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**Title:** DK First Atlas

**Back Cover: “**This exciting picture atlas is packed with beautiful maps and expertly researched information for curious minds. Photographic maps put the world at your fingertips and let you see each country at a glance. Colorful design and simple text make the atlas ideal for children ages 5 and up. Bite-sized facts, quiz questions, and activities bring information to life.”

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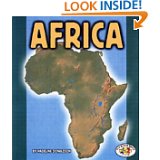
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**Title:** Africa

**By:** Madeline Donaldson

**Back Cover:**

“Do you know…

* where the Nile River is?
* what plants grow in Africa?
* which animals live in Africa’s tropical rain forests?

Read this book to discover the answers!”

**First Line:** “Where could you sail along the world’s longest river?”

**Last Line:** “There’s always something new to learn about Africa.”

**Vocabulary:** continent, deserts, savannas, Africa, Sahara Desert, grasslands, tropical rain forests, Mount Kilimanjaro, Nile River, Lake Victoria, baobab trees, date palm trees, hippos, gorilla, ethnic groups, five regions, Arab, Islam, Morocco, Nigeria, Lagos, Masai, Congo, gold mining, pyramids, tombs

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**Cool Facts about Africa**

* Africa covers more than 11 million square miles (28.5 million square kilometers).
* The main rivers of Africa are the Nile River, the Congo River, the Niger River, and the Zambezi River.
* Some of the animals of Africa are camels, crocodiles, elephants, giraffes, hippos, impalas, lions, and ostriches.
* Elephant grasses and papyrus are two kinds of plants that grow in Africa
* More than eight hundred million people live in Africa.
* People in Africa follow Islam, Christianity, and traditional religions.

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**Glossary**

**continent:** one of seven big pieces of land on Earth. Africa is the second largest continent after Asia

**deserts:** hot areas that don’t get much rain

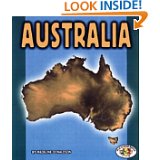
**ethnic Groups:** people who have many things in common. They might speak the same language or follow the same religion

**regions:** small parts of a larger piece of land

**savannas:** the grasslands of Africa

**tombs:** places that hold a dead body

**tropical rain forests:** green forests that get a lot of rain throughout the year

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**Title:** Australia

**By:** Madeline Donaldson

**Back Cover:**

“Do you know…

* where Australia’s Great Barrier Reef is?
* what koalas like to eat?
* what is Australia’s biggest city?

Read this book to discover the answers!”

**First Line:** “Boing! Boing! Where could you watch kangaroos jumping?”

**Last Line:** “There’s always something new to learn about Australia!”

**Vocabulary:** kangaroos, continent, Australia, country, capital, Canberra, Tasmania, eucalyptus, Great Barrier Reef, coral reef, snowboarding, deserts, grassland, merino sheep, paddock, marsupials, pouches, platypuses, snout, acacia trees, Sydney, Opera House, outback, Ayers Rock, Aborigines, Uluru

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**Cool Facts about Australia**

* Australia covers almost 3 million square miles (8 million square kilometers).
* The animals of Australia include echidnas, kangaroos, koalas, kookaburras, platypuses, Tasmanian devils, and wallabies.
* Plants living in Australia include acacia 9or wattle) trees, eucalyptus (or gum) trees, and grass trees.
* About 20 million people live in Australia. Nearly all of them speak English.
* Aborigines make up a very small part – only 1 percent – of Australia’s 20 million people.
* The large cities of Australia are Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, and Adelaide. Canberra is the capital city.

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**Glossary**

**Aborigines:**  a group of people who were the first to live in Australia

**capital:** a city where a government is based

**continent:** one of seven big pieces of land on Earth

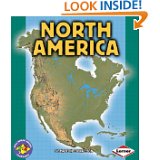
**coral reef:** an area of coral rocks that lies near the surface of water. Coral rocks are the skeletons of once-living animals called corals.

