Supplement to
Go West Young Reader

Books Set in Washington State and the Northwest
for Children and Young Adults

A Selected Bibliography
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This supplement accompanies the third edition of Go West Young Reader which was issued in November 2006. These are the children and young adult books set in Washington and the Northwest acquired by the Washington State Library since the publication of that 58-page bibliography.

The Go West Young Reader bibliographies are the result of Washington State Librarian Jan Walsh’s seasonal Washington Reads program. Ms. Walsh launched the program in fall 2003 on the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the Territorial Library books in Olympia. Each subsequent quarter Ms. Walsh chooses a theme and selects at least one adult, one young adult, and one children’s book as part of her Washington Reads program. This list continues to grow as the State Library seeks and purchases more children and young adult books for its Northwest collection.

The call numbers for many of these items are in the process of being updated. Please check the Washington State Library catalog www.secstate.wa.gov/library to see if an item’s call number has changed.

NW prefixed books are available for checkout and interlibrary loan. RARE, R (Reference), and GWA (Governor’s Writers Award) prefixed books are available to be viewed only at the State Library. WA prefixed books are in the Washington State Publications collection. Copy 2s are available for checkout and interlibrary loan while copy 1s are available to be viewed at the State Library.

WR denotes a book selected by Washington State Librarian, Jan Walsh for her Washington Reads program. To read Ms. Walsh’s comments about the book go to: www.secstate.wa.gov/library/wa_reads.aspx Her comments can also be found by clicking on the Washington Reads link in the record for the book in the Library’s online catalog.

Many titles have annotations in quotes. These annotations are from the Washington State Library’s online catalog.

NW 813.6 ACHESON 2006
“Aba Zytka Jones lives with her dad in an odd little house that hangs over the Fraser River. Her mom took off a year ago. In his own way, so did her dad. She doesn’t fit in, never has, and she has questions.”

“Rhyming text presents the many sounds and sights of a day at Seattle’s Pike Place Market.”


NW 813.54 CHALLEN 1996


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NW 813.6 CHAMBER 2003

“Uses the rhythm of “The Twelve Days of Christmas” to introduce some animals of Alaska, from a black bear in a spruce tree to twelve Dall sheep leaping, presenting facts about each.”


NW 398.2079 COHLENE 1990; R 398.2079 COHLENE 1990

“Retells the legend of Clamshell Boy, who rescues a captured group of children from the dreaded wild woman Ishcus. Includes information on the customs and lifestyle of the Makah Indians.”


NW 813.6 COLBORN 2000

“One rainy day, a slug goes for a walk in the wide, wide world, going scras, scras, scras through the tall, green grass, scuddle, scuddle, scuddle in a deep rain puddle, and scrape, scrape, scrape down a long, pink drape.”


NW 970.0049 COLLARD 2007; R 970.0049 COLLARD 2007

“A juvenile biography of the courageous Shoshone woman who accompanied the Lewis and Clark expedition.”


NW 979.8 CRANE 2002

“An alphabetical introduction to the state of Alaska.”


NW 813.6 CRUTCHE 2005

“Recently deceased Billy keeps an eye on his best friend, fourteen-year-old Eddie, who has added to his home and school problems by becoming mute. Billy helps Eddie stand up to conservative minister and English teacher Sanford Tarter who is orchestrating a censorship challenge of the school’s library.”

“A biography of the Shoshoni woman who served on the Lewis and Clark Expedition as a guide and interpreter.”

NW 813.6 DONNELL 2005

NW 538.768 DWYER 2007

“Twenty-six facts and legends, one for each letter of the alphabet, explain both the science behind it (solar winds hitting the earth’s magnetic fields) and the legends it has inspired.”

NW 813.6 DWYER 2004

“Loosely based on Cinderella, this story is set in Alaska. The fairy godmother is an eagle, and the hero, the son of a cannery owner, finds his true love through her Sitka slipper, a heavy rubber boot she left at the Silver Salmon Festival.”

NW 979.7 FEINSTE 2003

“Discusses the land and climate, economy, government, and history of the forty-second state to join the Union.”

NW 917.97 FRADIN 1997

NW 971.1 FRANCIS 2006

NW 813.54 FRAZIER 1957

NW 813.54 GILL 1990

“The polar bear, the black bear, and the grizzly travel across America’s last wilderness to find perfect homes in a story complemented by bear facts.”

NW 813.54 GILL 1984

“Story about the famous 1130 mile race as seen through the eyes of lead dog Kiana.”

   NW 813.54 GILL 1992
   “When Ellie and Sam’s Aunt Susan is trapped in town on Christmas Eve, a mysterious stranger named Nick appears and asks to borrow their sled dogs.”

   NW 813.6 GUENTHE 2000
   “A child watches as a ptarmigan changes its appearance and actions as the seasons change.”

