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## California Young Reader Medal Nominees and Winners by Category

### Primary (Grades K-2)

The first Primary Award was given in 1976. Primary books were not included in the voting in 1977, 1979 and 1981. Beginning in 1987, the illustrator of the winning book was given full recognition along with the author.

2024-2025 Winner: In Process

2024-2025 Nominees:

***Are You a Cheeseburger?*** by Monica Arnaldo. 2021.

***Luli and the Language of Tea.*** by Andrea Wang. Illustrated by Hyewon Yum. 2022.

***Mel Fell.*** by Corey R. Tabor. 2021.

***My First Day.*** by Phùng Nguyễn Quang and Huynh Kim Liên. 2021.

***Room for Everyone.*** By Naaz Khan. Illustrated by Merce Lopez. 2021.

2023 - 2024 Winner: In Process

2023-2024 Nominees:

***Chez Bob*** by Bob Shea. 2021.

***The Littlest Yak*** by Lu Fraser. Illustrated by Kate Hindley. 2020.

***Negative Cat*** by Sophie Blackall. 2021.

***The Scarecrow*** by Beth Ferry. Illustrated by the Fan Brothers. 2019.

***Someone Builds the Dream*** by Lisa Wheeler. Illustrated by Loren Long. 2021.

2022 - 2023 Winner: ***We Don't Eat Our Classmates*** by Ryan T. Higgins, 2018

2022 - 2023 Nominees:

***Dozens of Doughnuts*** by Carrie Finnison. Illustrated by Brianne Farley. 2020.

***The Good Egg*** by Jory John. Illustrated by Pete Oswald. 2019.

***Grumpy Monkey*** by Suzanne Lang. Illustrated by Max Lang. 2018.

***Parker Looks Up*** by Parker Curry and Jessica Curry. Illustrated by Brittany Jackson. 2019.

***We Don't Eat Our Classmates*** by Ryan T. Higgins. 2018

2021-2022 Winner: ***Drawn Together*** by Minh Le. Illustrated by Dan Santat. 2018.

2021-2022 Nominees:

***All Are Welcome*** by Alexandra Penfold. Illustrated by Suzanne Kaufman. 2018.

***Drawn Together*** by Minh Le. Illustrated by Dan Santat. 2018.

***Dreamers*** by Yuyi Morales. 2018.

***Hair Love*** by Matthew A. Cherry. Illustrated by Vashti Harrison. 2019.

***Sulwe*** by Lupita Nyong'o. Illustrated by Washti Harrison. 2019.

2020-2021 Winner: ***Poor Louie*** by Tony Fucile. 2017.

2020-2021 Nominees:

***The Day You Begin*** by Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by Rafael Lopez. 2018.

***Madeline Finn and the Library Dog*** by Lisa Papp. 2016.

***Alfie: The Turtle That Disappeared*** by Thyra Heder. 2017.

***After the Fall*** by Dan Santat. 2017.

***Poor Louie*** by Tony Fucile. 2017.

2019-2020: Winner: ***The Legend of Rock, Paper, Scissors*** by Drew Daywalt. Harper Collins, 2018.

2019-2020 Nominees:

***The Legend of Rock, Paper, Scissors*** by Drew Daywalt. Harper Collins, 2018.

***Let Me Finish*** by Minh Le. Disney-Hyperion, 2016.

***The Highest Mountain of Books in the World*** by Rocio Bonilla. Peter Pauper Press, 2016.

***Can I Be Your Dog?*** by Troy Cummings. Random House Kids, 2018.

***The Bad Seed*** by Jory John. Harper Collins, 2017.

2018-2019 Winner: ***The Bear and the Piano*** by David Litchfield. Frances Lincoln, 2016.

2018-2019 Nominees:

***The Bear and the Piano*** by David Litchfield. Frances Lincoln, 2016.

***I Don't Want to be a Frog*** by Dev Petty. Illustrated by Mike Boldt, Doubleday Books for Young Readers, 2015

***If You Ever want to Bring an Alligator to School, Don't!*** by Elise Pasley. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2015.

***Mother Bruce*** by Ryan T. Higgins. Disney-Hyperion, 2015.

2017-2018 Winner: ***The Book with No Pictures*** by B.J. Novak. Penguin Random House, 2014.

2017-2018 Nominees:

***Night Animals*** by Gianna Marino. Penguin Random House, 2015.

***If You Plant a Seed*** by Kadir Nelson. Scholastic, 2015.

***Gaston*** by Kelly Dipucchio. Illustrated by Christian Robinson. Simon and Schuster, 2014.

***The Snatchabook*** by Helen Docherty. Illustrated by Thomas Docherty. Sourcebooks Jabberwocky, 2013.

***The Book with No Pictures*** by B.J. Novak. Penguin Random House, 2014.

2016-2017 Winner: ***Sam & Dave Dig a Hole*** by Mac Barnett. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. Candlewick Press, 2014.

2016-2017 Nominees:

***The Bear Ate Your Sandwich*** by Julia Sarcone-Roach. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2015.

***I'm My Own Dog*** by David Ezra Stein. Candlewick Press, 2014.

***It's an Orange Aardvark*** by Michael Hall. Greenwillow Books, 2014.

***Rabbit!*** by Rodrigo Folgueira. Illustrated by Poly Bernatene. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2013.

***Sam & Dave Dig a Hole*** by Mac Barnett. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. Candlewick Press, 2014.

2015-2016 Winner: ***The Day the Crayons Quit*** by Drew Daywalt. Illustrated by Oliver Jeffers. Philomel, 2013.

2015-2016 Nominees:

***Count the Monkeys*** by Mac Barnett. Illustrated by Kevin Cornell. Disney-Hyperion, 2013.

***Creepy Carrots*** by Aaron Reynolds. Illustrated by Peter Brown. Simon & Schuster BFYR, 2012.

***The Day the Crayons Quit*** by Drew Daywalt. Illustrated by Oliver Jeffers. Philomel, 2013.

***Dragons Love Tacos*** by Adam Rubin. Illustrated by Daniel Salmieri. Dial Books for Young Readers, 2012.

***Paul Meets Bernadette*** by Rosy Lamb. Candlewick Press, 2013.

2014-2015 Winner: ***Exclamation Mark!*** by Amy Krouse Rosenthal. Illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld. Scholastic Press, 2013.

2014-2015 Nominees:

**City Dog, Country Frog** by Mo Willems. Illustrated by Jon J. Muth. Hyperion Books for Children, 2010.

**Miss Brooks Loves Books (and I Don't)** by Barbara Bottner. Illustrated by Michael Emberley. Alfred A. Knopf, 2010.

**Randy Riley's Really Big Hit** by Chris Van Dusen. Candlewick Press, 2012.

**Too Tall Houses** by Gianna Marino. Viking Press, 2012.

2014 Winner: **Press Here** by Herve Tullet. Chronicle Books, 2011.

2013-2014 Nominees:

**Bats at the Ballgame** by Brian Lies. Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2011.

**Children Make Terrible Pets** by Peter Brown. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2010.

**Interrupting Chicken** by David Ezra Stein. Candlewick Press, 2010.

**Stars** written by Mary Lyn Ray. Illustrated by Marla Frazee. Beach Lane Books, 2011.

2013 Winner: **We Are in a Book!** by Mo Willems. Hyperion Books for Children, 2010.

2012-2013 Nominees:

**A Bedtime for Bear** by Bonny Becker, illustrated by Kady MacDonald Denton. Candlewick Press, 2010.

**Bats at the Library** by Brian Lies. Houghton Mifflin, 2008.

**Memoirs of a Goldfish** by Devin Scillian. Illustrated by Tim Bowers. Sleeping Bear Press, 2010.

**The Sandwich Swap** by Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah, with Kelly DiPucchio. Illustrated by Tricia Tusa. Disney/Hyperion Books, 2010.

2012 Winner: **I Need My Monster** by Amanda Noll. Illustrated by Howard McWilliam. Flashlight Press, 2009.

2011-2012 Nominees:

**On Meadowview Street** by Henry Cole. Greenwillow Books, 2007.

**Let's Do Nothing** by Tony Fucile. Candlewick Press, 2009.

**The Odd Egg** by Emily Gravett. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2009.

**Princess Hyacinth: The Surprising Tale of a Girl Who Floated** by Florence Heide. Illustrated by Lane Smith. Schwartz & Wade Books, 2009.

2011 Winner: **Martina the Beautiful Cockroach: A Cuban Folktale** by Carmen Agra Deedy. Illustrated by Michael Austin. Peachtree Publications, 2008.

2010-2011 Nominees:

**A Visitor for Bear** by Bonnie Becker. Illustrated by Kady MacDonald. Candlewick Press, 2008.

**Pete & Pickles** by Berkeley Breathed. Philomel, 2008.

**Duck** by Randy Cecil. Candlewick Press, 2008.

**Thelonus Monster's Sky-High Fly Pie** by Judy Sierra. Illustrated by Edward Koren. Knopf, 2006.

2010 Winner: **Millie Waits for the Mail** by Alexander Steffensmeier. Walker, 2007.

2009-2010 Nominees:

**A Frog Thing** by Eric Drachman. Kidwick, 2006.

**Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners** by Laurie Keller. Holt, 2007.

**My Life as a Chicken** by Ellen Kelley. Illustrated by Michael Slack. Harcourt, 2007.

**Velma Gratch and the Way Cool Butterfly** by Alan Madison. Illustrated by Kevin Hawkes. Schwartz & Wade, 2007.

2009 Winner: ***Stanley's Wild Ride*** by Linda Bailey. Illustrated by Bill Slavin. Kids Can Press, 2006.

2008-2009 Nominees:

***The Perfect Nest*** by Catherine Friend. Illustrated by John Manders. Candlewick Press, 2007.

***Bats at the Beach*** by Brian Lies. Illustrated by Brian Lies. Houghton Mifflin, 2006.

***Uncle Peter's Amazing Chinese Wedding*** by Lenore Look. Illustrated by Yumi Heo. Anne Schwartz/Atheneum, 2006.

***Hilda Must Be Dancing*** by Karma Wilson. Illustrated by Suzanne Watts. Margaret K. McElderry Books/ Simon & Schuster, 2004.

2008 Winner: ***Superdog Dex: The Heart of a Hero*** (originally published as *Superdog: The Heart of a Hero*) by Caralyn Buehner. Illustrated by Mark Buehner. HarperCollins Publishers, 2004.

2007-2008 Nominees:

***The Giant Hug*** by Sandra Horning. Illustrated by Valeri Gorbachev. Alfred A. Knopf, 2005.

***I Wanna Iguana*** by Karen Kaufman Orloff. Illustrated by David Catrow. G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2004.

***Henry and the Buccaneer Bunnies*** by Carolyn Crimi. Candlewick Press, 2005.

***Traction Man is Here!*** by Mini Grey. Alfred A. Knopf, 2005.

2007 Winner: ***My Lucky Day*** by Keiko Kasza. G. P. Putnam's Sons, 2003.

2006-2007 Nominees:

***The Best Pet of All*** by David LaRochelle. Illustrated by Hanako Wakiyama. Dutton Children's Books, 2004.

***Stanley's Party*** by Linda Bailey. Illustrated by Bill Slavin. Kids Can Press, 2003.

***Three Pebbles and a Song*** by Eileen Spinelli. Illustrated by S. D. Schindler. Dial Books For Young Readers, 2003.

***Wild About Books*** by Judy Sierra. Illustrated by Marc Brown. Alfred A. Knopf, 2004.

2006 Winner: ***Miss Smith's Incredible Storybook*** by Michael Garland. Duttons Children's Books, 2003.

2005-2006 Nominees:

***How I Became a Pirate*** by Melinda Long. Illustrated by David Shannon. Harcourt, 2003.

***The Perfect Pet*** by Margie Palatini. Illustrated by Bruce Whatley. HarperCollins, 2003.

***Ruby in Her Own Time*** by Jonathan Emmett. Illustrated by Rebecca Harry. Scholastic Press, 2004.

***The Teddy Bear*** by David McPhail. Henry Holt and Company, 2002.

2005 Winner: ***Muncha! Muncha! Muncha!*** by Candace Fleming. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. Atheneum, 2002.

2004-2005 Nominees:

***Blabber Mouse*** by True Kelley. Dutton Books, 2001.

***Daisy Comes Home*** by Jan Brett. Putnam, 2002.

***Duck on a Bike*** by David Shannon. Scholastic, 2002.

***"Let's Get a Pup!" said Kate*** by Bob Graham. Candlewick Press, 2001.

2004 Winner: ***A Fine, Fine School*** by Sharon Creech. Illustrated by Harry Bliss. HarperCollins, 2001.

2003-2004 Nominees:

**Book! Book! Book!** by Deborah Bruss. Illustrated by Tiphonie Beeke. Arthur A. Levine Books/Scholastic, 2001.

**Dumpy La Rue** by Elizabeth Winthrop. Illustrated by Betsy Lewin. Henry Holt, 2000.

**Mice and Beans** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Illustrated by Joe Cepeda. Scholastic, 2001.

**The Name Jar** by Yangsook Choi. Alfred A. Knopf, 2001.

2003 Winner: **o I Will Never Not Ever Eat a Tomat** by Lauren Child. Candlewick, 2000.

2002-2003 Nominees:

**Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type** by Doreen Cronin. Illustrated by Betsy Lewin. Simon & Schuster, 2000.

**Good Night, Good Knight** by Shelley Moore Thomas. Dutton, 2000.

**The Soccer Mom from Outer Space** by Barney Saltzberg. Crown, 2000.

**The Ugly Vegetables** by Grace Lin. Charlesbridge, 1999.

2002 Winner: **Hooway for Wodney Wat!** by Helen Lester. Illustrated by Lynn M. Munsinger. Houghton Mifflin, 1999.

2001-2002 Nominees:

**Cook-a-Doodle-Do!** by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens. Crummel Harcourt, 1999.

**Horace and Morris but Mostly Dolores** by James Howe. Illustrated by Amy Walrod. Atheneum, 1999.

**Mr. Tanen's Ties** by Maryann Cocca-Leffler. Albert Whitman, 1999.

**Wolf!** by Becky Bloom. Illustrated by Pascal Biet. Orchard, 1999.

2001 Winner: **Grandpa's Teeth** by Rod Clement. HarperCollins, 1998.

2000-2001 Nominees:

**A Bad Case of Stripes** by David Shannon. Scholastic, 1998.

**The Lost and Found** by Mark Teague. Scholastic, 1998.

**Mailing May** by Michael Tunnell. Illustrated by Ted Rand. Greenwillow, 1997.

**Raising Dragons** by Jerdine Nolen. Illustrated by Elise Primavera. Silver Whistle, 1998.

2000 Winner: **Lost** by Paul Brett Johnson and Celeste Lewis. Orchard Books, 1996.

1999-2000 Nominees:

**Mama Provi and the Pot of Rice** by Sylvia Rosa-Casanova. Illustrated by Robert Roth. Atheneum, 1997.

**Meanwhile...** by Jules Feiffer. HarperCollins, 1997.

**Saving Sweetness** by Diane Stanley. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. Putnam, 1996.

**The Secret Shortcut** by Mark Teague. Scholastic, 1996.

1999 Winner: **Livingstone Mouse** by Pamela Duncan Edwards. Illustrated by Henry Cole. HarperCollins, 1996.

1998-1999 Nominees:

**Fanny's Dream** by Caralyn Buehner. Illustrated by Mark Buehner. Dial, 1996.

**Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1996.

**Mrs. Morgan's Lawn** by Barney Saltzberg. Hyperion, 1993.

**Nine for California** by Sonia Levitin. Illustrated by Cat Bowman Smith. Orchard, 1996.

1998 Winner: **Dog Breath** by Dav Pilkey. Blue Sky Press, 1994.

1997-1998 Nominees:

***Down the Road*** by Alice Schertle. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Harcourt Brace, 1995.

***Hog-Eye*** by Susan Meddaugh. Houghton Mifflin, 1995.

***Math Curse*** by Jon Scieszka. Illustrated by Lane Smith. Viking, 1995.

***Piggie Pie!*** by Margie Palatini. Illustrated by Howard Fine. Clarion, 1995.

1997 Winner: ***Don't Fidget a Feather!*** by Erica Silverman. Illustrated by S.D. Schindler. Macmillan, 1994.

1996-1997 Nominees:

***The Bee Tree*** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel, 1993.

***Chato's Kitchen*** by Gary Soto. Illustrated by Susan Guevara. Putnam, 1995.

***The Cow Who Wouldn't Come Down*** by Paul Brett Johnson. Orchard, 1993.

***Owen*** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1993.

1996 Winner: ***Stellaluna*** by Janell Cannon. Harcourt Brace, 1994.

1995-1996 Nominees:

***Frida Maria: A Story of the Old Southwest*** by Deborah Nourse Lattimore. Harcourt Brace, 1994.

***Parents in the Pigpen, Pigs in the Tub*** by Amy Ehrlich. Illustrated by Steven Kellogg. Dial Books, 1993.

***Ruby the Copycat*** by Peggy Rathmann. Scholastic, 1993.

***The Three-Legged Cat*** by Margaret Mahy. Illustrated by Jonathan Allen. Viking, 1993.

1995 Winner: ***Martha Speaks*** by Susan Meddaugh. Houghton, 1992.

1994-1995 Nominees:

***A Bicycle for Rosaura*** by Daniel Barbot. Illustrated by Morella Fuenmayor. Kane/Miller, 1991.

***Mucky Moose*** by Jonathan Allen. Macmillan, 1991.

***The Signmaker's Assistant*** by Tedd Arnold. Dial, 1992.

***When Bluebell Sang*** by Lisa Campbell Ernst. Bradbury Press, 1989.

1994 Winner: ***High-Wire Henry*** by Mary Calhoun. Illustrated by Erick Ingraham. Morrow, 1991.

1993-1994 Nominees:

***The Adventures of Taxi Dog*** by Debra & Sal Barracca. Illustrated by Mark Buehner. Dial, 1990.

***Amazing Grace*** by Mary Hoffman. Illustrated by Caroline Binch. Dial, 1991.

***Chrysanthemum*** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1991.

***The Day that Henry Cleaned His Room*** by Sarah Wilson. Simon & Schuster, 1990.

1993 Winner: ***Julius, the Baby of the World*** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1990; Mulberry Books, 1992.

1992-1993 Nominees:

***The Great White Man-Eating Shark*** by Margaret Mahy. Illustrated by Jonathan Allen. Dial, 1990.

***Ollie Forgot*** by Tedd Arnold. Dial, 1988; Puffin, 1991.

***Ruby*** by Michael Emberley. Little, Brown, 1990.

***Two Bad Ants*** by Chris Van Allsburg. Houghton Mifflin, 1988.

1992 Winner: ***Never Spit on Your Shoes*** by Denys Cazet. Clarion, 1986; Orchard Books, 1990.

1991-1992 Nominees:

**Thunder Cake** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel, 1990.

**Tommy at the Grocery Store** by Bill Grossman. Illustrated by Victoria Chess. HarperCollins, 1989.

**The True Story of the Three Little Pigs** by Jon Scieszka. Illustrated by Lane Smith. HarperCollins, 1989.

**The Wolf's Chicken Stew** by Keiko Kasza. Putnam, 1990.

1991 Winner: **Tacky the Penguin** by Helen Lester. Illustrated by Lynn M. Munsinger. Houghton Mifflin, 1988.

1990-1991 Nominees:

**Chester's Way** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1988.

**I Wish I Were a Butterfly** by James Howe. Illustrated by Ed Young. Harcourt Brace, 1987.

**Rechenka's Eggs** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel Books, 1988.

**The Wednesday Surprise** by Eve Bunting. Illustrated by Donald Carrick. Clarion, 1989.

1990 Winner: **Eyes of the Dragon** by Margaret Leaf. Illustrated by Ed Young. Lothrop, 1987.

1989-1990 Nominees:

**Barn Dance!** by Bill Martin, Jr. and John Archambault. Illustrated by Ted Rand. Henry Holt, 1986.

**A New Coat for Anna** by Harriet Ziefert. Illustrated by Anita Lobel. Knopf, 1986.

**Piggybook** by Anthony Browne. Knopf, 1996.

**The Relatives Came** by Cynthia Rylant. Illustrated by Stephen Gammell. Bradbury, 1985.

1989 Winner: **What Happened to Patrick's Dinosaurs?** by Carol Carrick. Illustrated by Donald Carrick. Clarion, 1986.

1988-1989 Nominees:

**Beware the Dragons** by Sarah Wilson. Harper & Row, 1985.

**Flossie and the Fox** by Patricia McKissack. Illustrated by Rachel Isadora. Dial, 1986.

**How My Parents Learned to Eat** by Ina Friedman. Illustrated by Allen Say. Houghton Mifflin, 1984.

**Patchwork Quilt** by Valerie Flournoy. Illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. Dial, 1985.

1988 Winner: **If You Give a Mouse a Cookie** by Laura Joffe Numeroff. Illustrated by Felicia Bond. Harper & Row, 1985; Scholastic, 1988.

1987-1988 Nominees:

**Dabble Duck** by Anne Leo Ellis. Illustrated by Sue Truesdell. Harper Junior Books, 1987.

**Imogene's Antlers** by David Small. Crown, 1985; 1986.

**Molly's Pilgrim** by Barbara Cohen. Illustrated by Michael J. Deraney. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1988.

**The Trek** by Ann Jonas. Greenwillow, 1985.

1987 Winner: **The Napping House** by Audrey Wood. Illustrated by Don Wood. Harcourt Brace, 1984.

1986-1987 Nominees:

**Happy Birthday, Moon** by Frank Asch. Prentice Hall, 1982.

**Ming Lo Moves the Mountain** by Arnold Lobel. Greenwillow, 1983.

**Miss Rumphius** by Barbara Cooney. Viking, 1982.

***What's Under My Bed?*** by James Stevenson. Greenwillow, 1983.

1986 Winner: ***Space Case*** by Edward Marshall. Illustrated by James Marshall. Dial, 1980.

1985-1986 Nominees:

***Do Not Open*** by Brinton Turkle. Dutton, 1982.

***Friends*** by Helme Heine. Atheneum, 1982.

***Hot-Air Henry*** by Mary Calhoun. Illustrated by Erick Ingraham. Morrow, 1981.

***Round Trip*** by Ann Jonas. Greenwillow, 1983; Scholastic, 1984.

1985 Winner: ***Herbie's Troubles*** by Carol Chapman. Illustrated by Kelly Oechsli. Dutton, 1981.

1984-1985 Nominees:

***The Blanket That Had to Go*** by Nancy Evans Cooney. Illustrated by Diane Dawson. Putnam, 1981.

***Dr. DeSoto*** by William Steig. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1982.

***Good as New*** by Barbara Douglass. Illustrated by Patience Brewster. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1982.

