

What's New in Children's Literature 2020

Presented by Penny Peck for Infopeople

New board books – for babies and toddlers, ages 0 – 2

Ada, Alma Flor and F. Isabel Campoy. *Mama' Goose*. Illus. by Maribel Suarez. Disney-Hyperion, 11/2019.
Bond, Elaine Miller. *Wild Colors of the West*. Heyday, 10/2019.
Ho, Janine. *Vehicles ABC*. Nosy Crow, 12/2019.

New Picture Books for Baby Storytime

Moore, Katrina. *One Hug*. Illus. by Julia Woolf. HarperCollins, 12/2019.

New interactive book

Boyd, Lizi. *Who Loves Books*. Chronicle, 02/2020.
Nicholls, Sally. *The Button Book*. Illus. by Bethan Woollvin. Tundra, 01/2020.

New picture books – to read aloud to children ages 2 – 5 – preschoolers

Fogliano, Julie. *My Best Friend*. Illus. by Jillian Tamaki. Atheneum, 04/2020.
Grimes, Nikki. *Bedtime for Sweet Creatures*. Illus. by Elizabeth Zunon. Sourcebooks Jabberwocky, 01/2020.
John, Jory. *Cool Bean*. Illus. by Pete Oswald. Harper, 12/2020.
Krauss, Ruth. *Roar Like a Dandelion*. Illus. by Sergio Ruzzier. Harper, 10/2019.
Lombardo, Constance. *Everybody Says Meow*. Harper, 11/2019.
Peacock, Lou. *Nuts!* Illus. by Yasmeen Ismail. Nosy Crow, 09/2019.

Informational Books for Storytime

Cole, Henry. *Nesting*. HarperCollins, 03/2020.
Lemniscates, Carme. *Seeds*. Candlewick, 03/2020.
Lendroth, Susan. *Here We Go Digging for Dinosaur Bones*. Illus. by Bob Kolar. Charlesbridge, 03/2020.

New easy readers – for children ages 5 - 6, or Kindergarten to first grade

Barnett, Mac. *Jack At Bat*. Illus. by Greg Pizzoli. Viking, 02/2020.
Barnett, Mac. *Jack Goes West*. Illus. by Greg Pizzoli. Viking, 02/2020.
Henkes, Kevin. *Penny and Her Sled*. Greenwillow, 10/2019.

New transitional fiction – for ages 7 - 8, or 2nd and 3rd grades

Haydu, Corey Ann. *Hand Me Down Magic #1: Stoop Sale Treasure*. Illus. by Luisa Uribe. Harper, 01/2020.
Walters, Eric. *High and Dry*. Orca, 02/2020.

New poetry for children

Nye, Naomi Shihab. *Cast Away: Poems for Our Time*. Greenwillow, 02/2020.

New graphic novels for under age 12

Green, John Patrick. *InvestiGators*. First Second, 03/2020.
Knisley, Lucy. *Stepping Stones*. Random, 05/2020.
Scrivan, Maria. *Nat Enough*. Graphix, 04/2020.
Tatulli, Mark. *The Big Break*. Little, Brown, 03/2020.

New nonfiction for recreational reading

Heiligman, Deborah. *Torpedoed: The True Story of the World War II Sinking of the "Children's Ship."* Holt, 10/2019.
Krull, Kathleen. *Fly High John Glenn.* HarperCollins, 02/2020.
Kurlansky, Mark. *Bugs In Danger.* Illus. by Jia Liu. Bloomsbury, 11/2019.
Messner, Kate. *The Next President.* Chronicle, 03/2020.

New children's novels by genre:

Fantasy

Welford, Ross. *The 1000 Year Old Boy.* Schwartz & Wade, 10/2019.

Historical Fiction

Gratz, Alan. *Allies: D-Day.* Scholastic, 10/2019.
Wiles, Deborah. *Anthem.* Scholastic, 10/2019.

Mystery/Horror

Markell, Denis. *The Ghost in Apartment 2R.* Delacorte, 11/2019.