**country:** a place where people live and share the same laws

**marsupials:** animals whose females carry their babies in a pouch on the mother’s stomach

**opera:** a play set to music and sung by singers

**outback:** the open country side of central Australia

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**Title:** North America

**By:** Madeline Donaldson

**Back Cover:**

“Do you know…

* where North America’s largest lake is?
* what North America’s largest city is?
* which animal lives in North America’s cold regions?

Read this book to discover the answers!”

**First Line:** “Brrr! Where could you dive into the cold water of the world’s largest lake?”

**Last Line:** “There’s always something new to learn about North America!”

**Vocabulary:** continent, countries, islands, Mississippi River, Lake Superior, five Great Lakes, Lake, Huron, Lake Ontario, Lake Erie, Lake Michigan, chains, mountains, Mount McKinley, Rocky Mountains, Canada, United States, Mexico, deserts, tropical rain forests, Great Plains, farmland, redwood trees, prairie grasses, polar bears, toucans, Mexico City, capital, New York City, Toronto, Niagara Falls

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**Cool Facts about North America**

* North America covers more than 9 million square miles (24 million square km).
* Greenland is the largest island in North America. Other islands include Puerto Rico, Cuba, and Jamaica.
* The main rivers of North America are the Mississippi River, the Missouri River, the Ohio River, the Mackenzie River, the Colorado River, and the Rio Grande.
* The animals of North America include alligators, Canada geese, coyotes, porcupines, and polar bears.
* Prairie grasses and saguaro cactuses are two kinds of plants that grow in North America.
* The large cities of North America include Los Angeles, Chicago, Mexico City, New York City, Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal, and Washington, D.C.
* Most North Americans speak English, Spanish, or French.

**Page 30 Glossary**

**capital:** a city where a government is based

**chains:** series of linked things. A mountain chain usually makes a long, thick line on a map.

**continent:** one of seven big pieces of land on Earth

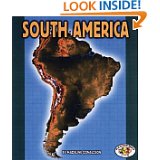
**countries:** places with their own government and borders (or edges)

**deserts:** hot areas that don’t get much rain

**island:** pieces of land surrounded by water

**plains:** a large area of grassland

**tropical rain forests:** rich green forests that get a lot of rain throughout the year

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**Title:** South America

**By:** Madeline Donaldson

**Back Cover:**

“Did you know…

* what is South America’s longest river?
* what birds live in South America’s rain forests?
* where the driest part of South America is?

Read this book to discover the answers!”

**First Line:** “Where could you hear birds screech in the world’s largest **tropical rain** **forest?”**

**Last Line:** “There’s always something new to learn about South America!”

**Vocabulary:** screech, tropical rain forest, continent, South America, coastlines, Amazon, cliffs, Angel Falls, Churun River, Andes Mountains, grasslands, pampas, herds, cattle, Atacama Desert, llamas, toucan, penguins, balsa, orchids, countries, territory, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Brazil, Rio de Janeiro, Machu Picchu, Incas

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**Cool Facts about South America**

* South America covers almost 700 million square miles (1.8 million square kilometers).
* The main rivers of South America are the Amazon River, the Madeira River, the Orinoco River, the Magdalena River, and the Parana River.
* The animals of South America include anteaters, armadillos, egrets, rheas, sloths, and tapirs.
* The plants of South America include mahogany and balsa trees, sisal plants, and coca shrubs.
* Most South Americans speak Spanish, Portuguese, or local languages.
* The large cities of South America include Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo, Bogota, and Buenos Aires.

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**Glossary**

**coastlines:** the shores, or edges, of land that are touched by the ocean

**continent:** one of seven big pieces of land on Earth

**countries:** places with their own government and borders (or edges)

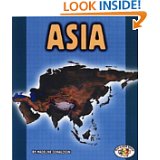
**herds:** large groups of the same kind of animals

**Incas:** a group of people who lived in western South America about 600 years ago

**pampas:** the grassy plains of southern South America

**territory:** an area that is ruled by another country

**tropical rain forest:** a rich, green forest that gets a lot of rain throughout the year

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**Title:** Asia

**By:** Madeline Donaldson

**Back Cover:**

“Do you know…

* what part of Asia holds the world’s tallest mountain?
* which Asian country has the most people?
* which part of Asia is home to reindeer?

