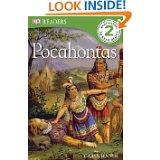
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**Title:** Pocahontas

**By:** Caryn Jenner

**First Line:** “I saw pale strangers!”

**Last Line:** “Pocahontas helped to bring peace and friendship between the settlers and Indians in America.”

**Back Cover:** “What will happen when English settlers come to Pocahontas’s land?”

**Vocabulary:** pale, hunter, Indian village, Pocahontas, Chief Powhatan, frowned, England, scouts, bravely, settlers, explore, gold, Captain John Smith, Jamestown, King James, prisoner, warriors, feast, signal, harsh, autumn, grateful, peace, ship, trade, camped, attack, goods, corn, docked, Captain Argall, kidnapped, baptized, King James, Queen Anne, charming, America, statue, Gravesend,

**Hyphenated Words:** hairy-faced

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**Title:** Testing the Ice A True Story About Jackie Robinson

**By:** Sharon Robinson

**Illustrated by:** Kadir Nelson

**Book Jacket:** “When Jackie Robinson moves his family from New York City to Connecticut, the beautiful lake on their property is the center of everyone’s fun. The neighborhood children join the Robinson kids for swimming and boating. But oddly, Jackie never goes near the water. In a dramatic episode that first winter, Jackie is called upon to test the ice on the lake to make sure it’s safe for ice-skating. *But why,* Sharon wonders, *is he always so afraid to go near the water?”*

“In a stunning metaphor for Jackie Robinson’s legendary breaking of the color barrier in Major League Baseball, Sharon Robinson honors her extraordinary father’s memory with her warm, graceful storytelling. Two-time Caldecott Honor Book artist Kadir Nelson has created richly rendered paintings that radiate with the beauty and spirit of one of America’s finest heroes.”

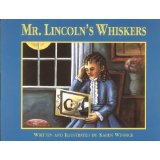
**First Line: “**The year was 1955.”

**Last Line:** “And he did it – even though he couldn’t swim!”

**Vocabulary:** season, Brooklyn Dodgers, New York Yankees, World Series, stole, home, game, Yogi Berra, catcher, umpire, celebrated, Queens, New York City, Stamford, Connecticut, acres, twisted, curious, boulder, granted, adoringly, plaques, bronzed, cleat, Monopoly, Major League Baseball, segregated, denied, Monarchs, approached, startled, color barrier, shattered, insults, exploding, innings, shortstop, victory, wide-eyed, Rookie of the Year award, Most Valuable Player award, Hall of Fame, bragging, retired, protest, Civil Rights Movement, tadpoles, sandbanks, huddled, eerie, howled, moaned, crackled, hissed, ice-skating, eager, chimed, pleaded, figure eights, sheepishly, scramble, reluctantly, abrupt, halt, eased, dawned, crackled, shrieked, courage

**Hyphenated Words:** wide-eyed, ice-skating, hurry-up, snow-covered

**Similes:** “But he felt his way along an untried path – like a blind man tapping for clues.”

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**Title:** Mr. Lincoln’s Whiskers

**Written and Illustrated by:** Karen B. Winnick

**Back Cover:** “Abraham Lincoln was the first president of the United States to wear a beard. But why did he grow it? The answer may lie in a letter he received from and eleven-year-old girl named Grace Bedell. Here is the true story of the girl who helped make Abraham Lincoln’s face one of the most famous in history.”

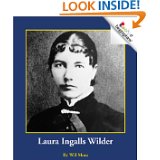
“A wonderful piece of history beautifully and succinctly presented.” – *School Library Journal*

**First Line:** “Grace flew down the porch steps.”

**Last Line:** “His whiskers tickled her cheek.”

**Vocabulary:** Abraham Lincoln, New York, Springfield, Illinois, election, poster, stared, railsplitter, opinion, slavery, elected, vote, cast, shadow, hollows, feather-quill pen, bold, whiskers, blushed, drooped, post office, trudged, burst, parlor, regret, constitute, well-wisher, telegraph, muff, stovepipe hats, bonnets, murmur, platform, improvement, advised

**Hyphenated Words:** feather-quill, well-wisher, chug-a-chug

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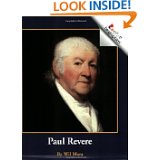
**Title:** Laura Ingalls Wilder

