

We Recommend... Junior Fiction

Li Lun: lad of courage

Treffinger, Carolyn / J-PB Treff

Because of his fear of the sea, a young Chinese boy is sent to a distant mountain where he proves his bravery.

Mina's spring of colors

Gilmore, Rachna / J FIC Gilmo

Mina is very excited about celebrating Holi, and inviting all her classmates. But Ashley is teasing her about her grandfather, who is new to Canada, and Mina wants to get even. What will happen?

Silk umbrellas

Marsden, Carolyn / J-PB Marsd

Noi paints the silk umbrellas her family sells at the market in their Thai village, but worries she will be forced to join her older sister in difficult work at a local factory instead.

Kira-Kira

Kadohata, Cynthia / J FIC Kadoh

Chronicles the close friendship between two Japanese-American sisters growing up in rural Georgia during the late 1950s and early 1960s, and the despair when one sister becomes terminally ill.

Wanting Mor

Khan, Rukhsana / J FIC Khan

Jameela faces many changes when her mother dies and her father decides to move to Kabul.

The Third Eye

Narsinham, Mahtab / J-PB Narsi

For Tara and her brother Suraj, the year since their mother and grandfather fled the village of Morni in the middle of the night has been a nightmare. Their new stepmother is cruel and deceptive and the village itself is lacking a healer.

The Buddha's diamonds

Marsden, Carolyn / J-PB Marsd

As a storm sweeps in, Tinh's father tells him to tie up their fishing boat but the storm scares him and he runs away, but when the damage to the boat is discovered, Tinh realizes what he must do.

Little Cricket

Jackie Brown / J FIC Brown

After the upheaval of the Vietnam War reaches them, twelve-year-old Kia and her Hmong family flee from the mountains of Laos to a refugee camp in Thailand and eventually to the alien world of Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Starry River of the Sky

Grace Lin / J FIC Lin

An innkeeper's chore boy discovers that a visitor's stories hold the key to returning the moon to the Starry River of the Sky.