Read this book to discover the answers!”

**First Line:** “Where can you climb the world’s tallest mountain?”

**Last Line:** “There’s always something new to learn about Asia!”

**Vocabulary:** continent, oceans, Ural Mountains, countries, regions, snow, ice, Siberia, reindeer, plateaus, sheep, goats, deserts, Dead Sea, chains, Himalaya Mountains, Mount Everest, islands, rice, Tokyo, Japan, China, Shanghai, ethnic groups, Great Wall of China

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**Cool Facts about Asia**

* Asia covers more than 16 million square miles (44 million square kilometers).
* The large islands of Asia include Borneo, Hainan, Honshu, Luzon, Taiwan, and Sakhalin.
* The main rivers of Asia include the Amur River, the Ganges River, the Huang River, the Mekong River, the Ob River, and the Yangtze River.
* The animals of Asia include arctic foxes, Asian elephants, camels, giant pandas, tigers, and yaks.
* Plants living in Asia include date palm trees, mulberry trees, nutmeg trees, and olive trees.
* The large cities of Asia include Bangkok, Beijing, Calcutta, Hanoi, Jerusalem, Manila, Mumbai, Shanghai, Tashkent, and Tokyo.

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**Glossary**

**chains:** series of linked things. A mountain chain usually makes a long, thick line on a map.

**continent:** one of seven big pieces of land on Earth

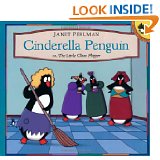
**countries:** places where people live and share the same laws

**ethnic groups:** groups of people who have many things in common. They might speak the same language or follow the same religion.

**islands:** small pieces of land surrounded by water

**plateaus:** areas of high, flat land

**regions:** small parts of a larger piece of land

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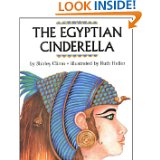
**Title:** Cinderella Penguin or, *The Little Glass Flipper*

**By:** Janet Perlman

**First Line:** “There once was a young penguin named Cinderella, who lived in a faraway land with her stepmother and two stepsisters.”

**Last Line:** “Cinderella and the Prince truly loved each other and they lived happily together ever after.”

**Vocabulary:** penguin, Cinderella, stepmother, stepsisters, selfish, chores, faraway, feather, silk, fluffy, tatters, cellar, costume ball, received, invitation, shabby, cinderblock, fabrics, mirror, posing, curtsies, ironing, Great Fairy Penguin, garden, pumpkin, fetch, wand, magically, carriage, golden, mice, cheese, tap, handsome, horses, coachman, uniform, rags, gown, tiara, glass flippers, delicate, magic spell, midnight, palace, fanfare, trumpets, marveled, magnificent, gobbling, buffet, courtiers, charming, whirled, twirled, applause, glanced, steps, Prince, marry, footmen, commanded, perfuming, powdering, royal footmen, polish, silver, perfectly, delicate, cellar, knock, intent, snatching, grasp, spluttering, amazement, joyous, wedding

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**Title:** The Egyptian Cinderella

**By:** Shirley Climo

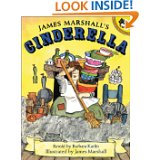
**Illustrated by:** Ruth Heller

**Back Cover:** “Poor Rhodopis! She has nothing – no mother or father, and no friends. She is a slave, from the far-off country of Greece. Only the beautiful rose-red slippers her master gives her can make Rhodopis smile. So when a falcon swoops down and snatches one of the slippers away, Rhodopis is heartbroken. For how is she to know that the slipper will land in the lap of the great Pharaoh himself? And who would ever guess that the Pharaoh has promised to find the slipper’s owner and make her queen of all Egypt?”

