

Canada

44 Hours or Strike! [6 books]

37756 KT

IJ 135 pce 2015 Second Story Press

Anne Dublin

In 1931 during the Great Depression, sisters Sophie and Rose join the Toronto Dressmakers' Strike and the fight of their lives.

Clothing industry—Employees—Fiction; Employee rights—Fiction; Historical fiction; Social Studies; Strikes—Clothing industry—Fiction; Women's rights—Fiction; English/Language Arts

Across the James Bay Bridge: Emily Book 1 [6 books]

26791 KT

I 73 pce 2001 Penguin written by Julie Lawson

Our Canadian Girl Series - The year is 1896, and Emily, like many kids, pines for a bicycle, the latest craze. On the other side of Victoria's James Bay Bridge is Chinatown, a world as different from Emily's as can be. Thousands of Chinese immigrants looking for a better life in Canada call it home. *Our Canadian Girl* follows Emily's ordinary and extraordinary challenges in her dat-to-day life.

Canada—History—1867-1914—Fiction; Chinese—Victoria (B.C.)—History—Fiction; City and town life—Victoria (B.C.)—Fiction; Historical fiction; Reading; Wilson, Janet,—1952—ill; Social Studies

Arctic adventure [6 books]

33182 KT

IJ 48 pce 2007 Scholastic Written by Robert Cutting, illustrated by Thomas Stefflbauer.

Timeline Series - Meekitjuk's dreams of strangers arriving in a giant kayak come true in the summer of 1903 when Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen arrives in his sailboat. The young Inuit realizes his dreams have come true—but what does this mean for his people?

Arctic Regions—Exploration; Graphic novels; Inuit; Language arts; Reading

Battle of Queenston Heights [6 books]

33227 KT

IJ 48 pce 2007 Scholastic Written by David Boyd, illustrated by Drew Ng.

Timeline Series - The Tripley twins are the trusted messengers of Major-General Isaac Brock. When the Americans invade, the twins do everything they can to help defend their country. Will they go beyond the call of duty and pay the ultimate price?

Graphic novels; Language arts; Reading; War of 1812

Camp X [6 books]

26764 KT

I 229 pce 2002 Puffin Eric Walters.

In 1943, while their father is fighting in Europe, George and his older brother, Jack, stumble upon what turns out to be Canada's top-secret spy camp and come to suspect that an adult friend of theirs is one of its agents.

Canada—History—Fiction; Historical fiction; Reading; War stories; World War, 1939-1945—Secret service—Fiction

Cibou: a novel [5 books]

34562 KT

JS 256 pce 2008 Cape Breton University Press

Susan Young De Biagi

This book is set in 17th-century Mi'kma'ki, a territory of Maritime Canada. The story is that of a young woman and her relationship with Jesuit missionary Antoine Daniel - a historical figure who was stationed in Cape Breton - and his brother, Captain Charles Daniel who had established a French fishing and trading post there.

Canada—History; Cape Breton Island (N.S.)—History—Fiction; First Nations

Danger at the landings [6 books]

26794 KT

I 92 pce 2002 Orca Book Publishers Becky Citra

When Max is bundled off to stay with his uncle, the Miller, in an upper Canada village, the adventure he longs for comes when he least expects it.

Adventure fiction; Frontier and pioneer life—Canada—Fiction; Historical fiction; Reading; Uncles—Fiction; Ghent, Cindy,—ill

Dear Canada

For descriptions see individual titles:

An ocean apart: the Gold Mountain diary of Chin Mei-ling [6 books] [37684]

Elijah of Buxton [6 books]

37852 KT

IJ 341 pce 2007 Scholastic Inc. Christopher Paul Curtis

It's 1859 and Elijah Freeman lives in Buxton, Ontario, a settlement for runaway slaves from southern United States. When his friend is robbed of money he's been saving to buy his family out of captivity, Elijah decides to track down the thief himself. This "After Words" edition includes an interview with the author, historical information, and a timeline.

