National African American Read-In

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Supplemental List for Young Children

Recommended by Black Caucus Members
Compiled by Sandra E. Gibbs

The following list contains selected works for young children recommended by Black Caucus members. This is a starter list and not intended to be all inclusive. In addition to this list, we recommend the following resource for a list of books: Black Issues Book Review.

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<td>Boyd, Candy Dawson</td>
<td><em>Breadsticks and Blessing Places</em>, Macmillan Children’s Book Group, 1985. (Children’s author. Plus any of her other works.)**</td>
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**Out of print. Check at your local library."
Bridges, Ruby


Bryan, Ashley


*Turtle Knows Your Name*, Macmillan Children’s Book Group, 1989. Folklore

Burrowes, Adjoa J.


Caines, Jeannette


Campbell, Bebe Moore


Chocolate, Debbi

*On The Day I Was Born*, Scholastic, 1995. Fiction [Ages 5-9]

Clifton, Lucille

*Three Wishes*, Doubleday, 1992. Fiction (Children’s author. Plus any of her other works which include poetry for secondary and adult.)

Coleman, Evelyn


*To Be A Drum*, Albert Whitman & Co., 1998. Folktale [Ages 4-8]


Crews, Donald


Curtis Christopher Paul


DeVeaux, Alexis


**Out of print. Check at your local library.**
Draper, Sharon

*Copper Sun*, Atheneum Books, 2006. [Ages 14+]


English, Karen


Farris, Christine King


Feelings, Tom

& Muriel Feelings


Flake, Sharon G.

*The Skin I’m In*, Hyperion Books, 1998. [Ages 10+]

Flournoy, Vanessa

& Valerie Flournoy


Giovanni, Nikki


*Shimmy Shimmy Shimmy Like My Sister Kate: Looking at the Harlem Renaissance through Poems*, Henry Holt & Company, 1996.

*Spin a Soft Black Song*, Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1987. Fiction [Ages 4-10]

Giovanni, Nikki

& Bryan Collier


Greenfield, Eloise


**Out of print. Check at your local library.**
The Friendly Four, Amistad, 2006. Poetry [Ages 4-8]

When the Horses Ride By, Lee & Low Books, 2006. Poetry

In the Land of Words: New and Selected Poems, HarperCollins, 2004 [Ages 4-8]

I Draw a Weeposaur and Other Dinosaurs, Greenwillow Press, 2001 [Ages 4+]


Grimes, Nikki


Hamilton, Virginia


Hardrick, Jackie


Hartman, Bena


Holman, Sandy Lynne


**Out of print. Check at your local library.**
Hudson, Cheryl & Wade Hudson (eds.)


Hughes, Langston


Humphrey, Margo


Hunter, Kristin


Jewell, Sandra J.

*Paula Peacock Discovers She is Unique*, RoseDog Books, 2005.

Johnson, Angela


*Toning the Sweep*, Scholastic, 1994. Fiction [Ages 12+]

*When I Am Old With You*, Orchard Books, 1990. [Ages 4-8]

Johnson, Dolores


Johnson-Feelings, Dianne (ed.)


Lee, Spike & Tonya Lewis Lee


Leeper, Beverley Williams


Lester, Julius


Mathis, Sharon Bell


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Ringgold, Faith  


Rollins, Charlemae Hill (ed.)  

Rosales, Melodye Benson  


*’Twas the Night B’fore Christmas: An African-American Version*, Scholastic, 1996.

Samuels, Allison  

Shange, Ntozake  

Smalls, Irene  


St. James, Synthia  

Steptoe, James  

Steptoe, John  

Tarpley, Natasha  

Taylor, Mildred D.  

Thomas, Joyce Carol  

**Out of print. Check at your local library.**
Turner, Glennette Tilley

*Fort Mose: And the Story of the Man Who Built the First Free Black Settlement in Colonial America*, Harry N. Abrams, Inc. 2010. [Ages 4-8].


Walter, Mildred Pitts


Walton, Darwin McBeth


Williams-Garcia, Rita

*Like Sisters on the Homefront*, Puffin Books, 1995. [Young Adult] (Plus any of her other works.)

Woodson, Jacqueline


*Lena*, Random House, 1999. Fiction [Young Adult]

Wyeth, Sharon Dennis


Yarbrough, Camille
