of his older sister who drowned while he was watching. Rd Lvl: 7 Int Lvl: 6-8
EMC-Fiction Wo

Mental Disabilities

Carrick, Carol. Stay Away from Simon!
Lucy and her younger brother examine their feelings about a mentally handicapped boy they both fear when he follows them home one snowy day. Rd Lvl: 4.0 Int Lvl: 3-6
EMC-Fiction Ca

Carter, Alden R. Big Brother Dustin.
A boy with Down Syndrome helps his parents and grandparents get ready for the birth of his baby sister and chooses the perfect name for her. Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Picture Books Ca

Carter, Alden R. Dustin's Big School Day.
Second-grader Dustin, who has Down syndrome, anticipates the arrival of two very special guests at his school one day. Rd Lvl: 2.8 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Picture Books Ca

Clifton, Lucille. My Friend Jacob.
A young boy tells about Jacob, who, though older and mentally slower, helps him a lot and is his very best friend. Rd Lvl: 3.4 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Picture Books Cl

Conly, Jane. Crazy Lady.
As he tries to come to terms with his mother's death, Vernon finds solace in his growing relationship with the neighborhood outcasts, an alcoholic and her retarded son.
Rd Lvl: 4.9 Int Lvl: 5-8
EMC-Fiction Co

Garrigue, Sheila. Between Friends.
After moving from California to Massachusetts eleven-year-old Jill is eager to make new friends.
EMC-Fiction Ga

Hamilton, Virginia. Sweet Whispers, Brother Rush.

Fourteen-year-old Tree, resentful of her working mother who leaves her in charge of a retarded younger brother, encounters the ghost of her dead uncle and comes to a deeper understanding of her family's problems. Rd Lvl: 5.3 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ha

Hermes, Patricia. Who Will Take Care of Me?

Terrified that the death of the grandmother who was their guardian will separate them, twelve-year-old Mark decides to run away with his retarded younger brother.

Rd Lvl: 5.4 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction He

Holcomb, Nan. How About a Hug.

Though it takes much concentration and will for her to accomplish each task, a little girl with Down's syndrome is happy to have many loving helpers along the way.

Rd Lvl: 1.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ho

Holt, Kimberly Willis. My Louisiana Sky.

Growing up in Saitter, Louisiana, in the 1950s, twelve-year-old Tiger Ann struggles with her feelings about her stern, but loving grandmother, her mentally slow parents, and her good friend and neighbor, Jesse. Rd Lvl: 5.9 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ho

Johnson, Angela. Humming Whispers.

Sophy fears that she will become like her older sister Nicole who has schizophrenia.

EMC-Fiction Jo

Kent, Deborah. Snake Pits, Talking Cures & Magic Bullets: A History of Mental Illness
Looks at how the mentally ill have been treated throughout history, focusing on advances made in the 19th and 20th centuries regarding mental hospitals, medications, and social acceptance.

EMC-Non Fiction 616.89.K37s

Lasker, Joe. He's my brother.

A young boy describes the experiences of his slow learning younger brother at school and at home.

EMC-Non Fiction 301.42 L345h

Leavitt, Martine. Heck, Superhero.

Abandoned by his mentally ill mother, thirteen-year-old Heck tries to survive on his own as his mind bounces between the superhero character he imagines himself to be and the harsh reality of his life.

EMC-Fiction Le

Levoy, Myron. Alan and Naomi.

In New York of the 1940's a boy tries to befriend a girl traumatized by Nazi brutality in France.

EMC-Fiction Le

Lisle, Janet Taylor. Afternoon of the Elves.

As Hillary works in the miniature village, allegedly built by elves, in Sara-Kate's backyard, she becomes more and more curious about Sara-Kate's real life inside her big, gloomy house with her mysterious, silent mother. Rd Lvl: 5.1 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Li

Mazer, Harry. The Wild Kid.