**By:** Wil Mara

**First Line: “**Can you imagine life without telephones, televisions, or movies?”

**Last Line:** “The show was very popular.”

**Vocabulary:** Laura Ingalls Wilder, Wisconsin, farm, Mary, Carrie, Grace, Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota, covered wagon, teacher, Almanzo Wilder, Rose, writer, Little House in the Big Woods, Little House on the Prairie

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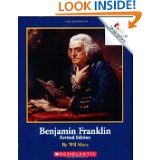
**Title:** Paul Revere

**By:** Wil Mara

**First Line:** “In one night, Paul Revere helped change American history!”

**Last Line:** “He will always be famous for his “Midnight Ride” to help Americans be free.”

**Vocabulary:** Paul Revere, Boston, Massachusetts, silversmith, patriot, king, Great Britain, John Hancock, Boston Tea Party, tax, harbor, generals, redcoats, midnight, freedom, bells, “Midnight Ride”

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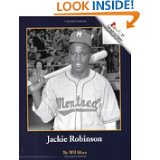
**Title:** Benjamin Franklin

**By:** Wil Mara

**First Line:** “Do you like to do different things?”

**Last Line:** “Many of his ideas and inventions are still part of our everyday lives.”

**Vocabulary:** Boston, Massachusetts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, *Pennsylvania Gazette*, Deborah Read, kite, storm, electrified, lightning, inventing, eyeglasses, bifocals, University of Pennsylvania, colonies, King George III, Declaration of Independence, document, Revolutionary War, document, Constitution, bifocals, printer, Benjamin Franklin, printer, electricity

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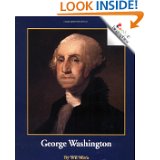
**Title:** Jackie Robinson

**By:** Wil Mara

**First Line:** “Do you like to play baseball?”

**Last Line:** “African Americans are able to play baseball in the Major League.”

**Vocabulary:** Jackie Robinson, Cairo, Georgia, sports, football, basketball, baseball, track teams, Kansas City Monarchs, Major League, Negro League, African Americans, Branch Rickey, team, Brooklyn Dodgers, seasons, Most Valuable Player, admired

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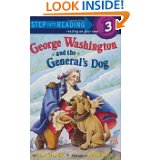
**Title:** George Washington

**By:** Wil Mara

**First Line:** “George Washington was our first president.”

**Last Line:** “America’s capital city, Washington, D.C., is named after him.”

**Vocabulary:** George Washington, England, Virginia, colonists, farm, math, military, armed forces, Martha Custis, politician, elected, government, tax, tea, stamps, Revolutionary War, continental dollar, “Father of Our Country”, Washington, D.C., coins, hero, president

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**Title:** George Washington and the General’s Dog

**By:** Frank Murphy

**Illustrated by:** Richard Walz

**First Line:** “George Washington is one of America’s greatest heroes.”

**Last Line:** “They knew it was him because his six white horses always led the way.”

**Vocabulary:** George Washington, honest, brave, Mount Vernon, Martha, English colony, England, American Revolution, William Howe (General of the English army), Pennsylvania, colonists, Alexander Hamilton, white flags, battlefield

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**Title:** A Picture Book of George Washington

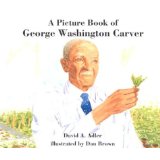
**By:** David A. Adler

**Illustrated by:** John & Alexandra Wallner

**First Line:** “George Washington was born on February 22, 1732 in a simple Virginia farmhouse.”

**Last Line:** “It has been said that George Washington was ‘First in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen.’”

**Vocabulary:** George Washington, Virginia, English colony, arithmetic, surveying, turnip, Ohio Valley, French and Indian war, England, thirteen American colonies, Martha Custis, King George III of England, taxes, Boston Tea Party, harbor, Boston, Lexington, Concord, Massachusetts, Philadelphia, Continental Army, supreme court, president, treaties, Spain, capital, “Father of Our Country”

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**Title:** A Picture of George Washington Carver