Freedom—Fiction; Historical fiction; Slavery—Fiction

Encounter [6 books]

37410 KT

IJ 1996 Voyager Books/Harcourt, Inc written by Jane Yolen ; illustrated by David Shannon

A Taino Indian boy on the island of San Salvador recounts the landing of Columbus and his men in 1492.

Columbus, Christopher—Fiction; First Nations; Social Studies; Taino (First Nations people)—Fiction

Everything on a waffle [6 books]

26416 KT

IJ 149 pce 2001 Farrar, Straus and Giroux Polly Horvath.

Eleven-year-old Primrose, who lives in a small fishing village in British Columbia, recounts her experiences and all that she learns about human nature and the unpredictability of life in the months after her parents are lost at sea. (FIC)

British Columbia—Fiction; Foster home care—Fiction; Interpersonal relations—Fiction; Parent-child relationship—Fiction; Reading; Self-reliance—Fiction; Uncles—Fiction

The fake-chicken kung fu fighting blues [6 books]

37803 KT

PIJ 149 pce 2018 James Lorimer & Company Ltd. Aaron Lam

Twelve-year-old video buff Anthony is devastated when his family leaves Toronto's Chinatown for Berksburg, a remote community in northern Ontario. There are no other Asian families around - and everyone in town loves hockey, which Anthony just doesn't get. The move is even harder on his grandmother, Po Po, who doesn't speak English and puts a fake chicken over the front door for luck. Desperate to fit in, Anthony takes to the ice for the first time - and turns out to be a disaster. But he does manage to make some friends after standing up to Buck, the school bully, with an accidental flying boot to the face. After that, Buck asks Anthony to teach him the "kung fu" he used!

Bullies—Fiction; Hockey—Fiction; Kung fu; School stories—Fiction

Gold rush [6 books]

33201 KT

IJ 48 pce 2007 Scholastic Written by Robert Piotrowski, illustrated by Jeff Alward.

Timeline Series - A young adventurer named Jonathan heads for the Yukon in search of gold. He learns, among other things, that true love is harder to come by than the precious metal.

Gold mines and mining—Yukon Territory; Gold mines and mining; Graphic novels; Language arts; Reading

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The Golden Spruce: a true story of myth, madness and greed [6 books]

31843 KT
JS 256 pce 2005 Vintage
John Vaillant

A thrilling mystery story about cultural clash and environmental obsession; of man against nature. On a winter night in 1997, a British Columbia timber scout, Grant Hadwin, committed an act of shocking violence in the Queen Charlotte Islands. His victim was a unique 300 year old sitka spruce tree, fifty metres tall and covered with luminous golden needles. In a bizarre environmental protest, Hadwin chopped the tree down. The entire surrounding community was horrified. Not only was the golden spruce a scientific marvel and tourist attraction, it was sacred to the Haida people and beloved by local loggers. Shortly after confessing to the crime, Hadwin disappeared under suspicious circumstances. (364.164)

First Nations; Forests and forestry—British Columbia; Haida (First Nations people)

I am Canada

Blood and iron : building the railway [6 books]

38885 KT
I 233 pce 2010 Scholastic Canada
Paul Yee

Heen is younger than most Chinese workers when he travels to Canada to help build the railway there. He has no choice, for his father's and grandfather's gambling debts spell ruin for his family. Despite his age, he must work as hard as the other men ... and face the same dangers. A glossary is included.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company—History—Fiction; Canadian fiction; Chinese Canadians—History—Fiction; Chinese—Canada—History—Fiction; Historical fiction

I owe you one [6 books]

36323 KT
I 125 pce 2011 Orca
Natalie Hyde

After an old lady rescues him from drowning, Wes considers how to honor his dead father's wishes while repaying what his friend Zach calls a life debt.

