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**STEVEN L. LAYNE**

Named to the 2001 All-Teacher Team by *USA Today*  
 2001 Recipient of the Milken Family Foundation's National Award for Teaching Excellence  
 Layne serves as director of the Master of Education in Literacy program at Judson University in Elgin, Illinois, where he is also a professor of literacy education. He is a 15 year veteran of public education, serving as a classroom teacher and reading specialist for grades two through three and five through eight.



**LOVE THE BABY**

Illustrated by Ard Hoyt

The new baby is an annoying, loud nuisance, but Brother must "pretend" to love the baby. This book teaches children how to be patient with and honest about their feelings of welcoming a newborn.  
**32 pp. 8½ x 11 31 color illus. Ages 0-5**  
**Rights sold: Korea** **ISBN: 9781589803923 \$16.99**



**SHARE WITH BROTHER**

Illustrated by Ard Hoyt

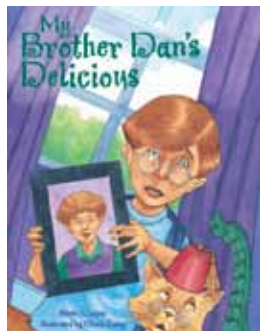
Brother is happy to have someone to play with when the new baby comes home. But no one said anything about sharing!  
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**STAY WITH SISTER**

Illustrated by Ard Hoyt

Big Brother learns that not all little siblings are the same when his parents bring home a baby girl. Despite all the trouble she causes, Sister finds her way into Brother's heart.  
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**MY BROTHER DAN'S DELICIOUS**

Illustrated by Chuck Galey

Joey, left at home alone one night, sees and hears strange things, but he has the superior wit to convince any and all possible monsters that his brother, Dan, is the better choice for dinner.  
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**MY BROTHER DAN'S DELICIOUS/LOVE THE BABY CD**

Narrated by Steven L. Layne

In these two recordings, life with siblings gets funny and tender attention.  
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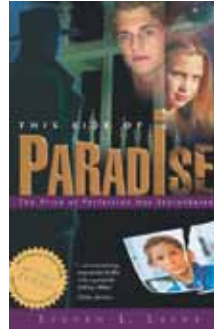


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A Story of International Adoption

Illustrated by Jan Bower

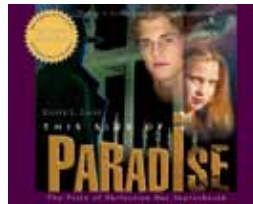
"This multicultural picture book enables readers to take part in a special family journey . . . when a newly adopted child arrives home." —*Learning Magazine*  
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**2001 Hal Clement Award Winner for Best New Science Fiction Novel for Young Adults**

**2001-2002 Best of the Best for Young Adults, Missouri Library Association**

**2002-2003 Read Aloud Books, Too Good to Miss, Indiana Library Federation**

**2003-2004 Texas Lone Star Top 20 List**

**2003 Young Adult Choice Title, International Reading Association Accelerated Reader and Scholastic Reading Counts! Selection**



**VERSES FOR DAD'S HEART** — “Sentimental in tone, the overriding message is of love, appreciation, and respect for a father who was always there—strong, faithful, and dependable.”

—*School Library Journal*

**LOVE THE BABY** — “Layne’s take on the familiar theme is sweet and direct enough even for very young children to grasp.”

—*Booklist*

**THOMAS’S SHEEP AND THE GREAT GEOGRAPHY TEST** — “. . . provides a great example of employing the mnemonic technique for improving memory.”

—*Top of Texas Reviews*



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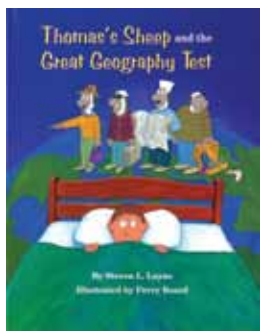
Dirk and his friends have spent their entire lives in hiding because of their racial identities. Now they must make a dangerous journey into the past with the hope of restoring the world’s natural timeline. They all have special powers that they will use to conquer the Merger.

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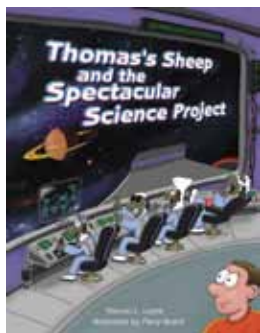
Illustrated by Perry Board

Anxious about his teacher’s Great Geography Test, Thomas has trouble sleeping. In come the sheep to the rescue! Mischief follows this crew as they see the world in this alphabet adventure.

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Ages 5-8

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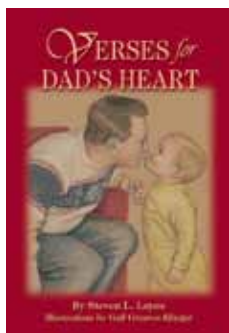
Illustrated by Perry Board

In his dreams, Thomas visits space camp and completes his first big homework assignment on the solar system. The sheep come along for the ride!

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Ages 5-8

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### VERSES FOR DAD'S HEART

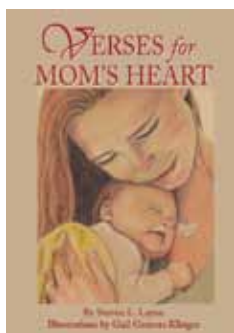
Illustrated by Gail Greaves Klinger

With stubborn love and sage advice, fathers provide a special guidance that is essential whether we are 2, 12, or 20 years old. These heartfelt poems acknowledge the fears and insecurities all children have and the ability of dads to make things better.

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All Ages

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### VERSES FOR MOM'S HEART

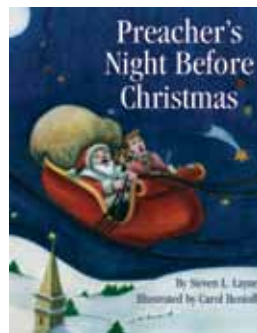
Illustrated by Gail Greaves Klinger

This illustrated collection of poems from a child’s viewpoint includes poignant and humorous examples of the countless ways a mother supports, celebrates, and comforts. Nineteen verses illuminate the various roles a mother plays.

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### PREACHER'S NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

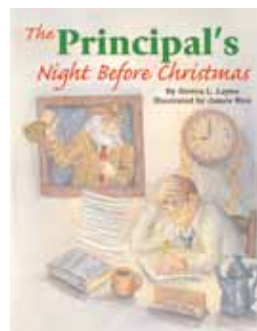
Illustrated by Carol Benioff

The members of Spring Lane Creek Church are in a panic. Tears are shed, screams are heard, and just when it seems too much, Santa appears in the pastor’s office. Saint Nick reminds the congregation of the true meaning of Christmas.

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All Ages

ISBN: 9781589803213 \$16.99



### THE PRINCIPAL'S NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

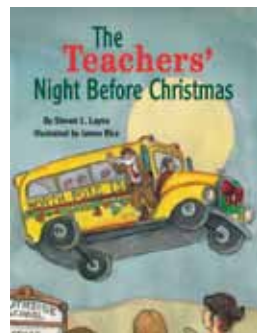
Illustrated by James Rice

Poor Principal Swell has his hands full. With paperwork, computers to fix, bus routes to unknot, not to mention discipline and field trips, it seems he’ll never get back home to his own family!

32 pp. 8½ x 11 31 color illus.

All Ages

ISBN: 9781589802520 \$16.99



### THE TEACHERS' NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Illustrated by James Rice

The traditional trappings of Christmas at school—the pageant, crafts, and the room mothers’ party—all end in chaos. Thank goodness Santa Claus appears in his magical bus to present a solution. The classroom will never be the same!

32 pp. 8½ x 11 31 color illus.

All Ages

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### TEACHERS' NIGHT BEFORE HALLOWEEN

Illustrated by Ard Hoyt

It’s the day before Halloween and goblins, princesses, and warriors are running wild. Everything is chaotic and no one knows what to do! The teachers are in for the trick-or-treat of their careers.

32 pp. 8½ x 11 31 color illus.

All Ages

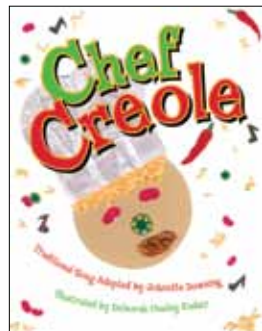
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## SCHOOL VISIT INFORMATION

Dr. Layne enjoys talking to students about being a writer. As an experienced teacher and professor, he knows how important reading and language are to the development of readers. He speaks frequently at national conferences and is available for appearances and presentations at schools.



**JOHNETTE DOWNING** writes family-friendly, entertaining, and educational music and books with Louisiana spice. Her primary musical influences are Dixieland jazz, Cajun, Creole, and zydeco music. Among her many accolades are six Parents' Choice Awards, two Parent's Guide to Children's Media Awards, four National Parenting Publications Awards, three iParenting Media Awards, and a Family Choice Award. She taught early childhood music classes for 13 years and holds a bachelor of arts degree in theatre from Southeastern Louisiana University.



### CHEF CREOLE

**Illustrated by Deborah Ousley Kadair**

A lively adaptation of the song "Aiken Drum," this interactive book includes a glossary with definitions of Pelican State foods such as beignets and boudin.

32 pp. 8½ x 11 28 color illus. Song

Glossary Ages 0-5 ISBN: 9781589806177 \$16.99

### DOWN IN LOUISIANA

**Illustrated by Deborah Ousley Kadair**

This counting book tells of pelicans, armadillos, black bears, alligators, Catahoulas, nutria, possums, crawfish, and mosquitoes and their kin.

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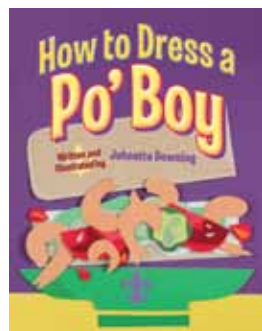
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### HOW TO DRESS A PO'BOY

It takes a lot of skill to put together the perfect New Orleans-style po' boy. From French bread and Blue-Plate® mayo to Creole tomatoes and debris, all the delicious ingredients are included. A tasty read for kids of all ages!

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### MY AUNT CAME BACK FROM LOUISIANA

"Acclaimed children's musician Downing adapts and illustrates the traditional folk song 'My Aunt Came Back', giving it her signature Louisiana twist."

—Kirkus Reviews

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### TODAY IS MONDAY IN KENTUCKY

**Illustrated by Deborah Ousley Kadair**

With bright collage illustrations and infectious singsong lyrics, this book romps through a week of food favorites from Kentucky.

32 pp. 11 x 8½ 17 color illus.

Glossary Song Ages 0-5 ISBN: 9781455615339 \$16.99



### TODAY IS MONDAY IN LOUISIANA

**Illustrated by Deborah Ousley Kadair**

On Monday, there are red beans to eat, and on Tuesday, po' boys, and on it goes throughout the week, each day bringing a unique Louisiana dish.

32 pp. 11 x 8½ 15 color illus.

Glossary Recipe Ages 0-5 ISBN: 9781589804067 \$16.99



### TODAY IS MONDAY IN NEW YORK

**Illustrated by Deborah Ousley Kadair**

"A delightful evocation of some of New York State's most beloved foods. Guaranteed to make your stomach rumble as you read along."

—Louis Alvarez, filmmaker, the Center for New American Media  
What do children eat in New York? Find out in this colorful exploration of typical foods told in delicious rhyme.

32 pp. 11 x 8½ 15 color illus.

Glossary Song Ages 0-5 ISBN: 9781589808867 \$16.99



### TODAY IS MONDAY IN TEXAS

**Illustrated by Deborah Ousley Kadair**

This singsong culinary calendar introduces the Lone Star State's favorite foods accompanied by fun collage illustrations and a recipe for pan de campo.

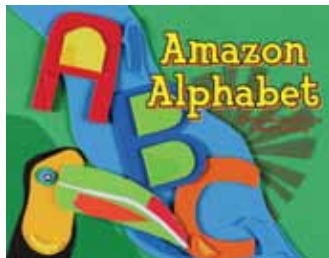
32 pp. 11 x 8½ 15 color illus.

Glossary Song Recipe Ages 0-5 ISBN: 9781589807013 \$16.99

"Johnette Downing knows the child's mind and the child's heart deeply. Her reshaping of the classic tale and her striking illustrations are documentation of her brilliant visitations into those places where the child's imagination resides." —Darrell Bourque, Louisiana poet laureate 2009–2011  
**TODAY IS MONDAY IN LOUISIANA**—"Downing's rhythmic, repetitive text will appeal to children, as will Kadair's addition of a new child to the table for each new food."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

**CHEF CREOLE**—"An illustrated songbook is always welcome for storytimes, especially one with easy collages to copy for potential flannel-board use."  
 —*School Library Journal*



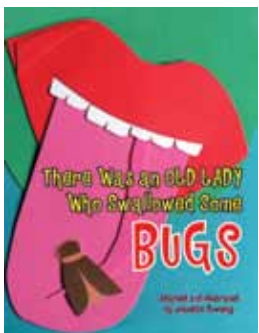
### AMAZON ALPHABET

A is for Amazon, B is for boa constrictor, C is for caiman, and Z is for zoologist in this colorful and informative nonfiction picture book for young readers.

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Ages 5-8

ISBN: 9781589808799 \$16.99




### THERE WAS AN OLD LADY WHO SWALLOWED SOME BUGS

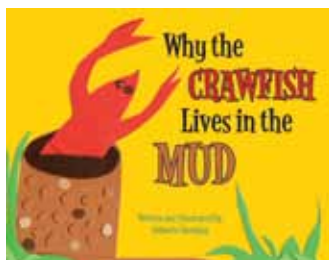
"... I give Johnette's new book a big ten thumbs up. Her funny and surprising version gives a new twist to an old favorite. It is 'kidtastic!' Read it."

—Ann L. Davis, head of children's services, Napa City-County Library  
 Accompanied by Downing's signature collage illustrations, this good and gross tale pops off the page with its fun, musical language and whimsical look at the insect food chain.

32 pp. 8½ x 11 31 color illus.

Ages 5-8 

ISBN: 9781589808584 \$16.99



### WHY THE CRAWFISH LIVES IN THE MUD

"A humorous choice for storytimes."

—*School Library Journal*

"A serviceable trickster tale jazzed up with Cajun French phrases."


—*Kirkus Reviews*

"Filled with lessons to be learned and other fun characters like a dedicated crab, this book is swimming with fun for young readers."

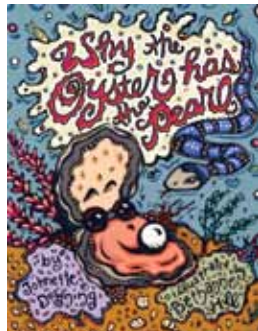
—*Northwest Indiana Parent*

One hot, muggy day, back when Crawfish and Crab were best friends, Crawfish was feeling lazy and decided to trick Crab. Soon Crawfish learned about the consequences of cheating a friend.

32 pp. 11 x 8½ 18 color illus.

Glossary Ages 5-8 

ISBN: 9781589806788 \$16.99



### WHY THE OYSTER HAS THE PEARL

Illustrated by Bethanne Hill

"Like a Greek myth, Johnette Downing's charming tale highlights the dangers of greed and the rewards of generosity."

—George Rodrigue, artist

"Johnette Downing's vibrant storytelling makes every book a celebration between covers." —Chéré Coen, Louisiana author

and journalist

"Take what you need and leave the rest," is the refrain of this original trickster tale.

In the old days, all of the world's wealth was kept by the Oyster. Anyone who requested jewels that he guarded was met with the same generous refrain, and they took only what they needed. But what happens when Snake takes more than needed and that balance is threatened?

32 pp. 8½ x 11 31 color illus. Ages 5-8

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### WHY THE POSSUM HAS A LARGE GRIN

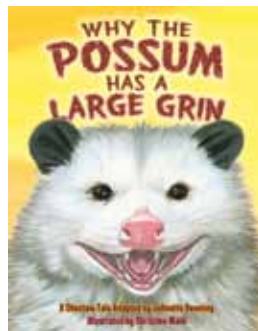
Illustrated by Christina Wald

Move over Bre'r Rabbit, there's a new trickster in town! Once Possum decides to take advantage of his starving neighbor Deer, they both become marked forever.

32 pp. 8½ x 11 31 color illus.

Ages 5-8 

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### SCHOOL VISIT INFORMATION

Downing travels internationally to conduct interactive performances for children, teaching them about the rich cultural and musical heritage of Louisiana. She also conducts educator workshops about how to use music in the classroom. For more information on how to schedule an appearance or to get her current schedule, contact the School Sales representative.



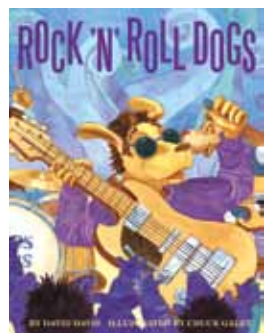
**DAVID DAVIS** is a humorist, cartoonist, and writer with a gift for storytelling. Though most of his picture books are set in the South, they transcend the regional label. He is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, and the Dallas Council of International Reading Association. As a native Texan, he is in demand as a speaker and presenter at educational conferences, festivals, libraries, and schools across the state.