   NW 917.8042 GUSTAFS 2003; R 917.8042 GUSTAFS 2003

   NW 813.6 HANSON 2004
   “Rhyming text describes the activities of young Arctic animals and their mothers. Includes notes on animals of Alaska and other Arctic areas.”

   NW 813.54 HAMM 1997; R 813.54 HAMM 1997
   “In the early 1900s as change comes to the village on Puget Sound where she lives, ten-year-old Ida Bowen worries about what is ahead for herself, her parents, beloved Little Grandma, and other members of the Suquamish people.”

   NW 813.6 HARMON 2006
   “Facing a disintegrating home life and trouble at school, teenager Ian McDermott runs away with his younger brother to Washington State in search of safety, justice, and their long-absent father.”

   NW 917.8042 HARNESS 2006; R 917.8042 HARNESS 2006

   R 497.95 JACOBSE 1999
   Originally published in 1979 with 42 p.
   NW 497.95 1979

   NW 813.54 JAMES 1997

   NW 813.6 JOHNS 2006
“Pre-teen sleuth Hannah West investigates an environmental mystery while staying in a houseboat on Seattle’s Lake Washington.”

   NW 813.6 JOHNS 2006
   “Twelve-year-old Hannah West and her mother move into the swanky Belltown Towers in downtown Seattle, where a neighbor’s stolen piece of artwork pulls Hannah into Seattle’s thriving art scene and on the trail of a thief.”

   NW 979.7 JOHNS 2004
   “Provides an overview of various aspects of Washington that make it a unique state, including its people, land, government, culture, economy, and attractions.”

   NW 813.6 KARBO 2006
   “A thirteen-year-old girl in Portland, Oregon, loses all self-doubt when she is zapped by lightning and uses her newfound courage to solve a murder mystery.”

   NW 813.6 KARBO 2006; RARE 813.6 KARBO
   “Still enjoying her new found self-confidence, a thirteen-year-old sleuth in Portland, Oregon, tries to uncover a missing red diamond and gets herself mixed up with a crooked animal shelter worker and some very strange animals.”

   NW 630.9 KORTE 2004; RARE 630.9 KORTE 2004
   “The experiences of a Finnish-American girl growing up on a farm in Washington State from 1917 to 1927, focusing on the lessons she learns from her hard-working parents and her own determination to succeed at school.”

   NW 398.2089 KOU-SKE 2004; R 398.2089 KOU-SKE 2004

   NW 978.0049 KRENSKY 2002; R 978.0049 KRENSKY 2002
   “Wanting to prove her bravery to the boys, Sacagawea is upset when she is left behind on the hunt, yet while gathering wood with her grandmother, an encounter with a rattlesnake proves her courage and earns her the respect she has longed to have.”

   NW 001.944 LACHENM 2006

   NW 813.6 LARSON 2006
“After inheriting her uncle’s homesteading claim in Montana, sixteen-year-old orphan Hattie Brooks travels from Iowa in 1917 to make a home for herself and encounters some unexpected problems related to the war being fought in Europe.”

NW 978.0049 MACGREG 2003; R 978.0049 MACGREG 2003

“An overview of how horses came to be used by various peoples in the American West, particularly the Shoshoni Indians, discussing the difference that horses made in their lives.”

NW 582.1309 MAGLEY 1992

“Common Oregon wildflowers are described and illustrated with color drawings. They are grouped by habitat and each habitat is also generally described.”

NW 497.95 MAKAH C 1979

NW 813.54 MCMANUS 1996

Short stories.

NW 709.011 MCNUTT 1984; R OVERSIZ 709.11 MCNUTT 1984

NW 813.6 MEYER 2006; R 813.6 MEYER 2006

#2 in the series.

“When the Cullen’s, including her beloved Edward, leave Forks rather than risk revealing that they are vampires, it is almost too much for eighteen-year-old Bella to bear, but she finds solace in her friend Jacob until he is drawn into a ‘cult’ and changes in terrible ways.”

NW 970.0049 MILTON 2001; R 970.0049 MILTON 2001

“A biography of the Shoshoni Indian woman who played an important role in guiding the Lewis and Clark expedition through the Northwest Territory of the United States in 1805-1806.”

NW 979.7 MURRAY 2006

R 709.011 NORTHWE 1985 v1

NW 813.6 PATNEAU 2007

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Supplement to “Go West Young Reader”
“Fourteen-year-old Russell, his friend Phoebe, and her brother Isaac must find a legendary meteor in the Oregon mountains before it is exploited.”

NW 813.6 PERRY 2002

NW 811.6 PERRY 2001

Poetry.

NW 970.0049 PORTER 1989

“Examines the culture, history, and changing fortunes of the Coast Salish Indians of the Northwest.”