Realistic/Contemporary

Callender, Kacen. *King and the Dragonflies.* Scholastic, 02/2020.
Connor, Leslie. *A Home for Goddesses and Dogs.* HarperCollins, 02/2020.

Science Fiction

Ormsbee, K.E. *Midnight on Strange Street.* Disney-Hyperion, 01/2020.

New Entries in Popular Series

Applegate, Katherine. *The One and Only Bob.* HarperCollins, 05/2020.
Dean, Kim. *Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party.* Illus. by James Dean. Harper, 09/2019.

Multicultural Books for Younger Children

Elya, Susan Middleton. *The Three Billy Goats Buenos.* Illus. by Miguel Ordoñez. Putnam's, 03/2020.
Flett, Julie. *Birdsong.* Greystone, 09/2019.

Multicultural Books for Older Children

Darraj, Susan Muaddi. *Farah Rocks Fifth Grade.* Stone Arch, 01/2020.
Keller, Tae. *When You Trap a Tiger.* Random, 01/2020.
Ryan, Pam Muñoz. *Mañanaland.* 03/2020.

Multicultural Books Nonfiction

Bryan, Ashley. *Infinite Hope: A Black Artist's Journey from World War II to Peace.* Atheneum, 10/2019.
Robinson, Sharon. *Child of the Dream: A Memoir of 1963.* Scholastic, 09/2019.

Recent Award Winners (all 2019)

Newbery

Winner: Craft, Jerry. *New Kid,* HarperCollins.

Honor:

Alexander, Kwame. *The Undefeated,* Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.
Heidicker, Christian McKay. *Scary Stories for Young Foxes,* Holt.
Warga, Jasmin. *Other Words for Home,* Balzer+Bray.
Williams, Alicia D. *Genesis Begins Again,* Atheneum.

Caldecott (award goes to the illustrator)

Winner: Nelson, Kadir (illustrator). *The Undefeated*, written by Kwame Alexander, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

Honor:

Bear Came Along, illustrated by LeUyen Pham, written by Richard T. Morris, Little Brown.

Double Bass Blues, illustrated by Rudy Gutierrez, written by Andrea J. Loney, Kropf.

Going Down Home with Daddy, illustrated by Daniel Minter, written by Kelly Starling Lyons, Peachtree.

Schneider

Sotomayor, Sonia. *Just Ask! Be Different, Be Brave, Be You*. Philomel. (younger)

Kelly, Lynne. *Song for a Whale*. Delacorte. (middle grade)

Stonewall

Lukoff, Kyle. *When Aiden Became a Brother*. Lee & Low.

Atta, Dean. *The Black Flamingo*. Hodder.

Sibert

Maillard, Kevin Noble. *Fry Bread: A Native American Family Story*. Illus. by Juana Martinez-Neal. Roaring Brook.

Geisel

Yang, James. *Stop! Bot!* Viking.

Coretta Scott King Author

Craft, Jerry. *New Kid*. HarperCollins.

Coretta Scott King Illustrator

Nelson, Kadir (illustrator). *The Undefeated*, written by Kwame Alexander, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

Pura Belpre Author

Hernandez, Carlos. *Sal and Gabi Break the Universe*. Disney-Hyperion.

Pura Belpre Illustrator

Lopez, Rafael (illustrator). *Dancing Hands: How Teresa Carreño Played the Piano for President Lincoln*, written by Margarita Engle, Atheneum.

Asian/Pacific

Robeson, Teresa. *Queen of Physics: How Wu Chien Shiung Helped Unlock the Secrets of the Atom*, illus. by Rebecca Huang, Sterling. (picture book)

Wang, Jen. *Stargazing*, First Second. (children's literature)

American Indian Youth Literature

Child, Brenda J. *Bowwow Powwow; Bagozenjige-niimi'idim*, illus. by Jonathan Thunder, Minnesota Historical Society. (picture book)

McManis, Charlene Willing. *Indian No More*, Tu Books/Lee & Low. (middle grade)

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