***Round Robin*** by Jack Kent. Prentice hall, 1982; 1984.

1984 Winner: ***Bagdad Ate It*** by Phyllis Green. Illustrated by Joel Schick. Watts, 1980.

1983-1984 Nominees:

***Alexander, Who Used to be Rich Last Sunday*** by Judith Viorst. Illustrated by Ray Cruz. Atheneum, 1978; 1980.

***No Bath Tonight*** by Jane Yolen. Illustrated by Nancy Winslow Parker. Crowell, 1978.

***Oh, Were They Ever Happy!*** by Peter Spier. Doubleday, 1978.

***A Rose for Pinkerton*** by Steven Kellogg. Dial, 1981.

1983 Winner: ***Liza Lou and the Yeller Belly Swamp*** by Mercer Mayer. Scholastic, 1977.

1982-1983 Nominees:

***The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash*** by Trinka H. Noble. Illustrated by Steven Kellogg. Dial, 1980.

***It's So Nice to Have a Wolf Around the House*** by Harry Allard. Illustrated by James Marshall. Doubleday, 1977; 1979.

***The Worst Person in the World*** by James Stevenson. Greenwillow, 1978; Penguin, 1980.

***The Wuggie Norple Story*** by Daniel M. Pinkwater. Illustrated by Tomie de Paola. Scholastic, 1980.

1982 Winner: ***Miss Nelson Is Missing*** by Harry Allard. Illustrated by James Marshall. Houghton Mifflin, 1977.

1981-1982 Nominees:

***Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*** by Judith Barrett. Illustrated by Ron Barrett. Atheneum, 1978.

***Cowardly Clyde*** by Bill Peet. Houghton Mifflin, 1979.

***Cross-Country Cat*** by Mary Calhoun. Illustrated by Erick Ingraham. Morrow, 1979.

***Pinkerton, Behave!*** by Steven Kellogg. Dial, 1979.

1980 Winner: ***Big Bad Bruce*** by Bill Peet. Houghton Mifflin, 1977.

1979-1980 Nominees:

***Little Fox Goes to the End of the World*** by Ann Tompert. Illustrated by John C. Wallner. Crown, 1976.

***Liza Lou and the Yeller Belly Swamp*** by Mercer Mayer. Scholastic, 1977.

***Mr. And Mrs. Pig's Evening Out*** by Mary Rayner. Atheneum, 1976.

***The Mysterious Tadpole*** by Steven Kellogg. Dial, 1976.

1978 Winner: ***Little Rabbit's Loose Tooth*** by Lucy Bate. Illustrated by Diane de Groat. Crown, 1975.

1977-1978 Nominees:

***Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*** by Judith Viorst. Illustrated by Ray Cruz. Atheneum, 1972.

***George and Martha*** by James Marshall. Houghton Mifflin, 1972.

***The Maggie B*** by Irene Haas. Atheneum, 1975.

***Mouse Tales*** by Arnold Lobel. Harper & Row, 1972.

1976 Winner: ***How Droofus the Dragon Lost His Head*** by Bill Peet. Houghton Mifflin, 1971; 1983.

1975-1976 Nominees:

***Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*** by Judith Viorst. Illustrated by Ray Cruz. Atheneum, 1972.

***Dorrie and the Goblin*** by Patricia Coombs. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1972.

***Frog and Toad Together*** by Arnold Lobel. Harper & Row, 1972.

***Ira Sleeps Over*** by Bernard Waber. Houghton Mifflin, 1972.

***Leo The Late Bloomer*** by Robert Kraus. Illustrated by Jose Aruego. Windmill Books, 1971.

***The Lorax*** by Theodor Seuss Geisel. Random House, 1971.

***One Monster After Another*** by Mercer Mayer. Golden Press, 1974.

***Play Ball, Amelia Bedelia*** by Peggy Parish. Illustrated by Wallace Tripp. Harper & Row, 1972.

***The Very Hungry Caterpillar*** by Eric Carle. Houghton Mifflin, 1983.

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**Intermediate (Grades 3-5)**

Intermediate books were not included in the 1976, 1978, or 1980 voting. After the 1977 voting, it was decided the intermediate category was too broad and a Middle School/Junior High School category was added.

2024 - 2025 Winner: In Process

2024 - 2025 Nominees:

***New From Here.*** by Kelly Yang. 2022.

***The Ogress and the Orphans.*** By Kelly Barnhill. 2022.

***Three Strike Summer.*** By Skyler Schrempp. 2022.

2023 - 2024 Winner: In Process

2023 - 2024 Nominees:

***Across the Desert*** by Dusti Bowling. 2021.

***A Game of Fox and Squirrels*** by Jenn Reese. 2020.

***We're Not From Here*** by Geoff Rodkey. 2019.

2022 - 2023 Winner: ***The Lion of Mars*** by Jennifer L. Holm. 2021.

2022 - 2023 Nominees:

***The Canyon's Edge*** by Dusti Bowling. 2020.

***Gold Rush Girl*** by Avi. 2020.

***The Lion of Mars*** by Jennifer L. Holm. 2021.

2021 - 2022 Winner: ***The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise*** by Dan Gemeinhart. 2019.

2021 - 2022 Nominees:

***Other Words for Home*** by Jasmine Warga. 2019.

***The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise*** by Dan Gemeinhart. 2019.

***Wishtree*** by Katherine Applegate. 2017.

2020 - 2021 Winner: ***Restart*** by Gordon Korman. 2017.

2020 - 2021 Nominees:

***Restart*** by Gordon Korman. 2017.

***Save Me a Seat*** by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan. 2016.

***The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street*** by Karina Yan Glaser. 2017.

2019 - 2020 Winner: ***The War I Finally Won*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. 2017.

2019 - 2020 Nominees:

***The Detective's Assistant*** by Kate Hannigan. 2015.

***The Losers Club.*** by Andrew Clements. 2017

***The War I Finally Won*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. 2017.

2018-2019 Winner: ***The War that Saved My Life*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. Puffin Books, 2016

2018-2019 Nominees:

***Fish in a Tree*** by Lynda Mullaly Hunt. Puffin Books, 2017

***The War that Saved My Life*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. Puffin Books, 2016

***Crenshaw*** by Katherine Applegate. Feiwel & Friends, 2015

2017-2018 Winner: ***Pax*** by Sara Pennypacker. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. HarperCollins, 2016.

2017-2018 Nominees:

**Ms. Rapscott's Girls** by Elise Primavera. Penguin Random House, 2015.

**Pax** by Sara Pennypacker. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. HarperCollins, 2016.

**Dash** by Kirby Larson. Scholastic, 2016.

2016-2017 Winner: **Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library** by Chris Grabenstein. Random House Books for Young Readers, 2013.

2016-2017 Nominees:

**Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library** by Chris Grabenstein. Random House Books for Young Readers, 2013.

**The Real Boy** by Anne Ursu. Illustrated by Erin McGuire. Published by Walden Pond Press, 2013.

**Rump** by Liesl Shurtliff. Published by Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2013.

2015-2016 Winner: **A Dog Called Homeless** by Sarah Lean. Katherine Tegen Books, 2012.

2015-2016 Nominees:

**A Dog Called Homeless** by Sarah Lean. Katherine Tegen Books, 2012.

**True (... Sort of)** by Katherine Hannigan. Greenwillow Books,, 2011.

**Wildwood** by Colin Meloy. Illustrated by Carson Ellis. Balzer+Bray, 2011.

2014-2015 Winner: **Wonder** by R.J. Palacio. Alfred A. Knopf, 2012.

2014-2015 Nominees:

**Tuesdays at the Castle** by Jessica Day George. Random House, 2010.

**Wild Wings** by Gill Lewis. Illustrated by Yuta Onada. Atheneum, 2011.

2014 Winner: **The Unwanteds** by Lisa McMann. Aladdin, 2011.

2013-2014 Nominees:

**A Nest for Celeste** by Henry Cole. Katherine Tegen Books, 2010.

**Turtle in Paradise** by Jennifer Holm. Random House Books for Young Readers, 2010.

2013 Winner: **The Giant Slayer** by Iain Lawrence. Delacorte Press, 2009.

2012-2013 Nominees:

**Eleven** by Patricia Reilly Giff. Wendy Lamb Books, 2008.

**Where the Mountain Meets the Moon** by Grace Lin. Little, Brown, 2009.

2012 Winner: **Violet Raines Almost Got Struck by Lightning** by Danette Haworth. Walker & Co., 2008.

2011-2012 Nominees:

**Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School and Other Scary Things** by Lenore Look. Schwartz & Wade Books, 2008.

**The Small Adventure of Popeye and Elvis** by Barbara O'Conner. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2009.

2011 Winner: **Zorgamazoo** by Robert Paul Weston. Razorbill, 2008.

2010-2011 Nominees:

**Igraine the Brave** by Cornelia Funke. The Chicken House, 2007.

**Greetings from Planet Earth** by Barbara Kerley. Scholastic Press, 2007.

2010 Winner: **No Talking** by Andrew Clements. Simon & Schuster, 2007.

2009-2010 Nominees:

***A Friendship for Today*** by Patricia C. McKissack. Scholastic, 2007.

***A Crooked Kind of Perfect*** by Linda A. Urban. Random House, 2007.

2009 Winner: ***Sheep*** by Valerie Hobbs. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2006.

2008-2009 Nominees:

***Phineas L. MacGuire...Erupts!: The First Experiment*** by Frances O'Roark Dowell. Simon & Schuster, 2006.

***Clementine*** by Sara Pennypacker. Illustrated by Marla Frazee. Hyperion, 2006.

2008 Winner: ***Each Little Bird That Sings*** by Deborah Wiles. Harcourt, 2005.

2007-2008 Nominees:

***Seven Wonders of Sassafras Springs*** by Betty Birney. Illustrated by Matt Phelan. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2005.

***Worth*** by Alexandra Lafaye. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2004.

2007 Winner: ***Christopher Mouse: The Tale of a Small Traveler*** by William Wise. Illustrations by Patrick

Benson. Bloomsbury Children's Books, 2004.

2006-2007 Nominees:

***Ida B...and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and (Possibly) Save the World*** by Katherine Hannigan. Greenwillow, 2004.

***A Week in the Woods*** by Andrew Clements. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2002.

2006 Winner: ***The Good Dog*** by Avi. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2001.

2005-2006 Nominees:

***Following Fake Man*** by Barbara Ware Holmes. Knopf, 2001.

***Love, Ruby Lavender*** by Deborah Wiles. Harcourt, 2001.

2005 Winner: ***Ruby Holler*** by Sharon Creech. Joanna Cotler, 2002.

2004-2005 Nominees:

***Secret School*** by Avi. Harcourt, 2001.

***When the Circus Came to Town*** by Laurence Yep. HarperCollins, 2001.

2004 Winner: ***The School Story*** by Andrew Clements. Simon & Schuster, 2001.

2003-2004 Nominees:

***The Kite Fighters*** by Linda Sue Park. Clarion Books, 2000.

***Love That Dog*** by Sharon Creech. HarperCollins, 2001.

2003 Winner: ***Because of Winn-Dixie*** by Kate DiCamillo. Candlewick, 2000.

2002-2003 Nominees:

***Island of the Aunts*** by Eva Ibbotson. Dutton, 2000.

***The Year of Miss Agnes*** by Kirkpatrick Hill. Simon & Schuster, 2000.

2002 Winner: ***The Million Dollar Shot*** by Dan Gutman. Disney, 1997.

2001-2002 Nominees:

***Flying Solo*** by Ralph Fletcher (Clarion, 1998)

**Regarding the Fountain: A Tale, in Letters, of Liars and Leaks** by Kate Klise. Illustrated by M. Sarah Klise. Avon, 1998.

2001 Winner: **Honus and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure** by Dan Gutman. Avon/Camelot, 1997.

2000-2001 Nominees:

**Gib Rides Home** by Zilpha Keatley Snyder. Delacorte, 1998.

**Great Turkey Walk** by Kathleen Karr. Farrar, Straus Giroux, 1998.

2000 Winner: **Riding Freedom** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Illustrated by Brian Selznick. Scholastic, 1997.

1999-2000 Nominees:

**Frindle** by Andrew Clements. Illustrated by Brian Selznick. Simon & Schuster, 1996.

**Utterly Yours, Booker Jones** by Betsy Duffey. Viking, 1995.

1999 Winner: **The Thirteenth Floor: A Ghost Story** by Sid Fleischman. Greenwillow, 1995.

1998-1999 Nominees:

**Belle Prater's Boy** by Ruth White. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1996.

**Family Tree** by Katherine Ayres. Delacorte, 1996.

1998 Winner: **Junkyard Dog** by Erika Tamar. Knopf, 1995.

1997-1998 Nominees:

**The Fear Place** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. Atheneum, 1994; Pocket Books, Aladdin, 1996.

**Poppy** by Avi. Orchard, 1995.

1997 Winner: **Jennifer Murdley's Toad** by Bruce Coville. Harcourt, 1992; Pocket Books, 1993.

1996-1997 Nominees:

**The Best School Year Ever** by Barbara Robinson. Harper, 1994.

**The Light on Hogback Hill** by Cynthia DeFelice. Macmillan, 1993; Avon 1995.

1996 Winner: **Time for Andrew: A Ghost Story** by Mary Downing Hahn. Clarion Books, 1994.

1995-1996 Nominees:

**Flip-Flop Girl** by Katherine Paterson. Lodestar Books, 1994.

**Wings** by Bill Brittain. HarperCollins, 1991.

1995 Winner: **Stonewords: A Ghost Story** by Pam Conrad. HarperCollins, 1990.

1994-1995 Nominees:

**Jim Ugly** by Sid Fleischman. Greenwillow, 1992; Dell/Yearling 1993.

**Strider** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1991; Avon/Camelot, 1992.

1994 Winner: **Scared Stiff** by Willo Davis Roberts. Atheneum, 1991.

1993-1994 Nominees:

**Beauty** by Bill Wallace. Holiday House, 1988.

**Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher** by Bruce Coville. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1991.

1993 Winner: **Fudge-a-Mania** by Judy Blume. Dutton, 1990; Dell, 1991.

1992-1993 Nominees:

**Racing the Sun** by Paul Pitts. Avon, 1988.

**Trading Game** by Alfred Slote. HarperCollins, 1990; 1992.

1992 Winner: **All About Sam** by Lois Lowry. Houghton Mifflin, 1988.

1991-1992 Nominees:

**Martin's Mouse** by Dick King-Smith. Crown, 1989.

**This Island Isn't Big Enough for the Four of Us** by Gery Greer and Bob Ruddick. Collins/Crowell, 1987.

1991 Winner: **Harry's Mad** by Dick King-Smith. Crown, 1987; Dell, 1988.

1990-1991 Nominees:

**Different Dragons** by Jean Little. Viking Kestrel, 1987.

**Stinker from Space** by Pamela F. Service. Scribners, 1988.

1990 Winner: **The War With Grandpa** by Robert K. Smith. Delacorte, 1984.

1989-1990 Nominees:

**Desdemona: Twelve Going on Desperate** by Beverly Keller. Lothrop, 1986.

**Not-Just-Anybody Family** by Betsy Byars. Delacorte, 1986.

1989 Winner: **The Castle in the Attic** by Elizabeth Winthrop. Holiday House, 1985; Bantam, 1986.

1988-1989 Nominees:

**Hello, My Name is Scrambled Eggs** by Jamie Gilson. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1985.

**The Hot and Cold Summer** by Johanna Hurwitz. Morrow, 1984; Scholastic 1985.

1988 Winner: **Be a Perfect Person in Just 3 Days** by Stephen Manes. Houghton Mifflin, 1982; Bantam 1987.

1987-1988 Nominees:

**Babe The Gallant Pig** by Dick King-Smith. Crown, 1983.

**In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson** by Bette Bao Lord. Harper Junior Books, 1984; 1986.

1987 Winner: **The Dollhouse Murders** by Betty Ren Wright. Holiday House, 1983; Scholastic, 1985.

1986-1987 Nominees:

**Night of the Twisters** by Ivy Ruckman. Harper & Row, 1980- 1984.

**The Sign of the Beaver** by Elizabeth George. Spereare Dial, 1988.

1986 Winner: **Nothing's Fair in Fifth Grade** by Barthe De Clements. Viking, 1981; Scholastic, 1982.

1985-1986 Nominees:

**Dear Mr. Henshaw** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1983; HarperTrophy, 2000.

**Hazel Rye** by Vera and Bill Cleaver. Lippincott, 1983.

1985 Winner: **The Indian in the Cupboard** by Lynne Reid Banks. Doubleday, 1980; Avon, 1982.

1984-1985 Nominees:

**Jumanji** by Chris Van Allsburg. Houghton Mifflin, 1981.

**Save Queen of Sheba** by Louise Moeri. Dutton, 1981.

1984 Winner: **The Trouble with Tuck** by Theodore Taylor. Doubleday, 1981; Avon.

1983-1984 Nominees:

**Anastasia Krupnik** by Lois Lowry. Houghton Mifflin, 1979; Bantam, 1981.

**Do Bananas Chew Gum?** by Jamie Gilson. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1980; Archway, 1981.

1983 Winner: **Superfudge** by Judy Blume. Dutton, 1980; Dell, 1981.

1982-1983 Nominees:

***The Boy Who Saw Bigfoot*** by Marian T. Place. Dodd, Mead, 1979.

***Ramona and Her Mother*** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1979; Dell 1980.

1981 Winner: ***Summer of the Monkeys*** by Wilson Rawls. Doubleday, 1977; Dell 1979.

1980-1981 Nominees:

***Bunnica: A Rabbit-Tale of Mystery*** by Deborah and James Howe. Atheneum, 1979.

***The Great Gilly Hopkins*** by Katherine Paterson. Crowell, 1978; Avon 1979.

***Journey Home*** by Yoshiko Uchida. Atheneum. 1978.

***Ramona and Her Father*** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1977; Dell, 1979.

1979 Winner: ***Danny, the Champion of the World*** by Roald Dahl. Knopf, 1975.

1978-1979 Nominees:

***The Devil's Storybook*** by Natalie Babbitt. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1974.

***Philip Hall Likes Me, I Reckon Maybe*** by Bette Greene. Dial, 1974.

***Ramona the Brave*** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1975.

***The Return of the Great Brain*** by John D. Fitzgerald. Dial, 1974.

1977 Winner: ***Freaky Friday*** by Mary Rodgers. Harper & Row, 1972.

1976-1977 Nominees:

***The Cat Ate My Gymsuit*** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1974.

***Julie of the Wolves*** by Jean Craighead George. Harper & Row, 1972.

***Ramona the Brave*** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1975.

***Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*** by Judy Blume. Dutton, 1972.

1975 Winner: ***How to Eat Fried Worms*** by Thomas Rockwell. Watts, 1973.

1974-1975 Nominees:

***Annie and the Old One*** by Miska Miles. Little, Brown, 1971.

***Me and My Little Brain*** by John D. Fitzgerald. Dial, 1971.

***Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*** by Robert O'Brien. Atheneum, 1971.

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### **Middle School/Junior High (Grades 6-8)**

The Middle School/Junior High award began in 1980; it was not included in the voting in 1981.

2024 - 2025 Winner: In Process

2024 - 2025 Nominees:

***Blackbird Girls***. by Anne Blankman. 2020.

***My Nest of Silence***. by Matt Faulkner. 2022.

***Simon Sort of Says***. by Erin Bow. 2023.

2023 - 2024 Winner: In Process

2023 - 2024 Nominees:

***Alone*** by Megan E. Freeman. 2021.

***Amari and the Night Brothers*** by B.B. Alston. 2021.

***The Elephant in the Room*** by Holly Goldberg Sloan. 2021.

2022 - 2023 Winner: ***Winterhouse*** by Ben Gutterson. 2018.

2022 - 2023 Nominees:

***Fighting Words*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. 2020.

***Nowhere Boy*** by Katherine Marsh. 2018.

***Winterhouse*** by Ben Gutterson. 2018.

2021 - 2022 Winner: ***The Jigsaw Jungle*** by Kristin Levine. 2018.

2021 - 2022 Nominees:

***The Jigsaw Jungle*** by Kristin Levine. 2018.

***The Length of a String***. By Elissa Brent Weissman. 2018.

***Nevermoor: The Trials of Morrigan Crow*** by Jessica Townsend. 2017.

2020 - 2021 Winner: ***Lily and Dunkin*** by Donna Gephart. 2016.

2020 - 2021 Nominees:

***Hope in the Holler*** by Lisa Lewis Tyre. 2018.

***Lily and Dunkin*** by Donna Gephart. 2016.

***Sweep: The story of a Girl and Her Monster***. By Jonathan Auxier. 2018.

2019-2020 Winner: ***Refugee*** by Alan Gratz. Scholastic, 2017

2019-2020 Nominees:

***It Ain't So Awful, Falafel*** by Firoozeh Dumas, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2016

***Refugee*** by Alan Gratz. Scholastic, 2017

***When Friendship Followed Me Home*** by Paul Griffin Penguin Random House, 2017

2018-2019 Winner: ***Echo*** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic Press, 2015

2018-2019 Nominees:

***Ms. Bixby's Last Day*** by John David Anderson. Walden Pond Press, 2016

***Echo*** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic Press, 2015

***Wolf Hollow*** by Lauren Wolk. Dutton books for Young Readers, 2016

2017-2018 Winner: ***A Night Divided*** by Jennier Nielsen. Scholastic, 2016

2017-2018 Nominees:

***A Night Divided*** by Jennier Nielsen. Scholastic, 2016

***Tesla's Attic***, by Neal Shusterman and Eric Elfman. Disney-Hyperion, 2014  
***All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook*** by Leslie Connor. HarperCollins, 2016.

2016-2017 Winner: ***Keeper of the Lost Cities*** by Shannon Messenger. Simon & Schuster, 2012.

2016-2017 Nominees:

***Hold Fast*** by Blue Balliett. Scholastic, 2013.

***Keeper of the Lost Cities*** by Shannon Messenger. Simon & Schuster, 2012.

***Upside Down in the Middle of Nowhere*** by Julie T. Lamana. Chronicle Books, 2014.

2015-2016 Winner: ***Dogtag Summer*** by Elizabeth Partridge. Bloomsbury USA Children's, 2011.

2015-2016 Nominees:

***Dogtag Summer*** by Elizabeth Partridge. Bloomsbury USA Children's, 2011.

***Doll Bones*** by Holly Black. Illustrated by Eliza Wheeler. Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2013.

***Ghost Hawk*** by Susan Cooper. Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2013.

2014-2015 Winner: ***The False Prince*** by Jennifer A. Nielsen. Scholastic, 2012.