**JAZZ CATS**  
 Illustrated by Chuck Gale  
**Children's Book Choice 2002**  
 "Hepcats rule." —*Publishers Weekly*

"Visual details from a bygone era add appeal to this story." —*Book Links*

Vibrant illustrations bring these hip cats to life in such memorable places as Preservation Hall and Café Du Monde.  
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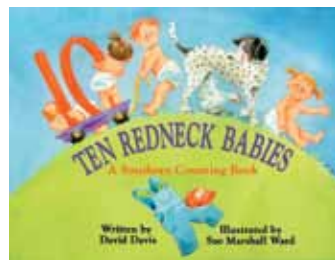


**ROCK 'N' ROLL DOGS**  
 Illustrated by Chuck Gale  
 "Children will enjoy the song-like stanzas, and adults will appreciate the humorous tales of canine romps around Memphis hotspots."  
 —*Mississippi Magazine*

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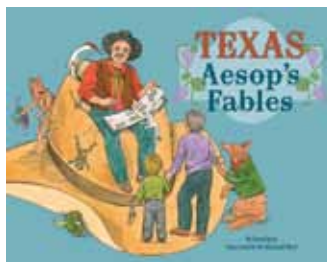


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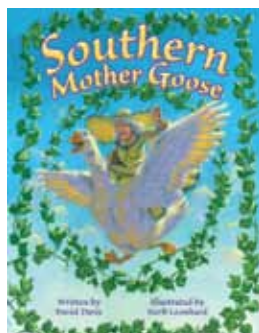
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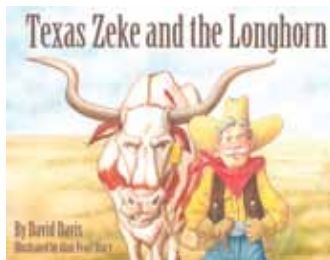


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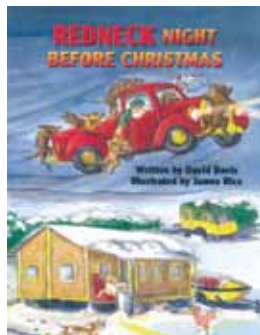
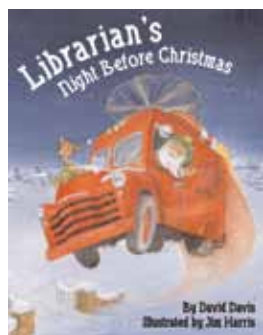
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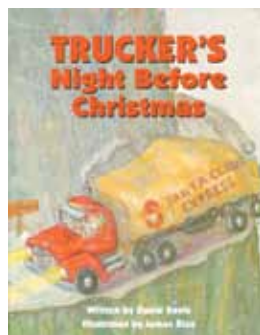
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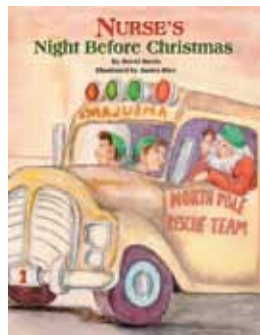
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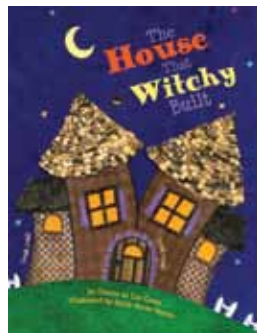
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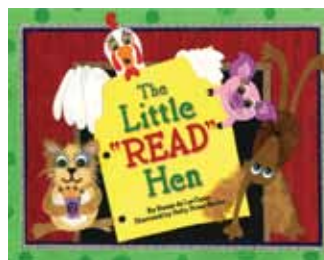
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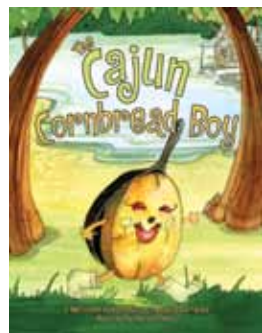
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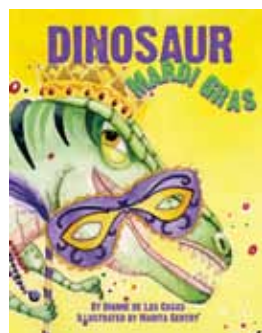
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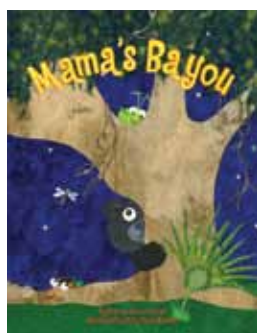
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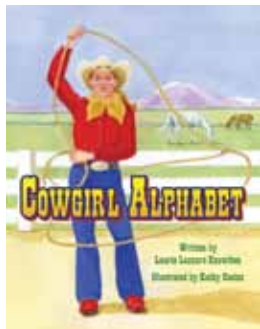
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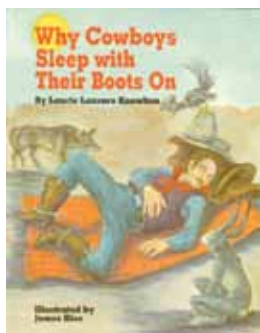
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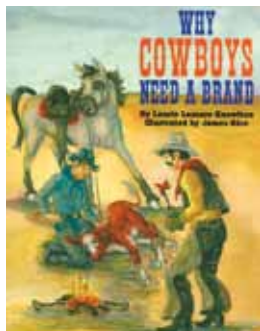


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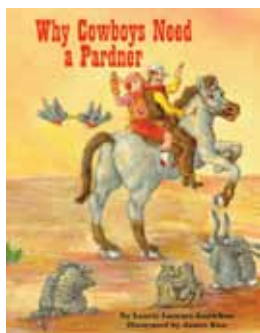


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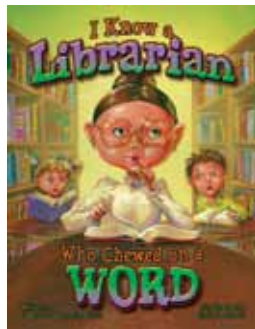
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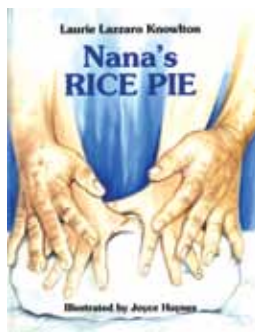
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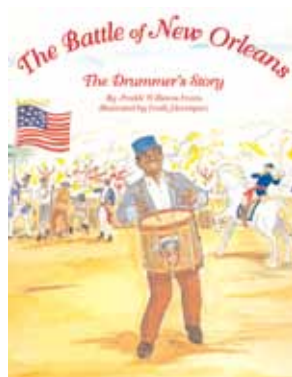
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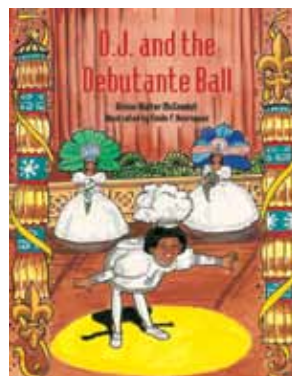
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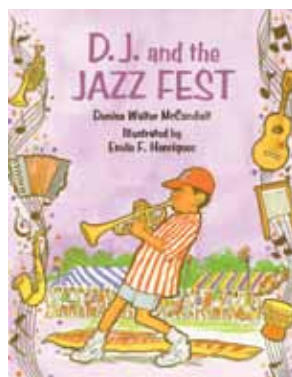
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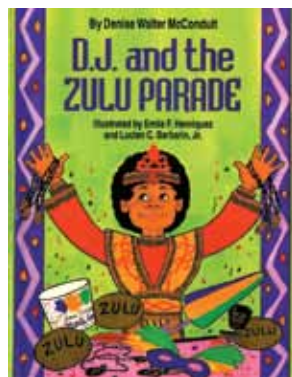
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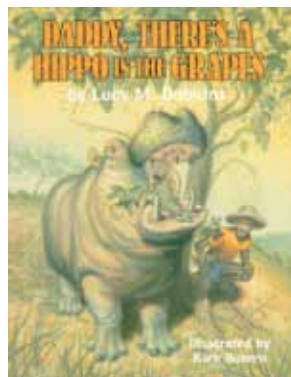
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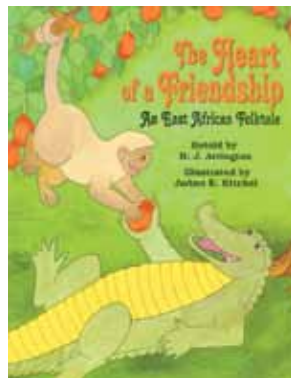
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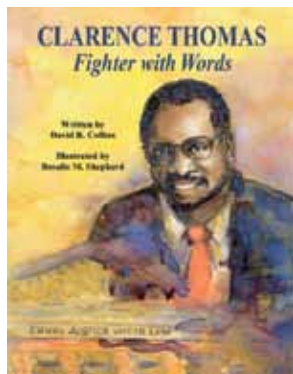
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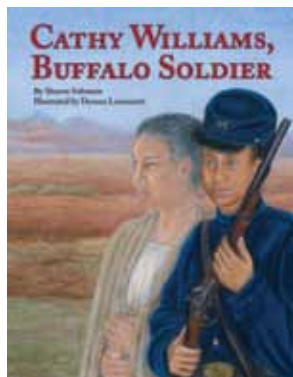
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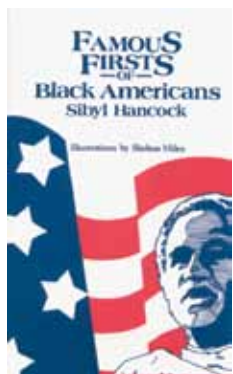




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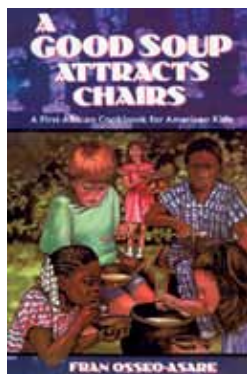


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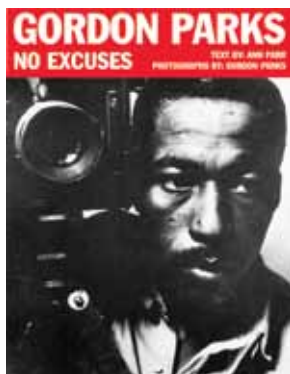


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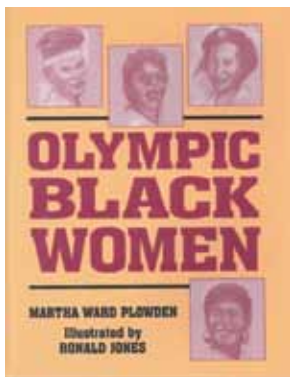
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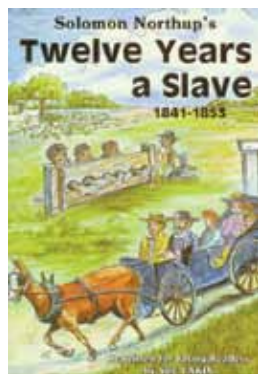
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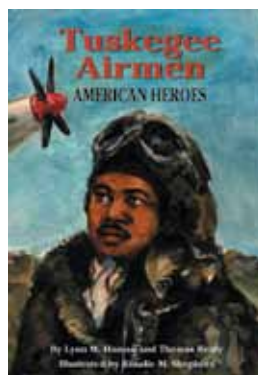
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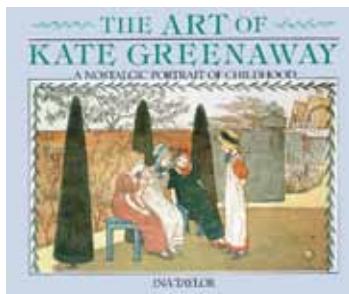


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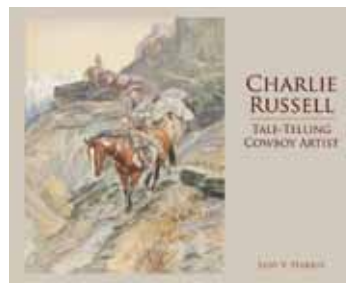


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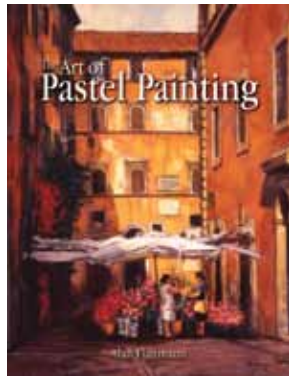


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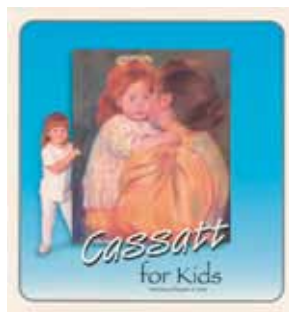
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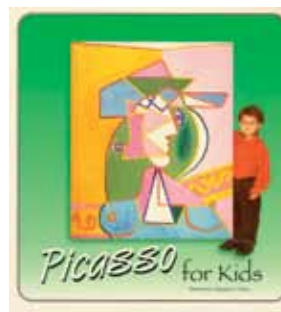
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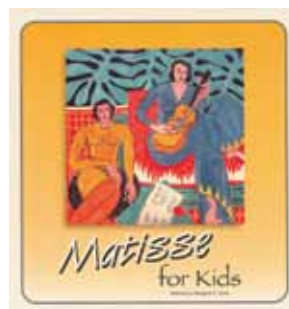
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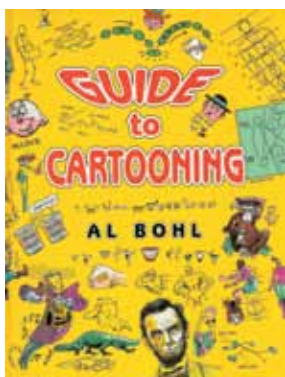
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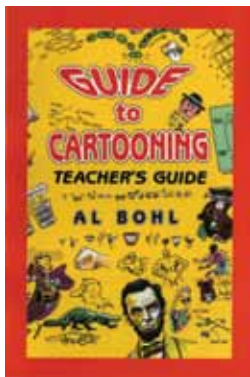
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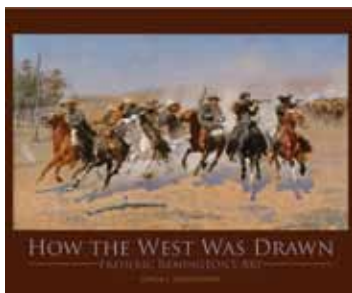
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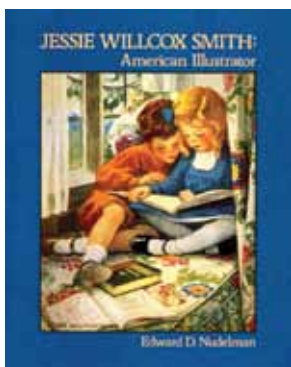
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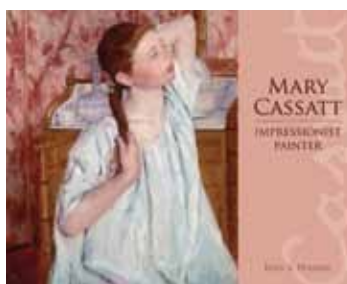
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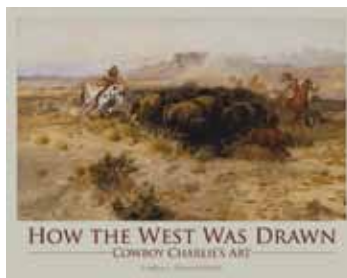
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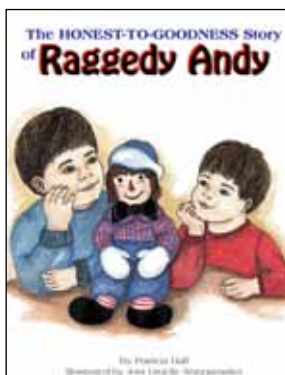
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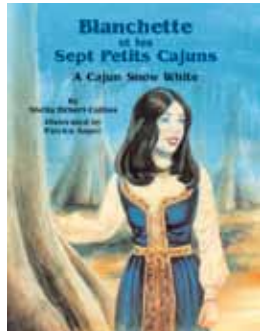
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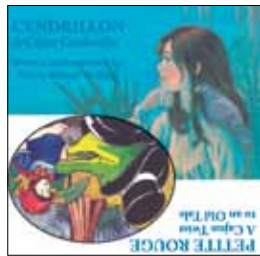
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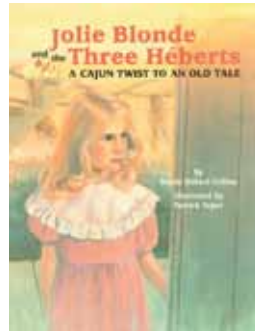
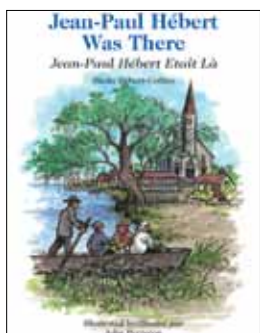
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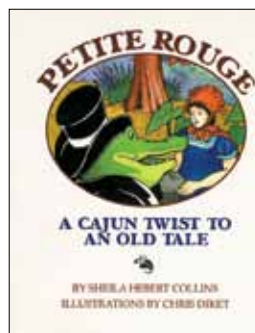
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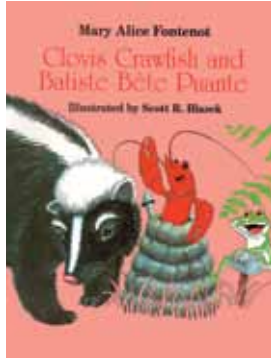




