

MULTICULTURAL BOOKS 1925-1985

Education 119 Human Relations

Picture

Baker, Martin. *A Sultana for the Sultan.*

Abelard-Schuman, 1972. CL Pic Bak47s 1973

A Sultan in the Holy Land demands a sweet sultana before he will wage war.

Bemelmans, Ludwig. *Madeline.*

Viking Press, 1939. CL Pic Bem46m

Madeline has to have her appendix removed.

Bemelmans, Ludwig. *Madeline and the Gypsies.*

Viking Press, 1959. CL Pic Bem46mg

The gypsies take Madeline off to the circus, but Miss Clavel comes to rescue her.

Bennet, Richard. *Shawneen and the Gander.*

Doubleday and Co., 1937. CL Pic Ben64s 1961

An Irish boy raises a gander and must search for it when it goes missing.

Bishop, Claire Huchet. *The Five Chinese Brothers.*

Penguin Putnam Books, 1996 (orig. pub. Coward-McCann, 1938). CL Pic Bis56f 1996

Five Chinese brothers each have a different talent which protects them from harm.

Brock, Emma L. *One Little Indian Boy.*

Alfred A. Knopf, 1932. CL Pic Bro24o 1932

An Indian boy gets lost and the village sets out to find him.

Clark, Ann Nolan. *In My Mother's House*.
Viking Press, 1941. CL Pic Cla74i 1963
A story describing the life of Indian children, their house, and their pueblo.

Clark, Ann Nolan. *The Little Indian Basket Maker*.
Melmont Publishers, 1957. CL Pic Cla74l 1957
An Indian girl's grandmother shows her how to weave a mat.

Clark, Ann Nolan. *Looking-for-Something*.
Viking Press, 1952. CL Pic Cla74l 1952
A young burro goes astray from his mother and wanders in Ecuador, looking for something – but he doesn't know what. Finally a young boy takes him home, and the burro is happy.

Clark, Ann Nolan. *Tia Maria's Garden*.
Viking Press, 1963. CL Pic Cla74t 1963
A boy and his aunt explore nature in the desert.

Coutant, Helen. *First Snow*.
Alfred A. Knopf, 1974. CL Pic Cou82f 1974.
A Vietnamese immigrant to New England has her first experiences with winter and with death.

D'Aulaire, Ingri and Edgar Parin. *Children of the Northlights*.
Viking Press, 1962. CL Pic Dau42c 1962
Two little girls live on a mountain in Norway and go down into the village to start school.

D'Aulaire, Ingri and Edgar Parin. *Leif the Lucky*.
Doubleday, Doran, and Co., Inc., 1941. CL Pic Dau 1941
Based on Leif, son of Erik the Red, who sailed west and found America.

DePaola, Tomie. *The Legend of Old Befana*.
Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich, 1980. CL Pic Dep36l 1980
Old Befana, an Italian woman, searches for baby Jesus to give him a gift.

De Paola, Tomie. *The Clown of God*.

Harcourt, Brace, and Jovanovich, 1978. CL Pic Dep36c 1978
A man juggles for years until he can't juggle anymore, then takes refuge in a church where he juggles one last time for a statue of baby Jesus.

Ets, Marie Hall. *Nine Days to Christmas*.
Viking Press, 1959. CL Pic Et7n 1959
A Mexican girl gets a piñata for Christmas.

Goble, Paul. *The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses*.
Bradbury Press, 1978. CL Pic Gob54g 1978
An Indian girl loves horses, and when she gets lost in a storm, the horses let her take shelter with them.

Innocenti, Roberto. *Rose Blanche*.
Stewart, Tabori, and Chang, 1985.
A little German girl smuggles food to concentration camp prisoners outside her town in WWII Germany.

Kurelek, William. *A Northern Nativity*.
Tundra Books, 1976. CL Pic Kur45n 1984
Based on this Canadian author's dreams of the nativity when he was a child. He imagines the holy family in many different cultural settings.

Lawrence, John. *The King of the Peacocks*.
Thomas Y. Crowell Co., 1971. CL Pic Law74k 1971
An old British tale about Princess Rosetta, who says she will marry no one but the King of the Peacocks, and how her brothers find him.

Lindman, Maj. *Snip, Snapp, Snurr and the Red Shoes*.
Albert Whitman and Co., 1962. CL Pic Lin46s 1962
Three Swedish boys set out to buy their mother red shoes.

McDermott, Gerald. *Arrow to the Sun*.
Viking Press, 1974. CL Pic Mcd47a 1974
An Indian boy sets off to find his father, the Sun.

Miles, Miska. *Annie and the Old One*.

