



Featuring Oregon

Juvenile fiction

Arntson, Herbert E.

Mountain Boy in Oregon A thirteen-year-old boy's fondest desire is to climb Old Pistol Peak, but each time he gets an opportunity something goes wrong.

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The Barn In an effort to fulfill their dying father's last request, nine-year-old Ben and his brother and sister construct a barn on their land in the Oregon Territory.

Barron, T.A.

The Ancient One While helping her Great Aunt Melanie try to protect an Oregon redwood forest from loggers, thirteen-year-old Kate goes back five centuries through a time tunnel and faces the evil creature Gashra, who is bent on destroying the same forest.

Boulton, Jane

Only Opal: The Diary of a Young Girl A lyrical adaptation of the writings of Opal Whiteley, in which she describes her love of nature and her life in an Oregon lumber camp at the turn of the century.

Bunting, Eve

The Summer of Riley Shortly after he gets the perfect dog, Riley, eleven-year-old William must fight for his dog's life after Riley is taken away because he chases and injures an elderly neighbor's old horse.

Carr, Mary Jane

Young Mac of Fort Vancouver This story of the adventures of a young man living in an early Washington settlement was nominated for the Newbery Award in 1941.

Cleary, Beverly (Oregon author)

Emily's Runaway Imagination This story, set in rural Oregon in the 1920's, is about a fourth-grade girl who wants a library for her town of Pitchfork

Ramona series This series concerns Ramona Quimby, her family, including her sister Beatrice (known as Beezus), and various events around her Klickitat Street neighborhood in Portland, Oregon

Crew, Linda (Oregon author)

Fire on the Wind The summer before her fourteenth birthday, a fierce forest fire rages throughout northwestern Oregon and threatens the logging camp where Storie and her family live.

Gregory, Kristiana

Across the Wide and Lonesome Prairie In her diary, thirteen-year-old Hattie chronicles her family's arduous 1847 journey from Missouri to Oregon on the Oregon Trail.

Heisel, Sharon

Precious Gold, Precious Jade A young woman befriends a Chinese family despite the racism and fears that overwhelms the residents of her small western Oregon mining town at the end of the gold rush.

Holm, Jennifer L.

Our Only May Amelia As the only girl in a Finnish American family of seven brothers; May Amelia Jackson resents being expected to act like a lady while growing up in Washington State in 1899.

Kurtz, Jane

I'm Sorry, Almira Ann Eight-year-old Sarah's high spirits help make her family's long journey from Missouri to Oregon more bearable, though they do cause both her and her best friend Almira Ann some problems

Lampman, Evelyn Sibley (Oregon author)

The Shy Stegosaurus of Cricket Creek The story centers on two children who are trying to save their failing ranch; they are befriended and helped by the title character, a dinosaur called George, who has somehow survived for tens of millions of years.

Three Knocks on the Wall In a small Oregon town in the early days of World War I, a young girl befriends one of the mysterious people living next door in a house surrounded by a 10-foot wall.

Treasure Mountain Two children from the Chemawa Indian School visit their aunt on the Oregon coast, where they search for buried treasure and rediscovers their family heritage and ties with the Nehalem tribe.

Lewis, Claudia

Long Ago in Oregon A collection of poems describing a year in the life of a young girl living with her family in a small Oregon town in 1917

Love, Anne

Bess's Log Cabin Quilt With her father away and her mother ill with fever, ten-year-old Bess works hard on a log cabin quilt to save the family farm in Oregon

McGraw, Eloise Jarvis (Oregon author)

Hideaway When his father forgets to come for him after his mother leaves on her wedding trip with her new husband, twelve-year-old Jerry runs away from both of them to his grandparents' house; only they don't live there any more.

Moccasin Trail A pioneer boy, brought up by Crow Indians, is reunited with his family and attempts to orient himself in the white man's culture.

Money Room Searching for a treasure their great-grandfather left in a "money room" on his farm in Oregon, two children realizes that someone else is also searching

A Really Weird Summer Four children in Oregon spend the summer of their parents' divorce with a little-known great aunt and uncle.

The Trouble with Jacob Twelve-year-old twins Andy and Kat think they are in for a dull summer at a remote resort in western Oregon, until the ghost of a nine-year-old boy appears demanding restitution for a crime committed over 100 years before.

Moeri, Louise

The Devil in Ol' Rosie Sent into the wilderness of eastern Oregon in 1907 to roundup the family's escaped horses, twelve-year-old Wart struggles against great dangers before gaining his father's respect.

Montgomery, Paula (Oregon author)

Adventures of Hazel Weston series Describes the life and adventures of Hazel Weston as she grows up in the wilds of Eastern Oregon.

Morey, Walt (Oregon author)

The Year of the Black Pony A boy growing up in the Oregon country in the early 1900's experiences the death of his father, the remarriage of his mother, and the ultimate attainment of a dream.

Smith, Roland

The Captains Dog Captain Meriwether Lewis's dog Seaman describes his experiences as he accompanies his master on the Lewis and Clark Expedition to explore the uncharted western wilderness.

Smith, Roland and Marie

B is for Beaver: an Oregon Alphabet Each letter of the alphabet is illustrated by objects that are associated with the State of Oregon and accompanied by background information.

Spooner, Michael

Daniel's Walk With little more than a bedroll, a change of clothes, and a Bible, fourteen-year-old Daniel LeBlanc begins walking the Oregon Trail in search of his father who, according to a mysterious visitor, is in big trouble and needs his son's help.

Van Leeuwen, Jean

Bound for Oregon A fictionalized account of the journey made by nine-year-old Mary Ellen Todd and her family from their home in Arkansas westward over the Oregon Trail in 1852.

Wolff, Virginia Euwer (Oregon author)

Bat 6 In small town, post-World War Oregon, twenty-one 6th grade girls recount the story of an annual softball game, during which one girl's bigotry comes to the surface.

Picture Books

Dwyer, Mindy

Coyote in Love A retelling of a Native American legend about Coyote's love for a beautiful blue star, which resulted in the creation of Crater Lake, Oregon

Hopkinson, Deborah

Apples to Oregon A pioneer father transports his beloved fruit trees and his family to Oregon in the mid-nineteenth century. Based loosely on the life of Henderson Luelling.

Rylant, Cynthia (Oregon author)

Tulip Sees America A young man and his dog drive west from Ohio and marvel at the farms of Iowa, the skies of Nebraska, the wind in Wyoming, the mountains of Colorado, the desert in Nevada, and the ocean in Oregon.

Wolfe, Art

1,2,3 Moose: A Pacific Northwest Introduces the numbers one through twenty against a background of photographs and brief text describing animal and plant life found in the Pacific Northwest

Notable Oregon authors whose books aren't set in the Northwest:

Birdseye, Tom

Fletcher, Susan

Salisbury, Graham

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