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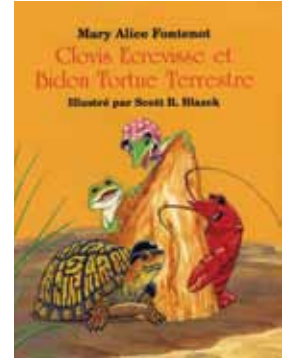
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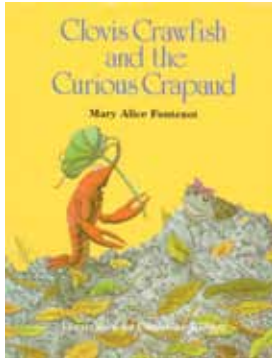
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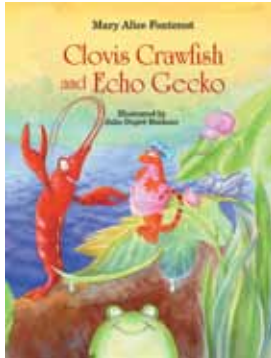
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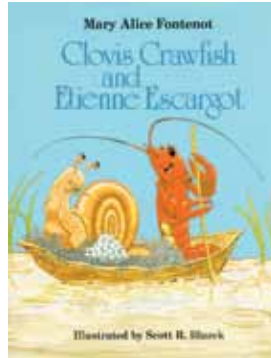
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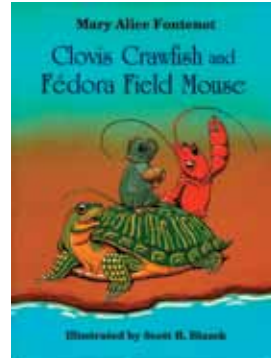
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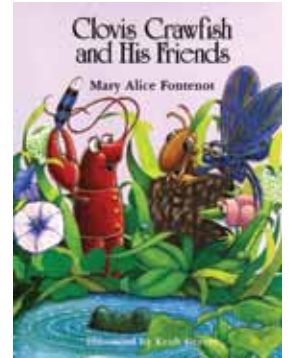
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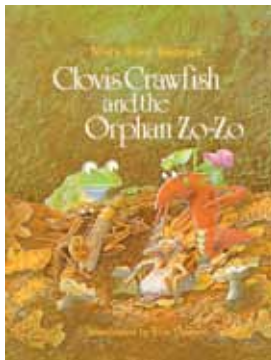
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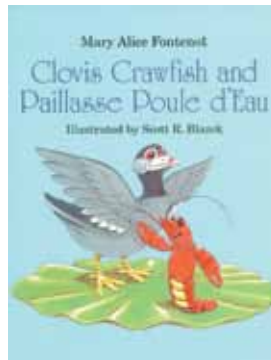
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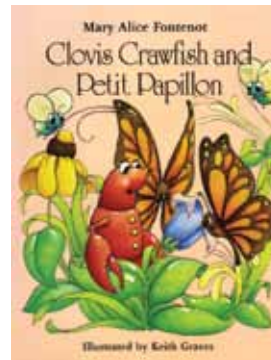
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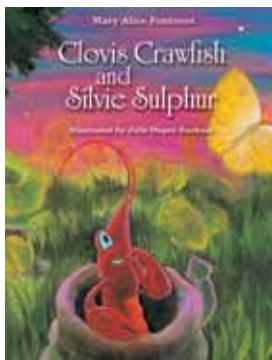
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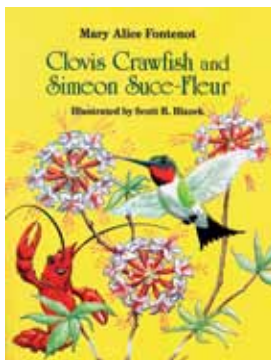
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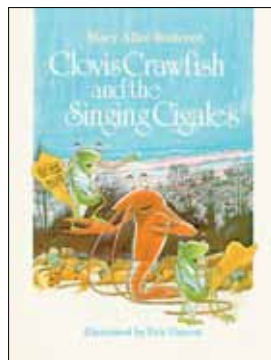
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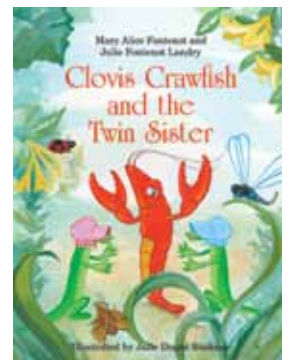
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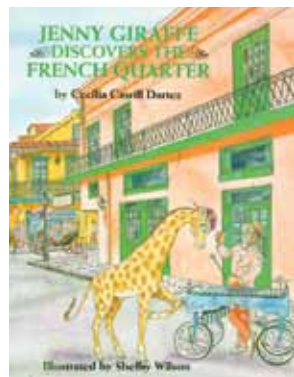
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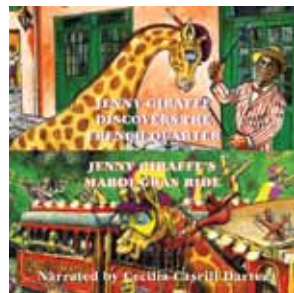
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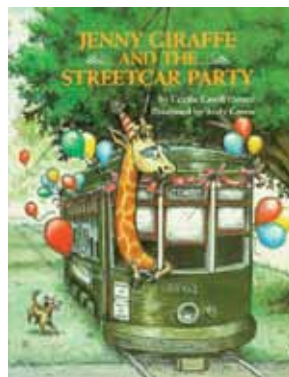
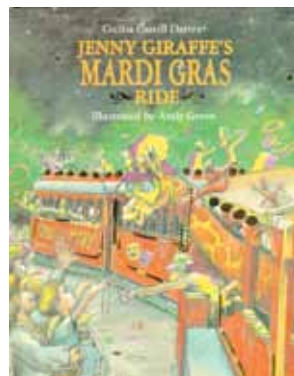
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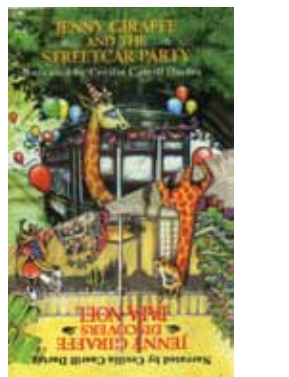
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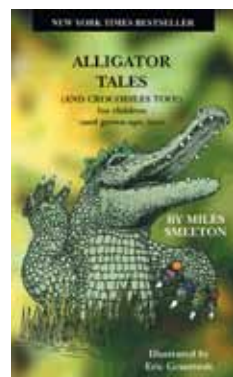
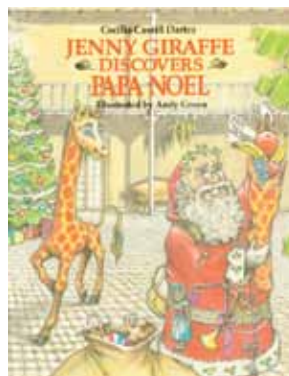
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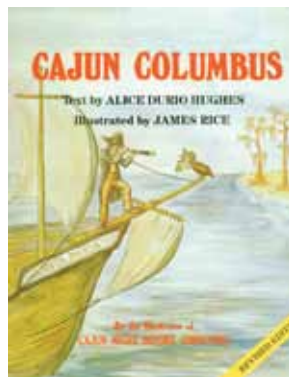
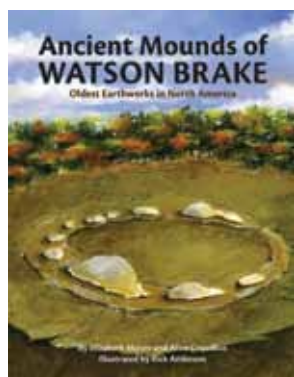
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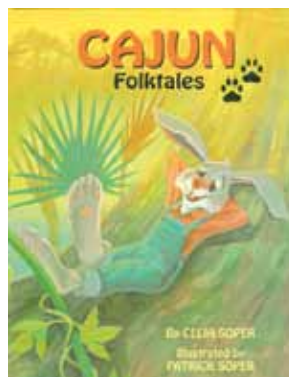
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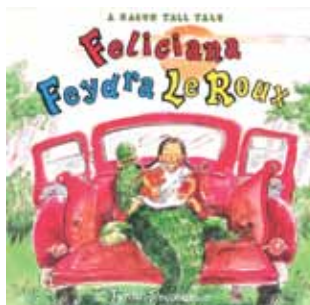
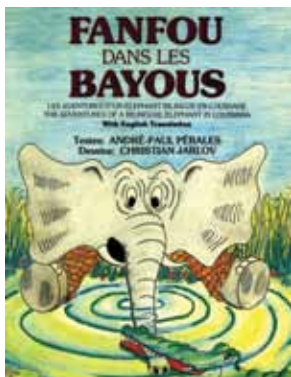
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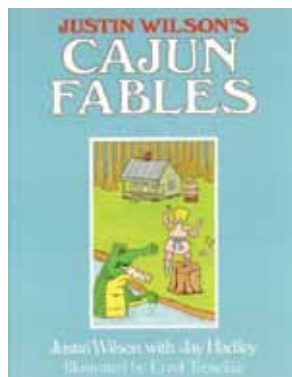
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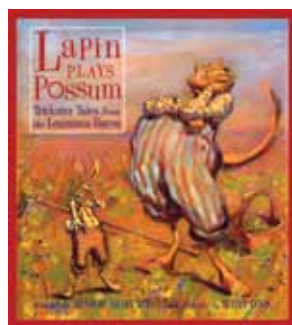
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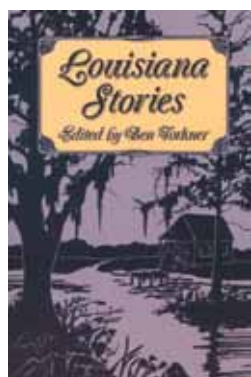
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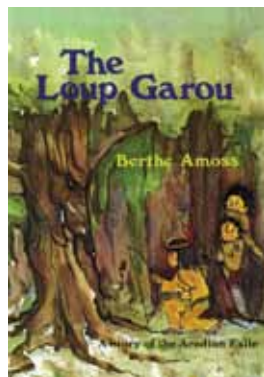
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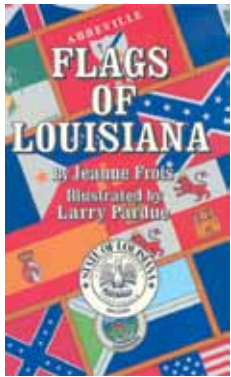


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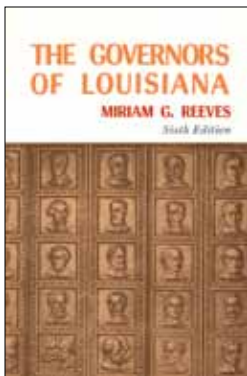


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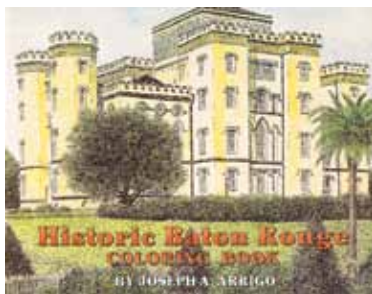
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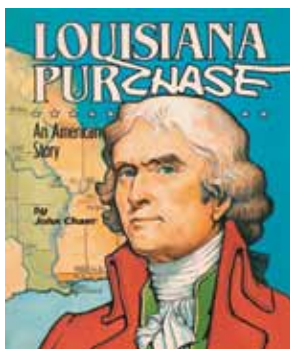
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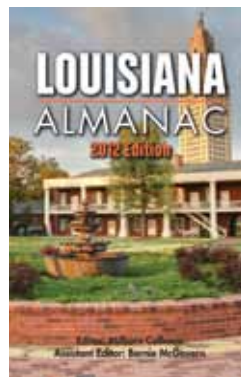


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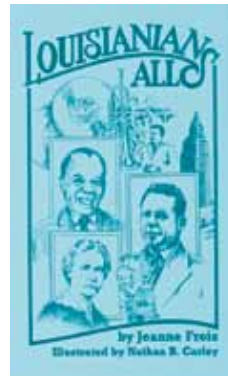
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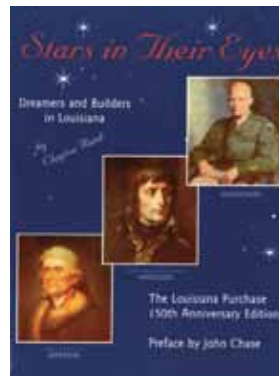


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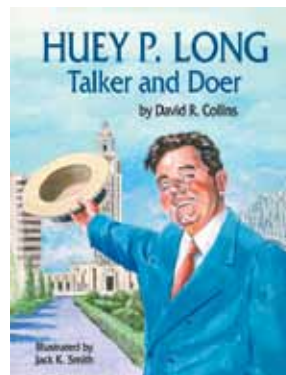


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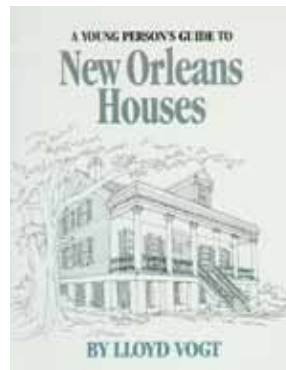
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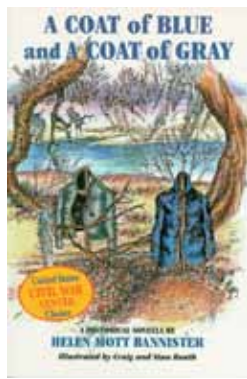
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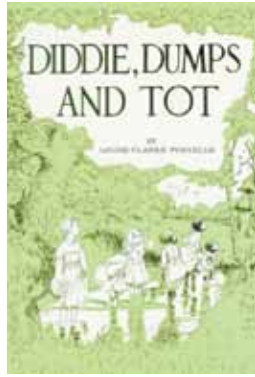


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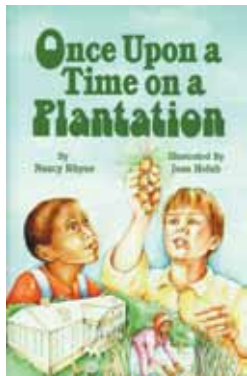
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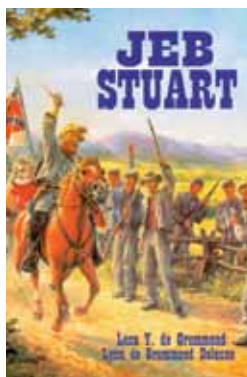
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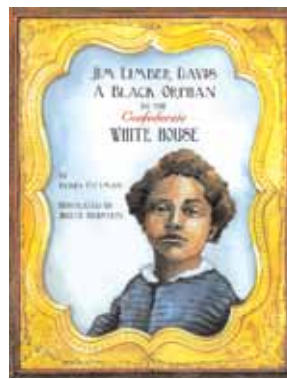


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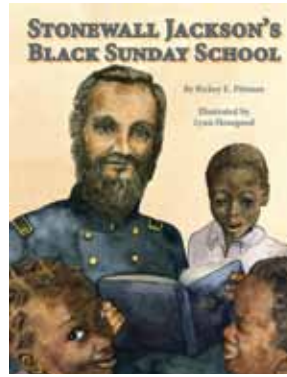
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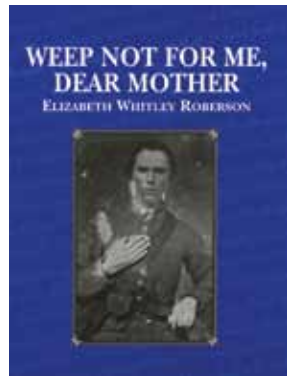
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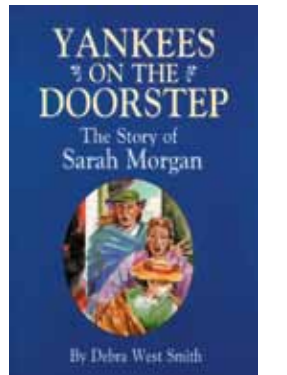
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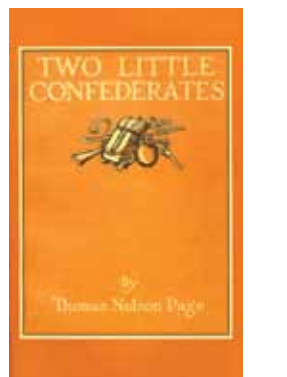
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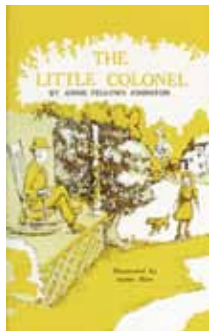
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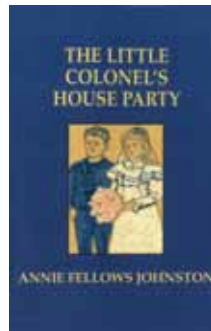
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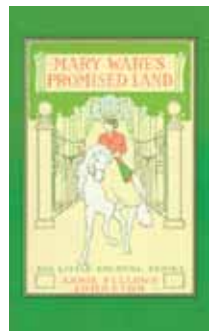
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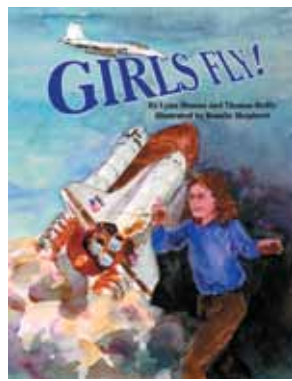
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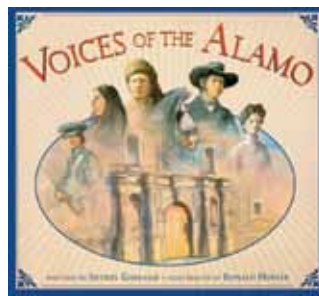
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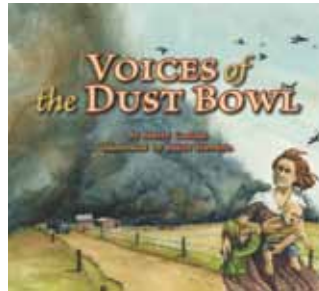


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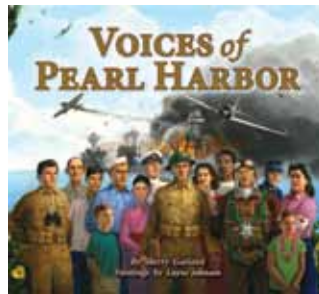
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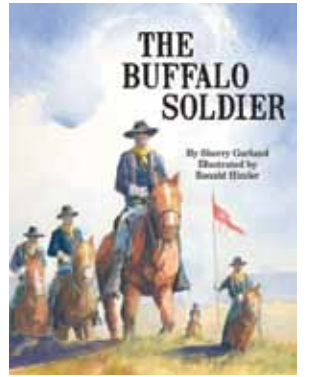
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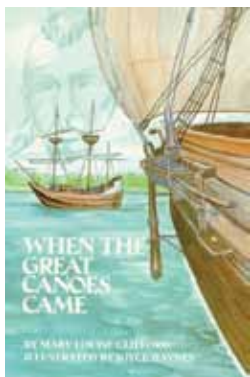


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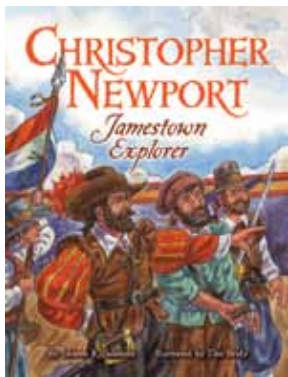