2014-2015 Nominees:

***Bluefish*** by Pat Schmatz. Candlewick, 2011.

***Chained*** by Lynne Kelly. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2012.

2014 Winner: ***Wonderstruck*** by Brian Selznick. Scholastic Press, 2011.

2013-2014 Nominees:

***Faith, Hope, and Ivy June*** by Phyllis Naylor Reynolds. Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 2009.

***One Crazy Summer*** by Rita Williams-Garcia. Amistad, 2010

2013 Winner: ***Out of My Mind*** by Sharon Draper. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2010.

2012-2013 Nominees:

***Invisible Lines*** by Mary Amato. Egmont USA, 2009.

***Wild Things*** by Clay Carmichael. Front Street, 2009.

2012 Winner: ***Every Soul a Star*** by Wendy Mass. Little, Brown & Co., 2008.

2011-2012 Nominees:

***Revolution is Not a Dinner Party: A Novel*** by Ying Chang Compestine. Henry Holt, 2007.

***Waiting for Normal*** by Leslie Conner. Katherine Tegen Books, 2008.

2011 Winner: ***Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam*** by Cynthia Kadohota. Atheneum, 2007.

2010-2011 Nominees:

***Elijah of Buxton*** by Christopher Paul Curtis. Scholastic, 2007

***Skulduggery Pleasant: Scepter of the Ancients, Book 1*** by Derek Landy. The Bowen Press, 2007.

2010 Winner: ***Alabama Moon*** by Watt Key. Straus & Giroux, 2006.

2009-2010 Nominees:

***Blood on the River: Jamestown 1607*** by Elisa Carbone. Viking, 2006.

***The Wednesday Wars*** by Gary D. Schmidt. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2007.

2009 Winner: ***Hattie Big Sky*** by Kirby Larson. Delacorte Press, 2006.

2008-2009 Nominees:

**Rules** by Cynthia Lord. Scholastic Press, 2006.

**Heat** by Mike Lupica. Philomel Books, 2006.

2008 Winner: **The Schwa was Here** by Neal Shusterman. Dutton Children's Books, 2004.

2007-2008 Nominees:

**Chicken Boy** by Frances O'Roark Dowell. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2005.

**Day of Tears** by Julius Lester. Hyperion Books for Children, 2005.

2007 Winner: **Al Capone Does My Shirts** by Gennifer Choldenko. Putnam's, 2004.

2006-2007 Nominees:

**Becoming Naomi Leon** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic, 2004.

**Letters from Wolfie** by Patti Sherlock. Viking, 2004.

2006 Winner: **12 Again** by Sue Corbett. Dutton Children's Books, 2002.

2005-2006 Nominees:

**Pictures of Hollis Woods** by Patricia Reilly Giff. Wendy Lamb Books, 2002.

**Stand Tall** by Joan Bauer. G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2002.

2005 Winner: **Things Not Seen** by Andrew Clements. Philomel Books, 2002.

2004-2005 Nominees:

**Breaking Through** by Francisco Jimenez. Houghton Mifflin Co, 2001.

**Surviving the Applewhites** by Stephanie S. Tolan. HarperCollins, 2002.

2004 Winner: **Flipped** by Wendelin Van Draanen. Knopf, 2001.

2003-2004 Nominees:

**Fever 1793** by Laurie Halse Anderson. Simon & Schuster, 2000.

**No More Dead Dogs** by Gordon Korman. Hyperion, 2000.

2003 Winner: **Touching Spirit Bear** by Ben Mikaelson. HarperCollins, 2001.

2002-2003 Nominees:

**Esperanza Rising** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic, 2000.

**Guy Time** by Sarah Weeks. HarperCollins, 2000.

2002 Winner: **Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key** by Jack Gantos. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1998.

2001-2002 Nominees:

**Sammy Keyes and the Sisters of Mercy** by Wendelin Van Draanen. Random House, 1999.

**The Skin I'm In** by Sharon Flake. Hyperion, 1998.

2001 Winner: **Among the Hidden** by Margaret Peterson Haddix. Simon & Schuster, 1998.

2000-2001 Nominees:

**P.S. Longer Letter Later** by Paula Danziger and Ann M. Martin. Scholastic, 1998.

**Sasquatch** by Roland Smith. Hyperion, 1998.

2000 Winner: **Ella Enchanted** by Gail Carson Levine. HarperCollins, 1997.

1999-2000 Nominees:

**Lone Wolf** by Kristine Franklin. Candlewick Press, 1997.

**Voices of Silence** by Bel Mooney. Delacorte, 1997.

1999 Winner: ***Under the Blood Red Sun*** by Graham Salisbury. Delacorte, 1994.

1998-1999 Nominees:

***The Fire Pony*** by Rodman Philbrick. Scholastic, 1996.

***Jip: His Story*** by Katherine Paterson. Lodestar, 1996.

1998 Winner: ***The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963*** by Christopher Paul Curtis. Delacorte, 1995.

1997-1998 Nominees:

***Running Out of Time*** by Margaret Peterson Haddix. Simon & Schuster, 1995; Pocket Books, Aladdin, 1997.

***Who's There?*** by Stephanie Tolan. Morrow, 1994.

1997 Winner: ***Sparrow Hawk Red*** by Ben Mikaelson. Hyperion, 1993.

1996-1997 Nominees:

***Steal Away Home*** by Lois Ruby. Macmillan, 1994.

***Titanic Crossing*** by Barbara Williams. Dial, 1995.

1996 Winner: ***Freak the Mighty*** by Rodman Philbrick. Scholastic, 1993.

1995-1996 Nominees:

***The Boggart*** by Susan Cooper. McElderry Books/Macmillan, 1993.

***Crazy Lady!*** by Jane Leslie Conly. HarperCollins, 1993.

1995 Winner: ***Rescue Josh McGuire*** by Ben Mikaelson. Hyperion, 1991; 1993.

1994-1995 Nominees:

***Buffalo Brenda*** by Jill Pinkwater. Macmillan, 1989; Aladdin, 1992.

***Fool's Gold*** by Zilpha Keatley Snyder. Delacorte, 1993.

1994 Winner: ***There's a Girl in My Hammerlock*** by Jerry Spinelli. Simon & Schuster, 1991; 1993.

1993-1994 Nominees:

***Face to Face*** by Marion Dane Bauer. Clarion, 1991.

***Voices After Midnight*** by Richard Peck. Delacorte, 1989; Dell, 1990.

1993 Winner: ***Something Upstairs*** by Avi.Orchard, 1988, Avon 1990)

1992-1993 Nominees:

***Dealing with Dragons*** by Patricia Wrede. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1990.

***Mouse Rap*** by Walter Dean Myers. HarperCollins, 1990; 1992.

1992 Winner: ***Sniper*** by Theodore Taylor. Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich, 1989.

1991-1992 Nominees:

***The Facts & Fictions of Minna Pratt*** by Patricia MacLachlan. HarperCollins, 1988.

***The Secret of Gumbo Grove*** by Eleanora Tate. Franklin Watts, 1987.

1991 Winner: ***December Stillness*** by Mary Downing Hahn. Clarion, 1988.

1990-1991 Nominees:

***Black Star, Bright Dawn*** by Scott O'Dell. Houghton Mifflin, 1988.

***On My Honor*** by Marion Dane Bauer. Clarion, 1986; Dell, 1987.

1990 Winner: ***The Other Side of Dark*** by Joan Lowery Nixon. Delacorte, 1986; Dell, 1987.

1989-1990 Nominees:

**Hatchet** by Gary Paulsen. Bradbury Press, 1987.

**Return to Bitter Creek** by Doris Buchanan Smith. Viking, 1986.

1989 Winner: **The Stalker** by Joan Lowery Nixon. Delacorte, 1985.

1988-1989 Nominees:

**After the Dancing Days** by Margaret Rostkowski. Harper & Row, 1986.

**Sizzle and Splat** by Ronald Kidd. Lodestar, 1983; Dell, 1986.

1988 Winner: **The Root Cellar** by Janet Lunn. Scribner, 1983; Penguin, 1985.

1987-1988 Nominees:

**Come Sing, Jimmy Jo** by Katherine Paterson. Lodestar, 1984; Avon, 1986.

**The Fighting Ground** by Avi Lippincott; 1984. Harper Junior Books, 1987.

1987 Winner: **You Shouldn't Have to Say Goodbye** by Patricia Hermes. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1982; Scholastic, 1984.

1986-1987 Nominees:

**Dragon's Blood** by Jane Yolen. Delacorte, 1982; Dell, 1984.

**Someone is Hiding on Alcatraz Island** by Eve Bunting. Houghton Mifflin, 1984.

**Girl with the Silver Eyes** by Willo Davis Roberts. Atheneum, 1980; Scholastic, 1982.

1985-1986 Nominees:

1986 Winner: **A Solitary Blue** by Cynthia Voigt. Atheneum, 1983; Fawcett, 1985.

**Who Killed Sack Annie?** by Dana Brookins. Clarion, 1983.

1985 Winner: **Taking Terri Mueller** by Norma Fox Mazer. Morrow, 1983; Avon, 1981.

1984-1985 Nominees:

**The Animal, the Vegetable, and John D. Jones** by Betsy Byars. Delacorte, 1982; Dell, 1983.

**Dacey's Song** by Cynthia Voigt. Atheneum, 1982; Fawcett, 1995.

1984 Winner: **There's a Bat in Bunk Five** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1980; Dell, 1982.

1983-1984 Nominees:

**Alan Mendelsohn, The Boy from Mars** by Daniel M. Pinkwater. Dutton, 1979; Bantam, 1981.

**The Lemon Meringue Dog** by Walt Morey. Dutton, 1980.

1983 Winner: **Tiger Eyes** by Judy Blume. Bradbury, 1981; Dell, 1982.

1982-1983 Nominees:

**Can You Sue Your Parents for Malpractice?** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1979; Dell, 1980.

**The Young Landlords** by Walter Dean Myers. Viking, 1979; Avon, 1980.

1982 Winner: **Hail, Hail, Camp Timberwood** by Ellen Conford. Little, Brown, 1987; Archway, 1980.

1981-1982 Nominees:

**Ghosts I Have Been** by Richard Peck. Viking Press, 1977; Dell, 1979.

**The Mark of Conte** by Sonia Levitin. Atheneum, 1976; Aladdin, 1979.

**The Pistachio Prescription** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1979; Dell, 1980.

**Tex** by S.E. Hinton. Delacorte, 1979; Dell, 1978.

1980 Winner: **The Pinballs** by Betsy Byars. Harper & Row, 1977.

1979-1980 Nominees:

***The Bridge to Terabithia*** by Katherine Paterson. Crowell, 1977.

***Dragonson*** by Anne McCaffrey. Atheneum, 1976.

***Dragonwings*** by Laurence Yep. Harper & Row, 1975.

***Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*** by Mildred D. Taylor. Dial, 1976.

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### Young Adult (Grades 9-12)

The Young Adult award began in 1977. Young Adult books were not included in the voting in 1978, 1980 and 1982.

2024 - 2025 Winner: In Process

2024 - 2025 Nominees:

***I Must Betray You***. by Ruta Sepetys. 2021.

***Love in English***. by Maria Andreu. 2021.

***Take Me With You When You Go***. by David Levithan and Jennifer Niven. 2021.

2023 - 2024 Winner: In Process

2023 - 2024 Nominees:

***Elatsoe*** by Darcie Little Badger. Illustrated by Rovina Cai. 2020.

***I'm Not Dying With You Tonight*** by Kimberly Jones and Gilly Segal. 2019.

***Where I Belong*** by Marcia Argueta Mickelson. 2021.

2022 - 2023 Winner: ***With the Fire on High*** by Elizabeth Acevedo. 2019.

2022 - 2023 Nominees:

***A Heart in a Body in the World*** by Deb Caletti. 2018.

***Unclaimed Baggage*** by Jen Doll. 2018.

***With the Fire on High*** by Elizabeth Acevedo. 2019.

2021 - 2022 Winner: ***The Fountains of Silence*** by Ruta Sepetys. 2019.

2021 - 2022 Nominees:

***The Fountains of Silence*** by Ruta Sepetys. 2019.

***Frankly in Love*** by David Yoon. 2019.

***Patron Saints of Nothing*** by Randy Ribay. 2019.

2020 - 2021 Winner: ***All We Have Left*** by Wendy Mills. 2016.

2020 - 2021 Nominees:

***All We Have Left*** by Wendy Mills. 2016.

***Bitter Side of Sweet*** by Tara Sullivan. 2016.

***Long Way Down*** by Jason Reynolds. 2017.

2019 - 2020 Winner: ***Scythe*** by Neal Shusterman. Simon & Schuster, 2016

2019-2020 Nominees:

***Daughter of Deep Silence*** by Carrie Ryan. Penguin Random House, 2015

***The Hate U Give*** by Angie Thomas. Harper Collins, 2017

***Scythe*** by Neal Shusterman. Simon & Schuster, 2016

2018-2019 Winner: ***Written in the Stars*** by Aisha Saeed. Speak, 2016

2018-2019 Nominees:

***Girl in the Blue Coat*** by Monica Hesse. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2017

***Walk on Earth a Stranger*** by Rae Carson. Greenwillow Books, 2016

***Written in the Stars*** by Aisha Saeed. Speak, 2016

2017-2018 Winner: ***Salt to the Sea*** by Ruta Sepetys. Penguin Random House, 2016

2017-2018 Nominees:

***Orbiting Jupiter*** by Gary D. Schmidt. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2015

***Salt to the Sea*** by Ruta Sepetys. Penguin Random House, 2016

***The Hired Girl*** by Laura Amy Schlitz. Candlewick Press, 2016

2016-2017 Winner: ***Red Queen*** by Victoria Aveyard. HarperCollins, 2015.

2016-2017 Nominees:

***The Impossible Knife of Memory*** by Laurie Halse Anderson. Viking Books for Young Readers, 2014.

***Kindness for Weakness*** by Shawn Goodman. Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 2013.

***Red Queen*** by Victoria Aveyard. HarperCollins, 2015.

2015-2016 Winner: ***Cinder*** by Marissa Meyer. Feiwel & Friends, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group, 2012.

2015-2016 Nominees:

***Cinder*** by Marissa Meyer. Feiwel & Friends, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group, 2012.

***Eleanor and Park*** by Rainbow Rowell. St. Martin's Griffin, 2013.

***Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children*** by Ransom Riggs. Quirk Books, 2011.

2014-2015 Winner: ***The Fault in Our Stars*** by John Green. Delacorte Press, 2010.

2014-2015 Nominees:

***Daughter of Smoke and Bone*** by Laini Taylor. Little, Brown, 2011.

***Legend*** by Marie Lu. Penguin, 2011.

2014 Winner: ***Divergent*** by Veronica Roth. Katherine Tegen Books, 2011.

2013-2014 Nominees:

***Revolution*** by Jennifer Donnelly. Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 2010.

***The Running Dream*** by Wendelin Van Draanen. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2011.

2013 Winner: ***Matched*** by Ally Condie. Dutton, 2010.

2012-2013 Nominees:

***Beautiful Creatures*** by Kami Garcia and Margaret Stohl. Little, Brown, 2009.

***The Things a Brother Knows*** by Dana Reinhardt. Wendy Lamb Books, 2010.

2012 Winner: ***Graceling*** by Kristin Cashore. Harcourt, 2008.

2011-2012 Nominees:

***Beastly*** by Alex Flinn. Harper Teen, 2007.

***If I Stay*** by Gayle Forman. Penguin Group USA, 2009.

2011 Winner: ***Hunger Games*** by Suzanne Collins. Scholastic Press, 2008.

2010-2011 Nominees:

**Adoration of Jenna Fox** by Mary E. Pearson. Henry Holt & Co., 2008.  
**Unwind** by Neal Shusterman. Simon & Schuster, 2007.

2010 Winner: **The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian** by Sherman Alexie. Little, Brown and Co., 2007.

2009-2010 Nominees:

**Saint Iggy** by K.L. Going. Harcourt, 2006.  
**Story of a Girl** by Sara Zarr. Brown, 2007.

2009 Winner: **Sold** by Patricia McCormick. Hyperion, 2006.

2008-2009 Nominees:

**Daniel Half Human and the Good Nazi** by David Chotjewitz. Richard Jackson Books/Atheneum, 2004.  
**Life As We Knew It** by Susan Pfeffer. Harcourt, 2006.

2008 Winner: **Private Peaceful** by Michael Morpugo. Scholastic Press, 2003.

2007-2008 Nominees:

**Elsewhere** by Gabrielle Zevin. Farrar Straus Giroux, 2005.  
**Vampire High** by Douglas Rees. Delacorte Press, 2003.

2007 Winner: **Shattering Glass** by Gail Giles. Simon Pulse, 2002.

2006-2007 Nominees:

**Emako Blue** by Brenda Woods. Putnam, 2004.  
**Hanging on to Max** by Margaret Bechard. Roaring Brook Press, 2002.

2006 Winner: **After** by Francine Prose. HarperCollins, 2003.

2005-2006 Nominees:

**Honey, Baby, Sweetheart** by Deb Caletti. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2004.  
**True Believer** by Virginia Euwer Wolff. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2001.

2005 Winner: **Stormbreaker** by Anthony Horowitz. Philomel Books, 2001.

2004-2005 Nominees:

**Bronx Masquerade** by Nikki Grimes. Dial Books, 2002.  
**Of Sound Mind** by Jean Ferris. Farrar Straus and Giroux, 2001.

2004 Winner: **Ties That Bind, Ties That Break** by Lensey Namioka. Delacorte Press, 1999.

2003-2004 Nominees:

**Razzle** by Ellen Wittlinger. Simon & Schuster, 2001.  
**Whale Talk** by Chris Crutcher. Greenwillow Books, 2001.

2003 Winner: **Define "Normal"** by Julie Anne Peters. Little, Brown, 2000.

2002-2003 Nominees:

**Hope Was Here** by Joan Bauer. Putnam, 2000.  
**Speak** by Laurie Halse Anderson. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1999

2002 Winner: **Bad** by Jean Ferris. Farrar Straus & Giroux, 1998.

2001-2002 Nominees:

**The Adventures of Blue Avenger** by Norma Howe. Holt, 1999.

**Rules of the Road** by Joan Bauer. Putnam, 1998.

2001 Winner: **Armageddon Summer** by Jane Yolen and Bruce Coville. Harcourt Brace, 1998.

2000-2001 Nominees:

**If You Come Softly** by Jacqueline Woodson. Putnam, 1998.

**Whirligig** by Paul Fleischman. Henry Holt, 1998.

2000 Winner: **Breaking Boxes** by A.M. Jenkins. Delacorte, 1997.

1999-2000 Nominees:

**Alias** by Mary Elizabeth Ryan. Simon & Schuster, 1997.

**The Dark Side of Nowhere: A Novel** by Neal Shusterman. Little, Brown, 1996.

1999 Winner: **The Only Alien on the Planet** by Kristen Randle. Scholastic, 1995.

1998-1999 Nominees:

**California Blue** by David Klass. Scholastic, 1994.

**Far North** by Will Hobbs. Scholastic, 1995.

1998 Winner: **Ironman** by Chris Crutcher. Greenwillow, 1995.

1997-1998 Nominees:

**Flash Fire** by Caroline B. Cooney. Scholastic, 1995.

**Thwunk** by Joan Bauer. Delacorte, 1995.

1997 Winner: **Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes** by Chris Crutcher. Greenwillow, 1993; Dell, 1995.

1996-1997 Nominees:

**Deliver Us from Evie** by M.E. Kerr. Harper, 1994; 1995.

**In The Middle of the Night** by Robert Cormier. Delacorte, 1995.

1996 Winner: **Shadow of the Dragon** by Sherry Garland. Harcourt Brace, 1994.

1995-1996 Nominees:

**Others See Us** by William Sleator. Dutton Children's Books, 1993.

**Speeding Bullet** by Neal Shusterman. Little, Brown, 1991.

1995 Winner: **Downriver** by Will Hobbs. Atheneum, 1991; Bantam/Starfire, 1992.

1994-1995 Nominees:

**Shadow Brothers** by A. E. Cannon. Doubleday, 1990; Dell, 1992.

**The Weirdo** by Theodore Taylor. Harcourt Brace, 1991; Avon/Flare, 1993.

1994 Winner: **We All Fall Down** by Robert Cormier. Delacorte, 1991; Dell, 1993.

1993-1994 Nominees:

**The Band Never Dances** by J. D. Landis. HarperCollins, 1989; Harper Trophy, 1993.

**Send No Blessings** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. Atheneum, 1990; Dell, 1992.

1993 Winner: **The Silver Kiss** by Annette Curtis Klause. Delacorte, 1990; Dell, 1992.

1992-1993 Nominees:

**Across the Grain** by Jean Ferris. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1993.

**The Face on the Milk Carton** by Caroline B. Cooney. Bantam, 1990; 1992.

1992 Winner: **A Sudden Silence** by Eve Bunting. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1989.

1991-1992 Nominees:

**Bearstone** by Will Hobbs. Atheneum, 1989.

**Children of the River** by Linda Crew. Delacorte, 1988; Dell, 1991.

1991 Winner: **Night Kites** by M. E. Kerr. Harper & Row, 1986.

1990-1991 Nominees:

**Pageant** by Kathryn Lasky. Four Winds/Dell, 1986.

**Year of the Gopher** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. Atheneum, 1987, Bantam, 1988.

1990 Winner: **Izzy, Willy Nilly** by Cynthia Voigt. Atheneum, 1996; Fawcett, 1987.

1989-1990 Nominees:

**After the Rain** by Norma Fox Mazer. Morrow/Avon, 1987.

**The Year Without Michael** by Susan Beth Pfeffer. Bantam, 1987.

1989 Winner: **The Face at the Edge of the World** by Eve Bunting. Ticknor, 1985; Dell, 1986.

1988-1989 Nominees:

**Prairie Songs** by Pamela Conrad. Harper Jr. Books, 1985.

**The War Between the Classes** by Gloria Miklowitz. Delacorte, 1985; Dell, 1986.

1988 Winner: **Interstellar Pig** by William Sleator. Dutton, 1984.

1987-1988 Nominees:

**If I Asked You, Would You Stay?** by Eve Bunting. Harper & Row, 1984; Harper Jr. Books, 1987.

**Remembering the Good Times** by Richard Peck. Delacorte, 1986; Dell, 1986.

1987 Winner: **Pursuit** by Michael French. Delacorte, 1981; Dell, 1983.

1986-1987 Nominees:

**Close to the Edge** by Gloria Miklowitz. Delacorte, 1983; Dell, 1984.

**A Handful of Stars** by Barbara Girion. Scribners, 1981; Dell, 1983.

1986 Winner: **The Darkangel** by Meredith Pierce. Little, Brown, 1982; Dell, 1982.

1985-1986 Nominees:

**Death Run** by Jim Murphy. Clarion, 1982.

**The Love Bombers** by Gloria Miklowitz. Delacorte, 1980; Dell, 1982.

1985 Winner: **The Truth Trap** by Frances Miller. Dutton, 1980; Dell, 1982.

1984-1985 Nominees:

**The Accident** by Hila Colman. Morrow, 1980; Archway 1981.

**Second Star to the Right** by Deborah Hautzig. Greenwillow, 1981; Avon, 1982.

1984 Winner: **Stranger with My Face** by Lois Duncan. Little, Brown, 1981; Dell, 1982)

1983-1984 Nominees:

**Friends Till the End** by Todd Strasser. Delacorte, 1981; Dell, 1982.

**Run, Don't Walk** by Harriet May Savitz. Watts, 1979; NAL, 1980.

1983 Winner: **Summer of Fear** by Lois Duncan. Little, Brown, 1976; Dell, 1977.

1982-1983 Nominees:

**Come Alive at 5:05** by Robin F. Brancato. Knopf, 1980; Bantam, 1981.

**A Ring of Endless Light** by Madeleine L'Engle. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1980; Dell, 1981.

1981 Winner: ***A Summer to Die*** by Lois Lowry. Houghton Mifflin, 1977; Bantam, 1979.

1980-1981 Nominees:

***Can You Sue Your Parents for Malpractice?*** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1979; Dell, 1980.

***I Am the Cheese*** by Robert Cormier. Pantheon, 1977; Dell, 1980.

***Killing Mr. Griffin*** by Lois Duncan. Little, Brown, 1978; Dell, 1979.

***Say Hello to the Hit Man*** by Jay Bennett. Delacorte, 1976; Dell, 1977.

1979 Winner: ***The Late Great Me*** by Sandra Scoppettone. Putnam, 1976.

1978-1979 Nominees:

***Are You in the House Alone?*** by Richard Peck. Viking, 1976.

***Dragonwings*** by Laurence Yep. Harper & Row, 1975.

***I Heard the Owl Call My Name*** by Margaret Craven. Dell, 1974.

***Rumblefish*** by S.E. Hinton. Delacorte, 1975.

1977 Winner: ***Watership Down*** by Richard Adams. Macmillan, 1972.

1976-1977 Nominees:

***All Things Bright and Beautiful*** by James Herriot. St. Martin's Press 1974.

***My Brother Sam is Dead*** by James Lincoln and Christopher Collier. Four Winds Press, 1974.

***Of Love & Death & Other Journeys*** by Isabelle Holland. Lippincott, 1975.

***Saturday, the Twelfth of October*** by Norma Fox Mazer. Delacorte, 1975.

**Picture Books for Older Readers (Grades 4 and up)**

The Picture Book for Older Readers award began in 2000; it was not included in the vote of 2001.