Little, Brown, and Co., 1971. CL Pic Mil47a 1971
A Navaho girl learns to accept that her grandmother is dying.

Mosel, Arlene. *The Funny Little Woman*.
E. P. Dutton, 1972. CL Pic Mos45f 1972
An old Japanese woman falls under the earth and becomes servant to the oni who live there, but she escapes back to her house.

Politi, Leo. *Pedro, the Angel of Olvera Street*.
Charles Scribner's Sons, 1946. CL Pic Pol58p 1946
Pedro, a Mexican boy growing up in Los Angeles, prepares for Christmas.

Politi, Leo. *Song of the Swallows*.
Charles Scribner's Sons, 1949. CL Pic Pol58s 1949
A Mexican boy learns about the migration of swallows.

Prieto, Mariana. *The Wise Rooster*.
John Day Co., 1962. CL Pic Pri38w 1962
The Spanish legend of the night the animals talked, told here both in English and in Spanish.

Probst, Pierre. *Caroline in Europe*.
Golden Press, 1960. CL Pic Pro28c 1960
Caroline and her animal friends travel through France, Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, and Italy.

Reesink, Maryke. *The Golden Treasure*.
Harcourt, Brace, and World, Inc., 1968. CL Pic Ree84g 1968
A sea captain sets off to find a treasure to restore life to a dying Dutch seaport town.

Steiner, Charlotte. *A Friend is "Amie."*
Alfred A. Knopf, 1956. CL Pic Ste45f 1956
An immigrant French girl makes friends with an American girl and they teach each other words in French and English.

Singer, Isaac Bashevis. *The Fearsome Inn*.
Charles Scribner's Sons, 1967. CL Pic Sin44f 1967

Evil innkeepers in Poland have three young girls as slaves, but three young men come and break the spell over them.

Yarbrough, Camille. *Cornrows*.

Coward-McCann, Inc., 1979. CL Pic Yar37c 1979

An African American girl learns the symbolism of cornrows while her grandmother braids her hair.

Yashima, Taro. *Crow Boy*.

Viking Press, 1955. CL Pic Yas55c 1955

A boy in a Japanese village has trouble with school until a teacher appreciates his talent.

Zemach, Margot. *It Could Always be Worse*.

Farrar, Straus, and Giroux, 1976. CL Pic Zem33i 1976

A Jewish man goes to his Rabbi for advice on what to do with his crowded, noisy family.

Easy Reader

Friskey, Margaret. *Indian Two Feet and His Horse*.

Childrens Press, 1959. CL ER Fri84i 1959

An Indian boy finds a lame horse and nurses it back to health.

Hoff, Syd. *Little Chief*.

Harper and Row, 1961. CL ER Hof41 1961

An Indian boy befriends animals and saves white settlers from a stampede of buffalo.

Hood, Flora Mae. *Something for the Medicine Man*.

Melmont Publishers, 1962. CL ER Hoo3s

Based on a true story of people on a Cherokee reservation in North Carolina.

Sandin, Joan. *The Long Way to a New Land*.

Harper Trophy, 1981. CL ER San35l 1981

A Swedish family's journey as they immigrate to America.

Vacheron, Edith, and Virginia Kahl. *More about Henri!*
Charles Scribner's Sons, 1961. CL ER Vac54m 1961
A French boy Henri and his cat eat lunch together and then go to town.

Fiction

And Everywhere, Children! An International Story Festival.
Greenwillow Books, 1979. CL Fic And0a 1979
Stories from many countries, including Ethiopia, Australia, Holland, Norway,
and more.

Banks, Lynne Reid. *The Indian in the Cupboard.*
Doubleday, 1981. CL Fic Ban57i 1981
A boy gets a cupboard and a toy Indian for his birthday – and the Indian comes
to life.

Bannerman, Helen. *The Jumbo Sambo.*
Frederick A. Stokes Company, 1904. CL Fic Ban64j 1942
Stories of little black Sambo.

Benary-Isbert, Margot. *The Ark.*
Harcourt, Brace, and World, Inc., 1953. CL Fic Ben37a
Four children and their mother are refugees in West Germany who build a
house for themselves and call it Noah's Ark.

Benary-Isbert, Margot. *The Long Way Home.*
Harcourt, Brace and Co., 1959. CL Fic Ben37l
Thirteen-year-old Christoph lives with his foster aunt in Germany, then
journeys to the US to live with a new family.

Benary-Isbert, Margot. *Rowan Farm.*
Harcourt, Brace, and World, Inc., 1954. CL Fic Ben37r
The continued story of *The Ark*, Margaret is a maid at Rowan Farm in Germany
in 1948 and falls in love.