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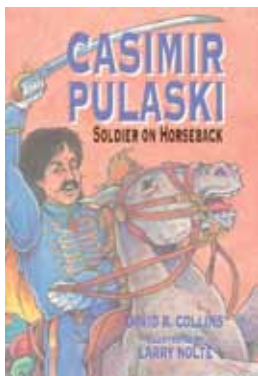
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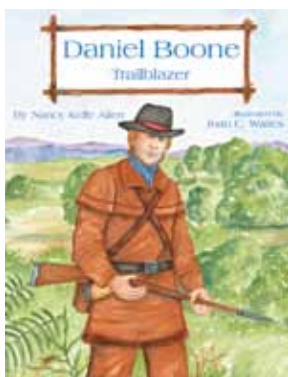
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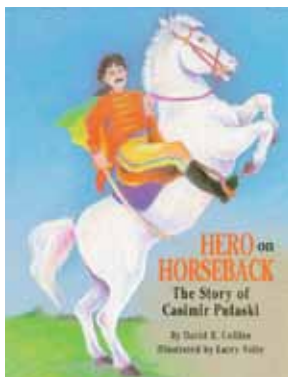
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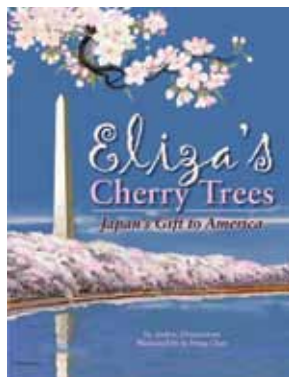
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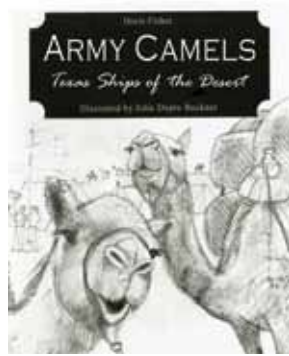


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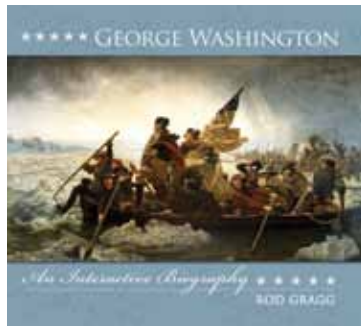


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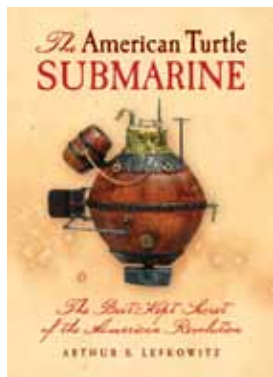
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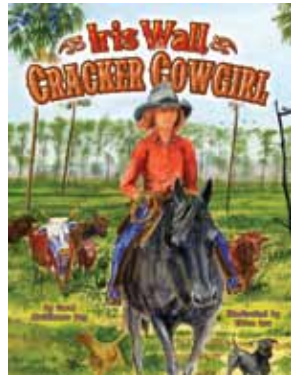
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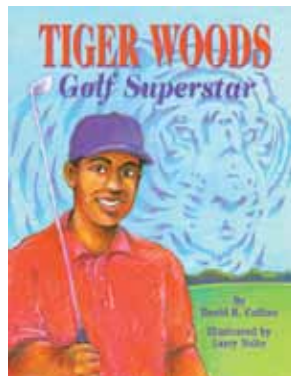
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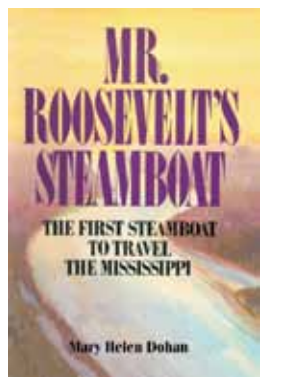


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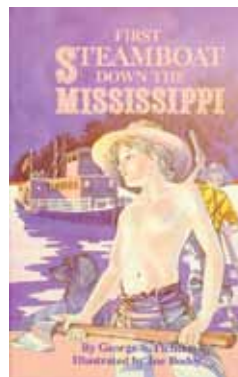
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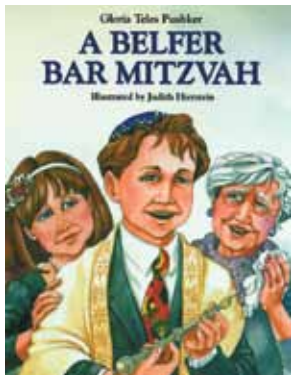
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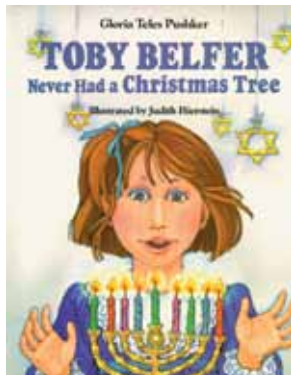
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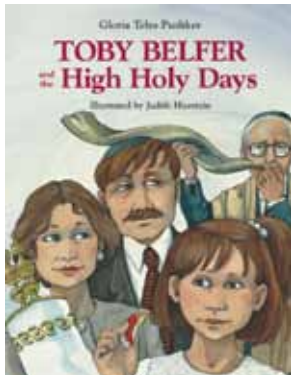
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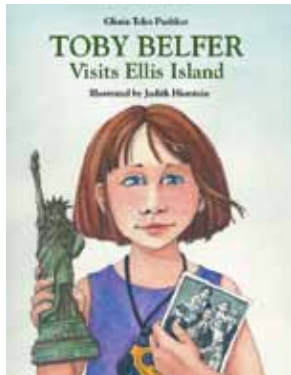
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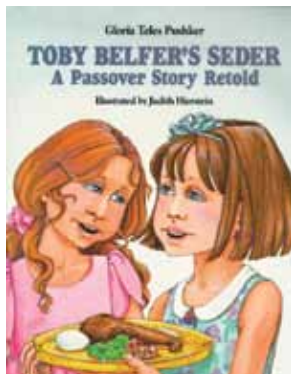
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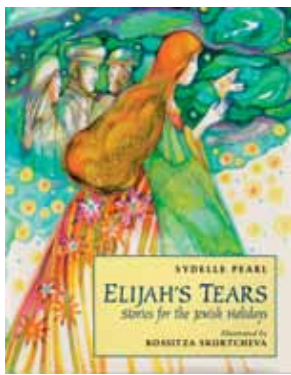
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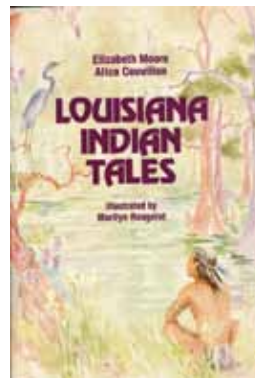
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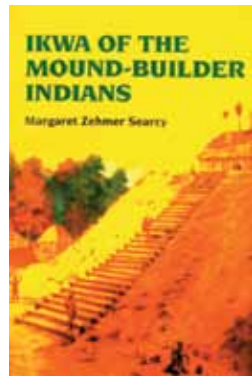
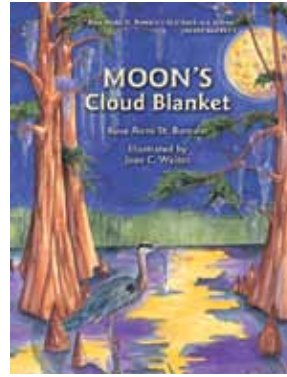
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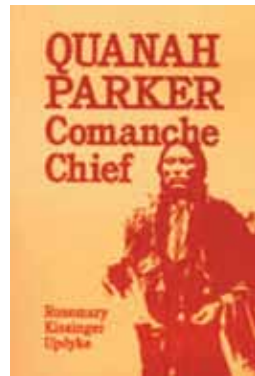
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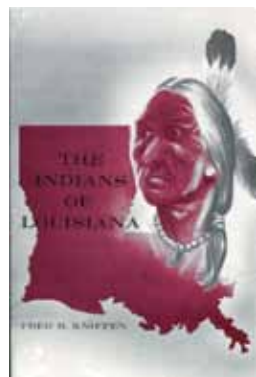
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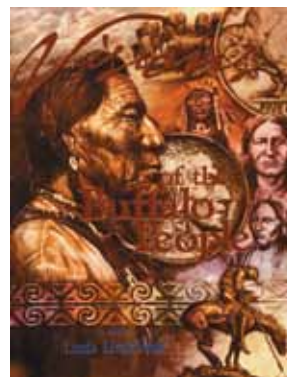
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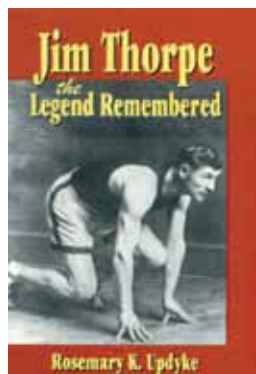
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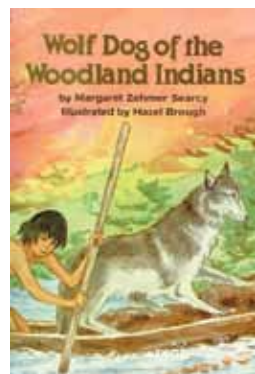
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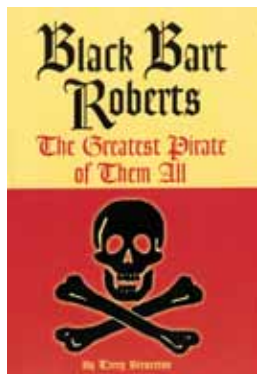
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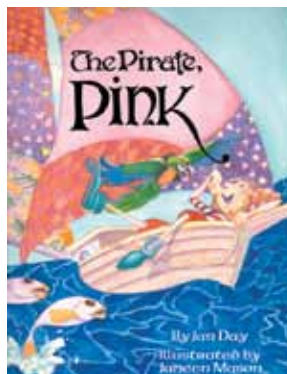
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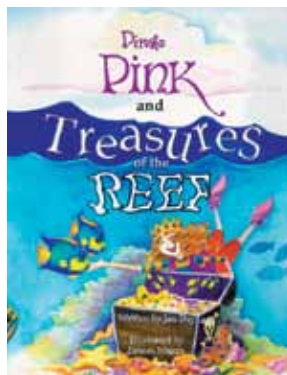
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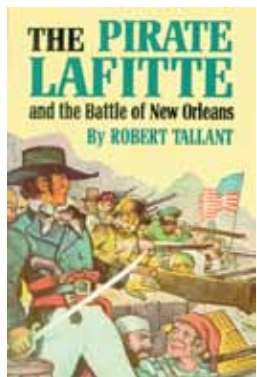
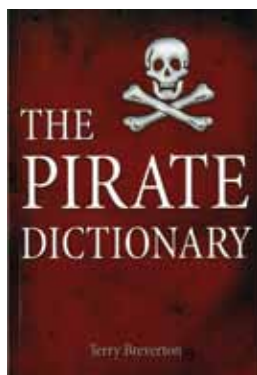
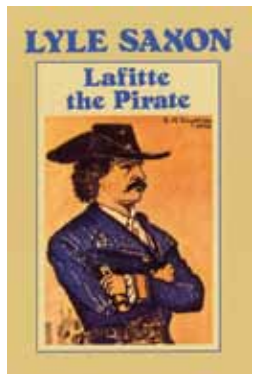
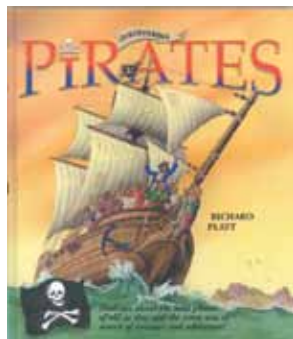
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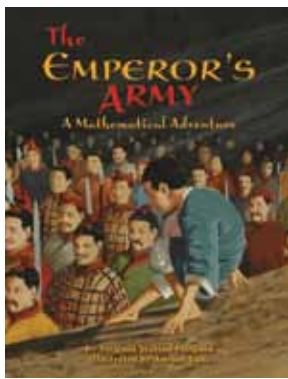
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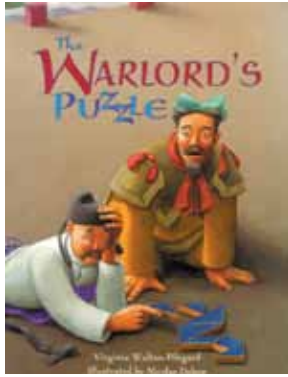
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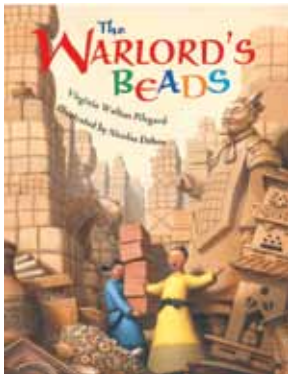
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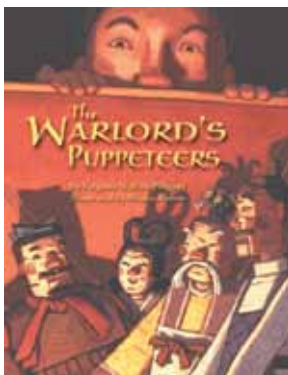
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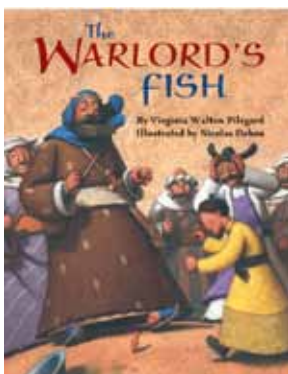
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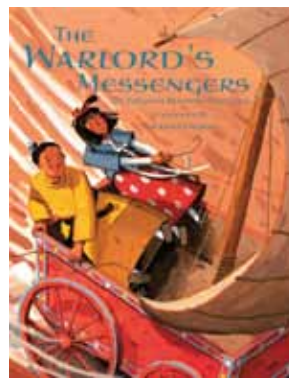
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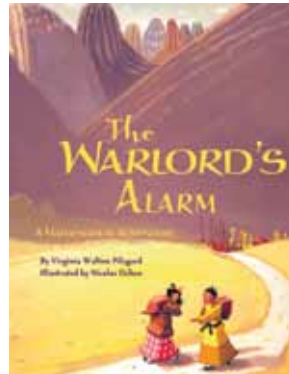
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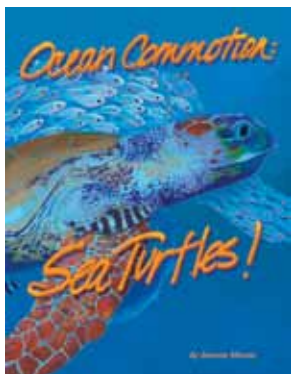
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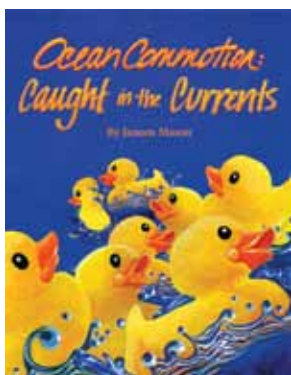
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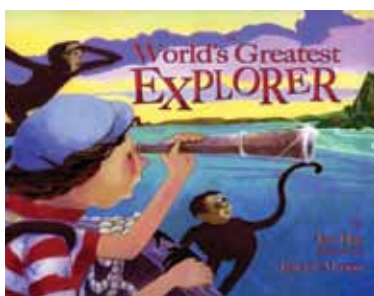
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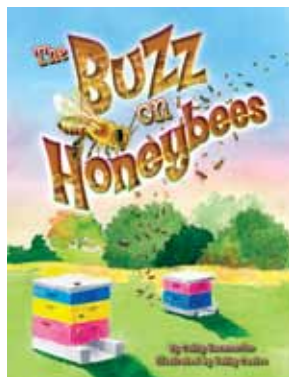
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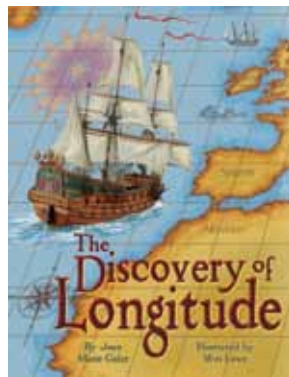
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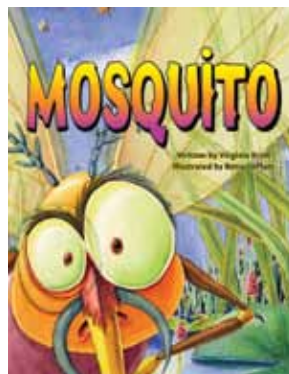
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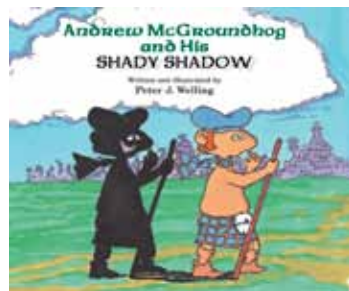
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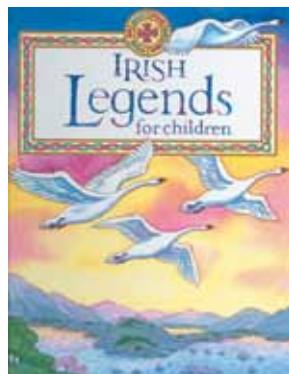




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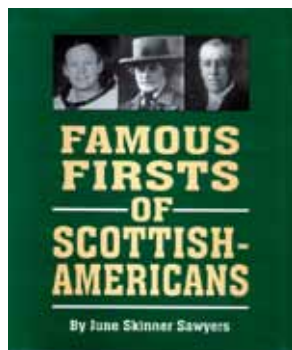


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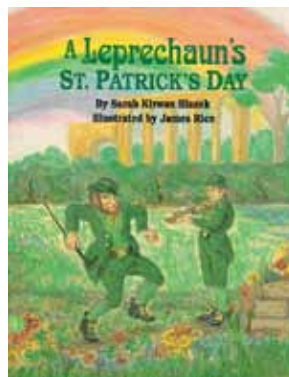
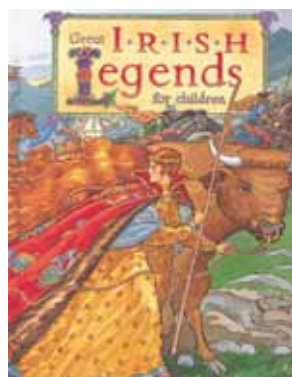
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drums, and banners, the St. Patrick’s Day  
Parade needs a little something extra.

