



WESTWARD EXPANSION 1750 - 1860

Historical Book List

The Erie Canal:

Timmy O'Dowd and the Big Ditch: A Story of the Glory Days on the Old Erie Canal

Hilts, Len
ISBN 0152006060
J Fiction
Chapter book
\$12.99(HC) - Retail
L: 3 R: 5

The Amazing, Impossible Erie Canal

Harness, Cheryl
ISBN 0689825846
J 386.48
Informational picture book
\$6.99(PB) - Retail
L: K R: 3

Westward Bound:

PROJECTS #1,3

Bound for Oregon

Van Leeuwen, Jean
ISBN 0140383190
J Fiction
Historically based fiction
\$5.99(PB) - Retail
L: 3 R: 5

Children of the Westward Trail

Steffoff, Rebecca
ISBN 1562945823
J 978.02
Informational, story format
\$24.90(HC)- Retail
L: 3 R: 6

Daily Life in a Covered Wagon

Erickson, Paul
ISBN 0140562125
J 978
Informational, story format
\$7.99(PB) - Retail
L: 2 R: 4

The Floating House

Sanders, Scott Russell
ISBN 0689830491
E
Picture book
\$5.99(PB) - Retail
L: K R: 3

A Fourth of July on the Plains

Van Leeuwen, Jean
ISBN 0803717717
E
Picture book
\$15.99(HC) - Retail
L: 1 R: 3

Aurora Means Dawn

Sanders, Scott Russell
ISBN 0689819072
E
OOP
L: 1 R: 3

Tree in the Trail

Hollings, Holling C.
ISBN 039554534X
J Fiction
Fiction, chapter book
\$11.95(PB) - Retail
L: 1 R: 4

Life in the West:

PROJECT #2,5

Hannah's Winter of Hope

Van Leeuwen, Jean
0141309504
J Fiction
Reader
\$4.99(PB)
L: 2 R: 4

A Pioneer Sampler: The Daily Life of a Pioneer Family in 1840

Greenwood, Barbara
ISBN 0395883938
J 973.5
\$10.95(PB) - Retail
Informational
L: 3 R: 6

The Cabin Faced West

Fritz, Jean
ISBN 0698119363
J Fiction
Chapter book
\$5.99(PB) - Retail
L: 2 R: 4



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👁️ **Nothing Here But Trees**

Van Leeuwen, Jean
ISBN 0803721781
E
\$15.00(HC) - Retail
L: 1 R: 3

👁️ **Warm as Wool**

Sanders, Scott Russell
ISBN 0689822421
E
Picture book
\$6.99(PB) - Retail
L: K R: 3

📖 **The Sign of the Beaver**

Speare, Elizabeth George
ISBN 0440479002
J Fiction
Fiction, chapter book
\$5.50(PB) - Retail
L: 2 R: 5

Tall Tales:

Mountain Men: True Grit and Tall Tales

Glass, Andrew
ISBN 038532555X
J 978.02
Collection of tall tales
\$15.95(HC) - Retail
L: 2 R: 5

Note: this book contains fun stories, but also some male nudity. Please examine the book before sharing it with your child. The language is interesting and time-period appropriate.

The True Tale of Johnny Appleseed

Hodges, Margaret
ISBN 0823415090
JB Apple
Tall tale, picture book
\$6.95(PB) - Retail
L: K R: 3

John Henry

Lester, Julius
ISBN 0140566228
J 398.21
Tall tale, picture book
\$7.99(PB) - Retail
L: K R: 3

Davy Crockett Saves the World

Schanzer, Rosalyn
ISBN 0688169910
E
Tall Tale
\$16.95(HC) - Retail
L: K R: 3

Louisiana Purchase:

👁️ **What's the Deal?: Jefferson, Napoleon, and the Louisiana Purchase**

Blumberg, Rhoda
ISBN 0792270134
J 973.46
Historical picture book
\$18.95(HC) - Retail
L: 3 R: 6

Lewis and Clark:

PROJECTS #4

📖 **The Incredible Journey of Lewis and Clark**

Blumberg, Rhoda
ISBN 0688144217
J 917.8
Historical picture book
\$11.95(PB) - Retail
L: 3 R: 6

📖👁️ **How We Crossed the West: The Adventures of Lewis & Clark**

Schanzer, Rosalyn
ISBN 0792267265
J 978.02
Historical picture book
\$7.95(PB) - Retail
L: 2 R: 4

Meriwether Lewis and William Clark: Explorers of the Louisiana Purchase

Kozar, Richard
ISBN 0791055132
J 978.02
Chapter book
\$19.75(HC) - Retail
L: 3 R: 5
Note: There is a brief reference about Lewis' drinking and suicide on p. 59. This book is most appropriate in content for 5th grade and up.

War of 1812:

Abigail's Drum

Minahan, John A.
ISBN 0945912250
J Fiction
Reader
\$17.75(HC) - Retail
L: 1 R: 3

👁️ **By Dawn's Early Light**

Kroll, Stephen
ISBN 0590450557
J 973.52
Picture book
\$5.99(PB) - Retail
L: 1 R: 3

👁️ **The Star Spangled Banner**

Spier, Peter (illustrator)
ISBN 0440406978
J 784
Picture book
\$10.95(PB) - Retail
L: 1 R: 3

Old Ironsides: Americans Build a Fighting Ship

Weitzman, Daniel
ISBN 0618311157
J Fiction
Historical picture book
\$6.95(PB) - Retail
L: 2 R: 4

📖 **The War of 1812**

Morris, Richard B.
ISBN 0822517051
J 973.52
Non-fiction
OOP
L: 3 R: 5



Poetry/Fine Arts

Poetry:

See the **Resources** unit for information about the following “across the units” books:

