
CHILDREN'S LITERARY RESOURCES

SELECTED REFERENCE BOOKS

***Best Books for Children* – Ref. Z 1037 .G46 2006**

***Best Books for Middle and Junior High Readers* – Ref. Z 1037 .G482 2004**

***Best Books for High School Readers* – Ref. Z 1037 .G4816 2004**

These resources provide comprehensive lists of recommended books by subject and grade level, intended to support the school curriculum and suggest recreational reading. Reviews from professional source materials are included.

***Best Books for Kids Who Think They Hate to Read* – Ref. Z 1037 A1 B17 2001** Sorted by age level, these recommended books provide the following information: an excerpt from the text, a synopsis, an explanation of why each book would appeal to a reluctant reader, who might like the book, and suggestions for similar reading.

***A Guide to Canadian Children's Books* – Ref. Z 1378 .B35 2003** A guide to the best books by Canadian authors and illustrators. Each brief entry includes a plot summary, a critical assessment, and ideas on the story's pertinence to kids' interest and needs.

SELECTED WEB SITES

***Book Spot* – <http://www.bookspot.com>** An excellent source for reviews, award lists, recommended reading lists, author biographies, and more. Fiction and nonfiction for children, young adults, and adults are included.

***CM: Canadian Review of Materials* – <http://www.umanitoba.ca/cm/>** This online magazine reviews books, video and audio recordings, and CD-ROMs for children and young adults. The materials reviewed have a Canadian author, illustrator, or subject.

***Carol Hurst's Children's Literature* – <http://www.carolhurst.com>** This site includes reviews of great books for kids, suggests themes and activities to use in the classroom pertaining to each story, and recommends related books for additional reading.

***Education Oasis* – <http://www.educationoasis.com>** A site that provides reviews of fiction and nonfiction for children. There are also ideas, tips, and techniques for incorporating children's literature into the curriculum.

No Flying, No Tights – <http://www.noflyingnotights.com/index.html> A resource for reviews of graphic novels for teens. The main page includes links to *Sidekicks*, a site devoted to the review of graphic novels for children, and to *The Lair*, featuring graphic novel reviews for older teens and adults.

Passport: International Children's Literature – <http://passport.imaginarylands.org> A source for information on international children's books from a U.S. perspective. It covers books translated into English, books written or published in a foreign country, books set in a foreign country, and books written by immigrants to the U.S.