Boys—Fiction; Child-adult relationship—Fiction; Elderly women—Fiction; Reading; Rescue work—Fiction

Li Jun and the Iron road [6 books]

36810 KT
J 180 pce 2015 Dundurn
Anne Tait with Paulette Bourgeois

It's 1882 in southern China. Li Jun, a feisty homeless girl disguised as a boy called Little Tiger, works in a fireworks factory and yearns to sail across the

ocean to the mysterious Gold Mountain in faraway British Columbia to find her long-lost father and fulfill her promise to her dying mother. She joins thousands of Chinese men blasting a path for the new railway through the "impassable" Rocky Mountains. There she faces danger, deceit, and prejudice at every turn. Then, defying all the rules, she falls in love with James, the son of the railway tycoon.

British Columbia—History; Chinese Canadians—British Columbia—History; Immigration; Railroads—History—Problems, exercises, etc; Railroads—Canada—History; Reading; Social Studies—Historical fiction

A mind spread out on the ground [6 books]

38910 KT
S 223 pce 2019 Doubleday Canada
Alicia Elliott

"...A Mind Spread Out on the Ground is a personal and critical meditation on trauma, legacy, oppression and racism in North America. In an urgent and visceral work that asks essential questions about Native people in North America while drawing on intimate details of her own life and experience with intergenerational trauma, Alicia Elliott offers indispensable insight and understanding to the ongoing legacy of colonialism." — OCLC.

Canada—Race relations; Family life; First Nations—Biography; First Nations; Indigenous peoples—Canada; Indigenous peoples—Canada—Social conditions; Racism—Canada

Moses, me and murder [6 books]

35918 KT
I 108 pce 2013 Dundurn
by Ann Walsh

Set against the exciting backdrop of the gold rush era, Moses me and murder unravels the story of a cruel murder. (813.54)

Barkerville, BC—Gold discoveries; Cariboo—Gold discoveries—Fiction; Frontier and pioneer life—British Columbia; Gold discoveries; Gold mines and mining—British Columbia—History

My name is Seepetza [6 copies]

31948 KT
IJ 126 pce 1992 Greenwood
Shirley Sterling based this novel on her own experiences as an aboriginal student at the Kamloops Indian Residential school.

First Nations—Residential schools; Interior Salish; Reading

An ocean apart: the Gold Mountain diary of Chin Mei-ling [6 books]

37684 KT
I 210 pce 2004 Scholastic Canada
Gillian Chan

Dear Canada Series - A Chinese girl writes in her diary of how and why they came to Canada and the many obstacles that they experienced – prejudice, poor working conditions, government legislation – in trying to make a better life for the family

Canada—Immigration and emigration—History—Fiction; Canadian authors; Canadian fiction; Chinatown (Vancouver, B.C.)—Fiction; Chinese—Canada—Fiction; Historical fiction; Immigrants—Canada—Fiction; Social Studies

Our Canadian Girl

For descriptions see individual titles:
Penelope : Terror in the harbour [6 books] [26766]
Across the James Bay Bridge: Emily Book 1 [6 books] [26791]

Penelope : Terror in the harbour [6 books]

26766 KT
I 66 pce 2001 Penguin

Our Canadian Girl Series - Meet Penny, who lives in Halifax, 1917, with her dad and two sisters, Emily and Maggie. Our Canadian Girl series follows Penny and other strong, smart and courageous girls from different times and places in Canadian history.

City and town life—Halifax (N.S.)—Fiction; Halifax (N.S.)—History—Fiction; Halifax Explosion, Halifax, N.S., 1917—Fiction; Historical fiction; Reading; Tarabay, Sharif,—ill

Rebel leader [6 books]

33228 KT
IJ 48 pce 2007 Scholastic
Written by Jan Beaver, illustrated by Mike Roth.

Timeline Series - Young Louise Boucher inherits a fiddle that has been in her family for generations. As she learns to play the instrument, she also learns about the history of her people—the Métis—and their greatest leader.