Bishop, Claire Huchet. *All Alone.*

Viking Press, 1953. CL Fic Bis56a
Two boys tending cows in the Alps become friends and show the village that
“every man for himself” is the wrong philosophy.

Buff, Mary, and Conrad. *Magic Maize*.
Houghton Mifflin Co., 1953. CL Fic Buf4
A Guatemalan Indian boy plants corn from white men, even though they don't
trust the ways of gringos.

Chrisman, Arthur Bowie. *Shen of the Sea*.
E. P. Dutton and Co., 1925. CL Fic Chr57s
Chinese children's stories – won a Newberry medal in 1925.

Clark, Ann Nolan. *A Santo for Pasqualita*.
Viking Press, 1959. CL Fic Cla74s 1959
An orphan girl is adopted by an old couple.

Clark, Ann Nolan. *Secret of the Andes*.
Viking Press, 1952. CL Fic Cla74s
An Indian boy Cusi searches for his family, but then chooses to remain with
his old teacher, Chuto.

Credle, Ellis. *The Flop-Eared Hound*.
Oxford University Press, 1938. CL Fic Cre34f 1938
Lonely little Boot-jack finds a flop-eared dog to be his friend.

Dodge, Mary Mapes. *Hans Brinker, or, The Silver Skates*.
Grosset and Dunlap, 1945. CL Fic Dod44h
The story of Hans Brinker, a boy in Holland.

Farjeon, Eleanor. *The Little BookRoom*.
Henry Z. Walck, 1955. CL Fic Far54l
British short stories, from donkeys to peasants to kings.

Hull, Eleanor. *The Turquoise Horse*.
Friendship Press, 1955. CL Fic Hul5t

Yazi is a Navaho boy raised by Christian parents. He must learn to reconcile and practice both beliefs.

Hurwitz, Johanna. *Once I was a Plum Tree.*

William Morrow and Company, 1980. CL Fic Hur85o 1980

A non-practicing Jewish girl in the Bronx learns about her religion from new Jewish immigrants.

Irwin, Hadley. *We are Mesquakie, We are One.*

The Feminist Press, 1980. CL Fic Irw56w

The Mesquakie Indians refuse to accept reservation life.

Justus, May. *New Boy in School.*

Hastings House Publishers, 1963. CL Fic Jus79n 1963

A young black boy moves to a new school of predominantly white children.

Krumgold, Joseph. *...And Now, Miguel.*

Thomas Y. Crowell Co., 1953. CL Fic Kru43a 1953

Based on a true story of Miguel Chavez, a boy with a wish who grows up in New Mexico.

Lewis, Elizabeth Foreman. *Young Fu of the Upper Yangtze.*

Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Inc., 1932. CL Fic Lew57y 1960.

Yung Fu goes to be apprenticed to a copper smith and prove his worth.

McGavran, Grace W. *Yakima Boy.*

Friendship Press, 1952. CL Fic Mcg38y

Denny and Lester are Yakima Indians. One wants to be a medicine man and one wants to follow Christian tradition.

O'Dell, Scott. *Island of the Blue Dolphins.*

Houghton Mifflin Co., 1960. CL Fic Ode44i

Based on the story of a young Indian girl who survived 18 years alone on an island.

O'Dell, Scott. *Sing Down the Moon.*

Dell Publishing Co., 1970. CL Fic Ode44s

Based on events in 1863-1865 when soldiers forced Navaho Indians to migrate to Fort Sumner.

Prishvin, M. *The Treasure Trove of the Sun.*

Viking Press, 1952. CL Fic Pri83t 1952

An orphaned brother and sister in Russia have a close call in a swamp.

Shannon, Monica. *Dobry.*

Viking Press, 1934. CL Fic Sha55d

Dobry is a Bulgarian boy whose mother wants him to become a farmer, but he wants to be an artist.

Singer, Isaac Bashevis. *The Fools of Chelm and Their History.*

Farrar, Straus, and Giroux, 1973. CL Fic Sin44f 1988

The poor people of Chelm try to solve their problems with a war, and revolt, and finally, industry and government.

Singer, Isaac Bashevis. *The Golem.*

Farrar, Straus, and Giroux, 1982. CL Fic Sin44g 1982

The golem is a clay giant that is supposed to help the Jews in time of need, but it gets out of their control. A young girl is finally able to stop the golem and save the Jews in Prague.

Singer, Isaac Bashevis. *Zlateh the Goat.*

Harper and Row, 1966. CL Fic Sin45z 1966

Seven short tales based on Jewish folklore and legends.

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