2024 - 2025 Winner: In Process

2024 - 2025 Nominees:

***Cougar Crossing***. by Meeg Pincus. Illustrated by Alexander Vidal. 2021

***The Gardener of Alcatraz***. by Emma Bland Smith. Illustrated by Jenn Ely. 2022.

***Nour's Secret Library***. by Wafa Tarnowska. Illustrated by Vali Mintzi. 2022.

2023 - 2024 Winner: In Process

2023 - 2024 Nominees:

***Bartali's Bicycle*** by Megan Hoyt. Illustrated by Iacopo Bruno. 2021.

***The Elephants Come Home*** by Kim Tomsic. Illustrated by Hadley Hooper. 2021.

***Nicky & Vera*** by Peter Sis. 2021.

2022 - 2023 Winner: ***This Way, Charlie*** by Caron Levis. Illustrated by Charles Santoso. 2020.

2022 - 2023 Nominees:

***Dinosaur Lady*** by Linda Skeers. Illustrated by Marta Alvarez Miguens. 2020

***Holes in the Sky*** by Patricia Polacco. 2018.

***This Way, Charlie*** by Caron Levis. Illustrated by Charles Santoso. 2020.

2021 - 2022 Winner: ***The Skydiving Beavers*** by Susan Wood. Illustrated by Gijsbert Van Frankenhuyzen. 2017.

2021 - 2022 Nominees:

***Before She Was Harriet*** by Lesa Cline-Ransome. Illustrated by James Ransome. 2019.

***Let the Children March*** by Monica Clark-Robinson. Illustrated by Frank Morrison. 2018.

***The Skydiving Beavers*** by Susan Wood. Illustrated by Gijsbert Van Frankenhuyzen. 2017.

2020 - 2021 Winner: ***Sergeant Reckless*** by Patricia McCormick. Illustrated by Iacopo Bruno. 2017.

2020 - 2021 Nominees:

***Sergeant Reckless*** by Patricia McCormick. Illustrated by Iacopo Bruno. 2017.

***Six Dots*** by Jennifer Bryant. Illustrated by Boris Kulikov. 2016.

***Step Right Up*** by Donna Janell Bowman. Illustrated by Daniel Minter. 2016.

2019-2020 Winner: ***Her Right Foot*** by Dave Eggers. Illustrated by Shawn Harris. Chronicle Books, 2017

2019-2020 Nominees:

***Malala's Magic Pencil*** by Malala Yousafzai. Illustrated by Kerascoet. Little Brown Books, 2017

***Lillian's Right to Vote*** by Jonah Winter, Illustrated by Shane W. Evans. Penguin Random House, 2015

***Her Right Foot*** by Dave Eggers. Illustrated by Shawn Harris. Chronicle Books, 2017

2018-2019 Winner: ***Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah*** by Laurie Ann Thomson, Illustrated by Sean Qualls. Schwartz & Wade, 2015

2018-2019 Nominees:

***We're all Wonders*** by R.J. Palacio. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2017

***Separate is Never Equal*** Written and Illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh. Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2017

***Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah*** by Laurie Ann Thompsom, Illustrated by Sean Qualls. Schwartz & Wade, 2015

2017-2018 Winner:

***Barbed Wire Baseball*** by Marissa Moss, Illustrated by Yuko Shimizu. Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2016.

2017-2018 Nominees:

***The Right Word: Roget and His Thesaurus*** by Jen Bryant, Illustrated by Melissa Sweet. Published by Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2014

***Barbed Wire Baseball*** by Marissa Moss, Illustrated by Yuko Shimizu. Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2016.

***The Noisy Paint Box: The Colors and Sounds of Kandinsky's Abstract Art*** by Barb Rosenstock, Illustrated by Mary GrandPre. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2014

2016-2017 Winner:

***Each Kindness*** by Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Nancy Paulsen Books, 2012.

2016-2017 Nominees:

***Each Kindness*** by Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Nancy Paulsen Books, 2012.

***The Kite That Bridged Two Nations*** by Alexis O'Neill. Illustrated by Terry Widener. Calkins Creek, 2013.

***Paper Son: Lee's Journey to America*** by Helen Foster James & Virginia Shin-Mui Loh. Illustrated by Wilson Ong. Sleeping Bear Press, 2013.

2015-2016 Winner:

***Helen's Big World: The Life of Helen Keller*** by Doreen Rappaport. Illustrated by Matt Tavares. Disney-Hyperion, 2012.

2015-2016 Nominees:

***Helen's Big World: The Life of Helen Keller*** by Doreen Rappaport. Illustrated by Matt Tavares. Disney-Hyperion, 2012.

***A Nation's Hope: The Story of Boxing Legend Joe Lewis*** by Matt de la Peña. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. Dial Books for Young Readers, 2011.

***The Tree Lady: The True Story of How One Tree-Loving Woman Changed a City Forever*** by H. Joseph Hopkins. Illustrated by Jill McElmurry. Beach Lane Books, 2013.

2014-2015 Winner:

***Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an Amazing All-Brother Team*** by Audrey Vernick. Illustrated by Steven Salerno. Clarion, 2012.

2014-2015 Nominees:

***The Camping Trip that Changed America: Theodore Roosevelt, John Muir and Our National Parks*** by Barb Rosenstock. Illustrated by Mordicai Gerstein. Dial Books for Young People, 2012.

***These Hands*** by Margaret H. Mason. Illustrated by Floyd Cooper. Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt, 2010.

2014 Winner: ***Queen of the Falls*** by Chris Van Allsburg. Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2011.

2013-2014 Nominees:

**14 Cows for America** by Carmen Agra Deedy, Wilson Kameli Naiyomah (collaborator).

Illustrated by Thomas Gonzalez. Peachtree Publishers, 2009.

**Worst of Friends** by Suzanne Jermain. Illustrated by Larry Day. Dutton Juvenile, 2011.

2013 Winner: **Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine and a Miracle** by Brian Dennis. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2009.

2012-2013 Nominees:

**Nurse, Soldier, Spy: The Story of Sarah Edmonds, A Civil War Hero** by Marissa Moss. Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2011.

**The Junkyard Wonders** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel Books, 2010.

2012 Winner: **Henry's Freedom Box** written by Ellen Levine. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. Scholastic Press, 2007.

2011-2012 Nominees:

**Goal!** written by Mina Javaherbin. Illustrated by A.G. Ford. Candlewick Press, 2010.

**Wabi Sabi** written by Mark Reibstein. Illustrated by Ed Young. Little, Brown & Co., 2008.

2011 Winner: **John Paul George & Ben** by Lane Smith. Hyperion Books, 2006.

2010-2011 Nominees:

**Moon Over Star** by Diana Aston. Dial, 2008.

**Four Feet, Two Sandals** by Karen Williams. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2007.

2010 Winner: **Owney: The Mail-Pouch Pooch** by Mona Kerby. Illustrated by Lynne Barasch. Frances Foster/Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2008

2009-2010 Nominees:

**Armando and the Blue Tarp School** by Edith Hope Fine and Judith Pinkerton Josephson. Illustrated by Hernan Sosa. Lee & Low, 2007.

**Willy & Max: A Holocaust Story** by Amy Littlesugar. Illustrated by William Low. Philomel/Penguin, 2006.

2009 Winner: **Mystery at the Club Sandwich** by Doug Cushman. Clarion Books, 2005.

2008-2009 Nominees:

**Pop's Bridge** by Eve Bunting. Illustrated by C. F. Payne. Harcourt, Inc., 2006

**Brothers by Yin.** Illustrated by Chris Soentpiet. Philomel, 2006.

2008 Winner: **Mr. Maxwell's Mouse** by Frank Asch. Illustrated by Devin Asch. Kids Can Press, 2004.

2007-2008 Nominees:

**Basho and the River Stones** by Tim Myers. Illustrated by Oki S. Han. Marshall Cavendish, 2004.

**Dad, Jackie and Me** by Myron Uhlberg. Illustrated by Colin Bootman. Peachtree Publishers, 2005.

2007 Winner: **The Cats in Krasinski Square** by Karen Hesse. Illustrated by Wendy Watson. Scholastic Press, 2004.

2006-2007 Nominees:

**Coming on Home Soon** by Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by E. B. Lewis. Putnam, 2004.

**I, Doko: The Tale of a Basket** by Ed Young. Philomel, 2004.

2006 Winner: ***Boxes for Katje*** by Candace Fleming. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2003.

2005-2006 Nominees:

***Papa's Mark*** by Gwendolyn Battle-Lavert. Holiday House, 2003.

***Patrol: An American Soldier in Vietnam*** by Walter Dean Myers. HarperCollins, 2001.

2005 Winner: ***Mr. Lincoln's Way*** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel, 2001.

2004-2005 Nominees:

***Freedom Summer*** by Deborah Wiles. Illustrated by Jerome Lagarrigue. Atheneum, 2001.

***Ruby's Wish*** by Shirin Yim Bridges. Illustrated by Sophie Blackall. Chronicle Books, 2002.

2004 Winner: ***And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon*** by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens Crummel. Harcourt, 2001.

2003-2004 Nominees:

***Goin' Someplace Special*** by Patricia McKissack. Atheneum, 2001.

***The Yellow Star: The Legend of King Christian X of Denmark***  
by Carmen Agra Deedy. Peachtree, 2000.

2003 Winner: ***The Babe & I*** by David A. Adler. Harcourt, 1999.

2002-2003 Nominees:

***Henry Hikes to Fitchburg*** by D. B. Johnson. Houghton Mifflin, 2000.

***The Other Side*** by Jacqueline Woodson. Putnam, 2001.

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## California Young Reader Medal Nominees and Winners by Year

### 2023 - 2024 Nominees:

Primary:

Winner: In Process

Nominees:

**Chez Bob** by Bob Shea. 2021.

**The Littlest Yak** by Lu Fraser. Illustrated by Kate Hindley. 2020.

**Negative Cat** by Sophie Blackall. 2021.

**The Scarecrow** by Beth Ferry. Illustrated by the Fan Brothers. 2019.

**Someone Builds the Dream** by Lisa Wheeler. Illustrated by Loren Long. 2021.

Intermediate:

Winner: In Process

Nominees:

**Across the Desert** by Dusti Bowling. 2021.

**A Game of Fox and Squirrels** by Jenn Reese. 2020.

**We're Not From Here** by Geoff Rodkey. 2019.

Middle School:

Winner: In Process

Nominees:

**Alone** by Megan E. Freeman. 2021.

**Amari and the Night Brothers** by B.B. Alston. 2021.

**The Elephant in the Room** by Holly Goldberg Sloan. 2021.

Young Adult:

Winner: In Process

Nominees:

**Elatsoe** by Darcie Little Badger. Illustrated by Rovina Cai. 2020.

**I'm Not Dying With You Tonight** by Kimberly Jones and Gilly Segal. 2019.

**Where I Belong** by Marcia Argueta Mickelson. 2021.

PBOR:

Winner: In Process

Nominees:

**Bartali's Bicycle** by Megan Hoyt. Illustrated by Iacopo Bruno. 2021.

**The Elephants Come Home** by Kim Tomsic. Illustrated by Hadley Hooper. 2021.

**Nicky & Vera** by Peter Sis. 2021.

### 2022 - 2023 Nominees:

Primary

Winner: **We Don't Eat Our Classmates** by Ryan T. Higgins. 2018

Nominees:

**Dozens of Doughnuts** by Carrie Finnison. Illustrated by Brianne Farley. 2020.

***The Good Egg*** by Jory John. Illustrated by Pete Oswald. 2019.  
***Grumpy Monkey*** by Suzanne Lang. Illustrated by Max Lang. 2018.  
***Parker Looks Up*** by Parker Curry and Jessica Curry. Illustrated by Brittany Jackson. 2019.  
***We Don't Eat Our Classmates*** by Ryan T. Higgins. 2018

Intermediate:

Winner: ***The Lion of Mars*** by Jennifer L. Holm. 2021.

Nominees:

***The Canyon's Edge*** by Dusti Bowling. 2020.  
***Gold Rush Girl*** by Avi. 2020.  
***The Lion of Mars*** by Jennifer L. Holm. 2021.

Middle School:

Winner: ***Winterhouse*** by Ben Gutterson. 2018.

Nominees:

***Fighting Words*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. 2020.  
***Nowhere Boy*** by Katherine Marsh. 2018.  
***Winterhouse*** by Ben Gutterson. 2018.

Young Adult:

Winner: ***With the Fire on High*** by Elizabeth Acevedo. 2019.

Nominees:

***A Heart in a Body in the World*** by Deb Caletti. 2018.  
***Unclaimed Baggage*** by Jen Doll. 2018.  
***With the Fire on High*** by Elizabeth Acevedo. 2019.

PBOR:

Winner: ***This Way, Charlie*** by Caron Levis. Illustrated by Charles Santoso. 2020.

Nominees:

***Dinosaur Lady*** by Linda Skeers. Illustrated by Marta Alvarez Miguens. 2020  
***Holes in the Sky*** by Patricia Polacco. 2018.  
***This Way, Charlie*** by Caron Levis. Illustrated by Charles Santoso. 2020.

## 2021-2022 Nominees:

Primary

Winner: ***Drawn Together*** by Minh Le. Illustrated by Dan Santat. 2018.

Nominees:

***All Are Welcome*** by Alexandra Penfold. Illustrated by Suzanne Kaufman. 2018.  
***Drawn Together*** by Minh Le. Illustrated by Dan Santat. 2018.  
***Dreamers*** by Yuyi Morales. 2018.  
***Hair Love*** by Matthew A. Cherry. Illustrated by Vashti Harrison. 2019.  
***Sulwe*** by Lupita Nyong'o. Illustrated by Vashti Harrison. 2019.

Intermediate:

Winner: ***The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise*** by Dan Gemeinhart. 2019.

Nominees:

***Other Words for Home*** by Jasmine Warga. 2019.  
***The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise*** by Dan Gemeinhart. 2019.  
***Wishtree*** by Katherine Applegate. 2017.

Middle School:

Winner: ***The Jigsaw Jungle*** by Kristin Levine. 2018.

Nominees:

***The Jigsaw Jungle*** by Kristin Levine. 2018.

***The Length of a String***. By Elissa Brent Weissman. 2018.

***Nevermoor: The Trials of Morrigan Crow*** by Jessica Townsend. 2017.

Young Adult:

Winner: ***The Fountains of Silence*** by Ruta Sepetys. 2019.

Nominees:

***The Fountains of Silence*** by Ruta Sepetys. 2019.

***Frankly in Love*** by David Yoon. 2019.

***Patron Saints of Nothing*** by Randy Ribay. 2019.

PBOR:

Winner: ***The Skydiving Beavers*** by Susan Wood. Illustrated by Gijsbert Van Frankenhuyzen.  
2017.

Nominees:

***Before She Was Harriet*** by Lesa Cline-Ransome. Illustrated by James Ransome. 2019.

***Let the Children March*** by Monica Clark-Robinson. Illustrated by Frank Morrison. 2018.

***The Skydiving Beavers*** by Susan Wood. Illustrated by Gijsbert Van Frankenhuyzen. 2017.

#### 2020-2021 Nominees:

Primary:

Winner: ***Poor Louie*** by Tony Fucile. 2017.

Nominees:

***The Day You Begin*** by Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by Rafael Lopez. 2018.

***Madeline Finn and the Library Dog*** by Lisa Papp. 2016.

***Alfie: The Turtle That Disappeared*** by Thyra Heder. 2017.

***After the Fall*** by Dan Santat. 2017.

***Poor Louie*** by Tony Fucile. 2017.

Intermediate:

Winner: ***Restart*** by Gordon Korman. 2017.

Nominees:

***Restart*** by Gordon Korman. 2017.

***Save Me a Seat*** by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan. 2016.

***The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street*** by Karina Yan Glaser. 2017.

Middle School:

Winner: ***Lily and Dunkin*** by Donna Gephart. 2016.

Nominees:

***Hope in the Holler*** by Lisa Lewis Tyre. 2018.  
***Lily and Dunkin*** by Donna Gephart. 2016.  
***Sweep: The story of a Girl and Her Monster***. By Jonathan Auxier. 2018.

Young Adult:

Winner: ***All We Have Left*** by Wendy Mills. 2016.

Nominees:

***All We Have Left*** by Wendy Mills. 2016.  
***Bitter Side of Sweet*** by Tara Sullivan. 2016.  
***Long Way Down*** by Jason Reynolds. 2017.

PBOR:

Winner: ***Sergeant Reckless*** by Patricia McCormick. Illustrated by Iacopa Bruno. 2017.

Nominees:

***Sergeant Reckless*** by Patricia McCormick. Illustrated by Iacopa Bruno. 2017.  
***Six Dots*** by Jennifer Bryant. Illustrated by Boris Kulikov. 2016.  
***Step Right Up*** by Donna Janell Bowman. Illustrated by Daniel Minter. 2016.

#### 2019 - 2020 Nominees:

Primary

Winner: ***The Legend of Rock, Paper, Scissors*** by Drew Daywalt. Harper Collins, 2018.

Nominees:

***The Legend of Rock, Paper, Scissors*** by Drew Daywalt. Harper Collins, 2018.  
***Let Me Finish*** by Minh Le. Disney-Hyperion, 2016.  
***The Highest Mountain of Books in the World*** by Rocio Bonilla. Peter Pauper Press, 2016.  
***Can I Be Your Dog?*** by Troy Cummings. Random House Kids, 2018.  
***The Bad Seed*** by Jory John. Harper Collins, 2017.

Intermediate:

Winner: ***The War I Finally Won*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. 2017.

Nominees:

***The Detective's Assistant*** by Kate Hannigan. 2015.  
***The Losers Club***. by Andrew Clements. 2017  
***The War I Finally Won*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. 2017.

Middle School:

Winner: ***Refugee*** by Alan Gratz. Scholastic, 2017

Nominees:

***It Ain't So Awful, Falafel*** by Firoozeh Dumas, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2016  
***Refugee*** by Alan Gratz. Scholastic, 2017  
***When Friendship Followed Me Home*** by Paul Griffin Penguin Random House, 2017

Young Adult:

Winner: ***Scythe*** by Neal Shusterman. Simon & Schuster, 2016

Nominees:

***Daughter of Deep Silence*** by Carrie Ryan. Penguin Random House, 2015  
***The Hate U Give*** by Angie Thomas. Harper Collins, 2017  
***Scythe*** by Neal Shusterman. Simon & Schuster, 2016

PBOR:

Winner: ***Her Right Foot*** by Dave Eggers. Illustrated by Shawn Harris. Chronicle Books, 2017

Nominees:

***Malala's Magic Pencil*** by Malala Yousafzai. Illustrated by Kerascoet. Little Brown Books, 2017

***Lillian's Right to Vote*** by Jonah Winter, Illustrated by Shane W. Evans. Penguin Random House, 2015

***Her Right Foot*** by Dave Eggers. Illustrated by Shawn Harris. Chronicle Books, 2017

## 2018 - 2019 Nominees:

Primary:

Winner: ***The Bear and the Piano*** by David Litchfield. Frances Lincoln, 2016.

Nominees:

***The Bear and the Piano*** by David Litchfield. Frances Lincoln, 2016.

***I Don't Want to be a Frog*** by Dev Petty. Illustrated by Mike Boldt, Doubleday Books for Young Readers, 2015

***If You Ever want to Bring an Alligator to School, Don't!*** by Elise Pasley. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2015.