Graphic novels; Language arts; Métis—Canada; Reading; Riel Rebellion, 1885

Shabash! [6 books]

39463 KT
I 109 pce 2008 Dundurn
by Ann Walsh

"As a Sikh living in small-town British Columbia, Rana knows he is different. In fact, he is the first Sikh in Dinway to try out for the hockey team. But Rana persists, making the team and meeting Les, who becomes fast friends with him. Still, the bullying from his teammates and community members continues. Then, just before the most important game of the

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season, an extraordinary event interrupts the lives of everyone in Dinway, and Rana risks everything."—From publisher's website.

Hockey—Fiction; Prejudices—Fiction; Race discrimination—Fiction; Sikh Canadians—Canada

✧ **Stories from the Magic Canoe of Wa'xaid [6 Books]**

41140 KT

JS 244 pce 2020 Rocky Mountain Books

Written by Cecil Paul, as told by Briony Penn

A remarkable and profound collection of reflections by one of North America's most important Indigenous leaders. My name is Wa'xaid, given to me by my people. 'Wa' is 'the river', 'Xaid' is 'good' - good river.

Sometimes the river is not good. I am a Xenaksiala, I am from the Killer Whale Clan. I would like to walk with you in Xenaksiala lands. Where I will take you is the place of my birth. They call it the Kitlope. It is called Xesdu'wäxw (Huschduwaschdu) for 'blue, milky, glacial water'. Our destination is what I would like to talk about, and a boat - I call it my magic canoe. It is a magical canoe because there is room for everyone who wants to come into it to paddle together. The currents against it are very strong but I believe we can reach that destination and this is the reason for our survival.

—Cecil Paul Who better to tell the narrative of our times about the restoration of land and culture than Wa'xaid (the good river), or Cecil Paul, a Xenaksiala elder who pursued both in his ancestral home, the Kitlope — now the largest protected unlogged temperate rainforest left on the planet. Paul's cultural teachings are more relevant today than ever in the face of environmental threats, climate change and social unrest, while his personal stories of loss from residential schools, industrialization and theft of cultural property (the world-renowned Gps'golox pole) put a human face to the survivors of this particular brand of genocide. Told in Cecil Paul's singular, vernacular voice, *Stories from the Magic Canoe* spans a lifetime of experience, suffering and survival.

This beautifully produced volume is in Cecil's own words, as told to Briony Penn and other friends, and has been meticulously transcribed. Along with Penn's forthcoming biography of Cecil Paul, *Following the Good River* (Fall 2019), *Stories from the Magic Canoe* provides a valuable documented history of a generation that continues to deal with the impacts of brutal colonization and environmental change at the hands of politicians, industrialists and those who willingly ignore the power of ancestral lands and traditional knowledge.

Social Studies; Aboriginal; English/ Language Arts

Timeline

For descriptions see individual titles:

Arctic adventure [6 books] [33182]

Battle of Queenston Heights [6 books] [33227]

Gold rush [6 books] [33201]

Rebel leader [6 books] [33228]

When the spirits dance [6 books]

33830 KT

IJ 42 pce 2006 Theytus Books

Larry Loyie with Constance Brissenden.

Drama of a childhood during the Second World War years. As a young Cree boy, Larry Loyie, struggles to grow up while wrestling with the meaning of war. When army runaways threaten his family, he must call on his skills and the (971.230)

Cree (First Nations people)— Alberta; First Nations—Social conditions; First Nations—Residential schools

White jade tiger [6 books]

37508 KT

I 164 pce 1993 Beach Holme by Julie Lawson

Jasmine is not sure she likes the idea of being stuck in Victoria while her father goes to China for a year. But on a field trip to Chinatown, she explores a curious shop in Fan Tan Alley and accidentally passes through a hidden door. She finds herself in Victoria's Chinatown of the late 1880's. Mistaken for a Chinese boy, she is soon caught up in a race through the Fraser Canyon to find a tiger amulet. Includes chronology.

Canada—History—Fiction; Canadian Pacific Railway—History; Chinatown—Fiction; Chinese Canadians—British Columbia—History; Time travel—Fiction