

Resources Document for Carrie Pearson's Rochester Writers
Conference 2020 presentation *Fiction, Nonfiction and Shades
of Grey In Between*



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Books from the talk in alpha order

Albie's First Word: A Tale Inspired by Albert Einstein's Childhood
written by Jacqueline Tourville, illustrated by Wynne Evans
Schwartz & Wade (October 28, 2014)

A Cool Summer Tail
written by Carrie A. Pearson, illustrated by Christina Wald
Sylvan Dell now Arbordale (2014)

A Warm Winter Tail
written by Carrie A. Pearson, illustrated by Christina Wald
Sylvan Dell now Arbordale (2012)

Ben Franklin's Big Splash The Mostly True Story of His First Invention
written by Barb Rosenstock, illustrated by S.D. Schindler
Calkins Creek (September 1, 2014)

Carnivores
written by Aaron Reynolds, illustrated by Dan Santat
Chronicle Books (August 20, 2013)

Finding Winnie The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear
by Lindsay Mattick Sophie Blackall
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers; 1st Edition edition (October 20, 2015)

Flower Talk How Plants Use Color to Communicate
by Sara Levine and Masha D'yans
Millbrook Press TM (March 5, 2019)

I Am Biography Series
by Brad Meltzer and Christopher Eliopoulos
Dial Books; First Edition/First Printing edition (January 5, 2016)

If You Hopped Like a Frog (series)
by David M. Schwartz and James Warhola
Scholastic Press; 1 edition (September 1, 1999)

I, Fly The Buzz About Flies and How Awesome They Are
by Bridget Heos, illustrated by Jennifer Plecas
Henry Holt and Co. (BYR); First edition (May 12, 2015)

Locomotive
Floca, Brian
Atheneum/Richard Jackson Books; First Edition edition (September 3, 2013)

Moments in Science Series
written by Darcy Pattison, illustrated by Peter Willis
Erosion How Hugh Bennett Saved America's Soil and Ended the Dust Bowl
POLLEN Darwin's 130-Year Prediction
Clang! Ernst Chladni's Sound Experiments
Eclipse How the 1919 Solar Eclipse Proved Einstein's Theory of General Relativity
Burn Michael Faraday's Candle

Old Rock (Is Not Boring)
Deb Pilutti
G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers (February 4, 2020)

Over in Motown
Debbie Taylor, illustrated by Keisha Morris
Fifth Avenue Press (2020)

Path to the Stars My Journey from Girl Scout to Rocket Scientist
Sylvia Acevedo
Clarion Books (September 4, 2018)

Radiant Child The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat
by Javaka Steptoe
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers; First Edition edition (October 25, 2016)

Redwoods
Jason Chin
Square Fish; Reprint edition (May 26, 2015)

Sea Bear: A Journey for Survival
Lindsey Moore
Greenwillow Books (January 22, 2019)

Stretch to the Sun From a Tiny Sprout to the Tallest Tree On Earth
written by Carrie A Pearson, illustrated by Susan Swan
Charlesbridge, October 2018

Sun! One in a Billion (Our Universe Book 2/4)
written by Stacy McAnulty, illustrated by Stevie Lewis
Henry Holt and Co. (BYR) (October 23, 2018)

The First Men Who Went to the Moon
written by Rhonda Gowler Greene, illustrated by Scott Brundage
Sleeping Bear Press (March 15, 2019)

The Journey of York, the Unsung Hero of the Lewis and Clark Expedition
written by Hasan Davis, illustrated by Alleanna Harris
Capstone Editions, January 1, 2019

The Magic School Bus: Lost in the Solar System
written by Joanna Cole, illustrated by Bruce Degen
Scholastic Press (February 1, 1992)

The Undefeated
written by Kwame Alexander, illustrated by Kadir Nelson
Versify (April 2, 2019)

The Wondrous Workings of Planet Earth Understanding Our World and Its Ecosystems
Rachel Ignotofsky
Ten Speed Press (September 18, 2018)

Helpful nonfiction-related sources:

Common Core State Standards website <http://www.corestandards.org/>
Next Generations State Standards website <https://www.nextgenscience.org/>
Melissa Stewart's Celebrate Science blog and her post + comments about informational fiction
<http://celebratescience.blogspot.com/> Wednesday, January 23, 2019 Is It Fiction or Nonfiction? A
Twitterchat
good nonfiction + fiction blog by librarians: <https://groggorg.blogspot.com/>
nonfiction detectives blog/review: currently on hiatus but their archives are great
<http://www.nonfictiondetectives.com/2020/01/we-are-saying-goodbye.html>
amazing librarian, Betsy Bird's blog, A Fuse #8 Production

Setting up custom Google searches with notifications: <https://literaryfusions.com/2015/02/18/did-you-know-google-custom-search-engine/>

Research related to children's choice and NF

3.6 Minutes per Day The Scarcity of Informational Texts in First Grade

Nell K. Duke

International Literacy Association

First published 09 November 2011 <https://doi.org/10.1598/RRQ.35.2.1>

Fact or Fiction? Children's Preferences for Real Versus Make-Believe Stories

Barnes, Jennifer L.; Bernstein, Emily; Bloom, Paul

Imagination, Cognition and Personality, Volume 34 (3) 16 – Mar 1, 2015

<https://www.deepdyve.com/lp/sage/fact-or-fiction-children-s-preferences-for-real-versus-make-believe-i6K8HBIWhX?>

Generation M Media In the Lives of 8-18 Year Olds

Kaiser Family Foundation

2005

<https://kaiserfamilyfoundation.files.wordpress.com/2013/01/generation-m-media-in-the-lives-of-8-18-year-olds-report.pdf>

Fact or Fiction? Children Want Their Nonfiction Books, Adults May Be Their Barriers

Heather Simpson | May 04, 2018

Room To Read

<https://www.roomtoread.org/the-latest/fact-or-fiction-children-want-their-non-fiction-books-adults-may-be-their-barriers/>