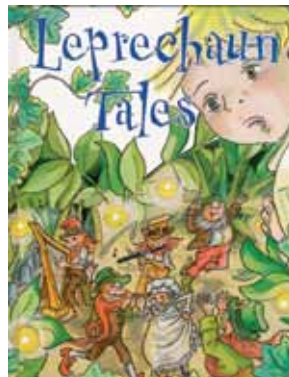
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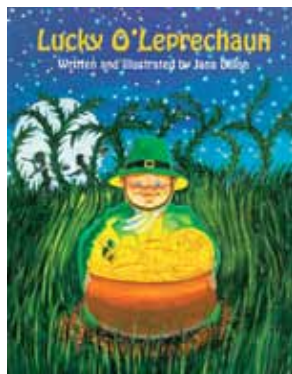
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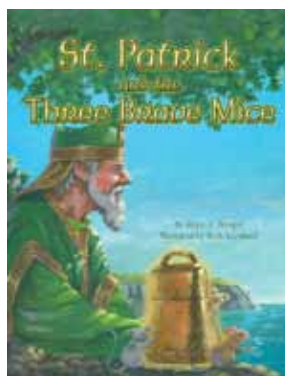
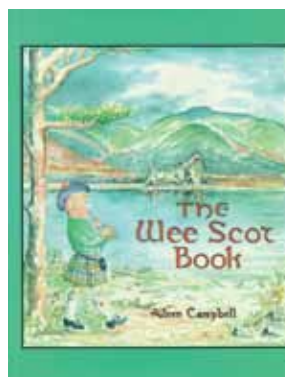
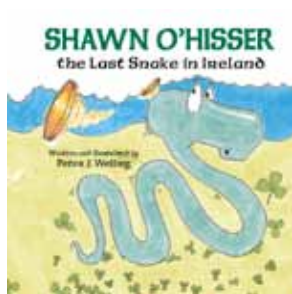
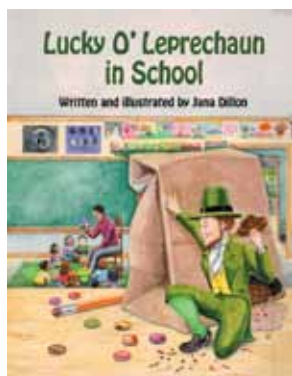
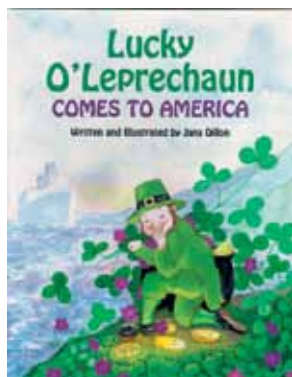
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**BLUEBONNET AT THE ALAMO**

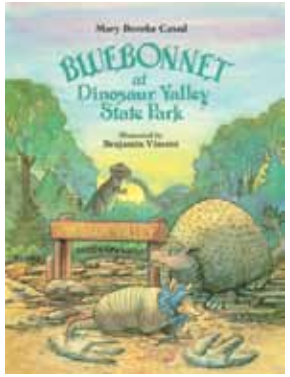
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When Bluebonnet looks for beetles in the Alamo gardens, she meets another armadillo, whose family has lived there since the days of the famous battle. In fact, this armadillo has Jim Bowie's knife.

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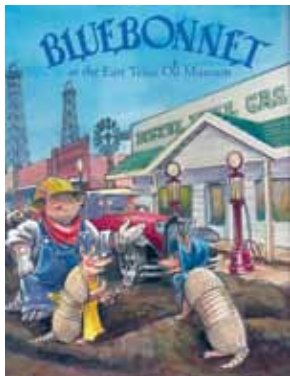
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Bluebonnet begins a friendship with an armadillo ancestor, a yawning glyptodont named Spike. Bluebonnet's quick thinking keeps park visitors from finding out about the unusual creature. Bluebonnet teaches about prehistoric Texas and armadillo habits.

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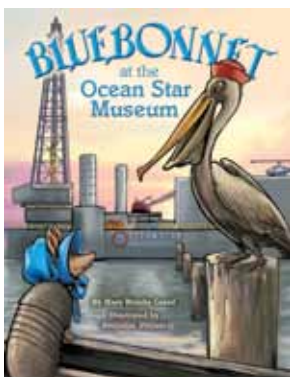
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Bluebonnet takes a trip that elevates armadillos to new heights! While visiting the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Bluebonnet is asked to help on the next mission. Children also learn about the space program and the many exhibits and events at the Johnson Space Center.

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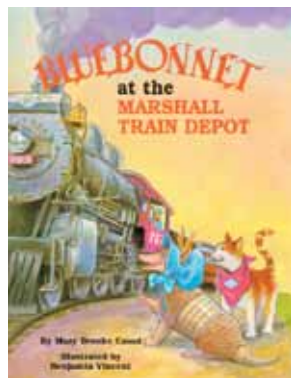
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Our favorite armadillo explores the Ocean Star Museum in Galveston, Texas. With the help of Red the pelican, Bluebonnet secretly follows a class on their tour of the museum and learns about the offshore oil system, life on a drilling rig, and offshore oil history.

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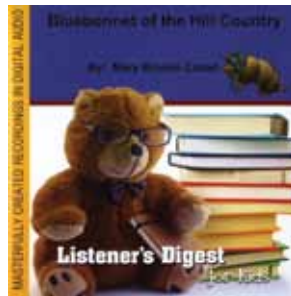
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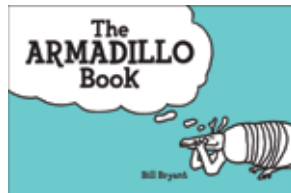
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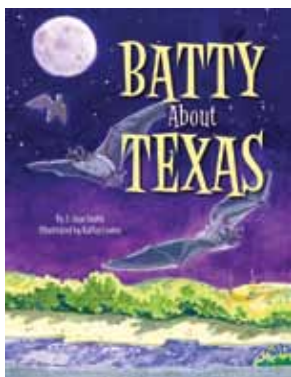
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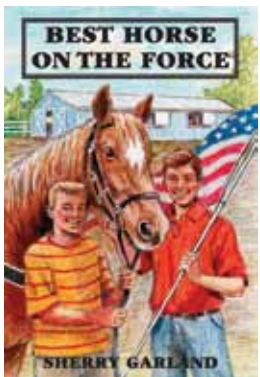




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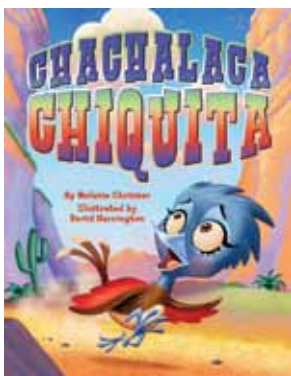
By J. Jaye Smith  
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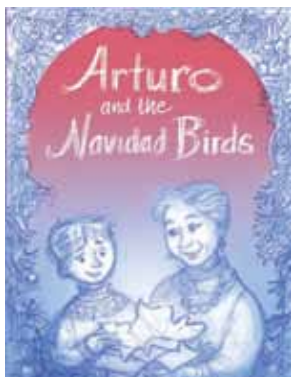
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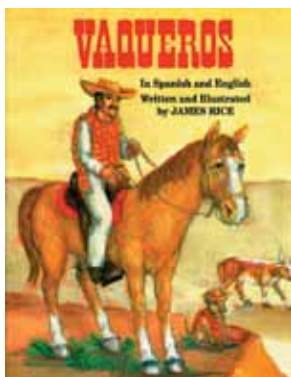
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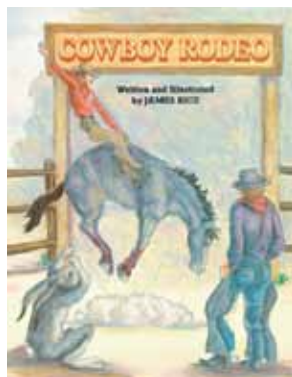
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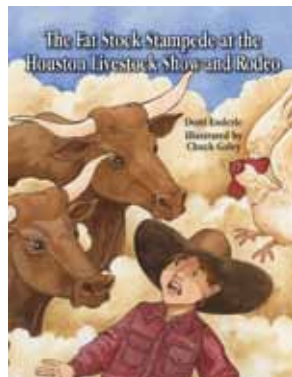
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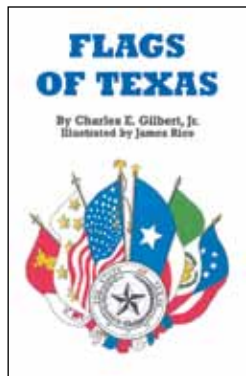
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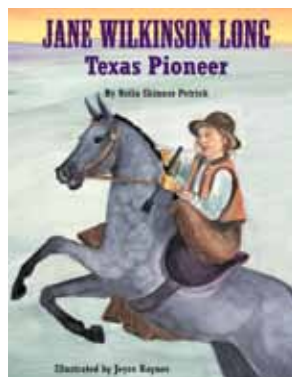
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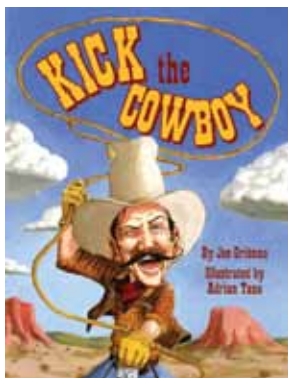
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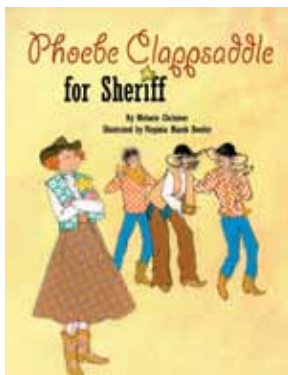
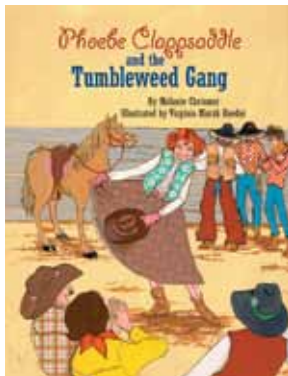
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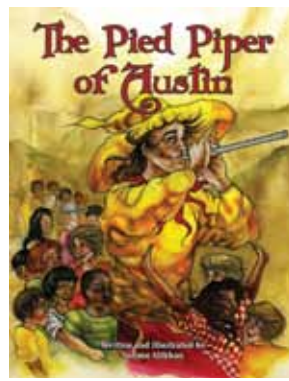
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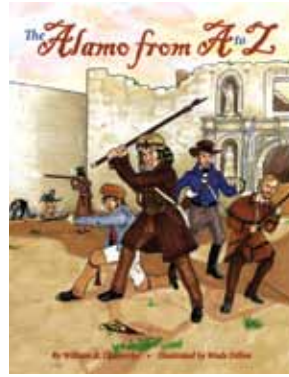


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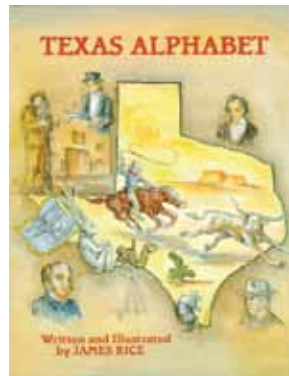
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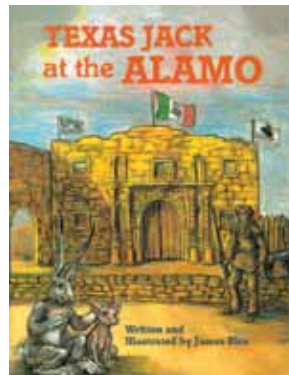


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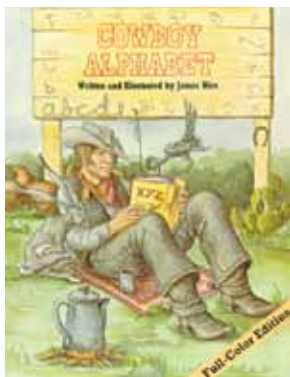
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### COWBOY ALPHABET

Written and illustrated by James Rice  
This book supplies a wealth of information for would-be cowpokes. From A's armadillo to Y's yonder, this unusual primer initiates the reader into rodeo lore, desert fauna, cowboy dress, and a zillion other aspects of cowboy life.

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See Laurie Lazzaro Knowlton, pg. 9, for COWGIRL ALPHABET



### THERE WAS A TALL TEXAN WHO SWALLOWED A FLEA

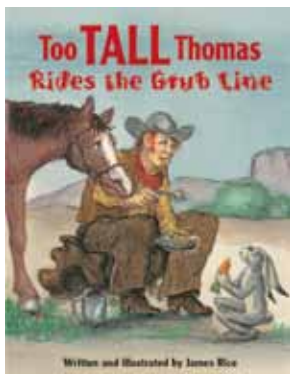
By Susan Holt Kralovansky  
Illustrated by Deborah Ousley Kadair  
Everyone knows that Texans do things in a big way, and this humorous retelling of a classic tale reinforces that notion.

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### TOO TALL THOMAS RIDES THE GRUB LINE

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While cowboys often regard riding the grub line as a pleasant break from their rugged lifestyle, Too Tall Thomas finds out that the work isn't all it's cracked up to be. He is discouraged by the many jobs that he believes "ain't no kind of work for a cowboy."

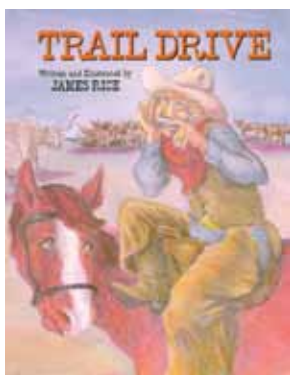
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Texas Jack, the jackrabbit, tells children how, after the Civil War, millions of wild Longhorn cattle roamed the plains of Texas. The cowboys had to round up the herds of cattle and move them to markets 1,000 miles to the north. This was the famous "trail drive."

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By Marian Harris  
Illustrated by Jim Harris  
The life of a lonely, nameless miner proves to be filled with nothing but heartache. Throughout the week, a friendly pack rat scurries about as the miner copes with hunger and robbers. But he does not surrender to despair. It's amazing the difference a week can make!

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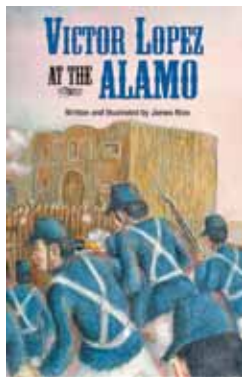


### THE COTTON CANDY CATASTROPHE AT THE TEXAS STATE FAIR

By Dotti Enderle  
Illustrated by Chuck Gale

When the cotton candy machine at the Texas State Fair malfunctions, Jake leaves a very sticky situation in his wake. Soon the candy has swaddled the livestock, tripped up the fair queen, and even festooned Big Tex with a pink tutu! It's up to Jake to save the day.

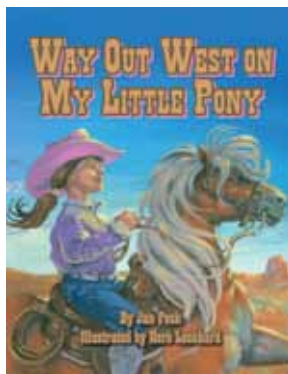
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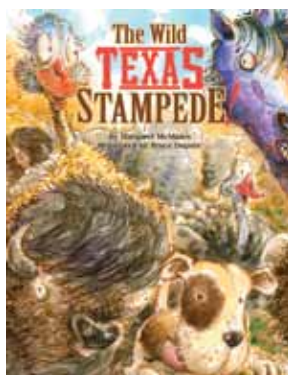


### WAY OUT WEST ON MY LITTLE PONY

By Jan Peck  
Illustrated by Herb Leonhard

An assortment of friendly desert animals greets a young cowgirl as she heads out West on her pony. She says "Howdy!" to a scampering jackrabbit, a howling coyote, and a charging buffalo as she trots down the trail. Regional critters feature in this endearing tale.

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### THE WILD TEXAS STAMPEDE!

By Margaret McManis  
Illustrated by Bruce Dupree

When Ima Hogg is left in charge of her younger brother Tom, trouble starts across the Hogg farm. With raging buffaloes, outraged ostriches, and angry elephants, Ima has her hands full, but it's up to her to end the stampede and save her brother from the mess he's made.

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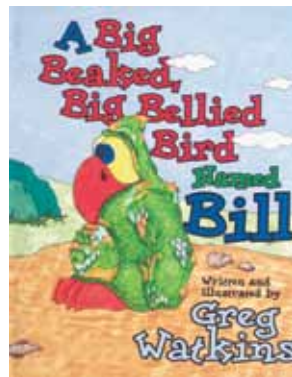
**AUNT CLAIRE'S YELLOW BEEHIVE HAIR**

By Deborah Blumenthal  
Illustrated by Mary GrandPré

One rainy day, Annie's Grandma Marilyn takes out dusty photos, faded letters, and a fragile wedding bouquet while telling the stories that bind them together. With this connection to her past, Annie creates a special scrapbook with room at the end to add to as her family grows.

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**A BIG BEAKED, BIG BELLIED BIRD NAMED BILL**

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Being the new bird in town is tough. Bill discovers that real friends are those who stick by your side—even when you have to face up to the bullying Bad Bird Bunch or even a big, hungry alligator.

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**THE BOY WHO WOULDN'T READ**

By Denise Walter McConduit  
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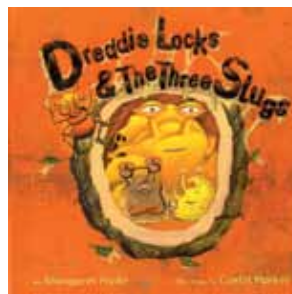
**CATHERINE THE GREAT AND HER TEATIME TAGALONGS**

By Karen Swensen  
Illustrated by Kelly Kirkman

Catherine is an only child, but she's never alone. She has Baby Doll, Lamb, Mr. Elephant, Lady Ladybug, and Bonnie Bunny to keep her giggling all afternoon. While the tagalongs tease each other about their shortcomings, Catherine sees the goodness in them all.

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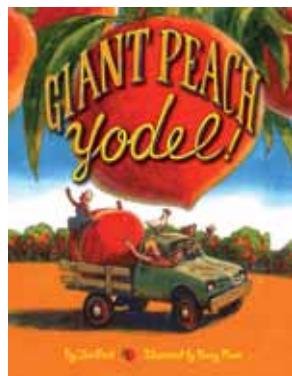
**A FISH OUT OF WATER**

By Wesley Eure  
Illustrated by Meredith College Art Department

Could it be true? Could a fish and bird have fallen in love? Even their families are skeptical. Sometimes, true love needs a bit of magical help.

