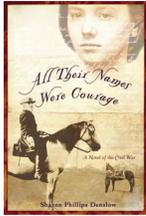


United States Historical Fiction *Civil War & Slavery*

for
Middle Readers
9-12 years old

Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt

Jethro stays home to help tend the family farm in Illinois, while his brothers go off to fight in the Civil War, and finds that the war also has a big impact on those not on the battlefield.



All Their Names Were Courage: A Novel of the Civil War by Sharon Phillips Denslow

A young girl who loves horses communicates by letter with her brother and other soldiers, both Confederate and Union, to find out about their horses and what is happening in the war.

Bull Run by Paul Fleischman

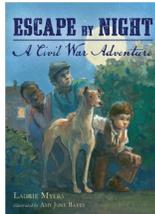
A number of men and women from the North and the South – both soldiers and civilians – relate their experiences during the Civil War.

Eliza's Freedom Road: an Underground Railroad Diary by Jerdine Nolen

When she finds that she may be sold, a young slave runs away with hope of finding freedom in Canada.

Escape by Night: A Civil War Adventure by Laurie Myers

In Georgia, a young boy and his dog rescue a notebook dropped by a soldier, discover that it belongs to a Yankee, and must decide whether to help the man.



The Ever-After Bird by Ann Rinaldi

Cecilia travels with her uncle, an ornithologist in search of a rare bird, from Pennsylvania to Georgia in 1851 and realizes that they are really trying to help slaves discover the way to the Underground Railroad.

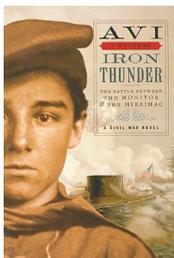
Freedom Stone by Jeffrey Kluger

Lillie's father joins the Confederate Army with the promise that his family will be freed from slavery if he serves, but when he is killed in battle, the family is told they cannot have their freedom.

Hear the Wind Blow by Mary Downing Hahn

A thirteen-year-old boy and his younger sister leave their home after it is burned and search for relatives to take care of them during the Civil War.

Iron Thunder: the Battle between the Monitor and the Merrimac by Avi



Thirteen-year-old Tom takes a job at the ironworks in Brooklyn, New York, where the iron ship called the Monitor is being built to battle in the Civil War. He soon finds himself caught between knowing the top secret nature of the design and the Confederate trying to bribe him to discover those secrets.

The Journal of Rufus Rowe: a witness to the Battle of Fredricksburg by Sid Hite (*find under Dear America*)

Rufus runs away from home and goes to Fredricksburg where he witnesses the horrible cruelty of war.

Juliet's Moon by Ann Rinaldi

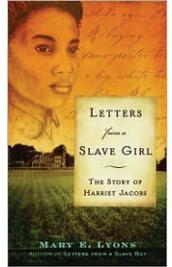
Twelve-year-old Juliet is accused of spying for the Confederates and is taken hostage by the Yankees. She tries to survive after her father dies and her brother fights with the Quantrill's Raiders during the Civil War.

Letters from a Slave Boy: The Story of Joseph Jacobs by Mary Lyons

Joseph, born into slavery, travels north in search of his mother and experiences life in Massachusetts before going to California to avoid captivity.

Letters from a Slave Girl: the story of Harriet Jacobs by Mary Lyons

This fictional story is based on true events in the life of Harriet Jacobs, who planned her escape to the North in 1842, though it required years of living hidden in a small space behind a wall.



The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P.Figg by W.R. Philbrick

Homer has quite an adventure after leaving his home in Maine with hope of rescuing his older brother who was sold to the Union Army by their cruel uncle.

My Vicksburg by Ann Rinaldi

This is the story of the battle at Vicksburg, Mississippi, as told by thirteen-year-old Claire when her family had to hide in a cave during the Union siege on that city.

The Perilous Road by William Steele

Chris hates that the Yankees have invaded his home state of Tennessee. He spies for the Confederacy and tells about the Yankees encampment nearby not realizing that his brother is part of the Union troops.

Second Sight by Gary Blackwood

Joseph and his father pose as mind readers, but when Joseph meets Cassandra and she is having visions of something horrible happening to Abraham Lincoln, the two try to decipher the visions with hope of saving the president.

Steal Away by Jennifer Armstrong

Years later, a black girl and a white girl who ran away from a Southern town in 1855 to make their way north to freedom, tell the story of their dangerous journey.

The Storm Before Atlanta by Karen Schwabach

Jeremy, an indentured servant in New York, runs away to serve in the war and meets a young Confederate soldier and a runaway slave along the way, while he also witnesses the horror of battle and its consequences.

Underground by Jean Ferris

When her master dies, Charlotte is sold and moved to Kentucky where she meets Stephen who works in Mammoth Cave and becomes involved in helping runaway slaves.