***Mother Bruce*** by Ryan T. Higgins. Disney-Hyperion, 2015.

Intermediate:

Winner: ***The War that Saved My Life*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. Puffin Books, 2016

Nominees:

***Fish in a Tree*** by Lynda Mullaly Hunt. Puffin Books, 2017

***The War that Saved My Life*** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. Puffin Books, 2016

***Crenshaw*** by Katherine Applegate. Feiwel & Friends, 2015

Middle School:

Winner: ***Echo*** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic Press, 2015

Nominees:

***Ms. Bixby's Last Day*** by John David Anderson. Walden Pond Press, 2016

***Echo*** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic Press, 2015

***Wolf Hollow*** by Lauren Wolk. Dutton books for Young Readers, 2016

Young Adult:

Winner: ***Written in the Stars*** by Aisha Saeed. Speak, 2016

Nominees:

***Girl in the Blue Coat*** by Monica Hesse. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2017

***Walk on Earth a Stranger*** by Rae Carson. Greenwillow Books, 2016

***Written in the Stars*** by Aisha Saeed. Speak, 2016

PBOR:

Winner: ***Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah*** by Laurie Ann Thompson, Illustrated by Sean Qualls. Schwartz & Wade, 2015

Nominees:

***We're all Wonders*** by R.J. Palacio. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2017

***Separate is Never Equal*** Written and Illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh. Abrams Books for

Young Readers, 2017

***Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah*** by Laurie Ann Thomspson, Illustrated by Sean Qualls. Schwartz & Wade, 2015

### 2017 - 2018 Nominees:

Primary:

Winner: ***The Book with No Pictures*** by B.J. Novak. Penguin Random House, 2014.

***Night Animals*** by Gianna Marino. Penguin Random House, 2015.

***If You Plant a Seed*** by Kadir Nelson. Scholastic, 2015.

***Gaston*** by Kelly Dipucchio. Illustrated by Christian Robinson. Simon and Schuster, 2014.

***The Snatchabook*** by Helen Docherty. Illustrated by Thomas Docherty. Sourcebooks Jabberwocky, 2013.

***The Book with No Pictures*** by B.J. Novak. Penguin Random House, 2014.

Intermediate:

Winner: ***Pax*** by Sara Pennypacker. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. HarperCollins, 2016.

Nominees:

***Ms. Rapscott's Girls*** by Elise Primavera. Penguin Random House, 2015.

***Pax*** by Sara Pennypacker. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. HarperCollins, 2016.

***Dash*** by Kirby Larson. Scholastic, 2016.

Middle School:

Winner: ***A Night Divided*** by Jennier Nielsen. Scholastic, 2016

Nominees:

***A Night Divided*** by Jennier Nielsen. Scholastic, 2016

***Tesla's Attic***, by Neal Shusterman and Eric Elfman. Disney-Hyperion, 2014

***All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook*** by Leslie Connor. HarperCollins, 2016.

Young Adult:

Winner: ***Salt to the Sea*** by Ruta Sepetys. Penguin Random House, 2016

Nominees:

***Orbiting Jupiter*** by Gary D, Schmidt. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2015

***Salt to the Sea*** by Ruta Sepetys. Penguin Random House, 2016

***The Hired Girl*** by Laura Amy Schlitz. Candlewick Press, 2016

PBOR:

Winner: ***Barbed Wire Baseball*** by Marissa Moss, Illustrated by Yuko Shimizu. Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2016.

Nominees:

***The Right Word: Roget and His Thesaurus*** by Jen Bryant, Illustrated by Melissa Sweet.

Published by Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2014

***Barbed Wire Baseball*** by Marissa Moss, Illustrated by Yuko Shimizu. Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2016.

***The Noisy Paint Box: The Colors and Sounds of Kandinsky's Abstract Art*** by BarbRosenstock, Illustrated by Mary GrandPre. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2014

**2016-2017 Nominees:**

Primary:

***The Bear Ate Your Sandwich*** by Julia Sarcone-Roach. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2015.

***I'm My Own Dog*** by David Ezra Stein. Candlewick Press, 2014.

***It's an Orange Aardvark*** by Michael Hall. Greenwillow Books, 2014.

***Ribbit!*** by Rodrigo Folgueira. Illustrated by Poly Bernatene. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2013.

***Sam & Dave Dig a Hole*** by Mac Barnett. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. Candlewick Press, 2014.

Intermediate:

***Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*** by Chris Grabenstein. Random House Books for Young Readers, 2013.

***The Real Boy*** by Anne Ursu. Illustrated by Erin McGuire. Published by Walden Pond Press, 2013.

***Rump*** by Liesl Shurtliff. Published by Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2013.

Middle School/Junior High:

***Hold Fast*** by Blue Balliett. Scholastic, 2013.

***Keeper of the Lost Cities*** by Shannon Messenger. Simon & Schuster, 2012.

***Upside Down in the Middle of Nowhere*** by Julie T. Lamana. Chronicle Books, 2014.

Young Adult:

***The Impossible Knife of Memory*** by Laurie Halse Anderson. Viking Books for Young Readers, 2014.

***Kindness for Weakness*** by Shawn Goodman. Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 2013.

***Red Queen*** by Victoria Aveyard. HarperCollins, 2015.

Picture Books for Older Readers:

***Each Kindness*** by Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Nancy Paulsen Books, 2012.

***The Kite That Bridged Two Nations*** by Alexis O'Neill. Illustrated by Terry Widener. Calkins Creek, 2013.

***Paper Son: Lee's Journey to America*** by Helen Foster James & Virginia Shin-Mui Loh. Illustrated by Wilson Ong. Sleeping Bear Press, 2013.

**2015-2016 Nominees:**

Primary:

***Count the Monkeys*** by Mac Barnett. Illustrated by Kevin Cornell. Disney-Hyperion, 2013.

***Creepy Carrots*** by Aaron Reynolds. Illustrated by Peter Brown. Simon & Schuster BFYR, 2012.

***The Day the Crayons Quit*** by Drew Daywalt. Illustrated by Oliver Jeffers. Philomel, 2013.

***Dragons Love Tacos*** by Adam Rubin. Illustrated by Daniel Salmieri. Dial Books for Young Readers, 2012.

***Paul Meets Bernadette*** by Rosy Lamb. Candlewick Press, 2013.

Intermediate:

***A Dog Called Homeless*** by Sarah Lean. Katherine Tegen Books, 2012.

**True (... Sort of)** by Katherine Hannigan. Greenwillow Books, 2011.  
**Wildwood** by Colin Meloy. Illustrated by Carson Ellis. Balzer+Bray, 2011.

Middle School/Junior High:

**Dogtag Summer** by Elizabeth Partridge. Bloomsbury USA Children's, 2011.  
**Doll Bones** by Holly Black. Illustrated by Eliza Wheeler. Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2013.  
**Ghost Hawk** by Susan Cooper. Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2013.

Young Adult:

**Cinder** by Marissa Meyer. Feiwel & Friends, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group, 2012.  
**Eleanor and Park** by Rainbow Rowell. St. Martin's Griffin, 2013.  
**Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children** by Ransom Riggs. Quirk Books, 2011.

Picture Books for Older Readers:

**Helen's Big World: The Life of Helen Keller** by Doreen Rappaport. Illustrated by Matt Tavares. Disney-Hyperion, 2012.  
**A Nation's Hope: The Story of Boxing Legend Joe Lewis** by Matt de la Peña. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. Dial Books for Young Readers, 2011.  
**The Tree Lady: The True Story of How One Tree-Loving Woman Changed a City Forever** by H. Joseph Hopkins. Illustrated by Jill McElmurry. Beach Lane Books, 2013.

#### 2014-2015 Winners & Nominees:

2015 Winner - Primary: **Exclamation Mark!** by Amy Krouse Rosenthal. Illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld.

Scholastic Press, 2013.

2014-2015 Primary Nominees:

**City Dog, Country Frog** by Mo Willems. Illustrated by Jon J. Muth. Hyperion Books for Children, 2010.  
**Miss Brooks Loves Books (and I Don't)** by Barbara Bottner. Illustrated by Michael Emberley. Alfred A. Knopf, 2010.  
**Randy Riley's Really Big Hit** by Chris Van Dusen. Candlewick Press, 2012.  
**Too Tall Houses** by Gianna Marino. Viking Press, 2012.

2015 Winner - Intermediate: **Wonder**. R.J. Palacio. Alfred A. Knopf, 2012.

2014-2015 Intermediate Nominees:

**Tuesdays at the Castle** by Jessica Day George. Random House, 2010.  
**Wild Wings** by Gill Lewis. Illustrated by Yuta Onada. Atheneum, 2011.

2015 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **The False Prince** by Jennifer A. Nielsen. Scholastic, 2012.

2014- 2015 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Bluefish** by Pat Schmatz. Candlewick, 2011.  
**Chained** by Lynne Kelly. Farrar, Straus Giroux, 2012.

2015 Winner - Young Adult: **The Fault in Our Stars** by John Green. Delacorte Press, 2010.

2014-2015 Young Adult Nominees:

**Daughter of Smoke and Bone** by Laini Taylor. Little, Brown, 2011.

**Legend** by Marie Lu. Penguin, 2011.

2015 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: **Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an Amazing All-Brother Team** by Audrey Vernick. Illustrated by Steven Salerno. Clarion, 2012.

2014-2015 Picture Book for Older Readers Nominees:

**The Camping Trip that Changed America: Theodore Roosevelt, John Muir and Our National Parks** by Barb Rosenstock. Illustrated by Mordicai Gerstein. Dial Books for Young People, 2012.

**These Hands** by Margaret H. Mason. Illustrated by Floyd Cooper. Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt, 2010.

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### 2014 Winners and Nominees:

2014 Winner - Primary: **Press Here** by Herve Tullet. Chronicle Books, 2011.

2013-2014 Primary Nominees:

**Bats at the Ballgame** by Brian Lies. Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2011.

**Children Make Terrible Pets** by Peter Brown. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2010.

**Interrupting Chicken** by David Ezra Stein. Candlewick Press, 2010.

**Stars** written by Mary Lyn Ray. Illustrated by Marla Frazee. Beach Lane Books, 2011.

2014 Winner - Intermediate: **The Unwanteds** by Lisa McMann. Aladdin, 2011.

2013-2014 Intermediate Nominees:

**A Nest for Celeste** by Henry Cole. Katherine Tegen Books, 2010.

**Turtle in Paradise** by Jennifer Holm. Random House Books for Young Readers, 2010.

2014 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **Wonderstruck** by Brian Selznick. Scholastic Press, 2011.

2013-2014 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Faith, Hope, and Ivy June** by Phyllis Naylor Reynolds. Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 2009.

**One Crazy Summer** by Rita Williams-Garcia. Amistad, 2010

2014 Winner - Young Adult: **Divergent** by Veronica Roth. Katherine Tegen Books, 2011.

2013-2014 Young Adult Nominees:

**Revolution** by Jennifer Donnelly. Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 2010.

**The Running Dream** by Wendelin Van Draanen. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2011.

2014 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: **Queen of the Falls** by Chris Van Allsburg. Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2011.

2013-2014 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

**14 Cows for America** by Carmen Agra Deedy, Wilson Kameli Naiyomah (collaborator). Illustrated by Thomas Gonzalez. Peachtree Publishers, 2009.

**Worst of Friends** by Suzanne Jermain. Illustrated by Larry Day. Dutton Juvenile, 2011.

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### 2013 Winners and Nominees:

2013 Winner - Primary: ***We Are in a Book!*** by Mo Willems. Hyperion Books for Children, 2010.

2012-2013 Primary Nominees:

***A Bedtime for Bear*** by Bonny Becker, illustrated by Kady MacDonald Denton. Candlewick Press, 2010.

***Bats at the Library*** by Brian Lies. Houghton Mifflin, 2008.

***Memoirs of a Goldfish*** by Devin Scillian. Illustrated by Tim Bowers. Sleeping Bear Press, 2010.

***The Sandwich Swap*** by Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah, with Kelly DiPucchio. Illustrated by Tricia Tusa. Disney/Hyperion Books, 2010.

2013 Winner - Intermediate: ***The Giant Slayer*** by Iain Lawrence. Delacorte Press, 2009.

2012-2013 Intermediate Nominees:

***Eleven*** by Patricia Reilly Giff. Wendy Lamb Books, 2008.

***Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*** by Grace Lin. Little, Brown, 2009.

2013 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Out of My Mind*** by Sharon Draper. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2010.

2012-2013 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Invisible Lines*** by Mary Amato. Egmont USA, 2009.

***Wild Things*** by Clay Carmichael. Front Street, 2009.

2013 Winner - Young Adult: ***Matched*** by Ally Condie. Dutton, 2010.

2012-2013 Young Adult Nominees:

***Beautiful Creatures*** by Kami Garcia and Margaret Stohl. Little, Brown, 2009.

***The Things a Brother Knows*** by Dana Reinhardt. Wendy Lamb Books, 2010.

2013 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: ***Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine and a Miracle*** by Brian Dennis. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2009.

2012-2013 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

***Nurse, Soldier, Spy: The Story of Sarah Edmonds, A Civil War Hero*** by Marissa Moss. Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2011.

***The Junkyard Wonders*** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel Books, 2010.

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## 2012 Winners and Nominees:

2012 Winner - Primary: ***I Need My Monster*** by Amanda Noll. Illustrated by Howard McWilliam. Flashlight Press, 2009.

2011-2012 Primary Nominees:

***On Meadowview Street*** by Henry Cole. Greenwillow Books, 2007.

***Let's Do Nothing*** by Tony Fucile. Candlewick Press, 2009.

***The Odd Egg*** by Emily Gravett. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2009.

***Princess Hyacinth: The Surprising Tale of a Girl Who Floated*** by Florence Heide. Illustrated by Lane Smith. Schwartz & Wade Books, 2009.

2012 Winner - Intermediate: ***Violet Raines Almost Got Struck by Lightning*** by Danette Haworth. Walker & Co., 2008.

2011-2012 Intermediate Nominees:

**Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School and Other Scary Things** by Lenore Look. Schwartz & Wade Books, 2008.

**The Small Adventure of Popeye and Elvis** by Barbara O'Conner. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2009.

2012 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **Every Soul a Star** by Wendy Mass. Little, Brown & Co., 2008.

2011-2012 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Revolution is Not a Dinner Party: A Novel** by Ying Chang Compestine. Henry Holt, 2007.

**Waiting for Normal** by Leslie Conner. Katherine Tegen Books, 2008.

2012 Winner - Young Adult: **Graceling** by Kristin Cashore. Harcourt, 2008.

2011-2012 Young Adult Nominees:

**Beastly** by Alex Flinn. Harper Teen, 2007.

**If I Stay** by Gayle Forman. Penguin Group USA, 2009.

2012 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: **Henry's Freedom Box** written by Ellen Levine. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. Scholastic Press, 2007.

2011-2012 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

**Goal!** written by Mina Javaherbin. Illustrated by A.G. Ford. Candlewick Press, 2010.

**Wabi Sabi** written by Mark Reibstein. Illustrated by Ed Young. Little, Brown & Co., 2008.

## 2011 Winners and Nominees:

2011 Winner - Primary: **Martina the Beautiful Cockroach: A Cuban Folktale** by Carmen Agra Deedy. Illustrated by Michael Austin. Peachtree Publications, 2008.

2010-2011 Primary Nominees:

**A Visitor for Bear** by Bonnie Becker. Illustrated by Kady MacDonald. Candlewick Press, 2008.

**Pete & Pickles** by Berkeley Breathed. Philomel, 2008.

**Duck** by Randy Cecil. Candlewick Press, 2008.

**Thelonus Monster's Sky-High Fly Pie** by Judy Sierra. Illustrated by Edward Koren. Knopf, 2006.

2011 Winner - Intermediate: **Zorgamazoo** by Robert Paul Weston. Razorbill, 2008.

2010-2011 Intermediate Nominees:

**Igraine the Brave** by Cornelia Funke. The Chicken House, 2007.

**Greetings from Planet Earth** by Barbara Kerley. Scholastic Press, 2007.

2011 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam** by Cynthia Kadohota. Atheneum, 2007.

2010-2011 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Elijah of Buxton** by Christopher Paul Curtis. Scholastic, 2007

**Skulduggery Pleasant: Scepter of the Ancients, Book 1** by Derek Landy. The Bowen Press, 2007.

2011 Winner - Young Adult: **Unwind** by Neal Shusterman. Simon & Schuster, 2007.

2010-2011 Young Adult Nominees:

***Adoration of Jenna Fox*** by Mary E. Pearson. Henry Holt & Co., 2008.

***Hunger Games*** by Suzanne Collins. Scholastic Press, 2008.

2011 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: ***John Paul George & Ben*** by Lane Smith. Hyperion Books, 2006.

2010-2011 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

***Moon Over Star*** by Diana Aston. Dial, 2008.

***Four Feet, Two Sandals*** by Karen Williams. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2007.

### 2010 Winners and Nominees:

2010 Winner - Primary: ***Millie Waits for the Mail*** by Alexander Steffensmeier. Walker, 2007.

2009-2010 Primary Nominees:

***A Frog Thing*** by Eric Drachman. Kidwick, 2006.

***Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners*** by Laurie Keller. Holt, 2007.

***My Life as a Chicken*** by Ellen Kelley. Illustrated by Michael Slack. Harcourt, 2007.

***Velma Gratch and the Way Cool Butterfly*** by Alan Madison. Illustrated by Kevin Hawkes. Schwartz & Wade, 2007.

2010 Winner - Intermediate: ***No Talking*** by Andrew Clements. Simon & Schuster, 2007.

2009-2010 Intermediate Nominees:

***A Friendship for Today*** by Patricia C. McKissack. Scholastic, 2007.

***A Crooked Kind of Perfect*** by Linda A. Urban. Random House, 2007.

2010 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Alabama Moon*** by Watt Key. Straus & Giroux, 2006.

2009-2010 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Blood on the River: Jamestown 1607*** by Elisa Carbone. Viking, 2006.

***The Wednesday Wars*** by Gary D. Schmidt. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2007.

2010 Winner - Young Adult: ***The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*** by Sherman Alexie. Little, Brown and Co., 2007.

2009-2010 Young Adult Nominees:

***Saint Iggy*** by K.L. Going. Harcourt, 2006.

***Story of a Girl*** by Sara Zarr. Brown, 2007.

2010 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: ***Owney: The Mail-Pouch Pooch*** by Mona Kerby. Illustrated by Lynne Barasch. Frances Foster/Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2008

2009-2010 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

***Armando and the Blue Tarp School*** by Edith Hope Fine and Judith Pinkerton Josephson. Illustrated by Hernan Sosa. Lee & Low, 2007.

***Willy & Max: A Holocaust Story*** by Amy Littlesugar. Illustrated by William Low. Philomel/Penguin, 2006.

**2009 Winners and Nominees:**

2009 Winner - Primary: ***Stanley's Wild Ride*** by Linda Bailey. Illustrated by Bill Slavin. Kids Can Press, 2006.

2008-2009 Primary Nominees:

***The Perfect Nest*** by Catherine Friend. Illustrated by John Manders. Candlewick Press, 2007.

***Bats at the Beach*** by Brian Lies. Illustrated by Brian Lies. Houghton Mifflin, 2006.

***Uncle Peter's Amazing Chinese Wedding*** by Lenore Look. Illustrated by Yumi Heo. Anne Schwartz/Atheneum, 2006.

***Hilda Must Be Dancing*** by Karma Wilson. Illustrated by Suzanne Watts. Margaret K. McElderry Books/ Simon & Schuster, 2004.

2009 Winner - Intermediate: ***Sheep*** by Valerie Hobbs. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2006.

2008-2009 Intermediate Nominees:

***Phineas L. MacGuire...Erupts!: The First Experiment*** by Frances O'Roark Dowell. Simon & Schuster, 2006.

***Clementine*** by Sara Pennypacker. Illustrated by Marla Frazee. Hyperion, 2006.

2009 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Hattie Big Sky*** by Kirby Larson. Delacorte Press, 2006.

2008-2009 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Rules*** by Cynthia Lord. Scholastic Press, 2006.

***Heat*** by Mike Lupica. Philomel Books, 2006.

2009 Winner - Young Adult: ***Sold*** by Patricia McCormick. Hyperion, 2006.

2008-2009 Young Adult Nominees:

***Daniel Half Human and the Good Nazi*** by David Chotjewitz. Richard Jackson Books/Atheneum, 2004.

***Life As We Knew It*** by Susan Pfeffer. Harcourt, 2006.

2009 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: ***Mystery at the Club Sandwich*** by Doug Cushman. Clarion Books, 2005.

2008-2009 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

***Pop's Bridge*** by Eve Bunting. Illustrated by C. F. Payne. Harcourt, Inc., 2006

***Brothers by Yin***. Illustrated by Chris Soentpiet. Philomel, 2006.

**2008 Winners and Nominees:**

2008 Winner - Primary: ***Superdog Dex: The Heart of a Hero*** (originally published as *Superdog: The Heart of a Hero*) by Caralyn Buehner. Illustrated by Mark Buehner. HarperCollins Publishers, 2004.

2007-2008 Primary Nominees:

***The Giant Hug*** by Sandra Horning. Illustrated by Valeri Gorbachev. Alfred A. Knopf, 2005.

***I Wanna Iguana*** by Karen Kaufman Orloff. Illustrated by David Catrow. G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2004.

***Henry and the Buccaneer Bunnies*** by Carolyn Crimi. Candlewick Press, 2005.

***Traction Man is Here!*** by Mini Grey. Alfred A. Knopf, 2005.

2008 Winner - Intermediate: ***Each Little Bird That Sings*** by Deborah Wiles. Harcourt, 2005.

2007-2008 Intermediate Nominees:

***Seven Wonders of Sassafras Springs*** by Betty Birney. Illustrated by Matt Phelan. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2005.

***Worth*** by Alexandra Lafaye. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2004.

2008 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***The Schwa was Here*** by Neal Shusterman. Dutton Children's

Books, 2004.

2007-2008 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Chicken Boy*** by Frances O'Roark Dowell. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2005.

***Day of Tears*** by Julius Lester. Hyperion Books for Children, 2005.

2008 Winner - Young Adult: ***Private Peaceful*** by Michael Morpugo. Scholastic Press, 2003.

2007-2008 Young Adult Nominees:

***Elsewhere*** by Gabrielle Zevin. Farrar Straus Giroux, 2005.

***Vampire High*** by Douglas Rees. Delacorte Press, 2003.

2008 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: ***Mr. Maxwell's Mouse*** by Frank Asch. Illustrated by Devin Asch. Kids Can Press, 2004.

2007-2008 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

***Basho and the River Stones*** by Tim Myers. Illustrated by Oki S. Han. Marshall Cavendish, 2004.

***Dad, Jackie and Me*** by Myron Uhlberg. Illustrated by Colin Bootman. Peachtree Publishers, 2005.

### 2007 Winners and Nominees:

2007 Winner - Primary: ***My Lucky Day*** by Keiko Kasza. G. P. Putnam's Sons, 2003.

2006-2007 Primary Nominees:

***The Best Pet of All*** by David LaRochelle. Illustrated by Hanako Wakiyama. Dutton Children's Books, 2004.

***Stanley's Party*** by Linda Bailey. Illustrated by Bill Slavin. Kids Can Press, 2003.

***Three Pebbles and a Song*** by Eileen Spinelli. Illustrated by S. D. Schindler. Dial Books For Young Readers, 2003.

***Wild About Books*** by Judy Sierra. Illustrated by Marc Brown. Alfred A. Knopf, 2004.

2007 Winner - Intermediate: ***Christopher Mouse: The Tale of a Small Traveler*** by William Wise. Illustrations by Patrick Benson. Bloomsbury Children's Books, 2004.