Twelve-year-old Sammy, who is mildly retarded, runs away from home and becomes a prisoner of Kevin, a wild kid living in the woods.

EMC-Fiction Mau

Miner, Jane Claypool. She's My Sister: Having a Retarded Sister.

Mary Lou's secret of having a retarded sister threatens to be revealed and ruin her carefully constructed social life. Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Mi

Nolan, Han. A Face in Every Window.

After the death of his grandmother, who held the family together, teenage JP is left with a mentally challenged father and a mother who seems ineffectual and constantly sick, and he feels everything sliding out of control.

EMC-Fiction No

Powell, Randy. Tribute to Another Dead Rock Star.

For a tribute to his mother, a dead rock star, fifteen-year-old Grady returns to Seattle, where he faces his mixed feelings for his retarded younger half-brother Louie while pondering his own future.

EMC-Fiction Po

Rabe, Berniece. Where's Chimpy?

Text and photographs show Misty, a little girl with Down's syndrome, and her father reviewing her day's activities in their search for her stuffed monkey.

Rd Lvl: 3.1 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ra

Rheingrover, Jean Sasso. Veronica's First Year.

Nine-year-old Nathan helps welcome his baby sister, who has Down's syndrome, into the family and eagerly anticipates the day when she will be able to ride his tricycle.

Rd Lvl: 3.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Rh

Sobol, Harriet Langsam. My Brother Steven is Retarded.
An eleven-year-old girl talks about the mixed feelings she has for her older, mentally retarded brother. Rd Lvl: 3.6 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Non Fiction 362.7 S677m

Smith, Lucia B. Special Kind of Sister.
A young girl describes her relationship with her brain-damaged brother.
Rd Lvl: 3.2 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Picture Books Sm

Weaver, Beth Nixon. Rooster
On a small Florida orange grove in the 1960s, fourteen-year-old Kady Palmer is burdened with housework and caring for her senile grandmother and mentally handicapped neighbor, so when a rich, handsome boy from school becomes interested in her she devises a plan to spend time with him. Rd Lvl: 6.8 Int Lvl: 3-6
EMC-Fiction We

White, Ruth. Memories of Summer.
In 1955, thirteen-year-old Lyric finds her whole life changing when her family moves from the hills of Virginia to a town in Michigan and her older sister Summer begins descending into mental illness. Rd Lvl: 5.2 Int Lvl: 5-8
EMC-Fiction Wh

Wilson, Nancy Hope. The Reason for Janey.
Philly's life changes greatly when, after her parents' divorce, her mother takes in Janey, a retarded adult, to live with them. Rd Lvl: 4.9 Int Lvl: 3-6
EMC-Fiction Wi

Wright, Betty Ren. The Dollhouse Murders.
A dollhouse filled with a ghostly light in the middle of the night and dolls that have moved from where she last left them lead Amy and her retarded sister to unravel the mystery surrounding grisly murders that took place years ago. Lvl: 4.3 Int Lvl: 3-6
EMC-Fiction Wr

Physical Disabilities

Beckman, Delores. My Own Private Sky.
Eleven-year-old Arthur and his summer sitter help each other surmount difficulty. Rd Lvl: 5.0 Int Lvl: 3-6
EMC-Fiction Be

Bertrand, Diane Gonzales. My Pal, Victor.
Two Latino boys experience carefree camaraderie despite one boy's disability. Fun and friendship overpower physical limitations. Rd Lvl: 2.8 Int Lvl: K-3
EMC-Picture Books Be

Bloor, Edward. Tangerine.

Twelve-year-old Paul, who lives in the shadow of his football hero brother Erik, fights for the right to play soccer despite his near blindness and slowly begins to remember the incident that damaged his eyesight. Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Bl

Blos, Joan W. Brothers of the Heart.

Fourteen-year-old Shem spends six months in the Michigan wilderness alone with a dying Indian woman, who helps him, not only to survive, but to mature to the point where he can return to his family and the difficulties of life as a cripple in a frontier village. Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Bl

Bowler, Tim. Midget.