**First Line:** “Long ago, in the land of Egypt, where the green Nile River widens to meet the blue sea, there lived a maiden called Rhodopis.”

**Last Line:** “The Pharaoh led Rhodopis to the royal barge, and with every step, her rose-red slippers winked and sparkled in the sun.”

**Vocabulary:** Egypt, Nile River, maiden, Rhodopis, pirates, snatched, Greece, slave, reeds, tangles, copper, scoffed, blushed, rosier, master, doze, fig tree, bidding, coaxed, charmed, monkey, hippopotamus, prick, chores, twirled, nimble, barefoot, dainty, slippers, soles, leather, gilded, gold, sparkled, clumsy, sandals, woven, papyrus, spite, Memphis, Pharaoh, feasting, jeered, linen, jingled, sash, raft, hem, tunic, falcon, Horus, blotted, murmured, soar, dangling, talons, pleaded, heed, stork, Amasis, chariot, throne, queen, pyramids, cliffs, summoned, barge, gongs, peering, rushes, gawked, protested, lotus

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**Title:** Cinderella

**Retold by:** Barbara Karlin

**Illustrated by:** James Marshall

**Back Cover:**

“Your classic rags-to-riches love story with a whole new twist!”

“Poor Cinderella! Her life is just fine – until her father marries a nasty woman with two even nastier daughters. When the girls are invited to a ball given in honor of the prince, they plan to leave Cinderella behind to do the housework. But Cinderella’s fairy godmother has other ideas…

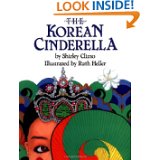
Filled with grinning rats, glass slippers, and a whole caochful of belly laughs, James Marshall’s hilarious illustrations add humor and life to this familiar fairy tale.”

“”[This book] will take its rightful place on the fairy-tale shelves, but it won’t sit there for long!” – *Booklist,* starred review

**First Line:** “Once there was a widower with a kind and beautiful daughter.”

**Last Line:** “Cinderella’s fairy godmother moved in too, just to make sure everyone lived happily ever after.”

**Vocabulary:** cottage, widower, vain, horrid, servant, heaps, cinders, Cinderella, handsome, king, ball, maidens, realm, messenger, royal, invitation, delivered, dreadful, stepsisters, prince, wretched, mouse, fancy, shrieked, lazybones, chores, plump, fairy godmother, pumpkin, garden, mice, wand, magnificent, golden, coach, sleek, filthy, elegant, gown, glass slippers, filthy, sparkling, enchanting, clock, twelve, ballroom, haste, vowed, pudgy, grunted, groaned, kingdom, godmother

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**Title:** The Korean Cinderella

**By:** Shirley Climo

**Illustrated by:** Ruth Heller

**A Notable Children’s Trade Book in the Field of Social Studies (NCSS/CBC)**

**Back Cover:** “Like the tree planted to honor her birth, Pear Blossom is beautiful, and the pride of her elderly mother and father. But then her mother dies, and her father remarries.

Pear Blossom’s stepmother resents her new daughter’s beauty. Out of jealousy, she makes Pear Blossom perform impossible chores while her own daughter, Peony, watches idly. But fortunately, Pear Blossom is not alone. With the help of magical creatures – *togkabis* – she is able to accomplish each task, and triumph over her stepmother’s cruelty.

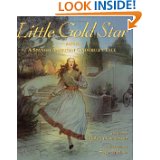
Here is an enchanting cultural variation of a favorite fairy tale.”

“Heller’s paintings are exotically lush and colorful as well as engaging…An agreeable retelling of the Cinderella story.” – *Booklist*

**First Line:** “Long ago in Korea, when magical creatures were as common as cabbages, there lived an old gentleman and his wife.”

