

# Holland Reads

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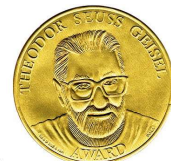
“There is  
more  
treasure in  
books than  
in all the  
pirate’s  
loot on  
Treasure  
Island”

- Walt Disney



## Looking for a New Year’s Resolution? Try:

1. Read at breakfast.
2. Read in the afternoon.
3. Read before bed.
4. Read for pleasure.
5. Read to expand your mind.
6. Read at the library.
7. Read with someone you love.
8. Read poetry.
9. Read something funny.
10. Read some more.



## Literary Medals to be Announced on January 27th

At 8:00 am MT on January 27th, the American Library Association will announce this year’s winners of prestigious literary medals, including the Newbery, Caldecott, Geisel, Coretta Scott King and Printz awards. The Newbery award is given to the author “of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children.” The Caldecott honors the book with the best illustrations. The Geisel award, named in honor of Theodore Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss, is given to the best book for beginning readers. The Printz award which was first given in 2000, honors the author of the best book for young adults. The Coretta King award honors African American authors and illustrators.

## Newbery Hopefuls

Available at MC1 (the middle school library):

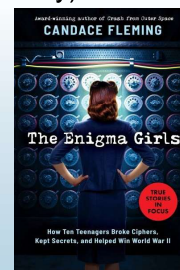


### The One and Only Family

By Katherine Applegate

“Powerhouse author Katherine Applegate invites readers back into Ivan's world for one last adventure--his most exciting yet.”

★ Donated by the PTO



### Enigma Girls

By Candace Fleming

“A powerful and fascinating story of the brave and dedicated young women who helped turn the tides of World War II for the Allies, with their hard work and determination at Bletchley Park.”

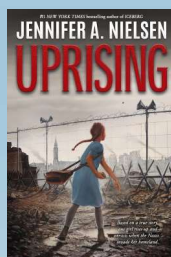
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### Heroes

By Alan Gratz

“A heart-pounding, inventive, and powerful new novel about the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor... as only Alan Gratz can tell”

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### Uprising

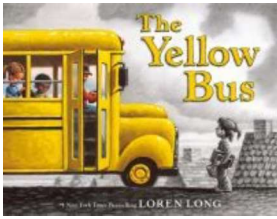
By Jennifer Nielsen

Twelve-year-old Lidia's life is forever changed by the Nazi occupation of Poland, leading her to join the resistance movement to fight against the Nazis and aid

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# Caldecott Hopefuls

Available at the Hunterdon County Library



## **The Yellow Bus**

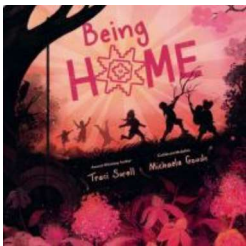
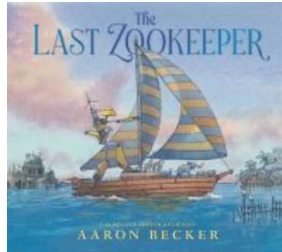
By Loren Long

“A story that spans generations with an enduring and poignant message about new beginnings, happiness, and hope.”

## **The Last Zookeeper**

By Aaron Becker

“A master of the wordless form imagines a futuristic Noah's Ark in a luminous sci-fi parable for our changing world.”



## **Being Home**

By Traci Sorell

“A heartwarming picture book about a Native American family and the joy of moving back to their ancestral land.”

## **Jump for Joy**

By Karen Gray Ruelle

“Kid seeks dog. Dog seeks kid. In this charming and imaginative tale of friendship, picture book readers will delight in what it means to have a furry best friend.”



## **Ways to Encourage Your Child to Read:**

- Read together
- Read side by side
- Lead by example—read yourself
- Create a cozy reading spot
- Go to the library and bookstores
- Make reading a priority
- Establish a reading routine
- Allow your child to choose what they want to read
- Offer books in different formats—audiobooks, ebooks, etc.
- Celebrate reading achievements
- Talk about what they (and you) are reading

## **This Month in History**

- 1/1/1892 Ellis Island opened
- 1/3/1959 Alaska admitted as 49th state
- 1/15/1559 Coronation of Elizabeth I
- 1/20/1945 FDR inaugurated for 4th time
- 1/21/1793 Louis XVI was guillotined
- 1/24/1848 California gold rush began
- 1/25/1947 Al Capone died
- 1/28/1986 Challenger space shuttle exploded
- 1/30/1948 Gandhi assassinated

## **January Birthdays**

- 1/6/1412—Joan of Arc—Catholic saint
- 1/9/1967—Dave Matthews—Grammy winning musician
- 1/11/1755—Alexander Hamilton—1st Sec of Treasury
- 1/15/1929—Dr Martin Luther King Jr
- 1/17/1964—Michelle Obama—1st lady
- 1/24/1968—Mary Lou Retton—Olympic gymnast
- 1/26/1961—Wayne Gretzky—Hockey legend
- 1/28/1912—Jackson Pollack—American painter
- 1/29/1954—Oprah Winfrey—author, talk show host
- 1/31/1947—Nolan Ryan—Pitching great

## **WEBSITES TO EXPLORE**

Looking for great books?  
Check out these lists.

### FOR THE OLDER CROWD

Great books for 7th Grade and Up  
From [The Children's Bookstore](#)

YALSA Book Awards & Book Lists  
From the [ALA](#)

Award Winning Books for Teens  
From [Common Sense Media](#)

### FOR 4TH GRADE AND UP

All Newbery Winners  
From the [ABQ Public Library](#)

Guys Read  
From [Jon Scieszka](#)

### FOR EVERYONE

Caldecott Winners  
Complete list of Medal and Honor  
Books from the [ALA](#)

Top 100 Picture Books of All Time  
From the [Scottsdale Public Library](#)  
How many have you read?