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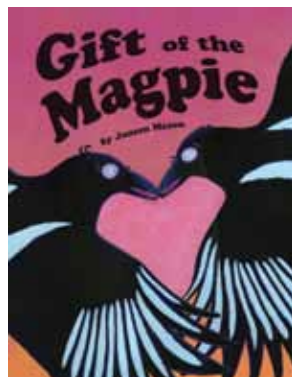
**GIANT PEACH YODEL**

By Jan Peck  
Illustrated by Barry Root

Little Buddy Earl's yodel turns a tiny peach into a great big fruit. But how will they ever get that giant, juicy peach to the Peach Pickin' Festival? Complete with a recipe for peach cobbler, this tale about teamwork proves that sometimes the smallest person can be the biggest help.

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Max and Regina fill their days with food . . . and footwear, Regina's passion. From cowboy boots to pearly pumps, Max looks for the perfect shoe. But when he gives Regina an old sneaker, she takes flight, leaving Max brokenhearted. Will the love birds ever reunite?

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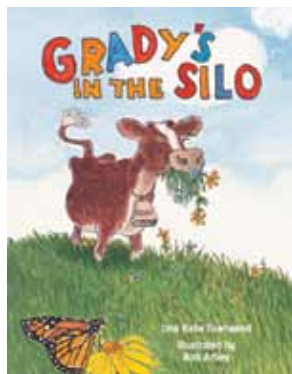
**A GIFT FOR THE CONTESSA**

By Michael Mele  
Illustrated by Ronald G. Paolillo

Maybellinda's father might not be able to feed the family this winter. But she can solve her family's problems by giving the world's most beautiful gift to the Count of Poggibonsi to give to his wife. Maybellinda sets off on a journey filled with a colorful cast of characters.

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**GRADY'S IN THE SILO**

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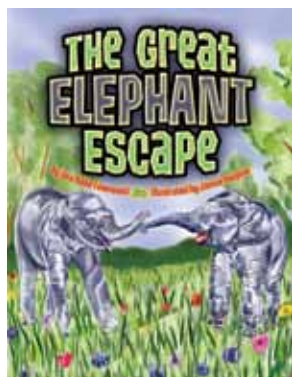
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Grady is a 1,200-pound Hereford cow that gets herself stuck in a silo. No one can figure out how to free her until a heroic reporter from Denver solves the problem.

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**THE GREAT ELEPHANT ESCAPE**

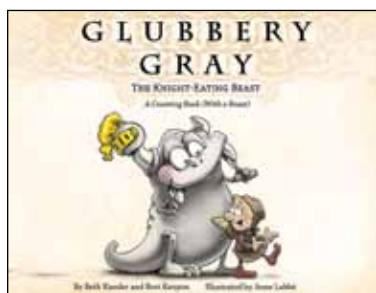
By Una Belle Townsend  
Illustrated by Janice Hechter

When two baby elephants escaped from the circus in 1975, the authorities searched all over for 18 days. This colorful picture book follows these giant hide-and-seekers throughout Oklahoma as they stay one step ahead of capture.

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**GLUBBERY GRAY, THE KNIGHT-EATING BEAST**

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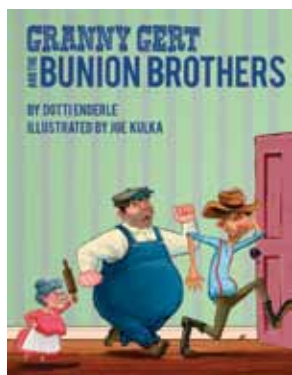
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In this counting book, a group of knights journey to their castle with the captured Glubbery Gray. Each time they stop to celebrate their success another knight disappears.

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Ages 5-8

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**GRANNY GERT AND THE BUNION BROTHERS**

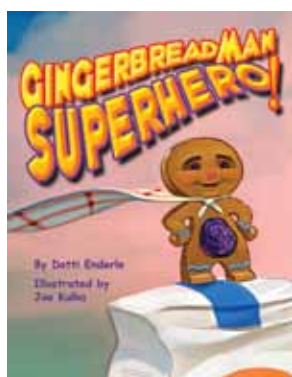
By Dotti Enderle  
Illustrated by Joe Kulka

Buddy and Buck Bunion have met their match in Granny Gert. She gives the rascals a job, but threatens to sic Mad Dog on them if they don't behave. But when the Bunion Brothers both fall for Granny's granddaughter, Starla Scissors, the trouble really begins!

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Ages 5-8

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**GINGERBREAD MAN SUPERHERO!**

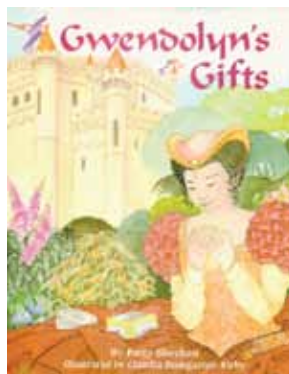
By Dotti Enderle  
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As soon as the gingerbread man pops out of the oven he shouts, "Flour power!" and is off to fight a mad macaroon holding a group of brownies hostage. Hilarity ensues as the two cookies engage in an epic battle.

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Ages 5-8

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**GWENDOLYN'S GIFTS**

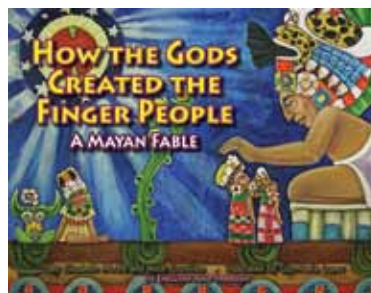
By Patty Sheehan  
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Queen Gwendolyn wants to create gifts for others. Disguised as a peasant, she ventures outside the castle to explore her hobbies. In doing so, she learns how to create her true happiness.

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Ages 5-8

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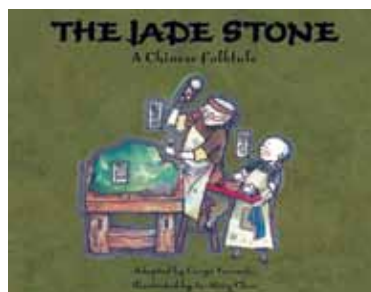
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**JOSHUA THE GIANT FROG**

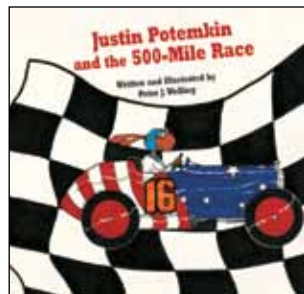
By Peggy Thomas  
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Red McCarthy couldn't believe his eyes when he saw the size of the polliwog he pulled out of the Erie Canal. This turn-of-the-century tall tale highlights the importance of collaboration and community

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When a dangerous hurricane blows into Florida, hero Kissimmee Pete is blown headfirst into adventure. As dark clouds gather and gusts of wind send his herd of wild cattle clear across town, Pete must rally up his animal friends to save the townspeople from the deadly storm.

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Lyn wanders into a strange pet shop where he buys a mysterious "fuzzy seed." In the woods behind his house, the fuzzy seed grows from a downy flower into a friendly giant. This benevolent fictional animal teaches that there is a time and a place for everything, even Lyn's dreams.

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By Jennifer Holloway Lambe  
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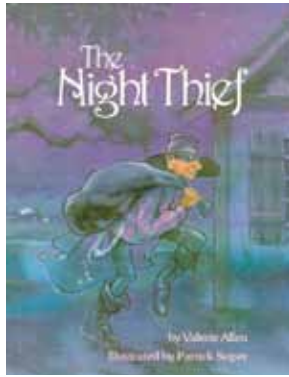
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When Leonardo's father asked him to paint a shield, Leonardo decided to paint a monster so terrifying even his father thought it was real. Leonardo combined the characteristics of living things with imaginary elements to develop his frightful monster.

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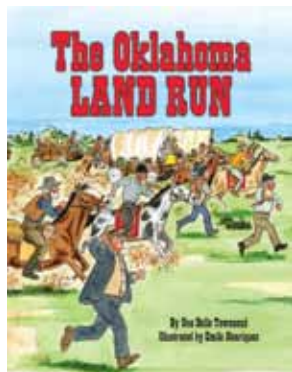
**THE NIGHT THIEF**

By Valerie Allen  
Illustrated by Patrick Soper

When the Night Thief creeps into town one night, Nedra is the only one who spies him lassoing the moon with his magic rope, plucking out each twinkling star, grabbing the edge of the night sky, and tucking them all into his black bag. It's up to her to find the stolen night.

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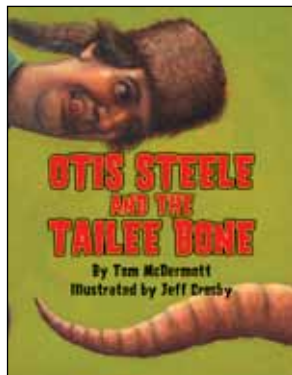


### THE OKLAHOMA LAND RUN

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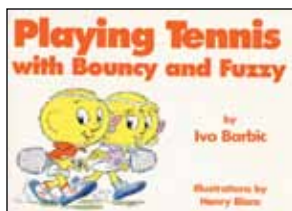


### OTIS STEELE AND THE TAILEEBONE: A Southern Tall Tale

By Tom McDermott  
Illustrated by Jeff Crosby

Otis Steele was a hungry old trapper near Uncertain, Texas. One night he cut the tail off a strange creature as it ran away from him, then he fried it up and ate it. Readers will chill to the thrills when the creature returns, looking for his “taileebone.”

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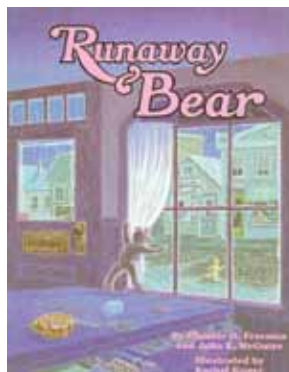


### PHIL AND HIS FABULOUS FEATHERS

By Frank Blazek  
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The Rockheads, a band of dirty ducks, don’t like that Phil keeps his crown of fabulous feathers in perfect shape. But when they get into trouble with an alligator, they recognize that the greatest differences often end up being the greatest assets.

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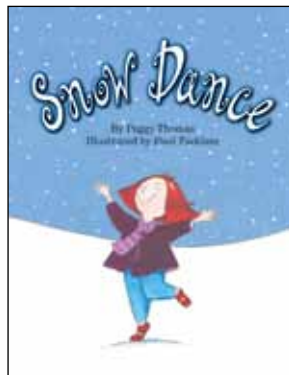
### RUNAWAY BEAR

By Chester D. Freeman and John E. McGuire

Illustrated by Rachel Kuper

In this story about the importance of kindness and good manners, a father crafts two beautiful bears—one gold and one brown—for his twin daughters’ birthday. Two nights before the big day, the bears come to life. The gold bear runs away, and the brown bear must find him.

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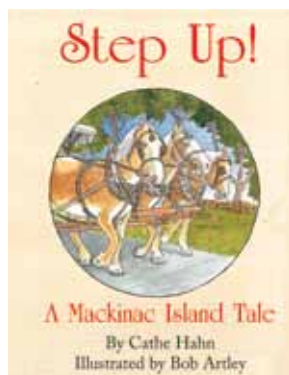


### SNOW DANCE

By Peggy Thomas  
Illustrated by Paul Facklam

Ruthie would rather go sledding than go to school. She teaches her friends and teachers her newly invented song and snow dance to help make their wishes come true.

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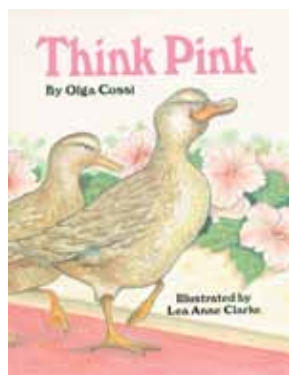


### STEP UP! A Mackinac Island Tale

By Cathe Hahn  
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John, Wayne, and Duke are Belgian draft horses that work together to draw a wagon on Mackinac Island, Michigan. One day a new stable boy teams them up differently, and the hijinks begin.

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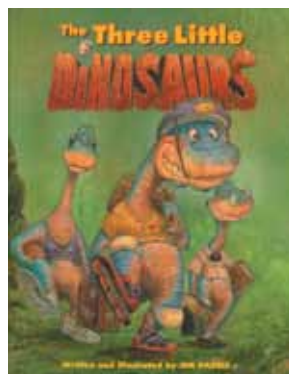


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Through a duck’s misadventures, young readers see the problems and ramifications that come with acting impulsively and not considering the consequences of their actions.

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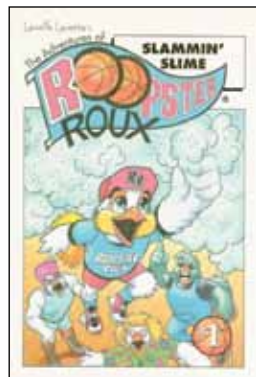
### THE THREE LITTLE DINOSAURS

Written and illustrated by Jim Harris  
“This variation of a favorite nursery tale has charming illustrations.”

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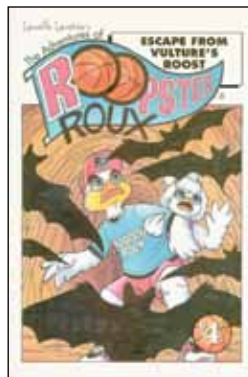
A pea-brained T-Rex learns what bullies so often discover: that little dinosaurs—or little boys and girls—grow up . . . sometimes way up!

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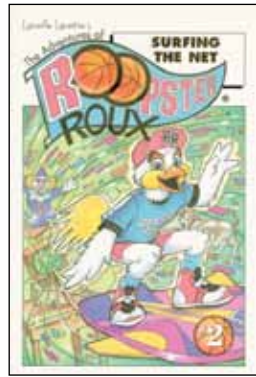


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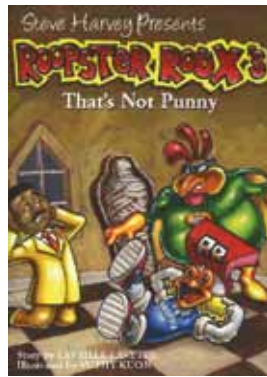
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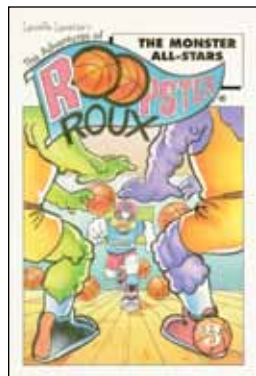
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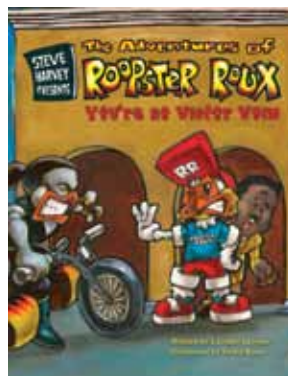
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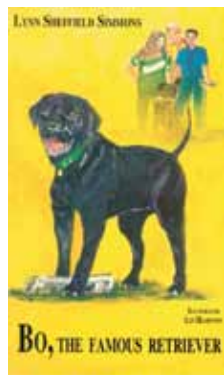
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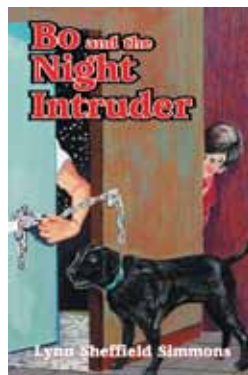


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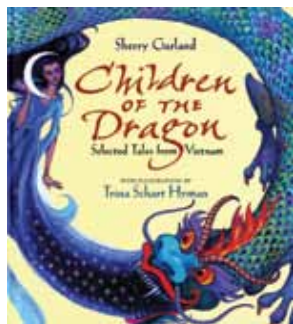


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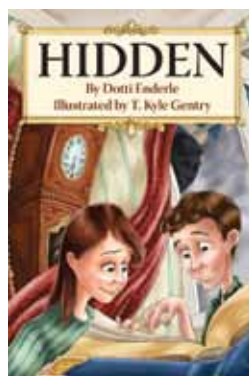
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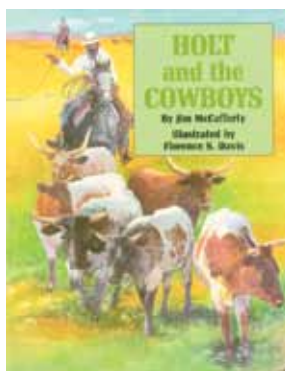
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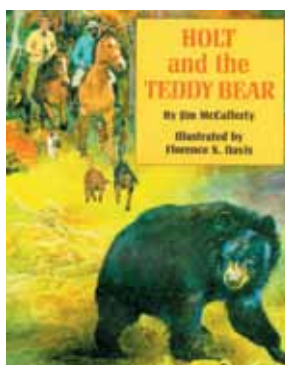
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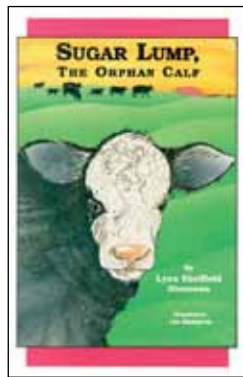


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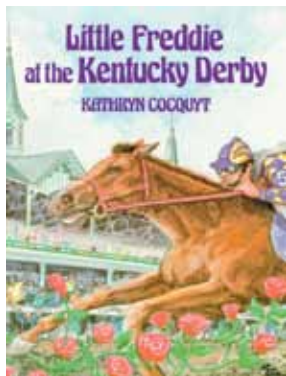


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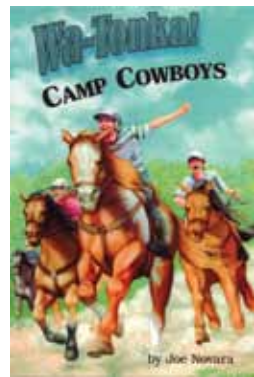