**Favorite Poems Old and New
Hand in Hand**

**The Oxford Book of Children's Verse
The Oxford Book of Children's Verse
in America**

🎧 **Singing Our Way West**

Silverman, Jerry
ISBN 0761304177
J 782.42062
Informational w/music
\$29.40(HC) - Retail
L: 2 R: 4

Fine Arts:

Hiawatha

Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth
(Illustrated by Susan Jeffers)
ISBN 0140558829
J 811
Picture book
\$7.99(PB) – Retail
L: 1 R: 4

Peter Tchaikovsky

Venezia, Mike
ISBN 0516445375
JB
\$6.95(PB) - Retail
L: K R: 3

Tchaikovsky Discovers America

Kalman, Esther
ISBN 0531071685
J Fiction
Chapter book
\$6.95(PB) - Retail
L: 3 R: 5

🎧 **Ballet Suites / Rostropovich, Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra**

Tchaikovsky, Peter
ASIN B000001GX7
\$11.98(CD) - Retail
*Selections from Swan
Lake, The Nutcracker
and Sleeping Beauty*



Science

Also see the following “across the units” science books in your **Resources** unit:

**Science Around the House
365 Simple Science Experiments
Science Around the World
Men of Science—Men of God**

Apples:

PROJECT #7
How Do Apples Grow?
Maestro, Betty
ISBN 0064451178
J 583.372
\$4.99(PB) - Retail
L: 2 R: 3

The Life and Times of the Apple

Micucci, Charles
ISBN 078577999X
J 634.11
\$14.95(HC) - Retail
L: 2 R: 4

Apples

Landau, Elaine
ISBN 0516265717
J 634.11
\$6.95(PB) - Retail
L: 2 R: 4



Boats:

**Boats, Ships, Submarines and Other
Floating Machines**
Graham, Ian
ISBN 1856978672
J 623.82
\$8.95(PB) - Retail
L: 3 R: 5
PROJECT #6

The Great St. Lawrence Seaway

Gibbons, Gail
ISBN 0688069843
J 627.12
\$17.95(HC) – Retail
L: K R: 3

Lighthouses:

Lighthouses: Watchers at Sea
Guiberson, Brenda Z.
ISBN 0805031707
J 387.155
OOP
L: 3 R: 5
PROJECT #8



🎧 **Beacons of**

Light: Lighthouses
Gibbons, Gail
ISBN 0688073794
J 387.155
\$15.95(HC) – Retail
L: K R: 3

Mammals:

PROJECTS #9,10
🎧 **Birth Day: A Celebration of Baby
Animals**
Dekkers, Midas
ISBN 0716765810
J
OOP
L: 2 R: 4

🎧 **Rabbits, Squirrels and Chipmunks**

Boring, Mel
ISBN 1559715790
No call number
\$6.95(PB) - Retail
L: 3 R: 5
*A hands-on project is at the end of
each section.*



🎧 **The Natural World**

Watts, Lisa
ISBN 0746016891
No call number
\$18.95(PB) - Retail
L: 2 R: 5
*This book does contain a section of
evolutionary material, but the other
sections are excellent. See pp. 40-67
for mammals.*

Projects

History:

1. *Going West!*

Johmann, Carol A. and Elizabeth J.Rieth

ISBN 1885593384

J 978.02

\$10.95(PB) - Retail

- Build a canal lock
- Make a treasure trunk
- Build a paddleboat

2. *Pioneer Days*

King, David C.

ISBN 0471161691

J 978

\$12.95(PB) - Retail

- Spongeware clay pots
- Patchwork picture
- Apache scroll
- Salt dough ornaments

3. *Westward Ho!: An Activity Guide to the Wild West*

Carlson, Laurie

ISBN 1556522711

J 978.02

\$14.95(PB) - Retail

- Make your own moccasins
- Create a balance
- Set some type

4. *Lewis and Clark for Kids : Their Journey of Discovery with 21 Activities*

Herbert, Janis

ISBN 1556523742

J 978.02

\$14.95(PB) - Retail

- Learn about longitude and latitude
- Design a tipi
- Make a basket



Note: this book is most appropriate for 5th grade, as it has challenging text and more sophisticated projects.

5. *More than Moccasins*

Carlson, Laurie

ISBN 1556522134

J 973.0497

\$12.95(PB) - Retail

- Create a war bonnets
- Make hunting toys
- Cook some corn soup



Science:

6. *Boats, Ships, Submarines and Other Floating Machines*

- See the effect of upthrust
- Make a water-jet boat
- Demonstrate how a hovercraft works

7. *An Apple a Day!*

Gillis, Jennifer Storey and Patti Delmonte

ISBN 0882668498

J 745.5

\$9.95(PB) - Retail

- Print with apples
- Create apple wreaths
- Grow apple mint

8. *Design a Lighthouse*

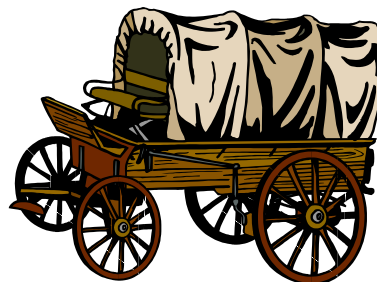
Using *Lighthouses: Watchers at Sea* as a guide, design a lighthouse using legos, blocks or even sugar cubes. If possible, light a candle in the top of the lighthouse. Discuss why certain materials and designs would be more successful than others.

9. *Nature Study*

Check out the local mammals (squirrels, birds, etc.) and document them in a nature study book. Include all of the details that you observe and sketch them, as well. Refer back to your science books and note more about each animal you spot!

10. *Make a diorama*

Choose a specific mammal habitat and make a shoebox diorama. Be sure to include plant life and food sources. Put both the adult and young version of the animal in your diorama.



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