

## Historical Fiction Picture Books

### WESTWARD HO

The following titles are located in the Picture Book (JE) Collection, alphabetically under the author's last name.

Ackerman, Karen. [Araminta's paint box](#)

When her family moves from Boston to California in 1847, Araminta and her paintbox become separated, but through a series of new owners, the paintbox finds its way to California.

Applegate, Katherine. [The buffalo storm](#)

When Hallie and her parents join a wagon train to Oregon and leave her grandmother behind, Hallie must learn to face the storms that frighten her so, as well as other, newer fears, with just her grandmother's quilt to comfort her.

Bunting, Eve. [Train to somewhere](#)

In the late 1800's, Marianne travels westward on the Orphan Train in hopes of being placed with a caring family.

Bunting, Eve. [Washday](#)

One sunny Saturday in 1889, Lizzie helps her grandmother scrub, boil, rinse, and hang loads of laundry, although she would rather be having a tea party with her best friend, Lucy, and their dolls, Amelia Cordelia and Belinda Lavinia.

Glass, Andrew. [Folks call me Appleseed John](#)

A fictionalized account describing how John Chapman was joined in the western Pennsylvania wilderness by his half-brother Nathaniel, who was unprepared for John's spartan lifestyle and unusual ways.

Harvey, Brett. [My prairie Christmas](#)

On the first Christmas after Eleanor's family moves to a house on the prairie, everyone becomes worried when Papa goes out to cut down a Christmas tree and does not come back.

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.

Hopkinson. [A packet of seeds](#)

When a pioneer family moves west the mother misses home so much that she will not even name the new baby until her daughter thinks of just the right thing to cheer her up.

Levitin, Sonia. [Boom town](#)

After her family moves to California where her father goes to work in the gold fields, Amanda decides to make her own fortune baking pies and she encourages others to provide the necessary services--from a general store to a school--that enables her town to prosper.

Levitin, Sonia. [Nine for California](#)

Amanda travels by stagecoach with her four siblings and her mother from Missouri to California to join her father.

Levitin, Sonia. [Taking charge](#)

When her mother has to leave home suddenly, Amanda learns how demanding it is to run a household and care for a baby.

Turner. [Dakota dugout](#)

A woman describes her experiences living with her husband in a sod house on the Dakota prairie.

Wilder, Laura Ingalls. [Christmas in the big woods](#)

A young pioneer girl and her family celebrate Christmas in their cabin in the Wisconsin woods.

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