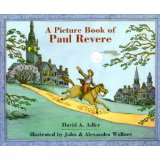
**By:** David A. Adler

**Illustrated by:** Dan Brown

**First Line:** “George Washington Carver was born a slave.”

**Last Line:** “People from all over the world mourned his death.”

**Vocabulary:** slave, Civil War, Missouri, Arkansas, raiders, Neosho, Webster’s Elementary Spelling Book, Fort Scott, Kansas, hitched, blacksmith, lynching, Olathe, Paola, Minneapolis, sod, Iowa, agriculture, debating, German, Booker T. Washington, Tuskegee Institute (Alabama), cotton, peanuts, boll weevils, polio, Tuskegee, Thomas Alva Edison, magnolias, “Black Leonardo”, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Spingarn Medal, Distinguished Research in Agricultural Chemistry

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**Title:** A Picture Book of Paul Revere

**By:** David A. Adler

**Illustrated by:** John & Alexandra Wallner

**First Line:** “Paul Revere was born in a small, crowded house on Fish Street near the edge of Boston Harbor.”

**Last Line:** “He had many talents, but mostly he is remembered as an American patriot who helped his country win its independence.”

**Vocabulary:** Boston Harbor, Paul Revere, bells steeple, Christ Church, American colonies, silversmith, Massachusetts, Great Britain, France, French and Indian Wars, regiment, Fort William Henry, Lake George, New York, Sara Orne, Rachel Walker, goldsmith, engraved, copper, Sons of Liberty, British Parliament, Stamp Act, “No taxation without representation”, protest, Townshend Acts, “lobsters”, “bloody backs”, red uniforms Boston Massacre, disguised, Native Americans, “Minutemen”, Lexington and Concord Massachusetts, William Dawes, Robert Newman, lantern, spire, Christ Church, enemy, Charles River, Samuel Prescott, Revolutionary War, Second Continental Congress in Philadelphia, Declaration of Independence, Parliament, lieutenant colonel, Castle Island, mill, cannons

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**Title:** A Picture Book of Benjamin Franklin

**By:** David A. Adler

**Illustrated by:** John & Alexandra Wallner

**First Line:** “Benjamin Franklin was born in Boston, Massachusetts on January 17, 1706.”

**Last Line:** “They knew him as Benjamin Franklin, great American.”

**Vocabulary:** Benjamin Franklin, errands, The New England Courant, New York City, Philadelphia, Deborah Read, The Pennsylvania Gazette, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Poor Richard’s Almanack, invented, bifocal glasses, lightning rod, electricity, kite, lightning, English House of Commons, Stamp Act, tax, American Revolution, Second Continental Congress, Declaration of Independence, France, King Louis XVI, scientist, weapons, constitution, delegate, autobiography, slavery, outlaw

**Wise Sayings:**

“Early to bed, early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise.”

“Haste makes waste.”

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**Title:** The Hatmaker’s Sign A Story by Benjamin Franklin

**Retold by:** Candace Fleming

**Illustrated by:** Robert Andrew Parker

**First Line:** “At last!”

**Last Line:** “Indeed, they thought, it was perfect!”

**Vocabulary:** Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, Continental Congress, quibbled, debate, slumped, flushed, anger, embarrassment, muttered, consoling, sympathetic, cobblestoned, tricorns, top hats, coonskins, parchment, quill pens, struggled, Old North Church, Reverend Brimstone, Beacon Hill, plucked, fashionable, elegantly, magistrate, stockades, demanded, gulped, bullied, stammered, hastily, bowing, Charles River, brisk, snatched, apprentices, Harvard College, spectacles, peered, displaying, declared, eliminate, wharf, exhausted, pondered, debate

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**Title:** The Man Who Walked Between the Towers

**By:** Mordicai Gerstein

**The Caldecott Medal**

**Back Cover:**

“In 1974, as the World Trade Center was being completed, a young French aerialist, Philippe Petit, threw a tightrope between the towers and spent almost an hour walking, dancing, and performing tricks a quarter of a mile in the sky. The towers are gone, but their memory, as well as the space between them, are celebrated in this award-winning masterpiece.”

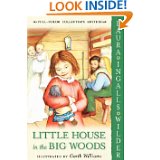
“Gerstein’s dramatic paintings include some perspectives bound to take any reader’s breath away. Truly affecting is the book’s final painting of the imagined imprint of the towers, now existing ‘in memory’ – linked by Philippe and his high wire.” – ***Publishers Weekly*, starred review**

“With its graceful majesty and mythic overtones, this unique and uplifting books is at once a portrait of a larger-than-life individual and a memorial to the towers and the lives associated with them.” – ***School Library Journal*, starred review**

**First Line:** “Once there were two towers side by side.”

**Last Line:** “And part of that memory is the joyful morning, August 7, 1974, when Philippe Petit walked between them in the air.”