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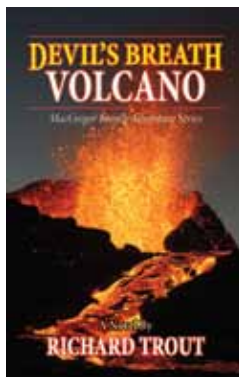
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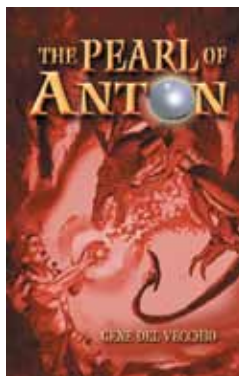
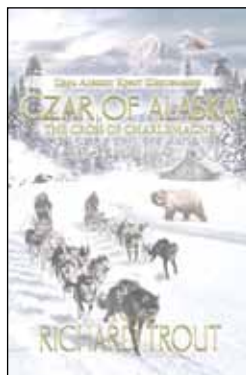
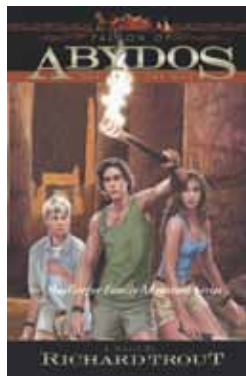
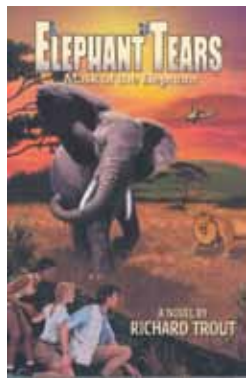
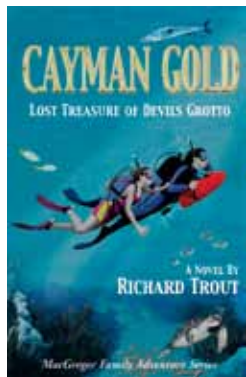
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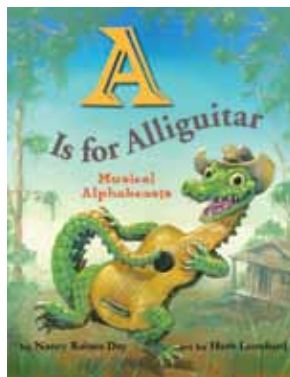
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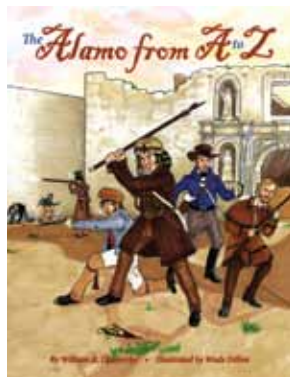
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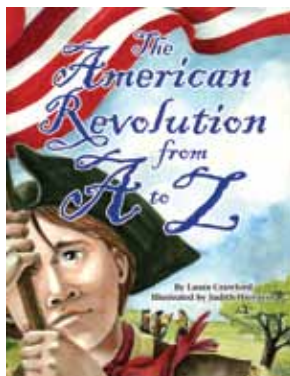
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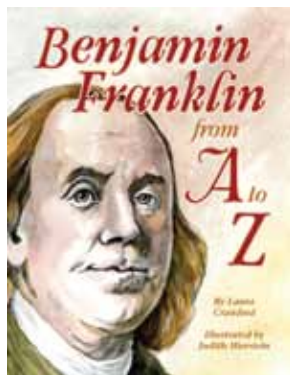
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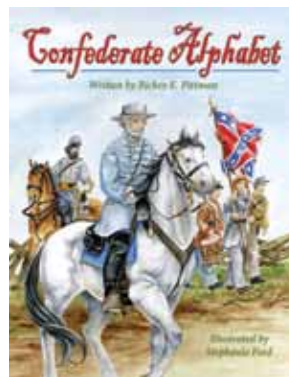
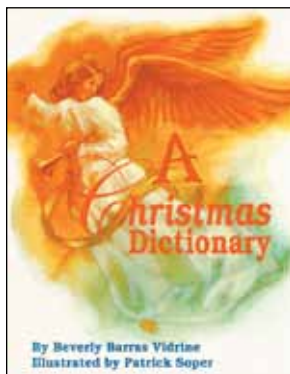
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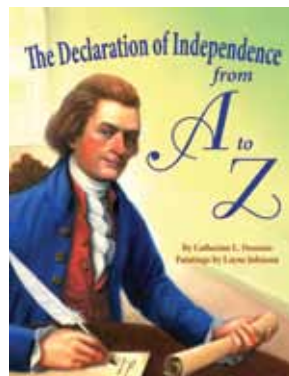
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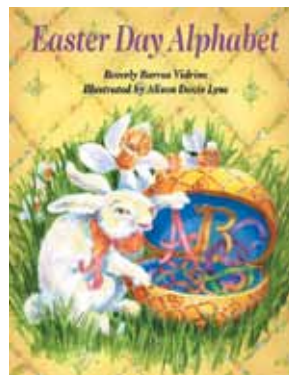
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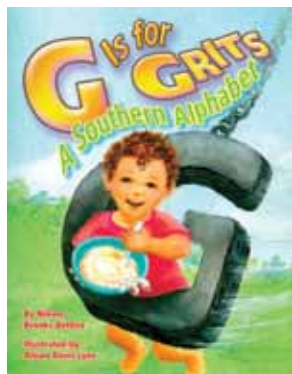
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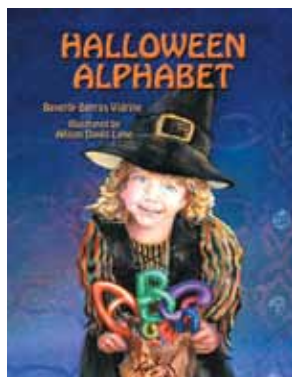




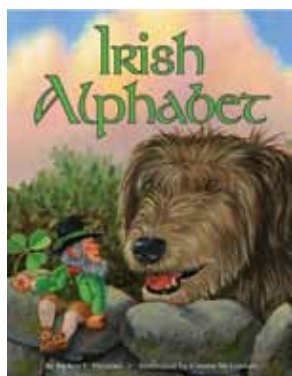
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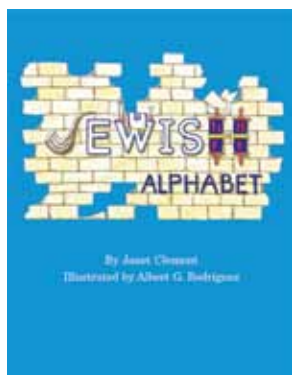


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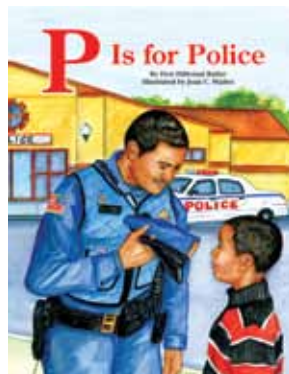
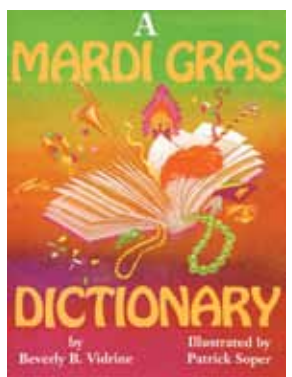
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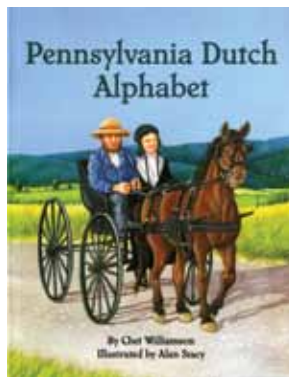
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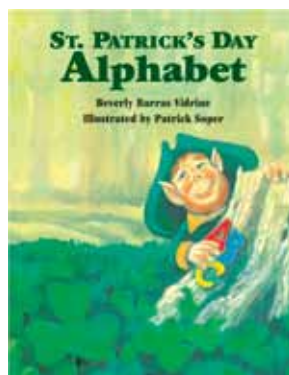
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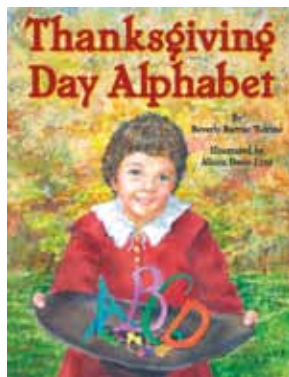
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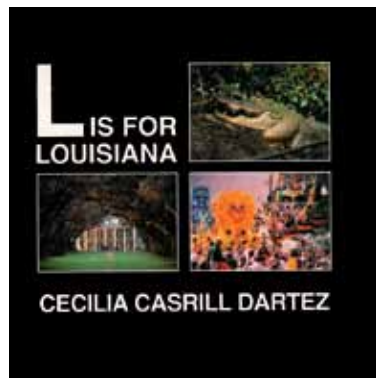


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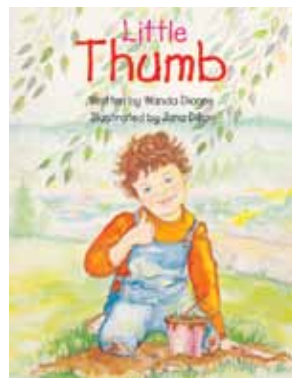
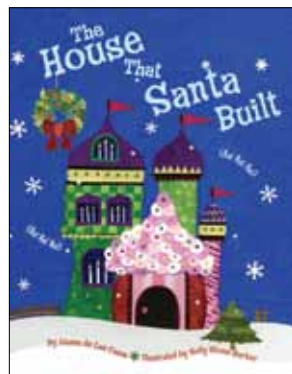
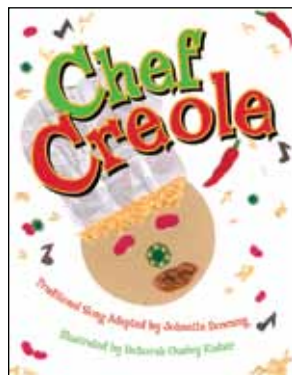


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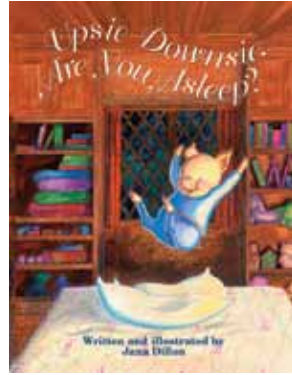
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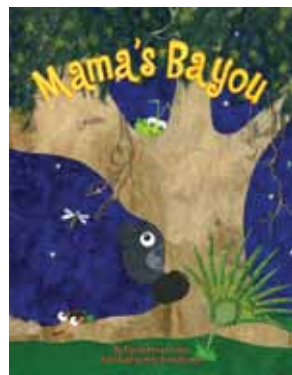
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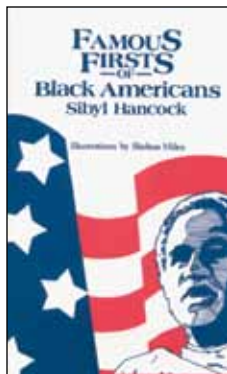
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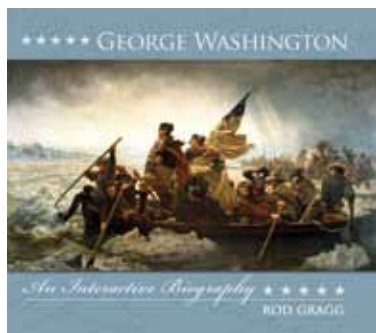
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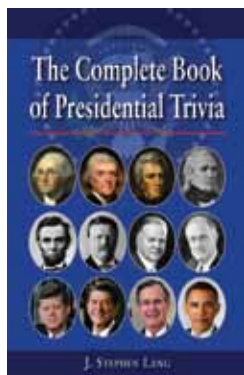
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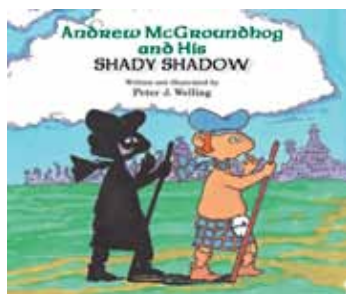
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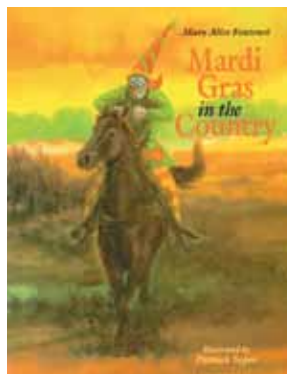
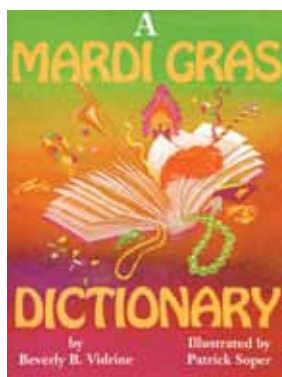
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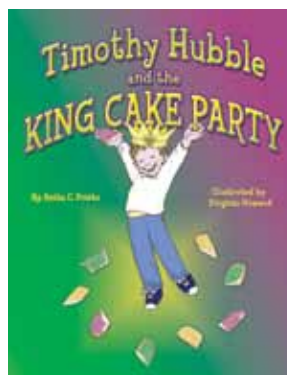
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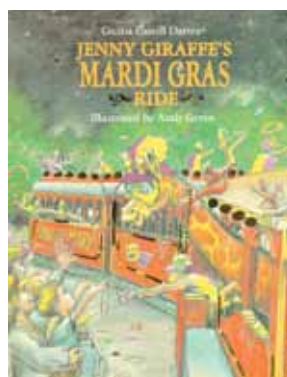
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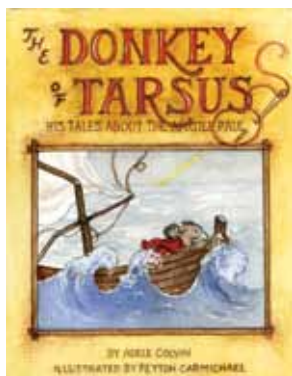


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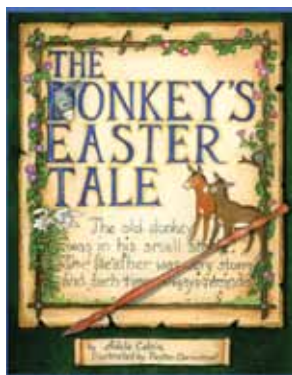
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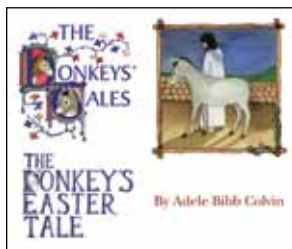
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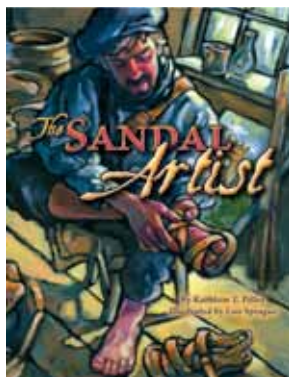


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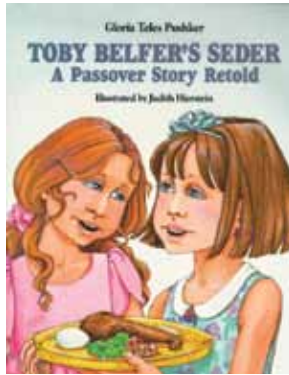
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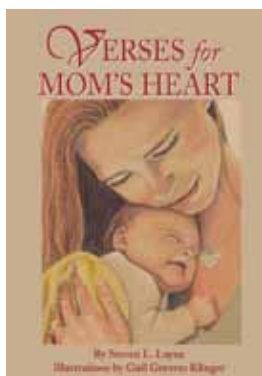


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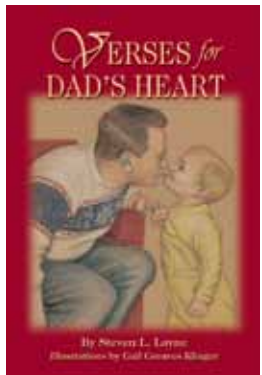
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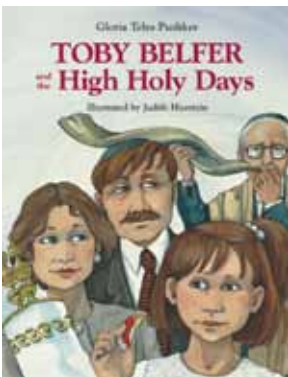
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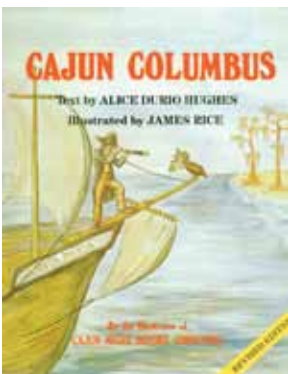
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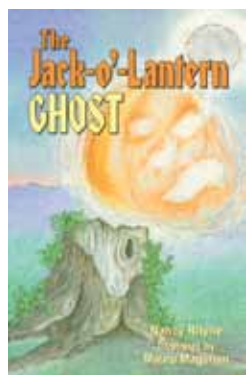
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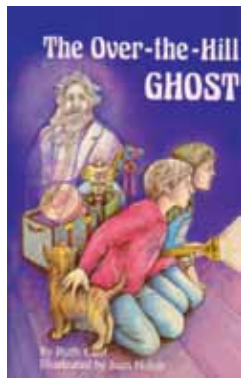
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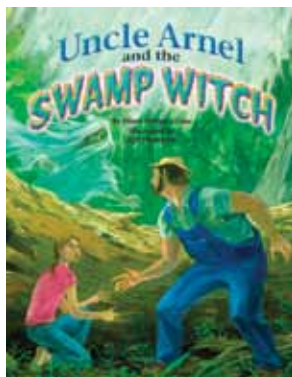
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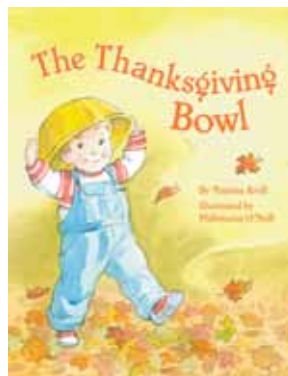
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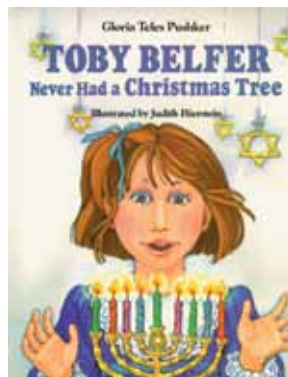
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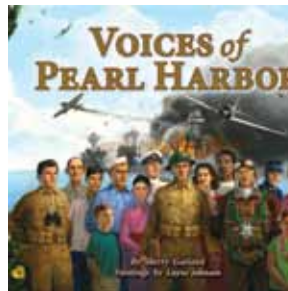
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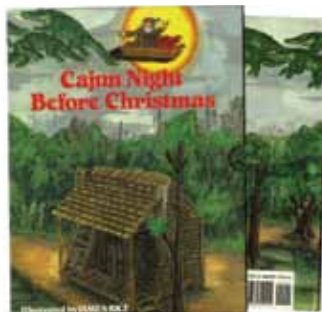