Subject to strange fits, physically abnormal, and psychologically disturbed from the constant torment and abuse of his older brother, fifteen-year-old Midget finds himself in control of his life for the first time when he gets his own sailboat and discovers untapped mental powers. Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Bo

Brancato, Robin. Winning.

Paralyzed as a result of a football accident, a high school student struggles to accept the reality of his condition and the effect it will have on his friendships and his future.

EMC-Fiction Br

Brooks, Jerome. The Big Dipper Marathon.

A fifteen-year-old's visit to relatives in Chicago gives him new insight into his struggle to decide the kind of life he will live as a victim of polio. Rd Lvl: 5.0 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Br

Burnett, Frances Hodgson. The Secret Garden.

Ten-year-old Mary comes to live in a lonely house on the Yorkshire moors and discovers an invalid cousin and the mysteries of a locked garden. Rd Lvl: 6.8 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Bu

Butler, Beverly. Witch's Fire.

Thirteen-year-old Kirsty, confined to a wheelchair by a car accident, finds herself living with a new stepmother and stepsister in a strange old house formerly inhabited by a witch who wants it back. Rd Lvl: 5.8 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Bu

Carlson, Nancy L. Arnie and the New Kid.

When an accident requires Arnie to use crutches, he begins to understand the limits and possibilities of his new classmate, who has a wheelchair. Rd Lvl: 1.9 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ca

Carter, Alden R. Seeing Things My Way.

A second-grader describes how she and other students learn to use a variety of equipment and methods to cope with their visual impairments. Rd Lvl: 4.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Non Fiction 362.41 C323s

Caseley, Judith. Harry and Willy and Carrothead.

Three boys overcome prejudicial ideas about appearances and become friends.

Rd Lvl: 3.3 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ca

Crutcher, Chris. The Crazy Horse Electric Game.

A high school athlete, frustrated at being handicapped after an accident, runs away from home and is helped back to mental and physical health by a black benefactor and the people in a special school where he enrolls. Rd Lvl: 5.9 Int Lvl: Ya

EMC-Fiction Cr

Dinn, Sheila. Hearts of Gold: A Celebration of Special Olympics and its Heroes.

Covers the history of the Special Olympics, the various events in which mentally and physically handicapped athletes compete, and some of the people involved in this international competition.

Rd Lvl: 6.7 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Non Fiction 796.087 D585h

Donovan, Pete. Carol Johnston, the One Armed Gymnast.

A biography of the Canadian gymnast who won All-American honors in 1978 despite her physical handicap. Rd Lvl: 4.1 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Non Fiction 796.4 J72d

Dorris, Michael. Sees Behind Trees.

A Native American boy with a special gift to "see" beyond his poor eyesight journeys with an old warrior to a land of mystery and beauty. Rd Lvl: 5.7 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Do

Dwight, Laura. Brothers and Sisters.

Like most brothers and sisters, the siblings in this book play together, compete with each other, and help one another. In Brothers and Sisters, we meet a number of sibling groups in which at least one member has a physical disability, but rather than distance themselves from each other, they work to overcome the disability together. Rd Lvl: 2.3

Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Non Fiction 362.4 D992b

Eyerly, Jeannette. The Seeing Summer.

After her initial shock, Carey adjusts to having a blind playmate and takes it upon herself to locate her friend when she is kidnapped. Rd Lvl: 3.1 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Ey

Fassler, Joan. Howie Helps Himself.

Though he enjoys life with his family and attends school, Howie, a child with cerebral palsy, wants more than anything else to be able to move his wheelchair by himself.

Rd Lvl: 3.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Fa

Fine, Anne. The Summer-House Loon.

A teenage girl and her blind history professor father help a young couple in love solve their biggest problem. Rd Lvl: 6.2 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Fi

Fleischman, Paul. The Half-a-Moon Inn.