**Last Line:** “For, in Korea, *Ewha* means “Pear Blossom.”

**Vocabulary:** Korea, cottage, tile-roofed, fortune, courtyard, Pear Blossom, braid, wove, gown, wailed, village, widow, Peony, Omoni, grumbled, kettle, noodles, scorching, Hai (sun), feeble, jeered, rumbled, tokgabi (goblin), peered, gigantic, bulging, croaked, bidding, shrilled, protested, muttered, rim, scowling, scattered, rice, China, whirred, flock, sparrows, pecked, husk, kernel, hull, scoffed, swooped, chattered, bawled, festival, hampers, silk, mocked, wilted, turnip, dismay, whirlwind, ox, bellowed, trampled, hastened, sandal, magistrate, palanquin, swaying, nobleman, jade, flustered, teetered, crane, willow tree, bearers, acrobats, tightrope, flutes, drums, nibbled, glimpse, hooves, galloped, Ewha (Pear Blossom)

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**Title:** Little Gold Star A Spanish American Cinderella Tale

**Retold by:** Robert D. San Souci

**Illustrated by:** Sergio Martinez

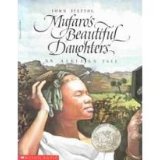
**First Line:** “In what is now New Mexico, there was once a sheepherder named Tomas whose wife had died.”

**Last Line:** “And the little gold star remained a sign of heaven’s blessing on them and their children.”

**Book Description from Amazon:**

**“**Blessed Mary rewards Teresa's good deeds with a shining gold star. Later she punishes Teresa's unkind stepsisters, Isabel and Inez, with hideous horns and donkey's ears that they try to hide under heavy veils! But will Teresa outshine her stepsisters at the festival? Robert D. San Souci retells this popular folktale in a lilting narrative that includes all the magic of the beloved Cinderella story and traditional elements from Spanish tales. Luminous watercolors by Sergio Martinez accentuate the beauty and goodness that radiate from Little Gold Star.”

**Vocabulary:** New Mexico, sheepherder, flocks, weep, haughty, vain, misery, nagged, chores, flowers, oranges, lamb, fleece, pillow, snatched, shack, dozed, cradle, lullaby, Blessed Mary, Saint Joseph, baby Jesus, Isabel, stewpot, restore, penance, Inez, strewed, hearth, ashes, mantillas (veils), hideous, taunted, Estrellita de Oro (Little Gold Star), fiesta, patron, pew, mass, mansion, plaza, veil, carriage, shabby, elegant, gowns, swirled, custom, wretched, harsh, dawn, mysterious, buenas tardes (good afternoon), parlor, jabbed, despaired, delicacies, mattresses

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**Title:** Mufaro’s Beautiful Daughters An African Tale

**By:** John Steptoe

**A Reading Rainbow Book**

**Title Page:** “Mufaro’s Beautiful Daughters was inspired by a folktale collected by G.M Theal and published in1895 in his book, *Kaffir Folktales.* Details of the illustrations were inspired by the ruins of an ancient city found in Zimbabwe, and the flora and fauna of that region. The names of the characters are from the Shona language: Mufaro (moo-far-oh), means “happy man”; Nysahs (nee-ah-she) means “mercy”; Manyara (man-yar-ah) means “ashamed”; and Nyoka (nee-yo-kah) means “snake.” The author wishes to thank Niamani Mutima and Ona Kwanele, of the Afro-American Institute, and Jill Penfold, of the Zimbabwe Mission, for their helpful assistance in the research for this book.”

**First Line:** “Manyara was almost always in a bad temper.”

**Last Line:** “Mufaro proclaimed to all who would hear him that he was the happiest father in all the land, for he was blessed with two beautiful and worthy daughters – Nyasah, the queen: and Manyara, a servant in the queen’s household.”