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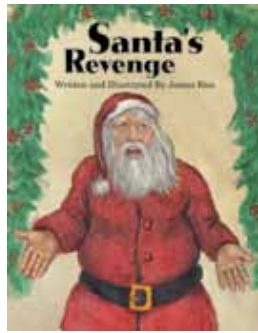


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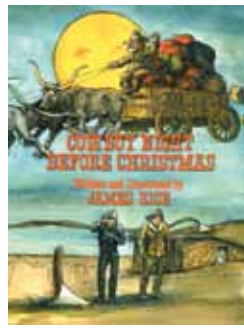
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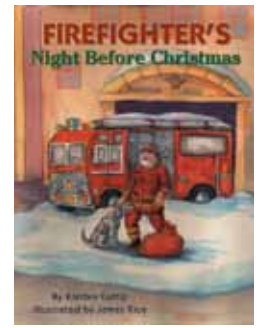
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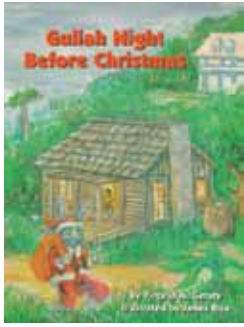
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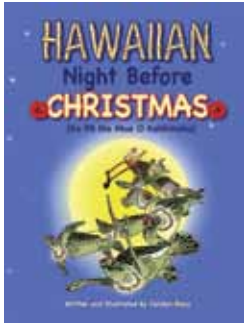
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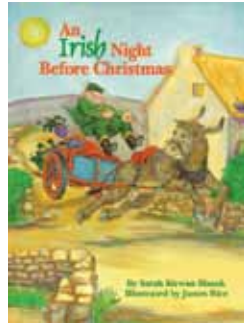
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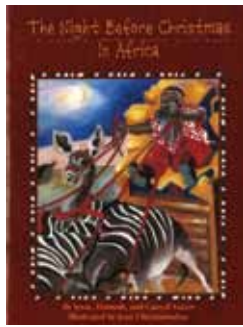
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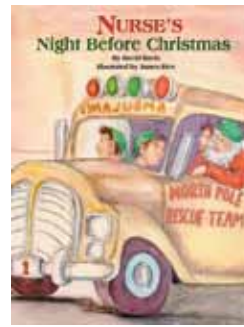
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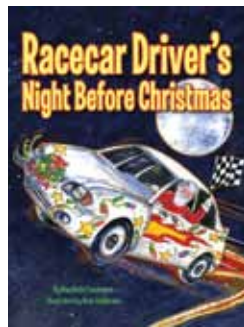
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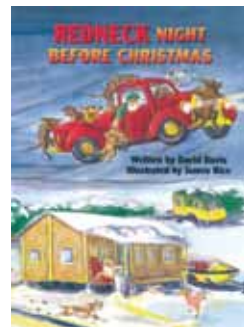
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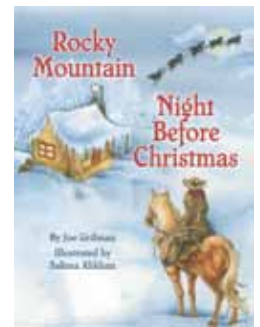
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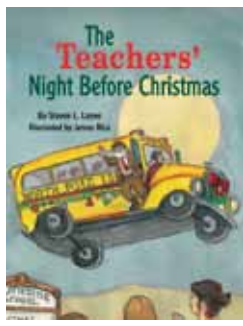
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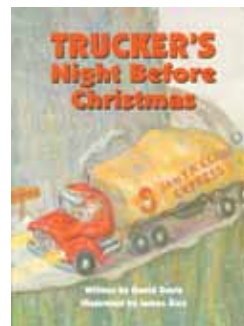
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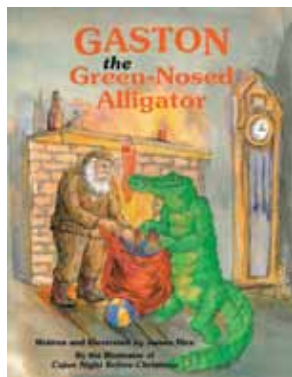
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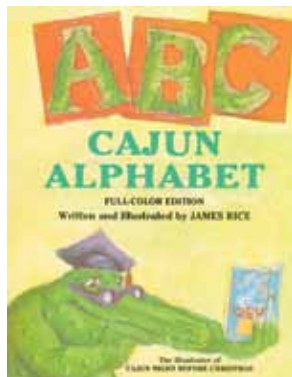


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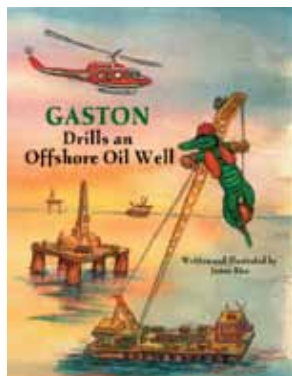
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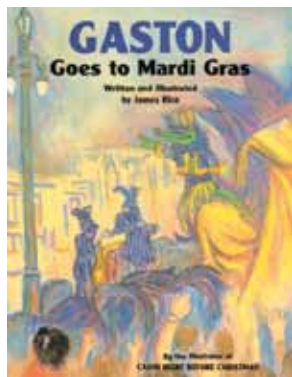
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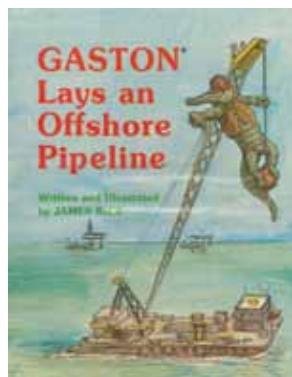
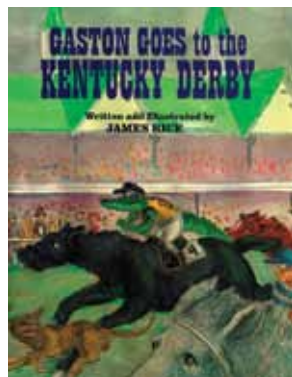
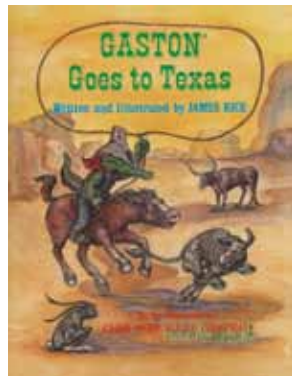
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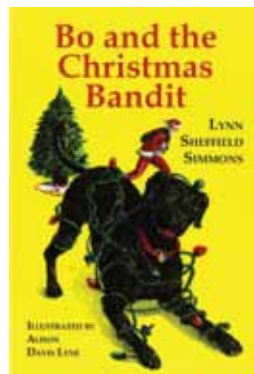
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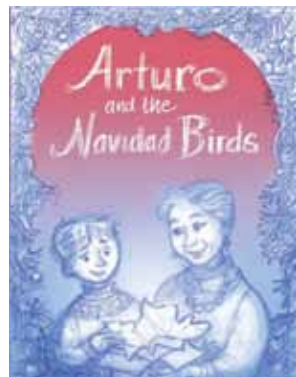
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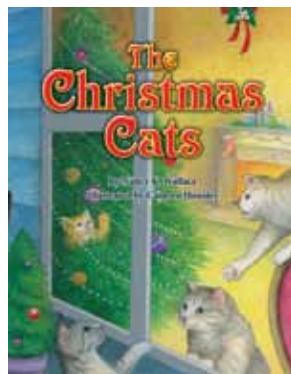
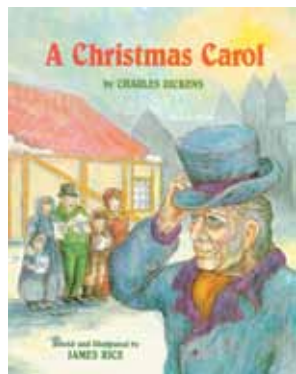
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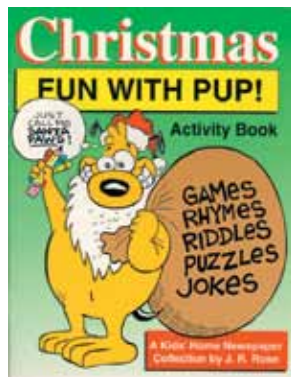
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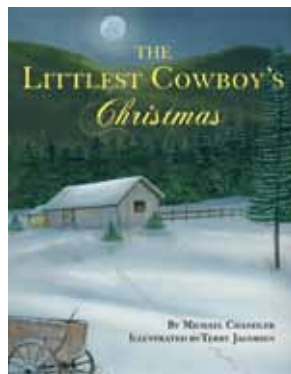
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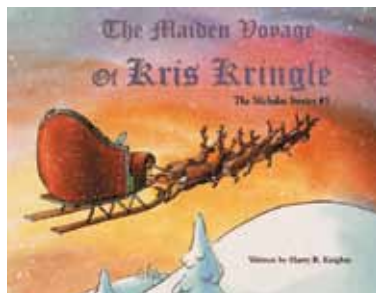


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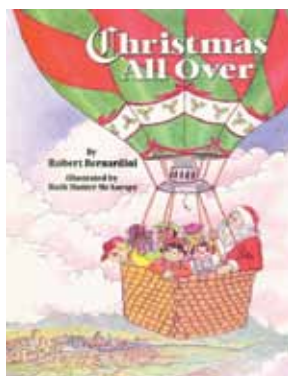
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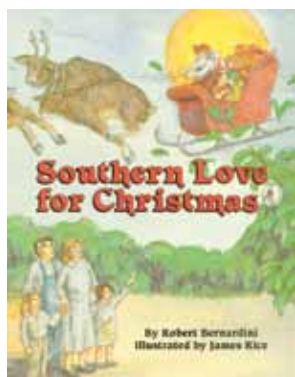
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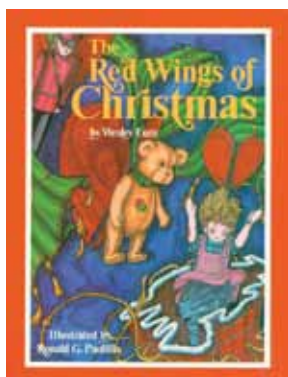


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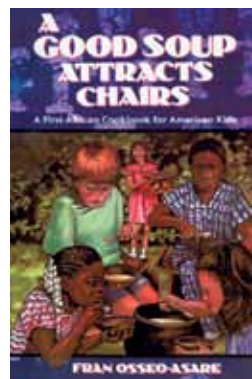


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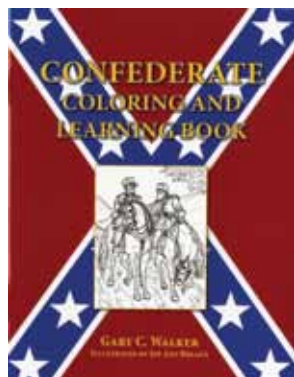


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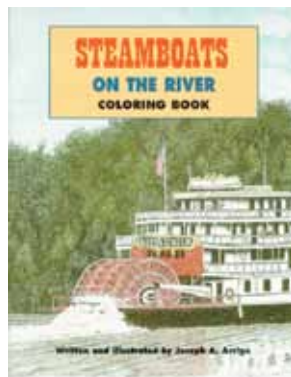


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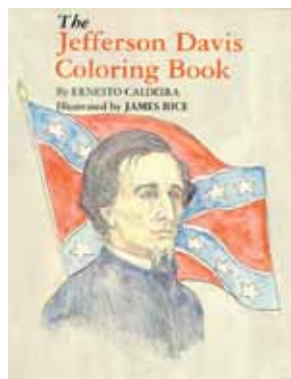
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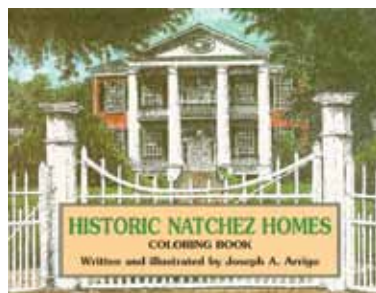
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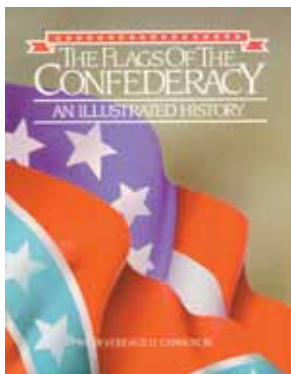
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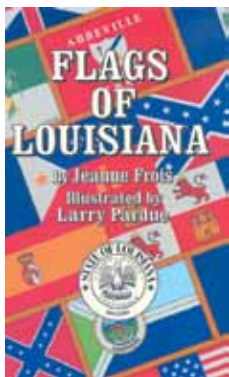


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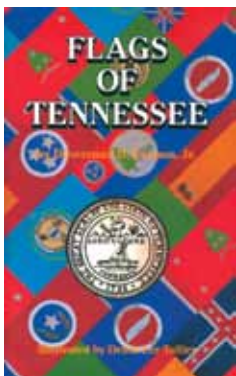


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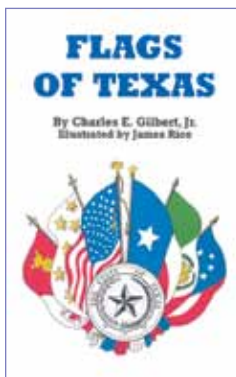
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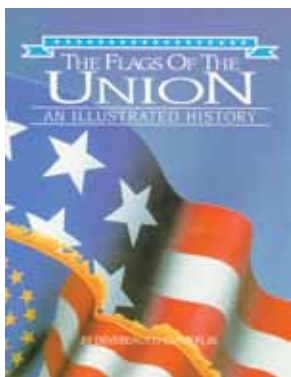


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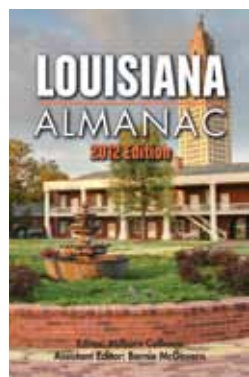
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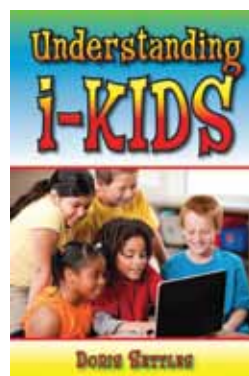


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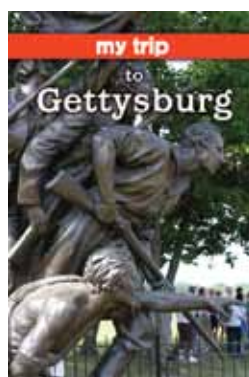


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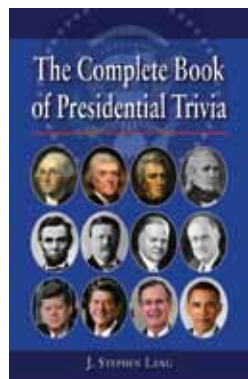
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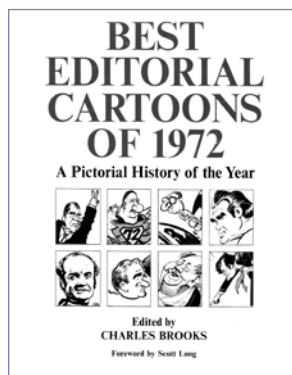
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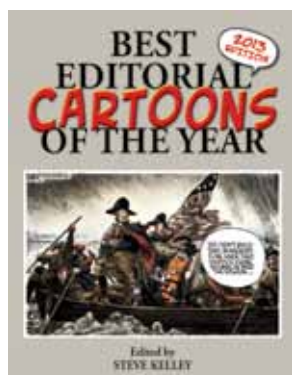


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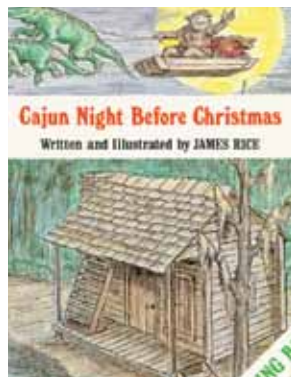


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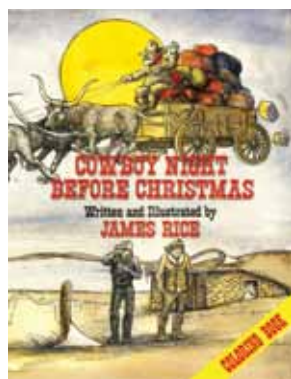
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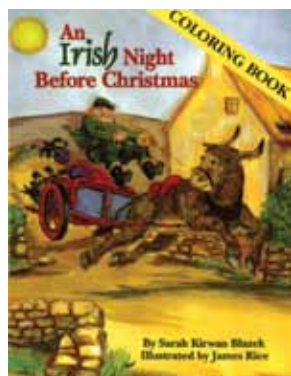
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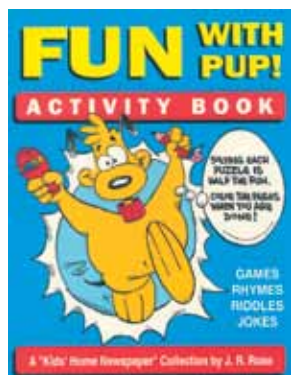


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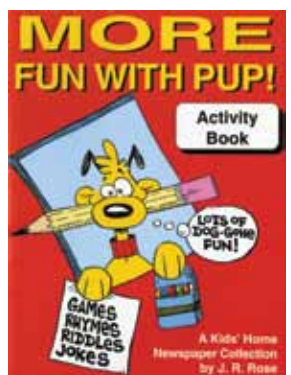
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