2006-2007 Intermediate Nominees:

***Ida B...and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and (Possibly) Save the World*** by Katherine Hannigan. Greenwillow, 2004.

***A Week in the Woods*** by Andrew Clements. Simons & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2002.

2007 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Al Capone Does My Shirts*** by Gennifer Choldenko. Putnam's, 2004.

2006-2007 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:  
***Becoming Naomi Leon*** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic, 2004.  
***Letters from Wolfie*** by Patti Sherlock. Viking, 2004.

2007 Winner - Young Adult: ***Shattering Glass*** by Gail Giles. Simon Pulse, 2002.

2006-2007 Young Adult Nominees:  
***Emako Blue*** by Brenda Woods. Putnam, 2004.  
***Hanging on to Max*** by Margaret Bechard. Roaring Brook Press, 2002.

2007 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: ***The Cats in Krasinski Square*** by Karen Hesse. Illustrated by Wendy Watson. Scholastic Press, 2004.

2006-2007 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:  
***Coming on Home Soon*** by Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by E. B. Lewis. Putnam, 2004.  
***I, Doko: The Tale of a Basket*** by Ed Young. Philomel, 2004.

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### 2006 Winners and Nominees:

2006 Winner - Primary: ***Miss Smith's Incredible Storybook*** by Michael Garland. Dutton Children's Books, 2003.

2005-2006 Primary Nominees:  
***How I Became a Pirate*** by Melinda Long. Illustrated by David Shannon. Harcourt, 2003.  
***The Perfect Pet*** by Margie Palatini. Illustrated by Bruce Whatley. HarperCollins, 2003.  
***Ruby in Her Own Time*** by Jonathan Emmett. Illustrated by Rebecca Harry. Scholastic Press, 2004.  
***The Teddy Bear*** by David McPhail. Henry Holt and Company, 2002.

2006 Winner - Intermediate: ***The Good Dog*** by Avi. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2001.

2005-2006 Intermediate Nominees:  
***Following Fake Man*** by Barbara Ware Holmes. Knopf, 2001.  
***Love, Ruby Lavender*** by Deborah Wiles. Harcourt, 2001.

2006 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***12 Again*** by Sue Corbett. Dutton Children's Books, 2002.

2005-2006 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:  
***Pictures of Hollis Woods*** by Patricia Reilly Giff. Wendy Lamb Books, 2002.  
***Stand Tall*** by Joan Bauer. G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2002.

2006 Winner - Young Adult: ***After*** by Francine Prose. HarperCollins, 2003.

2005-2006 Young Adult Nominees:  
***Honey, Baby, Sweetheart*** by Deb Caletti. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2004.  
***True Believer*** by Virginia Euwer Wolff. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2001.

2006 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: ***Boxes for Katje*** by Candace Fleming. Farrar, Straus &

Giroux, 2003.

2005-2006 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

**Papa's Mark** by Gwendolyn Battle-Lavert. Holiday House, 2003.

**Patrol: An American Soldier in Vietnam** by Walter Dean Myers. HarperCollins, 2001.

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### 2005 Winners and Nominees:

2005 Winner - Primary: **Muncha! Muncha! Muncha!** by Candace Fleming. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas.

Atheneum, 2002.

2004-2005 Primary Nominees:

**Blabber Mouse** by True Kelley. Dutton Books, 2001.

**Daisy Comes Home** by Jan Brett. Putnam, 2002.

**Duck on a Bike** by David Shannon. Scholastic, 2002.

**"Let's Get a Pup!" said Kate** by Bob Graham. Candlewick Press, 2001.

2005 Winner - Intermediate: **Ruby Holler** by Sharon Creech. Joanna Cotler, 2002.

2004-2005 Intermediate Nominees:

**Secret School** by Avi. Harcourt, 2001.

**When the Circus Came to Town** by Laurence Yep. HarperCollins, 2001.

2005 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **Things Not Seen** by Andrew Clements. Philomel Books, 2002.

2004-2005 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Breaking Through** by Francisco Jimenez. Houghton Mifflin Co, 2001.

**Surviving the Applewhites** by Stephanie S. Tolan. HarperCollins, 2002.

2005 Winner - Young Adult: **Stormbreaker** by Anthony Horowitz. Philomel Books, 2001.

2004-2005 Young Adult Nominees:

**Bronx Masquerade** by Nikki Grimes. Dial Books, 2002.

**Of Sound Mind** by Jean Ferris. Farrar Straus and Giroux, 2001.

2005 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: **Mr. Lincoln's Way** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel, 2001.

2004-2005 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

**Freedom Summer** by Deborah Wiles. Illustrated by Jerome Lagarrigue. Atheneum, 2001.

**Ruby's Wish** by Shirin Yim Bridges. Illustrated by Sophie Blackall. Chronicle Books, 2002.

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### 2004 Winners and Nominees:

2004 Winner - Primary: **A Fine, Fine School** by Sharon Creech. Illustrated by Harry Bliss. HarperCollins,

2001.

2003-2004 Primary Nominees:

**Book! Book! Book!** by Deborah Bruss. Illustrated by Tiphonie Beeke. Arthur A. Levine Books/Scholastic, 2001.

**Dumpy La Rue** by Elizabeth Winthrop. Illustrated by Betsy Lewin. Henry Holt, 2000.

**Mice and Beans** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Illustrated by Joe Cepeda. Scholastic, 2001.

**The Name Jar** by Yangsook Choi. Alfred A. Knopf, 2001.

2004 Winner - Intermediate: **The School Story** by Andrew Clements. Simon & Schuster, 2001.

2003-2004 Intermediate Nominees:

**The Kite Fighters** by Linda Sue Park. Clarion Books, 2000.

**Love That Dog** by Sharon Creech. HarperCollins, 2001.

2004 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **Flipped** by Wendelin Van Draanen. Knopf, 2001.

2003-2004 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Fever 1793** by Laurie Halse Anderson. Simon & Schuster, 2000.

**No More Dead Dogs** by Gordon Korman. Hyperion, 2000.

2004 Winner - Young Adult: **Ties That Bind, Ties That Break** by Lensey Namioka. Delacorte Press, 1999.

2003-2004 Young Adult Nominees:

**Razzle** by Ellen Wittlinger. Simon & Schuster, 2001.

**Whale Talk** by Chris Crutcher. Greenwillow Books, 2001.

2004 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: **And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon** by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens Crummel. Harcourt, 2001.

2003-2004 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

**Goin' Someplace Special** by Patricia McKissack. Atheneum, 2001.

**The Yellow Star: The Legend of King Christian X of Denmark** by Carmen Agra Deedy. Peachtree, 2000.

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### 2003 Winners and Nominees:

2003 Winner - Primary: **I Will Never Not Ever Eat a Tomato** by Lauren Child. Candlewick, 2000.

2002-2003 Primary Nominees:

**Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type** by Doreen Cronin. Illustrated by Betsy Lewin. Simon & Schuster, 2000.

**Good Night, Good Knight** by Shelley Moore Thomas. Dutton, 2000.

**The Soccer Mom from Outer Space** by Barney Saltzberg. Crown, 2000.

**The Ugly Vegetables** by Grace Lin. Charlesbridge, 1999.

2003 Winner - Intermediate: **Because of Winn-Dixie** by Kate DiCamillo. Candlewick, 2000.

2002-2003 Intermediate Nominees:

**Island of the Aunts** by Eva Ibbotson. Dutton, 2000.

**The Year of Miss Agnes** by Kirkpatrick Hill. Simon & Schuster, 2000.

2003 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **Touching Spirit Bear** by Ben Mikaelson. HarperCollins, 2001.

2002-2003 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Esperanza Rising*** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic, 2000.

***Guy Time*** by Sarah Weeks. HarperCollins, 2000.

2003 Winner - Young Adult: ***Define "Normal"*** by Julie Anne Peters. Little, Brown, 2000.

2002-2003 Young Adult Nominees:

***Hope Was Here*** by Joan Bauer. Putnam, 2000.

***Speak*** by Laurie Halse Anderson. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1999.

2003 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: ***The Babe & I*** by David A. Adler. Harcourt, 1999.

2002-2003 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

***Henry Hikes to Fitchburg*** by D. B. Johnson. Houghton Mifflin, 2000.

***The Other Side*** by Jacqueline Woodson. Putnam, 2001.

## 2002 Winners and Nominees:

2002 Winner - Primary: ***Hooway for Wodney Wat!*** by Helen Lester. Illustrated by Lynn M. Munsinger. Houghton Mifflin, 1999.

2001-2002 Primary Nominees:

***Cook-a-Doodle-Do!*** by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens. Crummel Harcourt, 1999.

***Horace and Morris but Mostly Dolores*** by James Howe. Illustrated by Amy Walrod.

Atheneum, 1999.

***Mr. Tanen's Ties*** by Maryann Cocca-Leffler. Albert Whitman, 1999.

***Wolf!*** by Becky Bloom. Illustrated by Pascal Biet. Orchard, 1999.

2002 Winner - Intermediate: ***The Million Dollar Shot*** by Dan Gutman. Disney, 1997.

2001-2002 Intermediate Nominees:

***Flying Solo*** by Ralph Fletcher (Clarion, 1998)

***Regarding the Fountain: A Tale, in Letters, of Liars and Leaks*** by Kate Klise. Illustrated by M. Sarah Klise. Avon, 1998.

2002 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key*** by Jack Gantos. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1998.

2001-2002 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Sammy Keyes and the Sisters of Mercy*** by Wendelin Van Draanen. Random House, 1999.

***The Skin I'm In*** by Sharon Flake. Hyperion, 1998.

2002 Winner - Young Adult: ***Bad*** by Jean Ferris. Farrar Straus & Giroux, 1998.

2001-2002 Young Adult Nominees:

***The Adventures of Blue Avenger*** by Norma Howe. Holt, 1999.

***Rules of the Road*** by Joan Bauer. Putnam, 1998.

2002 Winner - Picture Books for Older Readers: ***Weslandia*** by Paul Fleischman. Candlewick Press, 1998.

2001-2002 Picture Books for Older Readers Nominees:

***Nim and the War Effort*** by Milly Lee. Farrar Straus & Giroux, 1997.

***Thank You, Mr. Falker*** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel Books, 1998.

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### 2001 Winners and Nominees:

2001 Winner - Primary: **Grandpa's Teeth** by Rod Clement. HarperCollins, 1998.

2000-2001 Primary Nominees:

**A Bad Case of Stripes** by David Shannon. Scholastic, 1998.

**The Lost and Found** by Mark Teague. Scholastic, 1998.

**Mailing May** by Michael Tunnell. Illustrated by Ted Rand. Greenwillow, 1997.

**Raising Dragons** by Jerdine Nolen. Illustrated by Elise Primavera. Silver Whistle, 1998.

2001 Winner - Intermediate: **Honus and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure** by Dan Gutman. Avon/Camelot, 1997.

2000-2001 Intermediate Nominees:

**Gib Rides Home** by Zilpha Keatley Snyder. Delacorte, 1998.

**Great Turkey Walk** by Kathleen Karr. Farrar, Straus Giroux, 1998.

2001 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **Among the Hidden** by Margaret Peterson Haddix. Simon & Schuster, 1998.

2000-2001 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**P.S. Longer Letter Later** by Paula Danziger and Ann M. Martin. Scholastic, 1998.

**Sasquatch** by Roland Smith. Hyperion, 1998.

2001 Winner - Young Adult: **Armageddon Summer** by Jane Yolen and Bruce Coville. Harcourt Brace, 1998.

2000-2001 Young Adult Nominees:

**If You Come Softly** by Jacqueline Woodson. Putnam, 1998.

**Whirligig** by Paul Fleischman. Henry Holt, 1998.

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### 2000 Winners and Nominees:

2000 Winner - Primary: **Lost** by Paul Brett Johnson and Celeste Lewis. Orchard Books, 1996.

1999-2000 Primary Nominees:

**Mama Provi and the Pot of Rice** by Sylvia Rosa-Casanova. Illustrated by Robert Roth. Atheneum, 1997.

**Meanwhile...** by Jules Feiffer. HarperCollins, 1997.

**Saving Sweetness** by Diane Stanley. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. Putnam, 1996.

**The Secret Shortcut** by Mark Teague. Scholastic, 1996.

2000 Winner - Intermediate: **Riding Freedom** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Illustrated by Brian Selznick. Scholastic, 1997.

1999-2000 Intermediate Nominees:

**Frindle** by Andrew Clements. Illustrated by Brian Selznick. Simon & Schuster, 1996.

**Utterly Yours, Booker Jones** by Betsy Duffey. Viking, 1995.

2000 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Ella Enchanted*** by Gail Carson Levine. HarperCollins, 1997.

1999-2000 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Lone Wolf*** by Kristine Franklin. Candlewick Press, 1997.

***Voices of Silence*** by Bel Mooney. Delacorte, 1997.

2000 Winner - Young Adult: ***Breaking Boxes*** by A.M. Jenkins. Delacorte, 1997.

1999-2000 Young Adult Nominees:

***Alias*** by Mary Elizabeth Ryan. Simon & Schuster, 1997.

***The Dark Side of Nowhere: A Novel*** by Neal Shusterman. Little, Brown, 1996.

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### 1999 Winners and Nominees:

1999 Winner - Primary: ***Livingstone Mouse*** by Pamela Duncan Edwards. Illustrated by Henry Cole. HarperCollins, 1996.

1998-1999 Primary Nominees:

***Fanny's Dream*** by Caralyn Buehner. Illustrated by Mark Buehner. Dial, 1996.

***Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse*** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1996.

***Mrs. Morgan's Lawn*** by Barney Saltzberg. Hyperion, 1993.

***Nine for California*** by Sonia Levitin. Illustrated by Cat Bowman Smith. Orchard, 1996.

1999 Winner - Intermediate: ***The Thirteenth Floor: A Ghost Story*** by Sid Fleischman. Greenwillow, 1995.

1998-1999 Intermediate Nominees:

***Belle Prater's Boy*** by Ruth White. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1996.

***Family Tree*** by Katherine Ayres. Delacorte, 1996.

1999 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Under the Blood Red Sun*** by Graham Salisbury. Delacorte, 1994.

1998-1999 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***The Fire Pony*** by Rodman Philbrick. Scholastic, 1996.

***Jip: His Story*** by Katherine Paterson. Lodestar, 1996.

1999 Winner - Young Adult: ***The Only Alien on the Planet*** by Kristen Randle. Scholastic, 1995.

1998-1999 Young Adult Nominees:

***California Blue*** by David Klass. Scholastic, 1994.

***Far North*** by Will Hobbs. Scholastic, 1995.

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### 1998 Winners and Nominees:

1998 Winner - Primary: ***Dog Breath*** by Dav Pilkey. Blue Sky Press, 1994.

1997-1998 Primary Nominees:

***Down the Road*** by Alice Schertle. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Harcourt Brace, 1995.

***Hog-Eye*** by Susan Meddaugh. Houghton Mifflin, 1995.

***Math Curse*** by Jon Scieszka. Illustrated by Lane Smith. Viking, 1995.

***Piggie Pie!*** by Margie Palatini. Illustrated by Howard Fine. Clarion, 1995.

1998 Winner - Intermediate: ***Junkyard Dog*** by Erika Tamar. Knopf, 1995.

1997-1998 Intermediate Nominees:

***The Fear Place*** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. Atheneum, 1994; Pocket Books, Aladdin, 1996.

***Poppy*** by Avi. Orchard, 1995.

1998 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963*** by Christopher Paul Curtis. Delacorte, 1995.

1997-1998 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Running Out of Time*** by Margaret Peterson Haddix. Simon & Schuster, 1995; Pocket Books, Aladdin, 1997.

***Who's There?*** by Stephanie Tolan. Morrow, 1994.

1998 Winner - Young Adult: ***Ironman*** by Chris Crutcher. Greenwillow, 1995.

1997-1998 Young Adult Nominees:

***Flash Fire*** by Caroline B. Cooney. Scholastic, 1995.

***Thwonk*** by Joan Bauer. Delacorte, 1995.

### 1997 Winners and Nominees:

1997 Winner - Primary: ***Don't Fidget a Feather!*** by Erica Silverman. Illustrated by S.D. Schindler. Macmillan, 1994.

1996-1997 Primary Nominees:

***The Bee Tree*** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel, 1993.

***Chato's Kitchen*** by Gary Soto. Illustrated by Susan Guevara. Putnam, 1995.

***The Cow Who Wouldn't Come Down*** by Paul Brett Johnson. Orchard, 1993.

***Owen*** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1993.

1997 Winner - Intermediate: ***Jennifer Murdley's Toad*** by Bruce Coville. Harcourt, 1992; Pocket Books, 1993.

1996-1997 Intermediate Nominees:

***The Best School Year Ever*** by Barbara Robinson. Harper, 1994.

***The Light on Hogback Hill*** by Cynthia DeFelicce. Macmillan, 1993; Avon 1995.

1997 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Sparrow Hawk Red*** by Ben Mikaelson. Hyperion, 1993.

1996-1997 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Steal Away Home*** by Lois Ruby. Macmillan, 1994.

***Titanic Crossing*** by Barbara Williams. Dial, 1995.

1997 Winner - Young Adult: ***Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes*** by Chris Crutcher. Greenwillow, 1993; Dell, 1995.

1996-1997 Young Adult Nominees:

***Deliver Us from Evie*** by M.E. Kerr. Harper, 1994; 1995.

***In The Middle of the Night*** by Robert Cormier. Delacorte, 1995.

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### 1996 Winners and Nominees:

1996 Winner - Primary: ***Stellaluna*** by Janell Cannon. Harcourt Brace, 1994.

1995-1996 Primary Nominees:

***Frida Maria: A Story of the Old Southwest*** by Deborah Nourse Lattimore. Harcourt Brace, 1994.

***Parents in the Pigpen, Pigs in the Tub*** by Amy Ehrlich. Illustrated by Steven Kellogg. Dial Books, 1993.

***Ruby the Copycat*** by Peggy Rathmann. Scholastic, 1993.

***The Three-Legged Cat*** by Margaret Mahy. Illustrated by Jonathan Allen. Viking, 1993.

1996 Winner - Intermediate: ***Time for Andrew: A Ghost Story*** by Mary Downing Hahn. Clarion Books, 1994.

1995-1996 Intermediate Nominees:

***Flip-Flop Girl*** by Katherine Paterson. Lodestar Books, 1994.

***Wings*** by Bill Brittain. HarperCollins, 1991.

1996 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Freak the Mighty*** by Rodman Philbrick. Scholastic, 1993.

1995-1996 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***The Boggart*** by Susan Cooper. McElderry Books/Macmillan, 1993.

***Crazy Lady!*** by Jane Leslie Conly. HarperCollins, 1993.

1996 Winner - Young Adult: ***Shadow of the Dragon*** by Sherry Garland. Harcourt Brace, 1994.

1995-1996 Young Adult Nominees:

***Others See Us*** by William Sleator. Dutton Children's Books, 1993.

***Speeding Bullet*** by Neal Shusterman. Little, Brown, 1991.

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### 1995 Winners and Nominees:

1995 Winner - Primary: ***Martha Speaks*** by Susan Meddaugh. Houghton, 1992.

1994-1995 Primary Nominees:

***A Bicycle for Rosaura*** by Daniel Barbot. Illustrated by Morella Fuenmayor. Kane/Miller, 1991.

***Mucky Moose*** by Jonathan Allen. Macmillan, 1991.

***The Signmaker's Assistant*** by Tedd Arnold. Dial, 1992.

***When Bluebell Sang*** by Lisa Campbell Ernst. Bradbury Press, 1989.

1995 Winner - Intermediate: ***Stonewords: A Ghost Story*** by Pam Conrad. HarperCollins, 1990.

1994-1995 Intermediate Nominees:

***Jim Ugly*** by Sid Fleischman. Greenwillow, 1992; Dell/Yearling 1993.

***Strider*** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1991; Avon/Camelot, 1992.

1995 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Rescue Josh McGuire*** by Ben Mikaelson. Hyperion, 1991; 1993.

1994-1995 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Buffalo Brenda** by Jill Pinkwater. Macmillan, 1989; Aladdin, 1992.

**Fool's Gold** by Zilpha Keatley Snyder. Delacorte, 1993.

1995 Winner - Young Adult: **Downriver** by Will Hobbs. Atheneum, 1991; Bantam/Starfire, 1992.

1994-1995 Young Adult Nominees:

**Shadow Brothers** by A. E. Cannon. Doubleday, 1990; Dell, 1992.

**The Weirdo** by Theodore Taylor. Harcourt Brace, 1991; Avon/Flare, 1993.

### 1994 Winners and Nominees:

1994 Winner - Primary: **High-Wire Henry** by Mary Calhoun. Illustrated by Erick Ingraham. Morrow, 1991.

1993-1994 Primary Nominees:

**The Adventures of Taxi Dog** by Debra & Sal Barracca. Illustrated by Mark Buehner. Dial, 1990.

**Amazing Grace** by Mary Hoffman. Illustrated by Caroline Binch. Dial, 1991.

**Chrysanthemum** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1991.

**The Day that Henry Cleaned His Room** by Sarah Wilson. Simon & Schuster, 1990.

1994 Winner - Intermediate: **Scared Stiff** by Willo Davis Roberts. Atheneum, 1991.

1993-1994 Intermediate Nominees:

**Beauty** by Bill Wallace. Holiday House, 1988.

**Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher** by Bruce Coville. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1991.

1994 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **There's a Girl in My Hammerlock** by Jerry Spinelli. Simon & Schuster, 1991; 1993.

1993-1994 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Face to Face** by Marion Dane Bauer. Clarion, 1991.

**Voices After Midnight** by Richard Peck. Delacorte, 1989; Dell, 1990.

1994 Winner - Young Adult: **We All Fall Down** by Robert Cormier. Delacorte, 1991; Dell, 1993.

1993-1994 Young Adult Nominees:

**The Band Never Dances** by J. D. Landis. HarperCollins, 1989; Harper Trophy, 1993.

**Send No Blessings** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. Atheneum, 1990; Dell, 1992.

### 1993 Winners and Nominees:

1993 Winner - Primary: **Julius, the Baby of the World** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1990; Mulberry Books, 1992.