**Vocabulary:** servant, chores, plot, millet, yams, bountiful, journey, greed, stumbled, clearing, silhouetted, grove, scolded, chanted, dawn, garments, commotion, bustled, plumed, destination, transfixed, descended, piercing, chamber, enclosure, sobbing, weavers, garments, feast, millet

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**Title:** Yeh-Shen A Cinderella Story from China

**Retold by:** Ai-Ling-Louie

**Illustrated by:** Ed Young

**An ALA Notable Book**

**An IRA-CBC Children’s Choice Book**

**A *School Library Journal* Best Book of the Year**

**Back Cover:** “Half-starved and overworked by her stepmother, Yeh-Shen’s only friend is a fish with golden eyes. When the stepmother kills the fish for dinner, poor Yeh-Shen is forbidden to attend the annual spring Festival, the spirit grants her a gown of azure blue and delicate golden slippers. That night, everyone marvels at the beautiful, mysterious young woman at the ball.

Told with beauty and grace, this Cinderella story from ancient China is brought vividly to life with Ed Young’s soft, glowing illustrations.”

“Here may well be the *original* of the story we know as ‘Cinderella.’” – *School Library Journal*

“Misty, jewel-like illustrations evoke the mythic past in this Chinese Cinderella story.” – *Publishers Weekly*

**First Line:** “In the dim past, even before the Ch’in and the Han dynasties, there lived a cave chief of southern China by the name of Wu.”

**Last Line:** “They remained in their cave home, where one day, it is said, they were crushed to death in a shower of flying stones.”

**Vocabulary:** dynasties, custom, orphan, jealous, chores, enormous, filthy, familiar, heaved, dagger, garments, collapsed, coarsest, gasped, horror, dwell, sage, utter, dread, beauteous, finery, departed, banquet, azure, cloak, transformation, merrymaking, sobbed, entranced, marveled, undaunted, pavilion, herald, wearily, vigil, timidly, harmony, signaled, tattered, transformed

**Similes:** “She was a bright child and lovely too, with skin as smooth as ivory and dark pools for eyes.”

“They were woven of golden threads, in a pattern like the scales of a fish, and the glistening soles were made of solid gold.”

“There was magic in the shoes, for they should have been quite heavy, yet when Yeh-Shen walked, her feet felt as light as air.”

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**Title:** The Rough-Face Girl

**By:** Rafe Martin

**Illustrated by:** David Shannon

**An IRA Teachers’ Choice Book**

**And ABC Children’s Bookseller’s Choice**

**Winner of the Georgia Children’s Picture Storybook Award**

**Winner of Nebraska’s Golden Sower Award**

**Back Cover:** “A scarred face does not prevent the Rough-Face girl from seeing the beauty of the earth around her, nor does it disguise her beautiful, kind heart in this award-winning retelling of a powerful Algonguin Cinderella.”

“There are many versions of Cinderella, but none is more eloquent or affecting - or more strikingly illustrated.” – *Parents* Magazine

“A strong, distinctive tale with art to match.” – *Kirkus Reviews (pointer review)*

“A splendid read-aloud.” – *School Library Journal*

**First Line:** “Once, long ago, there was a village by the shores of Lake Ontario.”

**Last Line:** “They lived together in great gladness and were never parted.”

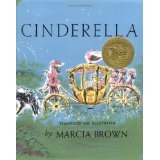
**Vocabulary:** village, shoes, wigwams, invisible, scarred, ragged, charred, miserable, buckskin, moccasins, haughtily, stammered, desperately, spare, reeds, birch, courage, vanished

**Similes:** “And suddenly her voice was swift as lightning and strong as thunder!”

“But they were still too big and they flap, flap, flapped like ducks’ feet as she walked.”

“At last she came to the lakeshore just as the sun was sinking behind the hills and the many stars came glittering out like a fiery veil in the darkening sky overhead.”

“Her skin grew smooth again and her beautiful black hair grew in long and glossy as a raven’s wing.”

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**Title:** Cinderella

**Translated and Illustrated by:** Marcia Brown

**Caldecott Medal**

**Back Cover:** “Even in rags, Cinderella is a hundred times more beautiful than her cruel stepsisters. And how she wished to go to the prince’s ball! But her sisters delight in telling her that people would only laugh at her at the palace. Fortunately, Cinderella is blessed with a fairy godmother who can turn pumpkins into golden coaches, lizards into footman, and rags into riches. As the ball, Cinderella will have the most thrilling night of her life – until the stroke of midnight!