A mute boy is held captive by the strange proprietress of an inn.

Rd Lvl: 5.6 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Fl

Fleischman, Paul. Mind's Eye.

A novel in play form in which sixteen-year-old Courtney, paralyzed in an accident, learns about the power of the mind from an elderly blind woman who takes Courtney on an imaginary journey to Italy using a 1910 guidebook. Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Fl

Fletcher, Susan. Shadow Spinner.

When Marjan, a thirteen-year-old crippled girl, joins the Sultan's harem in ancient Persia, she gathers for Shahrazad the stories which will save the queen's life.

Rd Lvl: 5.5 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Fl

Fraustino, Lisa Rowe. The Hickory Chair.

A blind boy tells of his warm relationship with his grandmother and the gift she left for him after her death. Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Fr

Gallo, Donald. Owning It: Stories about Teens with Disabilities.

Presents ten stories of teenagers facing all of the usual challenges of school, parents, boyfriends and girlfriends, plus the additional complications that come with having a physical or psychological disability. Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Ow

Hamilton, Virginia. Bluish.

Ten-year-old Dreenie feels both intrigued and frightened when she thinks about the girl nicknamed Bluish, whose leukemia is making her pale and causing her to use a wheelchair.

Rd Lvl: 5.0 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ha

Harshman, Marc. The Storm.

Though confined to a wheelchair, Jonathan faces the terror of a tornado all by himself and saves the lives of the horses on the family farm.

EMC-Picture Books Ha

Hartling, Peter. Crutches.

A young boy, searching vainly for his mother in post-war Vienna, is befriended by a man on crutches and together they find hope for the future.

EMC-Fiction Ha

Hearn, Emily. Good Morning Franny, Good Night Franny.

Franny has numerous adventures whizzing around town in her wheelchair with her friend Ting. One day Franny has to go to a hospital for some tests and when she returns home, Ting and her family have disappeared but Ting has left a message at the entrance to the park for Franny.

EMC-Picture Books He

Hermann, Spring. Seeing Lessons: the Story of Abigail Carter and America's First School for the Blind.

When ten-year-old Abby Carter attends the newly established school for the blind in Boston in 1832, she proves that blind people can learn and be independent. Rd Lvl: 3.5
Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction He

Hill, Elizabeth Starr. Bird Boy.

Chang, a mute Chinese boy whose father uses cormorants to fish, is pleased when he is finally old enough to help with the Big Catch and the raising of a new bird.

EMC-Fiction Hi

Holcomb, Nan. Andy Finds a Turtle.

Andy's physical therapist calls him a turtle one day when he is feeling uncooperative, and thus begins a search to find a turtle, during which he becomes a small hero and learns something important about himself. Rd Lvl: 3.1 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ho

Holcomb, Nan. Danny and the Merry-Go-Round.

Danny, who has cerebral palsy, is faced with another frustrating day at the playground watching the other children play, until a friendly gesture from another kid gives him an unexpected adventure and helps him feel better about himself. Rd Lvl: 2.4 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ho

Johnston, Julie. Hero of Lesser Causes.

In 1946 twelve-year-old Keely is devastated when her older brother Patrick is paralyzed by polio, and she starts a campaign to reawaken his waning interest in life. Rd Lvl: 6.1

Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Jo

Jones, Ron. The Acorn People.

Rd Lvl: 6.8 Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Jo

Jordan, Sherryl. The Raging Quiet.

Suspicious of sixteen-year-old Marnie, a newcomer to their village, the residents accuse her of witchcraft when she discovers that the village madman is not crazy but deaf and she begins to communicate with him through hand gestures. Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Jo

Kaminsky, Marty. Uncommon Champions: Fifteen Athletes who Battled Back.

Inspiring true stories of athletes who struggled with physical and mental adversity. Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Non Fiction 920 K15u

King-Smith, Dick. Pigs Might Fly.