NW 597.56 REED JO 2000; R 597.56 REED JO 2000

“The life cycle of salmon and its place in ecology is lavishly illustrated and explained to the reader.”

NW 798.8309 RIDDLE 2002

“Libby Riddles battles a killer storm on the Arctic ice to win the 1100-mile Iditarod Sled Dog Race.”

NW 513.54 RIDDLES 1989

NW 917.8042 RODGER 2005; R 917.8042 RODGER 2005

“Follow Lewis and Clark as they blaze their way across America with the help of American Natives including Sacagawea.”

NW 551.2109 RUSCH 2007; R 551.2109 RUSCH 2007

Rushford, Patricia H. **From the Ashes.** Bethany House, 1997. 188 p.  
NW 813.54 RUSHFOR 1997

“Jennie McGrady mysteries.” #10 in the series. Most of the series is set in the Pacific Northwest. “Jennie searches for the person responsible for burning down the buildings that comprise her beloved church and school.”

NW 813.54 RUSHFOR 1994
“Jennie McGrady mysteries.” #3 in the series. Most of the series is set in the Pacific Northwest.

   NW 917.8042 SANTELL 2001; R 917.8042 SANTELL 2001

   NW 973.83 SCHNEID 1988

   NW 526.9092 SHARDLO 2006; R 526.9092 SHARDLO 2006

   NW 813.6 SHAW 2006

   NW 813.6 SIMMONS 2006

“A fur-trading post for the Blackfeet Indians is home to Billy Jackson and his family in the Montana of 1864, as the ten-year-old faces danger from man, beast, and nature.”

   NW 917.9777 SKEWES 2007

**Skookum Color Book.** Skookum Packers Association, 196-?. 1 volume.
   RARE OVERSIZ 634.11 SKOOKUM 196-?

   NW 813.6 SMITH 2004; R 813.6 SMITH 2004

“When Seaman, a Newfoundland dog, is purchased by Meriwether Lewis in the early 1800s, he has no idea of the grand adventure that lies ahead.”

Cover title: Tall Tales, Cross-Country with Lewis and Clark.

   NW OVERSIZ 813.6 SPALDIN 2006; R OVERSIZ 813.6 SPALDIN 2006

   NW 636.73 STANDIF 1989

“Recounts the life of Balto, the sled dog who saved Nome, Alaska in 1925 from a diphtheria epidemic by delivering medicine through a raging snowstorm.

   NW 979.5 STEFOFF 2006
“Provides comprehensive information on the geography, history, government structure, economy, cultural diversity, and landmarks of Oregon.”

NW 398.22 STEVENS 1947; RARE 398.22 STEVENS 1947; GWA STEVENS 1947

NW 813.6 STIHLER 2006
“Many animal friends help Moose complete construction of his Alaska cabin before winter arrives. Includes recipe for housewarming brownies.”

NW 398.2094 STIHLER 2003
“Moose grows an enormous cabbage, sure to win a prize at the fair, but needs the help of all his friends to load it onto a truck in the Alaskan version of a Russian folktale.”

RARE 641.3413 STONE 1933

NW OVERSIZ 813.6 STREDWI 2006; R OVERSIZ 813.6 STREDWI 2006
“Based on a true story of an encounter between the Lewis and Clark Expedition and Chief Yelleppit of the Walla Walla Tribe.”

WA 328.3 L52stu g1 2006
Also published in 1998?
WA 328.3 L52stu g 1998?

NW OVERSIZ 813.6 THURLOW 2006; R OVERSIZ 813.6 THURLOW 2006

NW 813.54 TOMKINS 1992; R 813.54 TOMKINS 1992
“Follows the adventures of a young boy and an octopus who poses as his cousin.”

NW 813.6 TRACY 2007
“Tess Whistle is a high school junior with ridiculous problems. But her problems are not catastrophes, because she is about to discover that even though things might seem ridiculous to her, she is finding out exactly who it is that she wants to be.”

“Fourteen-year-old Shawn McDaniel, who suffers from severe cerebral palsy and cannot function, relates his perceptions of his life, his family, and his condition, especially as he believes his father is planning to kill him.”


“As her family travels by wagon train to Oregon, a young girl gathers scraps of cloth so that she can make a quilt.”


“On a full-moon night in Alaska, a traditional native totem pole magically comes to life.”


“Examines the history, changing fortunes, and current situation of the Kwakiutl Indians. Includes a picture essay of their crafts.”


**Washington State Coloring Book.** Washington State Legislature, 1994-.


Willis, Elizabeth Bayley. **Little Bay Creatures.** Illustrated by M. Erckenbrack Hennessy. Binford & Mort, 1938. 89 p.

Yaeger, Mercedes. **Meet the Producer at the Pike Place Market.** Studio Solstone Ltd., 1996. 38 p.