Marcia Brown’s magical adaptation of Charles Perrault’s French classic earned her the Caldecott Medal as well as the love of children everywhere.”

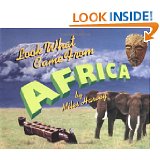
“The pages sparkle with Marcia Brown’s exquisite artwork and lovely colors.” – *The New Yorker*

“A perfect picture book.” – *Saturday Review*

**First Line:** “Once upon a time there was a gentleman who took for his second wife the proudest and haughtiest woman that was ever seen.”

**Last Line:** “Cinderella, who was as good as she was beautiful, gave her sisters a home at the palace and on the same day married them to two great lords of the court.”

**Vocabulary:** haughtiest, disposition, flared, abide, vilest, bedchamber, wretched, pallet, garret, chambers, “Cinderseat”, ball, headdresses, starched, linen, ruffles, velvet, petticoat, cloak, corset, departed, pumpkin, rind, wand, coach, gilded, sprightly, scampered, dappled, plump, sleek, elegant, mustaches, lizards, fetched, footmen, carriage, fancy, livery, embroidered, rubies, pearls, arrayed, murmur, charming, workmanship, skillful, courtesies, astonished, chime, curtsy, filthy, snub, splendidly, charming, horrified, doe, peasant, gaze, herald, duchess, mocked, magnificent, conducted

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**Title:** Look What Came From Africa

**By:** Miles Harvey

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**Glossary:**

**ancestor:** relative who lived in the past

**ancient:** very old

**civilization:** complex society with a stable food supply, division of labor, some form of government, and highly developed culture

**colony:** territory governed by a distant country

**continent:** one of the great land masses of Earth

**culture:** the beliefs and customs of a group of people that are passed won from generation to generation

**enriched:** improved, added to in a positive way

**ethnic group:** group of people whose members share the same culture, language, or customs

**evidence:** fact or clue that helps prove that something is true

**heritage:** something that is passed on from one’s ancestors

**ideal:** a standard of perfection, beauty, or excellence

**inseparable:** impossible to separate

**inspired:** influenced, spurred on

**traditional:** handed down from generation to generation

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**abacus:** an ancient tool used for doing math problems

**acrobat:** a performer who does juggling and balancing tricks

**acupuncture:** a Chinese medical treatment in which the skin is punctured with tiny needles at specific points to cure diseases or relieve pain

**ancestor:** a relative who lived in the past

**calligraphy:** the art of beautiful handwriting

**chopsticks:** sticks the Chinese use instead of knives, forks, and spoons

**civilization:** the way of life of a people

**cocoon:** a home spun by certain insects for protection while they change from a larva into an adult insect

**continent:** one of the major land areas of the earth

**emperor:** ruler of an empire

**ginseng:** a type of plant that many Chinese think is good for your health

**lacquer:** a special kind of paint that makes things shiny

**lute:** a type of musical instrument similar to the guitar or zither

**porcelain:** a type of pottery invented by the Chinese

**pulp:** a material prepared from wood or rags that is used in making paper

**tofu:** a healthy kind of food made out of soy beans

**wok:** a bowl-shaped cooking pan used in China

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**cane:** the slender, woody stem of certain plants

**civilization:** the way of life of a people

**exotic:** belonging to another part of the world: foreign

**greyhound:** a breed of dog that began in ancient Egypt

**lighthouse:** a tower, located on the seashore, that is used to guide ships or warn them of rocks or similar dangers **mummies:** bodies of dead people preserved for burial

**papyrus:** a tall, grasslike plant used by the ancient Egyptians to make paper

**pyramids:** huge, triangular-shaped buildings in which the ancient Egyptians buried dead rulers

**sacred:** having to do with religion or religious use; deserving honor or respect

**scroll:** a roll of paper, especially one with writing on it

**tomb:** a place for the burial of the dead

**traditional:** handed down from generation to generation