1992-1993 Primary Nominees:

**The Great White Man-Eating Shark** by Margaret Mahy. Illustrated by Jonathan Allen. Dial, 1990.

**Ollie Forgot** by Tedd Arnold. Dial, 1988; Puffin, 1991.

**Ruby** by Michael Emberley. Little, Brown, 1990.

**Two Bad Ants** by Chris Van Allsburg. Houghton Mifflin, 1988.

1993 Winner - Intermediate: ***Fudge-a-Mania*** by Judy Blume. Dutton, 1990; Dell, 1991.

1992-1993 Intermediate Nominees:

***Racing the Sun*** by Paul Pitts. Avon, 1988.

***Trading Game*** by Alfred Slote. HarperCollins, 1990; 1992.

1993 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Something Upstairs*** by Avi. Orchard, 1988, Avon 1990)

1992-1993 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Dealing with Dragons*** by Patricia Wrede. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1990.

***Mouse Rap*** by Walter Dean Myers. HarperCollins, 1990; 1992.

1993 Winner - Young Adult: ***The Silver Kiss*** by Annette Curtis Klause. Delacorte, 1990; Dell, 1992.

1992-1993 Young Adult Nominees:

***Across the Grain*** by Jean Ferris. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1993.

***The Face on the Milk Carton*** by Caroline B. Cooney. Bantam, 1990; 1992.

### 1992 Winners and Nominees:

1992 Winner - Primary: ***Never Spit on Your Shoes*** by Denys Cazet. Clarion, 1986; Orchard Books, 1990.

1991-1992 Primary Nominees:

***Thunder Cake*** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel, 1990.

***Tommy at the Grocery Store*** by Bill Grossman. Illustrated by Victoria Chess. HarperCollins, 1989.

***The True Story of the Three Little Pigs*** by Jon Scieszka. Illustrated by Lane Smith. HarperCollins, 1989.

***The Wolf's Chicken Stew*** by Keiko Kasza. Putnam, 1990.

1992 Winner - Intermediate: ***All About Sam*** by Lois Lowry. Houghton Mifflin, 1988.

1991-1992 Intermediate Nominees:

***Martin's Mouse*** by Dick King-Smith. Crown, 1989.

***This Island Isn't Big Enough for the Four of Us*** by Gery Greer and Bob Ruddick. Collins/Crowell, 1987.

1992 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Sniper*** by Theodore Taylor. Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich, 1989.

1991-1992 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***The Facts & Fictions of Minna Pratt*** by Patricia MacLachlan. HarperCollins, 1988.

***The Secret of Gumbo Grove*** by Eleanora Tate. Franklin Watts, 1987.

1992 Winner - Young Adult: ***A Sudden Silence*** by Eve Bunting. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1989.

1991-1992 Young Adult Nominees:

***Bearstone*** by Will Hobbs. Atheneum, 1989.

***Children of the River*** by Linda Crew. Delacorte, 1988; Dell, 1991.

### 1991 Winners and Nominees:

1991 Winner - Primary: **Tacky the Penguin** by Helen Lester. Illustrated by Lynn M. Munsinger. Houghton Mifflin, 1988.

1990-1991 Primary Nominees:

**Chester's Way** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1988.

**I Wish I Were a Butterfly** by James Howe. Illustrated by Ed Young. Harcourt Brace, 1987.

**Rechenka's Eggs** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel Books, 1988.

**The Wednesday Surprise** by Eve Bunting. Illustrated by Donald Carrick. Clarion, 1989.

1991 Winner - Intermediate: **Harry's Mad** by Dick King-Smith. Crown, 1987; Dell, 1988.

1990-1991 Intermediate Nominees:

**Different Dragons** by Jean Little. Viking Kestrel, 1987.

**Stinker from Space** by Pamela F. Service. Scribners, 1988.

1991 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **December Stillness** by Mary Downing Hahn. Clarion, 1988.

1990-1991 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Black Star, Bright Dawn** by Scott O'Dell. Houghton Mifflin, 1988.

**On My Honor** by Marion Dane Bauer. Clarion, 1986; Dell, 1987.

1991 Winner - Young Adult: **Night Kites** by M. E. Kerr. Harper & Row, 1986.

1990-1991 Young Adult Nominees:

**Pageant** by Kathryn Lasky. Four Winds/Dell, 1986.

**Year of the Gopher** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. Atheneum, 1987, Bantam, 1988.

### 1990 Winners and Nominees:

1990 Winner - Primary: **Eyes of the Dragon** by Margaret Leaf. Illustrated by Ed Young. Lothrop, 1987.

1989-1990 Primary Nominees:

**Barn Dance!** by Bill Martin, Jr. and John Archambault. Illustrated by Ted Rand. Henry Holt, 1986.

**A New Coat for Anna** by Harriet Ziefert. Illustrated by Anita Lobel. Knopf, 1986.

**Piggybook** by Anthony Browne. Knopf, 1996.

**The Relatives Came** by Cynthia Rylant. Illustrated by Stephen Gammell. Bradbury, 1985.

1990 Winner - Intermediate: **The War With Grandpa** by Robert K. Smith. Delacorte, 1984.

1989-1990 Intermediate Nominees:

**Desdemona: Twelve Going on Desperate** by Beverly Keller. Lothrop, 1986.

**Not-Just-Anybody Family** by Betsy Byars. Delacorte, 1986.

1990 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **The Other Side of Dark** by Joan Lowery Nixon. Delacorte, 1986; Dell, 1987.

1989-1990 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**Hatchet** by Gary Paulsen. Bradbury Press, 1987.

**Return to Bitter Creek** by Doris Buchanan Smith. Viking, 1986.

1990 Winner - Young Adult: **Izzy, Willy Nilly** by Cynthia Voigt. Atheneum, 1996; Fawcett, 1987.

1989-1990 Young Adult Nominees:

***After the Rain*** by Norma Fox Mazer. Morrow/Avon, 1987.

***The Year Without Michael*** by Susan Beth Pfeffer. Bantam, 1987.

### 1989 Winners and Nominees:

1989 Winner - Primary: ***What Happened to Patrick's Dinosaurs?*** by Carol Carrick. Illustrated by Donald

Carrick. Clarion, 1986.

1988-1989 Primary Nominees:

***Beware the Dragons*** by Sarah Wilson. Harper & Row, 1985.

***Flossie and the Fox*** by Patricia McKissack. Illustrated by Rachel Isadora. Dial, 1986.

***How My Parents Learned to Eat*** by Ina Friedman. Illustrated by Allen Say. Houghton Mifflin, 1984.

***Patchwork Quilt*** by Valerie Flournoy. Illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. Dial, 1985.

1989 Winner - Intermediate: ***The Castle in the Attic*** by Elizabeth Winthrop. Holiday House, 1985; Bantam, 1986.

1988-1989 Intermediate Nominees:

***Hello, My Name is Scrambled Eggs*** by Jamie Gilson. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1985.

***The Hot and Cold Summer*** by Johanna Hurwitz. Morrow, 1984; Scholastic 1985.

1989 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***The Stalker*** by Joan Lowery Nixon. Delacorte, 1985.

1988-1989 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***After the Dancing Days*** by Margaret Rostkowski. Harper & Row, 1986.

***Sizzle and Splat*** by Ronald Kidd. Lodestar, 1983; Dell, 1986.

1989 Winner - Young Adult: ***The Face at the Edge of the World*** by Eve Bunting. Ticknor, 1985; Dell, 1986.

1988-1989 Young Adult Nominees:

***Prairie Songs*** by Pamela Conrad. Harper Jr. Books, 1985.

***The War Between the Classes*** by Gloria Miklowitz. Delacorte, 1985; Dell, 1986.

### 1988 Winners and Nominees:

1988 Winner - Primary: ***If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*** by Laura Joffe Numeroff. Illustrated by Felicia Bond. Harper & Row, 1985; Scholastic, 1988.

1987-1988 Primary Nominees:

***Dabble Duck*** by Anne Leo Ellis. Illustrated by Sue Truesdell. Harper Junior Books, 1987.

***Imogene's Antlers*** by David Small. Crown, 1985; 1986.

***Molly's Pilgrim*** by Barbara Cohen. Illustrated by Michael J. Deraney. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1988.

***The Trek*** by Ann Jonas. Greenwillow, 1985.

1988 Winner - Intermediate: ***Be a Perfect Person in Just 3 Days*** by Stephen Manes. Houghton Mifflin, 1982; Bantam 1987.

1987-1988 Intermediate Nominees:

***Babe The Gallant Pig*** by Dick King-Smith. Crown, 1983.

***In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson*** by Bette Bao Lord. Harper Junior Books, 1984; 1986.

1988 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***The Root Cellar*** by Janet Lunn. Scribner, 1983; Penguin, 1985.

1987-1988 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Come Sing, Jimmy Jo*** by Katherine Paterson. LoDESTAR, 1984; Avon, 1986.

***The Fighting Ground*** by Avi Lippincott; 1984. Harper Junior Books, 1987.

1988 Winner - Young Adult: ***Interstellar Pig*** by William Sleator. Dutton, 1984.

1987-1988 Young Adult Nominees:

***If I Asked You, Would You Stay?*** by Eve Bunting. Harper & Row, 1984; Harper Jr. Books, 1987.

***Remembering the Good Times*** by Richard Peck. Delacorte, 1986; Dell, 1986.

### 1987 Winners and Nominees:

1987 Winner - Primary: ***The Napping House*** by Audrey Wood. Illustrated by Don Wood. Harcourt Brace, 1984.

1986-1987 Primary Nominees:

***Happy Birthday, Moon*** by Frank Asch. Prentice Hall, 1982.

***Ming Lo Moves the Mountain*** by Arnold Lobel. Greenwillow, 1983.

***Miss Rumphius*** by Barbara Cooney. Viking, 1982.

***What's Under My Bed?*** by James Stevenson. Greenwillow, 1983.

1987 Winner - Intermediate: ***The Dollhouse Murders*** by Betty Ren Wright. Holiday House, 1983; Scholastic, 1985.

1986-1987 Intermediate Nominees:

***Night of the Twisters*** by Ivy Ruckman. Harper & Row, 1980- 1984.

***The Sign of the Beaver*** by Elizabeth George. Speare Dial, 1988.

1987 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***You Shouldn't Have to Say Goodbye*** by Patricia Hermes. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1982; Scholastic, 1984.

1986-1987 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Dragon's Blood*** by Jane Yolen. Delacorte, 1982; Dell, 1984.

***Someone is Hiding on Alcatraz Island*** by Eve Bunting. Houghton Mifflin, 1984.

1987 Winner - Young Adult: ***Pursuit*** by Michael French. Delacorte, 1981; Dell, 1983.

1986-1987 Young Adult Nominees:

***Close to the Edge*** by Gloria Miklowitz. Delacorte, 1983; Dell, 1984.

***A Handful of Stars*** by Barbara Girion. Scribners, 1981; Dell, 1983.

**1986 Winners and Nominees:**

1986 Winner - Primary: **Space Case** by Edward Marshall. Illustrated by James Marshall. Dial, 1980.

1985-1986 Primary Nominees:

**Do Not Open** by Brinton Turkle. Dutton, 1982.

**Friends** by Helme Heine. Atheneum, 1982.

**Hot-Air Henry** by Mary Calhoun. Illustrated by Erick Ingraham. Morrow, 1981.

**Round Trip** by Ann Jonas. Greenwillow, 1983; Scholastic, 1984.

1986 Winner - Intermediate: **Nothing's Fair in Fifth Grade** by Barthe De Clements. Viking, 1981; Scholastic, 1982.

1985-1986 Intermediate Nominees:

**Dear Mr. Henshaw** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1983; HarperTrophy, 2000.

**Hazel Rye** by Vera and Bill Cleaver. Lippincott, 1983.

1986 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **Girl with the Silver Eyes** by Willo Davis Roberts. Atheneum, 1980; Scholastic, 1982.

1985-1986 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**A Solitary Blue** by Cynthia Voigt. Atheneum, 1983; Fawcett, 1985.

**Who Killed Sack Annie?** by Dana Brookins. Clarion, 1983.

1986 Winner - Young Adult: **The Darkangel** by Meredith Pierce. Little, Brown, 1982; Dell, 1982.

1985-1986 Young Adult Nominees:

**Death Run** by Jim Murphy. Clarion, 1982.

**The Love Bombers** by Gloria Miklowitz. Delacorte, 1980; Dell, 1982.

**1985 Winners and Nominees:**

1985 Winner - Primary: **Herbie's Troubles** by Carol Chapman. Illustrated by Kelly Oechsli. Dutton, 1981.

1984-1985 Primary Nominees:

**The Blanket That Had to Go** by Nancy Evans Cooney. Illustrated by Diane Dawson. Putnam, 1981.

**Dr. DeSoto** by William Steig. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1982.

**Good as New** by Barbara Douglass. Illustrated by Patience Brewster. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1982.

**Round Robin** by Jack Kent. Prentice hall, 1982; 1984.

1985 Winner - Intermediate: **The Indian in the Cupboard** by Lynne Reid Banks. Doubleday, 1980; Avon, 1982.

1984-1985 Intermediate Nominees:

**Jumanji** by Chris Van Allsburg. Houghton Mifflin, 1981.

**Save Queen of Sheba** by Louise Moeri. Dutton, 1981.

1985 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Taking Terri Mueller*** by Norma Fox Mazer. Morrow, 1983; Avon, 1981.

1984-1985 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***The Animal, the Vegetable, and John D. Jones*** by Betsy Byars. Delacorte, 1982; Dell, 1983.

***Dicey's Song*** by Cynthia Voigt. Atheneum, 1982; Fawcett, 1995.

1985 Winner - Young Adult: ***The Truth Trap*** by Frances Miller. Dutton, 1980; Dell, 1982.

1984-1985 Young Adult Nominees:

***The Accident*** by Hila Colman. Morrow, 1980; Archway 1981.

***Second Star to the Right*** by Deborah Hautzig. Greenwillow, 1981; Avon, 1982.

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**1984 Winners and Nominees:**

1984 Winner - Primary: ***Bagdad Ate It*** by Phyllis Green. Illustrated by Joel Schick. Watts, 1980.

1983-1984 Primary Nominees:

***Alexander, Who Used to be Rich Last Sunday*** by Judith Viorst. Illustrated by Ray Cruz. Atheneum, 1978; 1980.

***No Bath Tonight*** by Jane Yolen. Illustrated by Nancy Winslow Parker. Crowell, 1978.

***Oh, Were They Ever Happy!*** by Peter Spier. Doubleday, 1978.

***A Rose for Pinkerton*** by Steven Kellogg. Dial, 1981.

1984 Winner - Intermediate: ***The Trouble with Tuck*** by Theodore Taylor. Doubleday, 1981; Avon.

1983-1984 Intermediate Nominees:

***Anastasia Krupnik*** by Lois Lowry. Houghton Mifflin, 1979; Bantam, 1981.

***Do Bananas Chew Gum?*** by Jamie Gilson. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1980; Archway, 1981.

1984 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***There's a Bat in Bunk Five*** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1980; Dell, 1982.

1983-1984 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Alan Mendelsohn, The Boy from Mars*** by Daniel M. Pinkwater. Dutton, 1979; Bantam, 1981.

***The Lemon Meringue Dog*** by Walt Morey. Dutton, 1980.

1984 Winner - Young Adult: ***Stranger with My Face*** by Lois Duncan. Little, Brown, 1981; Dell, 1982.

1983-1984 Young Adult Nominees:

***Friends Till the End*** by Todd Strasser. Delacorte, 1981; Dell, 1982.

***Run, Don't Walk*** by Harriet May Savitz. Watts, 1979; NAL, 1980.

**1983 Winners and Nominees:**

1983 Winner - Primary: ***Liza Lou and the Yeller Belly Swamp*** by Mercer Mayer. Scholastic, 1977.

1982-1983 Primary Nominees:

***The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash*** by Trinka H. Noble. Illustrated by Steven Kellogg. Dial, 1980.

***It's So Nice to Have a Wolf Around the House*** by Harry Allard. Illustrated by James Marshall. Doubleday, 1977; 1979.

***The Worst Person in the World*** by James Stevenson. Greenwillow, 1978; Penguin, 1980.

***The Wuggie Norple Story*** by Daniel M. Pinkwater. Illustrated by Tomie de Paola. Scholastic, 1980.

1983 Winner - Intermediate: ***Superfudge*** by Judy Blume. Dutton, 1980; Dell, 1981.

1982-1983 Intermediate Nominees:

***The Boy Who Saw Bigfoot*** by Marian T. Place. Dodd, Mead, 1979.

***Ramona and Her Mother*** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1979; Dell 1980.

1983 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Tiger Eyes*** by Judy Blume. Bradbury, 1981; Dell, 1982.

1982-1983 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Can You Sue Your Parents for Malpractice?*** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1979; Dell, 1980.

***The Young Landlords*** by Walter Dean Myers. Viking, 1979; Avon, 1980.

1983 Winner - Young Adult: ***Summer of Fear*** by Lois Duncan. Little, Brown, 1976; Dell, 1977.

1982-1983 Young Adult Nominees:

***Come Alive at 5:05*** by Robin F. Brancato. Knopf, 1980; Bantam, 1981.

***A Ring of Endless Light*** by Madeleine L'Engle. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1980; Dell, 1981.

### 1982 Winners and Nominees:

1982 Winner - Primary: ***Miss Nelson Is Missing*** by Harry Allard. Illustrated by James Marshall. Houghton

Mifflin, 1977.

1981-1982 Primary Nominees:

***Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*** by Judith Barrett. Illustrated by Ron Barrett. Atheneum, 1978.

***Cowardly Clyde*** by Bill Peet. Houghton Mifflin, 1979.

***Cross-Country Cat*** by Mary Calhoun. Illustrated by Erick Ingraham. Morrow, 1979.

***Pinkerton, Behave!*** by Steven Kellogg. Dial, 1979.

1982 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: ***Hail, Hail, Camp Timberwood*** by Ellen Conford. Little, Brown,

1987; Archway, 1980.

1981-1982 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

***Ghosts I Have Been*** by Richard Peck. Viking Press, 1977; Dell, 1979.

***The Mark of Conte*** by Sonia Levitin. Atheneum, 1976; Aladdin, 1979.

***The Pistachio Prescription*** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1979; Dell, 1980.

***Tex*** by S.E. Hinton. Delacorte, 1979; Dell, 1978.

### 1981 Winners and Nominees:

1981 Winner - Primary: ***A Summer to Die*** by Lois Lowry. Houghton Mifflin, 1977; Bantam, 1979.

1980-1981 Primary Nominees:

***Can You Sue Your Parents for Malpractice?*** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1979; Dell, 1980.

***I Am the Cheese*** by Robert Cormier. Pantheon, 1977; Dell, 1980.

***Killing Mr. Griffin*** by Lois Duncan. Little, Brown, 1978; Dell, 1979.

***Say Hello to the Hit Man*** by Jay Bennett. Delacorte, 1976; Dell, 1977.

1981 Winner - Intermediate: ***Summer of the Monkeys*** by Wilson Rawls. Doubleday, 1977; Dell 1979.

1980-1981 Intermediate Nominees:

***Bunnica: A Rabbit-Tale of Mystery*** by Deborah and James Howe. Atheneum, 1979.

***The Great Gilly Hopkins*** by Katherine Paterson. Crowell, 1978; Avon 1979.

***Journey Home*** by Yoshiko Uchida. Atheneum. 1978.

***Ramona and Her Father*** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1977; Dell, 1979.

**1980 Winners and Nominees:**

1980 Winner - Primary: **Big Bad Bruce** by Bill Peet. Houghton Mifflin, 1977.

1979-1980 Primary Nominees:

**Little Fox Goes to the End of the World** by Ann Tompert. Illustrated by John C. Wallner. Crown, 1976.

**Liza Lou and the Yeller Belly Swamp** by Mercer Mayer. Scholastic, 1977.

**Mr. And Mrs. Pig's Evening Out** by Mary Rayner. Atheneum, 1976.

**The Mysterious Tadpole** by Steven Kellogg. Dial, 1976.

1980 Winner - Middle School/Junior High: **The Pinballs** by Betsy Byars. Harper & Row, 1977.

1979-1980 Middle School/Junior High Nominees:

**The Bridge to Terabithia** by Katherine Paterson. Crowell, 1977.

**Dragonsong** by Anne McCaffrey. Atheneum, 1976.

**Dragonwings** by Laurence Yep. Harper & Row, 1975.

**Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry** by Mildred D. Taylor. Dial, 1976.

**1979 Winners and Nominees:**

1979 Winner - Intermediate: **Danny, the Champion of the World** by Roald Dahl. Knopf, 1975.

1978-1979 Intermediate Nominees:

**The Devil's Storybook** by Natalie Babbitt. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1974.

**Philip Hall Likes Me, I Reckon Maybe** by Bette Greene. Dial, 1974.

**Ramona the Brave** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1975.

**The Return of the Great Brain** by John D. Fitzgerald. Dial, 1974.

1979 Winner - Young Adult: **The Late Great Me** by Sandra Scoppettone. Putnam, 1976.

1978-1979 Young Adult Nominees:

**Are You in the House Alone?** by Richard Peck. Viking, 1976.

**Dragonwings** by Laurence Yep. Harper & Row, 1975.

**I Heard the Owl Call My Name** by Margaret Craven. Dell, 1974.

**Rumblefish** by S.E. Hinton. Delacorte, 1975.

**1978 Winners and Nominees:**

1978 Winner - Primary: **Little Rabbit's Loose Tooth** by Lucy Bate. Illustrated by Diane de Groat. Crown, 1975.

1977-1978 Primary Nominees:

**Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day** by Judith Viorst. Illustrated by Ray Cruz. Atheneum, 1972.

**George and Martha** by James Marshall. Houghton Mifflin, 1972.

**The Maggie B** by Irene Haas. Atheneum, 1975.

***Mouse Tales*** by Arnold Lobel. Harper & Row, 1972.

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### 1977 Winners and Nominees:

1977 Winner - Intermediate: ***Freaky Friday*** by Mary Rodgers. Harper & Row, 1972.

1976-1977 Intermediate Nominees:

***The Cat Ate My Gymsuit*** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1974.

***Julie of the Wolves*** by Jean Craighead George. Harper & Row, 1972.

***Ramona the Brave*** by Beverly Cleary. Morrow, 1975.

***Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*** by Judy Blume. Dutton, 1972.

1977 Winner - Young Adult: ***Watership Down*** by Richard Adams. Macmillan, 1972.

1976-1977 Young Adult Nominees:

***All Things Bright and Beautiful*** by James Herriot. St. Martin's Press 1974.

***My Brother Sam is Dead*** by James Lincoln and Christopher Collier. Four Winds Press, 1974.

***Of Love & Death & Other Journeys*** by Isabelle Holland. Lippincott, 1975.

***Saturday, the Twelfth of October*** by Norma Fox Mazer. Delacorte, 1975.

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### 1976 Winners and Nominees:

1976 Winner - Primary: ***How Droofus the Dragon Lost His Head*** by Bill Peet. Houghton Mifflin, 1971; 1983.

1975-1976 Primary Nominees:

***Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*** by Judith Viorst. Illustrated by Ray Cruz. Atheneum, 1972.

***Dorrie and the Goblin*** by Patricia Coombs. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1972.

***Frog and Toad Together*** by Arnold Lobel. Harper & Row, 1972.

***Ira Sleeps Over*** by Bernard Waber. Houghton Mifflin, 1972.

***Leo The Late Bloomer*** by Robert Kraus. Illustrated by Jose Aruego. Windmill Books, 1971.

***The Lorax*** by Theodor Seuss Geisel. Random House, 1971.

***One Monster After Another*** by Mercer Mayer. Golden Press, 1974.

***Play Ball, Amelia Bedelia*** by Peggy Parish. Illustrated by Wallace Tripp. Harper & Row, 1972.

***The Very Hungry Caterpillar*** by Eric Carle. Houghton Mifflin, 1983.

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### 1975 Winners and Nominees:

1975 Winner - Intermediate: ***How to Eat Fried Worms*** by Thomas Rockwell. Watts, 1973.

1974-1975 Intermediate Nominees:

***Annie and the Old One*** by Miska Miles. Little, Brown, 1971.

***Me and My Little Brain*** by John D. Fitzgerald. Dial, 1971.

***Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*** by Robert O'Brien. Atheneum, 1971.

## California Young Reader Medal Winners by Category

### WINNERS - PRIMARY (Grades K-2)

The first Primary Award was given in 1976. Primary books were not included in the voting in 1977, 1979 and 1981. Beginning in 1987, the illustrator of the winning book was given full recognition along with the author.