A runt piglet born with deformed front feet is coached in swimming by a duck and an otter and, when the pig farm is flooded, becomes a hero. Rd Lvl: 6.0 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Ki

Konigsburg, E. L. The View from Saturday.

Four students, with their own individual stories, develop a special bond and attract the attention of their teacher, a paraplegic, who chooses them to represent their sixth-grade class in the Academic Bowl competition. Rd Lvl: 4.8 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Ko

Kurtz, Jane. The Storyteller's Beads.

During the political strife and famine of the 1980's, two Ethiopian girls, one Christian and the other Jewish and blind, struggle to overcome many difficulties, including their prejudices about each other, as they make the dangerous journey out of Ethiopia.

Rd Lvl: 5.9 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Ku

Lasker, Joe. Nick Joins In.

When Nick, confined to a wheelchair, enters a regular classroom for the first time as a result of U.S. Public Law 94-142, he and his new classmates must resolve their initial apprehensions about mainstreaming. Rd Lvl: 2.7 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books La

Levi, Dorothy Hoffman. A Very Special Friend.

In search of a friend her own age, six-year-old Frannie meets Laura, who is deaf, and learns sign language from her. Rd Lvl: 4.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Le

Lewis, Catherine. Postcards to Father Abraham.

When sixteen-year-old Meghan loses her leg to cancer and her brother to Vietnam, she expresses intense anger in postcards which she writes to her idol, Abraham Lincoln.

Int Lvl: Ya

EMC-Fiction Le

Likhanov, Al'bert Anatol'evich. Shadows Across the Sun.

A disabled girl and a lonely boy discover first love in their small neighborhood in Moscow.

Rd Lvl: 6.0 Int Lvl: Ya

EMC-Fiction Li

Little, Jean. Listen for the Singing.

As the world around her braces itself for World War II, a young Canadian girl with impaired vision prepares to begin public high school. Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Li

Maguire, Gregory. Missing Sisters.

Twelve-year-old Alice, an orphan who has never been adopted because of her physical handicap and difficult personality, is shocked to discover she has an identical twin sister living nearby.

Rd Lvl: 5.8 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ma

Marsden, John. So Much to Tell You.

Sent to a hospital by her mother, Marina, a disfigured Australian girl who refuses to speak, reveals her thoughts and feelings in a diary. Rd Lvl: 7.2 Int Lvl: Ya

EMC-Fiction Ma

Mathis, Sharon Bell. Listen for the Fig Tree.

A sixteen-year-old girl's first celebration of Kwanza gives her a sense of the past and strength to deal with her troubled mother and her own blindness.

Rd Lvl: 6.0 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ma

Mayne, William. Max's Dream.

When a crippled boy is chosen king of the midsummer celebration, his friends help him follow a dream to find his queen. Rd Lvl: 4.7 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ma

Millman, Isaac. Moses Goes to a Concert.

Moses and his schoolmates, all deaf, attend a concert where the orchestra's percussionist is also deaf. Includes illustrations in sign language and a page showing the manual alphabet.

Rd Lvl: 2.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Mi

Millman, Isaac. Moses Goes to School.

Moses and his friends enjoy the first day of school at their special school for the deaf and hard of hearing, where they use sign language to talk to each other.

Rd Lvl: 3.2 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Mi

Nardo, Don. The Physically Challenged.

This book discusses past and present concerns of the physically challenged, from psychological stress to social prejudice to political action

EMC-Non Fiction 362.4 N224p

Orr, Wendy. Peeling the Onion.

Following an automobile accident in which her neck is broken, a teenage karate champion begins a long and painful recovery with the help of her family.

Int Lvl: YA

EMC-Fiction Or

Osofsky, Audrey. My Buddy.

A young boy with muscular dystrophy tells how he is teamed up with a dog trained to do things for him that he can't do for himself. Rd Lvl: 3.5 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Os

Philbrick, W. R. Freak the Mighty.