**Vocabulary:** New York City, unicycle, juggled, fiery, torches, Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris, cable, plummeted, secured, frantically, whirled, subway, gasped, astonishing, terrifying, bullhorns, salute, jerked, performance, memory, imprinted

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**Title:** Little House in the Big Woods

**By:** Laura Ingalls Wilder

**Illustrated by:** Garth Williams

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**Vocabulary:**

**Little House in the Big Woods:**

Wisconsin, muskrats, mink, otter, roamed, trundle bed, howled, brindle, snuggled, fierce, shutter, panes, hollow, hinges, smoldered, venison, squealing, scalded, venison, iron hearth, simmered, johnny-cake, cracklings, bursting, pantry, shed, cellar, dangled, corncob, handerchief, fiddle

**Winter Days and Winter Nights**

drifted, Jack Frost, glittering, carved, plumped, churn, scraped, grated, leaky, tramping, mustaches, growling, dodging, brindle, kerosene, flannel, steadily, flickering, hovering, whiskers, panther, fiercer, shivered, terror, saddle, glimpse, slashing

**The Long Rifle**

squatted, temptingly, jack-knife, pouch, buckskin, ramrod, spurted, greased, polished, upright, whittled, securely, crinkled, scurrying, stalking, twittering, dusky, ravines, rustling, briars, stout, thrashing

**Christmas**

shoveled, stalls, snowbanks, peaks, carved, crescent moon, curlicues, bracket, china, Swedish, molasses, squiggledy, mufflers, veils, cape, stumps, buffalo robes, flickering, ravine, growled, scolding, snarling, savage, quivering, pokeberries, raveled, gaiters, calico, jealous, switch, cloves, silk, rusting, bracket, griddle, bobsled, gaily

**Sundays**

heaped, washtub, pity, deserved, spanking, solemn, hitching, sermon, fidget, catechism, steep, chores, lantern, Sabbath, whirr, swooping, squeal, clattering, properly, patchwork quilt, cobbler

**Two Big Bears**

thaw, icicles, eaves, trembling, furs, leaped, faint, stall, barnyard, shaggy, mending, feathery, bargain, trade, dens, scalp, prickled, budge, thimble, plaid, hearth

**The Sugar Snow**

frost, icicles, smashing, crackling, chunks, eaves, pitted, shrinking, settling, tongue, hatchet, powder horn, crinkled, maple sugar/syrup, troughs, whittled, cedar, sap, maple, barrel, kettle, cross-timber, skimmed, ladle, delaine, fashionable, basque, whalebones, seams, criss-cross stitches

**Dance at Grandpa’s**

lamplight, robes, pranced, cookstove, slabs, hewed, venison, hasty pudding, hickory, clove-apple, yoke, steadied, swagger, bugle, wash-basin, looking-glass, coiled, corsets, gasped, span, petticoats, flounces, sprigged, basque, cameo pin, sealing wax, darning needle, slender, nestling, swishing, stamp, clasping, waist, bowed, jig, heels, clicking, squealed, swirling

**Going to Town**

hazel bushes, buttercups, violet, thimble flowers, woodpile, clearing, plowing, fawn, muzzle, wisp, knobby, curried, dangling, twitching, bounded, glimpses, denim, fawn-colored, galluses, astonished, dreadful, greedy, unrumpled, jolted

**Summertime**

clearing, Sweden, embroideries, nibbled, primly, sunbonnet, pantry, kindle, sobbed, sulked, rennet, heifers, ridged, skimmed, quivery, whey, grooves, staggered, skimmed, sprouts, honeycomb, waddled

**Harvest**

cradle, slats, stalks, whetstone, sullen, yellow jackets, swarming, blubbering, bawling, steeped, hitched, eaves, monstrously

**The Wonderful Machine**

notched, braided, brim, sumac, scampering, hulls, hazelnuts, stewed, rind, kernels, nubbed, chaffy, iron kettle, scampering, chattering, separator, horsepower, clucked, racket, johnny-cake, threshers

**The Deer in the Wood**

withered, sparkled, cellar, deer-lick, chinked, suspicious, daintily, fawn