2025: In Process

2024: In Process

2023: ***We Don't Eat Our Classmates***. By Ryan T. Higgins. 2018.

2022: ***Drawn Together*** by Minh Le. Illustrated by Dan Santat. 2018.

2021: ***Poor Louie*** by Tony Fucile. 2017.

2020: ***The Legend of Rock, Paper, Scissors*** by Drew Daywalt. Harper Collins, 2018.

2019: ***The Bear and the Piano*** by David Litchfield. Frances Lincoln, 2016.

2018: ***The Book with No Pictures*** by B.J. Novak. Penguin Random House, 2014.

2017: ***Sam & Dave Dig a Hole*** by Mac Barnett. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. Candlewick Press, 2014.

2016: ***The Day the Crayons Quit*** by Drew Daywalt. Illustrated by Oliver Jeffers. Philomel, 2013.

2015: ***Exclamation Mark!*** by Amy Krouse Rosenthal. Illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld.

2014: ***Press Here*** by Herve Tullet. Chronicle Books, 2011.

2013: ***We Are in a Book!*** by Mo Willems. Hyperion Books for Children, 2010.

2012: ***I Need My Monster*** by Amanda Noll. Illustrated by Howard McWilliam. Flashlight Press, 2009.

2011: ***Martina the Beautiful Cockroach: A Cuban Folktale*** by Carmen Agra Deedy. Illustrated by Michael Austin. Peachtree Publications, 2008.

2010: ***Millie Waits for the Mail*** by Alexander Steffensmeier. Walker, 2007.

2009: ***Stanley's Wild Ride*** by Linda Bailey. Illustrated by Bill Slavin. Kids Can Press, 2006.

2008: ***Superdog Dex: The Heart of a Hero*** (originally published as *Superdog: The Heart of a Hero*) by Caralyn Buehner. Illustrated by Mark Buehner. HarperCollins Publishers, 2004.

2007: ***My Lucky Day*** by Keiko Kasza. G. P. Putnam's Sons, 2003.

2006: ***Miss Smith's Incredible Storybook*** by Michael Garland. Duttons Children's Books, 2003.

2005: ***Muncha! Muncha! Muncha!*** by Candace Fleming. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. Atheneum, 2002.

2004: ***A Fine, Fine School*** by Sharon Creech. Illustrated by Harry Bliss. HarperCollins, 2001.

2003: ***I Will Never Not Ever Eat a Tomato*** by Lauren Child. Candlewick, 2000.

2002: ***Hooway for Wodney Wat!*** by Helen Lester. Illustrated by Lynn M. Munsinger. Houghton Mifflin, 1999.

2001: ***Grandpa's Teeth*** by Rod Clement. HarperCollins, 1998.

2000: ***Lost*** by Paul Brett Johnson and Celeste Lewis. Orchard Books, 1996.

1999: ***Livingstone Mouse*** by Pamela Duncan Edwards. Illustrated by Henry Cole. HarperCollins, 1996.

1998: ***Dog Breath*** by Dav Pilkey. Blue Sky Press, 1994.

1997: ***Don't Fidget a Feather!*** by Erica Silverman. Illustrated by S.D. Schindler. Macmillan, 1994.

1996: ***Stellaluna*** by Janell Cannon. Harcourt Brace, 1994.

1995: ***Martha Speaks*** by Susan Meddaugh. Houghton, 1992.

1994: ***High-Wire Henry*** by Mary Calhoun. Illustrated by Erick Ingraham. Morrow, 1991.

1993: ***Julius, the Baby of the World*** by Kevin Henkes. Greenwillow, 1990; Mulberry Books, 1992.

1992: ***Never Spit on Your Shoes*** by Denys Cazet. Clarion, 1986; Orchard Books, 1990.

1991: ***Tacky the Penguin*** by Helen Lester. Illustrated by Lynn M. Munsinger. Houghton Mifflin,

- 1988.
- 1990: **Eyes of the Dragon** by Margaret Leaf. Illustrated by Ed Young. Lothrop, 1987.
- 1989: **What Happened to Patrick's Dinosaurs?** by Carol Carrick. Illustrated by Donald Carrick. Clarion, 1986.
- 1988: **If You Give a Mouse a Cookie** by Laura Joffe Numeroff. Illustrated by Felicia Bond. Harper & Row, 1985; Scholastic, 1988.
- 1987: **The Napping House** by Audrey Wood. Illustrated by Don Wood. Harcourt Brace, 1984.
- 1986: **Space Case** by Edward Marshall. Illustrated by James Marshall. Dial, 1980.
- 1985: **Herbie's Troubles** by Carol Chapman. Illustrated by Kelly Oechsli. Dutton, 1981.
- 1984: **Bagdad Ate It** by Phyllis Green. Illustrated by Joel Schick. Watts, 1980.
- 1983: **Liza Lou and the Yeller Belly Swamp** by Mercer Mayer. Scholastic, 1977.
- 1982: **Miss Nelson Is Missing** by Harry Allard. Illustrated by James Marshall. Houghton Mifflin, 1977.
- 1980: **Big Bad Bruce** by Bill Peet. Houghton Mifflin, 1977.
- 1978: **Little Rabbit's Loose Tooth** by Lucy Bate. Illustrated by Diane de Groat. Crown, 1975.
- 1976: **How Droofus the Dragon Lost His Head** by Bill Peet. Houghton Mifflin, 1971; 1983.

#### WINNERS - INTERMEDIATE (Grades 3-5)

Intermediate books were not included in the 1976, 1978, or 1980 voting. After the 1977 voting, it was decided the intermediate category was too broad and a Middle School/Junior High School category was added.

- 2025: In Process
- 2024: In Process
- 2023: **The Lion of Mars**. by Jennifer Holm.
- 2022: **The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise** by Dan Gemeinhart. 2019.
- 2021: **Restart** by Gordon Korman. 2017.
- 2020: **The War I Finally Won** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. 2017.
- 2019: **The War that Saved My Life** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. Puffin Books, 2016
- 2018: **Pax** by Sara Pennypacker. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. HarperCollins, 2016.
- 2017: **Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library** by Chris Grabenstein. Random House Books for Young Readers, 2013.
- 2016: **A Dog Called Homeless** by Sarah Lean. Katherine Tegen Books, 2012.
- 2015: **Wonder** by R.J. Palacio. Alfred A. Knopf, 2012.
- 2014: **The Unwanteds** by Lisa McMann. Aladdin, 2011.
- 2013: **The Giant Slayer** by Iain Lawrence. Delacorte Press, 2009.
- 2012: **Violet Raines Almost Got Struck by Lightning** by Danette Haworth. Walker & Co., 2008.
- 2011: **Zorgamazoo** by Robert Paul Weston. Razorbill, 2008.
- 2010: **No Talking** by Andrew Clements. Simon & Schuster, 2007.
- 2009: **Sheep** by Valerie Hobbs. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2006.
- 2008: **Each Little Bird That Sings** by Deborah Wiles. Harcourt, 2005.
- 2007: **Christopher Mouse: The Tale of a Small Traveler** by William Wise. Illustrations by Patrick Benson. Bloomsbury Children's Books, 2004.
- 2006: **The Good Dog** by Avi. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2001.

2005: **Ruby Holler** by Sharon Creech. Joanna Cotler, 2002.  
 2004: **The School Story** by Andrew Clements. Simon & Schuster, 2001.  
 2003: **Because of Winn-Dixie** by Kate DiCamillo. Candlewick, 2000.  
 2002: **The Million Dollar Shot** by Dan Gutman. Disney, 1997.  
 2001: **Honus and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure** by Dan Gutman. Avon/ Camelot, 1997.  
 2000: **Riding Freedom** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Illustrated by Brian Selznick. Scholastic, 1997.  
 1999: **The Thirteenth Floor: A Ghost Story** by Sid Fleischman. Greenwillow, 1995.  
 1998: **Junkyard Dog** by Erika Tamar. Knopf, 1995.  
 1997: **Jennifer Murdley's Toad** by Bruce Coville. Harcourt, 1992; Pocket Books, 1993.  
 1996: **Time for Andrew: A Ghost Story** by Mary Downing Hahn. Clarion Books, 1994.  
 1995: **Stonewords: A Ghost Story** by Pam Conrad. HarperCollins, 1990.  
 1994: **Scared Stiff** by Willo Davis Roberts. Atheneum, 1991.  
 1993: **Fudge-a-Mania** by Judy Blume. Dutton, 1990; Dell, 1991.  
 1992: **All About Sam** by Lois Lowry. Houghton Mifflin, 1988.  
 1991: **Harry's Mad** by Dick King-Smith. Crown, 1987; Dell, 1988.  
 1990: **The War With Grandpa** by Robert K. Smith. Delacorte, 1984.  
 1989: **The Castle in the Attic** by Elizabeth Winthrop. Holiday House, 1985; Bantam, 1986.  
 1988: **Be a Perfect Person in Just 3 Days** by Stephen Manes. Houghton Mifflin, 1982; Bantam 1987.  
 1987: **The Dollhouse Murders** by Betty Ren Wright. Holiday House, 1983; Scholastic, 1985.  
 1986: **Nothing's Fair in Fifth Grade** by Barthe De Clements. Viking, 1981; Scholastic, 1982.  
 1985: **The Indian in the Cupboard** by Lynne Reid Banks. Doubleday, 1980; Avon, 1982.  
 1984: **The Trouble with Tuck** by Theodore Taylor. Doubleday, 1981; Avon.  
 1983: **Superfudge** by Judy Blume. Dutton, 1980; Dell, 1981.  
 1981: **Summer of the Monkeys** by Wilson Rawls. Doubleday, 1977; Dell 1979.  
 1979: **Danny, the Champion of the World** by Roald Dahl. Knopf, 1975.  
 1977: **Freaky Friday** by Mary Rodgers. Harper & Row, 1972.  
 1975: **How to Eat Fried Worms** by Thomas Rockwell. Watts, 1973.

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### WINNERS - Middle School/Junior High (Grades 6-8)

The Middle School/Junior High award began in 1980; it was not included in the voting in 1981.

2025: In Process  
 2024: In Process  
 2023: **Winterhouse**. By Ben Guterson. 2018.  
 2022: **The Jigsaw Jungle** by Kristin Levine. 2018.  
 2021: **Lily and Dunkin** by Donna Gephart. 2016.  
 2020: **Refugee** by Alan Gratz. Scholastic, 2017  
 2019: **Echo** by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic Press, 2015  
 2018: **A Night Divided** by Jennier Nielsen. Scholastic, 2016  
 2017: **Keeper of the Lost Cities** by Shannon Messenger. Simon & Schuster, 2012  
 2016: **Dogtag Summer** by Elizabeth Partridge. Bloomsbury USA Children's, 2011.  
 2015: **The False Prince** by Jennifer A. Nielsen. Scholastic, 2012.  
 2014: **Wonderstruck** by Brian Selznick. Scholastic Press, 2011.  
 2013: **Out of My Mind** by Sharon Draper. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2010.  
 2012: **Every Soul a Star** by Wendy Mass. Little, Brown & Co., 2008.  
 2011: **Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam** by Cynthia Kadohota. Atheneum, 2007.  
 2010: Alabama Moon by Watt Key. Straus & Giroux, 2006.

2009: **Hattie Big Sky** by Kirby Larson. Delacorte Press, 2006.  
 2008: **The Schwa was Here** by Neal Shusterman. Dutton Children's Books, 2004.  
 2007: **Al Capone Does My Shirts** by Gennifer Choldenko. Putnam's, 2004.  
 2006: **12 Again** by Sue Corbett. Dutton Children's Books, 2002.  
 2005: **Things Not Seen** by Andrew Clements. Philomel Books, 2002.  
 2004: **Flipped** by Wendelin Van Draanen. Knopf, 2001.  
 2003: **Touching Spirit Bear** by Ben Mikaelson. HarperCollins, 2001.  
 2002: **Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key** by Jack Gantos. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1998.  
 2001: **Among the Hidden** by Margaret Peterson Haddix. Simon & Schuster, 1998.  
 2000: **Ella Enchanted** by Gail Carson Levine. HarperCollins, 1997.  
 1999: **Under the Blood Red Sun** by Graham Salisbury. Delacorte, 1994.  
 1998: **The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963** by Christopher Paul Curtis. Delacorte, 1995.  
 1997: **Sparrow Hawk Red** by Ben Mikaelson. Hyperion, 1993.  
 1996: **Freak the Mighty** by Rodman Philbrick. Scholastic, 1993.  
 1995: **Rescue Josh McGuire** by Ben Mikaelson. Hyperion, 1991; 1993.  
 1994: **There's a Girl in My Hammerlock** by Jerry Spinelli. Simon & Schuster, 1991; 1993.  
 1993: **Something Upstairs** by Avi. Orchard, 1988, Avon 1990)  
 1992: **Sniper** by Theodore Taylor. Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich, 1989.  
 1991: **December Stillness** by Mary Downing Hahn. Clarion, 1988.  
 1990: **The Other Side of Dark** by Joan Lowery Nixon. Delacorte, 1986; Dell, 1987.  
 1989: **The Stalker** by Joan Lowery Nixon. Delacorte, 1985.  
 1988: **The Root Cellar** by Janet Lunn. Scribner, 1983; Penguin, 1985.  
 1987: **You Shouldn't Have to Say Goodbye** by Patricia Hermes. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1982; Scholastic, 1984.  
 1986: **Girl with the Silver Eyes** by Willo Davis Roberts. Atheneum, 1980; Scholastic, 1982.  
 1985: **Taking Terri Mueller** by Norma Fox Mazer. Morrow, 1983; Avon, 1981.  
 1984: **There's a Bat in Bunk Five** by Paula Danziger. Delacorte, 1980; Dell, 1982.  
 1983: **Tiger Eyes** by Judy Blume. Bradbury, 1981; Dell, 1982.  
 1982: **Hail, Hail, Camp Timberwood** by Ellen Conford. Little, Brown, 1987; Archway, 1980.  
 1980: **The Pinballs** by Betsy Byars. Harper & Row, 1977.

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### WINNERS Young Adult (Grades 9-12)

The Young Adult award began in 1977. Young Adult books were not included in the voting in 1978, 1980 and 1982.

2025: In Process

2024: In Process

2023: **With the Fire on High**. by Elizabeth Acevado. 2019.

2022: **The Fountains of Silence** by Ruta Sepetys. 2019.

2021: **All We Have Left** by Wendy Mills. 2016.

2020: **Scythe** by Neal Shusterman. Simon & Schuster, 2016

2019: **Written in the Stars** by Aisha Saeed. Speak, 2016

2018: **Salt to the Sea** by Ruta Sepetys. Penguin Random House, 2016

2017: **Red Queen** by Victoria Aveyard. HarperCollins, 2015.

2016: **Cinder** by Marissa Meyer. Feiwel & Friends, an imprint of Macmillan Children's

2015: **The Fault in Our Stars** by John Green. Delacorte Press, 2010.

- 2014: ***Divergent*** by Veronica Roth. Katherine Tegen Books, 2011.
- 2013: ***Matched*** by Ally Condie. Dutton, 2010.
- 2012: ***Graceling*** by Kristin Cashore. Harcourt, 2008.
- 2011: ***Hunger Games*** by Suzanne Collins. Scholastic Press, 2008.
- 2010: ***The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*** by Sherman Alexie. Little, Brown and Co., 2007.
- 2009: ***Sold*** by Patricia McCormick. Hyperion, 2006.
- 2008: ***Private Peaceful*** by Michael Morpugo. Scholastic Press, 2003.
- 2007: ***Shattering Glass*** by Gail Giles. Simon Pulse, 2002.
- 2006: ***After*** by Francine Prose. HarperCollins, 2003.
- 2005: ***Stormbreaker*** by Anthony Horowitz. Philomel Books, 2001.
- 2004: ***Ties That Bind, Ties That Break*** by Lensey Namioka. Delacorte Press, 1999.
- 2003: ***Define "Normal"*** by Julie Anne Peters. Little, Brown, 2000.
- 2002: ***Bad*** by Jean Ferris. Farrar Straus & Giroux, 1998.
- 2001: ***Armageddon Summer*** by Jane Yolen and Bruce Coville. Harcourt Brace, 1998.
- 2000: ***Breaking Boxes*** by A.M. Jenkins. Delacorte, 1997.
- 1999: ***The Only Alien on the Planet*** by Kristen Randle. Scholastic, 1995.
- 1998: ***Ironman*** by Chris Crutcher. Greenwillow, 1995.
- 1997: ***Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes*** by Chris Crutcher. Greenwillow, 1993; Dell, 1995.
- 1996: ***Shadow of the Dragon*** by Sherry Garland. Harcourt Brace, 1994.
- 1995: ***Downriver*** by Will Hobbs. Atheneum, 1991; Bantam/Starfire, 1992.
- 1994: ***We All Fall Down*** by Robert Cormier. Delacorte, 1991; Dell, 1993.
- 1993: ***The Silver Kiss*** by Annette Curtis Klause. Delacorte, 1990; Dell, 1992.
- 1992: ***A Sudden Silence*** by Eve Bunting. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1989.
- 1991: ***Night Kites*** by M. E. Kerr. Harper & Row, 1986.
- 1990: ***Izzy, Willy Nilly*** by Cynthia Voigt. Atheneum, 1996; Fawcett, 1987.
- 1989: ***The Face at the Edge of the World*** by Eve Bunting. Ticknor, 1985; Dell, 1986.
- 1988: ***Interstellar Pig*** by William Sleator. Dutton, 1984.
- 1987: ***Pursuit*** by Michael French. Delacorte, 1981; Dell, 1983.
- 1986: ***The Darkangel*** by Meredith Pierce. Little, Brown, 1982; Dell, 1982.
- 1985: ***The Truth Trap*** by Frances Miller. Dutton, 1980; Dell, 1982.
- 1984: ***Stranger with My Face*** by Lois Duncan. Little, Brown, 1981; Dell, 1982.
- 1983: ***Summer of Fear*** by Lois Duncan. Little, Brown, 1976; Dell, 1977.
- 1981: ***A Summer to Die*** by Lois Lowry. Houghton Mifflin, 1977; Bantam, 1979.
- 1979: ***The Late Great Me*** by Sandra Scoppettone. Putnam, 1976.
- 1977: ***Watership Down*** by Richard Adams. Macmillan, 1972.
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**Winners - Picture Books for Older Readers (Grades 4 and up)**

The Picture Book for Older Readers award began in 2000; it was not included in the vote of 2001.

2025: In Process

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2023: **this way, Charlie** by Caron Lewis. Illustrated by Charles Santoso. 2020.

2022: **The Skydiving Beavers** by Susan Wood. Illustrated by Gijsbert Van Frankenhuyzen. 2017.

2021: **Sergeant Reckless** by Patricia McCormick. Illustrated by Iacopa Bruno. 2017.

2020: **Her Right Foot** by Dave Eggers. Illustrated by Shawn Harris. Chronicle Books, 2017

2019: **Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah** by Laurie Ann Thomsson, Illustrated by Sean Qualls. Schwartz & Wade, 2015

2018: **Barbed Wire Baseball** by Marissa Moss, Illustrated by Yuko Shimizu. Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2016.

2017: **Each Kindness** by Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Nancy Paulsen Books, 2012.

2016: **Helen's Big World: The Life of Helen Keller** by Doreen Rappaport. Illustrated by Matt Tavares. Disney-Hyperion, 2012.

2015: **Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an Amazing All-Brother Team** by Audrey Vernick. Illustrated by Steven Salerno. Clarion, 2012.

2014: **Queen of the Falls** by Chris Van Allsburg. Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2011.

2013: **Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine and a Miracle** by Brian Dennis. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2009.

2012: **Henry's Freedom Box** written by Ellen Levine. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. Scholastic Press, 2007.

2011: **John Paul George & Ben** by Lane Smith. Hyperion Books, 2006.

2010: **Owney: The Mail-Pouch Pooch** by Mona Kerby. Illustrated by Lynne Barasch. Frances Foster/Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2008

2009: **Mystery at the Club Sandwich** by Doug Cushman. Clarion Books, 2005.

2008: **Mr. Maxwell's Mouse** by Frank Asch. Illustrated by Devin Asch. Kids Can Press, 2004.

2007: **The Cats in Krasinski Square** by Karen Hesse. Illustrated by Wendy Watson. Scholastic Press, 2004.

2006: **Boxes for Katje** by Candace Fleming. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2003.

2005: **Mr. Lincoln's Way** by Patricia Polacco. Philomel, 2001.

2004: **And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon** by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens Crummel. Harcourt, 2001.

2003: **The Babe & I** by David A. Adler. Harcourt, 1999.

2002: **Weslandia** by Paul Fleischman. Candlewick Press, 1998.