At the beginning of eighth grade, learning disabled Max and his new friend Freak, whose birth defect has affected his body but not his brilliant mind, find that when they combine forces they make a powerful team. Rd Lvl: 6.3 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ph

Pieper, Elizabeth. A School for Tommy.

A boy in a wheelchair faces his first few days in a public school.

Rd Lvl: 4.4 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Pi

Rabe, Berniece. The Balancing Girl.

A first grader who is very good at balancing objects while in her wheelchair and on her crutches thinks up her greatest balancing act ever to benefit the school carnival.

Rd Lvl: 3.6 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ra

Robinet, Harriette. Forty Acres and Maybe a Mule.

Born with a withered leg and hand, Pascal, who is about twelve years old, joins other former slaves in a search for a farm and the freedom which it promises.

Rd Lvl: 4.1 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Ro

Rodriguez, Bobbie. Sarah's Sleepover.

When the lights go out while her cousins are spending the night, a young blind girl shows them what to do in the dark. Rd Lvl: 2.7 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books Ro

Rostkowski, Margaret I. After the Dancing Days.

A forbidden friendship with a badly disfigured soldier in the aftermath of World War I forces thirteen-year-old Annie to redefine the word "hero" and to question conventional ideas of patriotism. Rd Lvl: 5.8 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ro

Savitz, Harriet May. Run, Don't Walk.

When a teenager returns to school in a wheelchair after a debilitating accident, all she wants is to be left alone. However, a handicapped activist insists she join his crusade.

EMC-Fiction Sa

Skurzynski, Gloria. Spider's Voice.

Because he is a young mute person who can hear, Aran becomes involved in the adventures of Eloise and Abelard, France's most famous lovers, who lived during the twelfth century.

EMC-Fiction Sk

Strom, Maria Diaz. Rainbow Joe and Me.

Eloise shares her love of colors with her blind friend Rainbow Joe, who makes his own colors when he plays beautiful notes on his saxophone. Rd Lvl: 3.0 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC-Picture Books St

Sutcliff, Rosemary. The Witch's Brat.

The knowledge of herbs and healing that once prompted the villagers to stone him out of town eventually becomes the salvation for a crippled boy in twelfth-century England.

Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Su

Taylor, Theodore. Timothy of the Cay.

Having survived being blinded and shipwrecked on a tiny Caribbean island with the old black man Timothy, twelve-year-old white Phillip is rescued and hopes to regain his sight with an operation. Alternate chapters follow the life of Timothy from his days as a young cabin boy.

Rd Lvl: 5.6 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ta

Taylor, Theodore. Tuck Triumphant.

Fourteen-year-old Helen, her blind dog Friar Tuck, and her family face some dramatic challenges with they discover that the Korean boy they have adopted is deaf. Sequel to "The Trouble with Tuck." Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Ta

Thompson, Lauren. Ballerina Dreams: A True Story.

True story of five little girls with cerebral palsy or other physical disabilities who were determined to become ballerinas. Rd Lvl: 2.7 Int Lvl: K-3

EMC- Non Fiction 792.8 T473b

Trueman, Terry. Stuck in Neutral.

Fourteen-year-old Shawn McDaniel, who suffers from severe cerebral palsy and cannot function, relates his perceptions of his life, his family, and his condition, especially as he believes his father is planning to kill him. Rd Lvl: 6.7 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Tr

Voigt, Cynthia. Izzy, Willy-Nilly.

A car accident causes fifteen-year-old Izzy to lose one leg and face the need to start building a new life as an amputee. Rd Lvl: 6.0 Int Lvl: 5-8

EMC-Fiction Vo

Whelan, Gloria. Hannah.

Hannah, a blind girl living in Michigan in the late nineteenth century, doesn't go to school, until a new teacher comes to board at their house. Rd Lvl: 2.4 Int Lvl: 3-6

EMC-Fiction Wh

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