

Africa Reading List

Preschool and Elementary

A is for Africa (Ages 3-7)

Ifeoma Onyefulu

(Penguin Young Readers Group, 1997)

A Story, A Story (Ages 4-8)

Gail E. Hailey

(Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing, 1988)

Abiyoyo (Ages 5-8)

Based of a South African Lullaby and Folk Story

Pete Seeger

(Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing, 1994)

Africa Dream (Ages 5-8)

Eloise Greenfield

(HarperCollins Publishers, 1992)

Anansi the Spider: A Tale from the Ashanti (Ages 5-8)

Gerald McDermott

(Henry Holt and Company, 1987)

Ashanti to Zulu: African Traditions (Ages 5-8)

Margaret Musgrove

(Penguin Young Readers Group, 1992)

Africa Is Not a Country (8-11)

Margy Burns Knight

(Lerner Publishing Group, 2002)

Beatrice's Goat (Ages 4-8)

Page McBrier

(Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing, 2004)

Bintou's Braids (Ages 4-8)

Sylvaine A. Diouf

(Chronicle Books LLC, 2004)

Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain: A Nandi Tale (Ages 5-8)

Verna Aardema

(Dial, 1981)

Circle Unbroken: The Story of a Basket and its People (Ages 5-10)
Margot Theis Raven
(Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2004)

Count Your Way through Africa (Ages 6-9)
James S. Haskins
(Lerner publishing Group, 1990)

Eyewitness: Africa (5-12)
Yvonne Ayo
(DK Publishing, Inc., 2000)

Faraway Home (Ages 6-9)
E.B. Lewis
(Harcourt Children's Books, 2000)

Good Morning, Africa! (Ages 4-8)
Our Amazing Continents (series)
(Lerner Publishing Group, 2003)

Gugu's House (Ages 5-8)
Catherine Stock
(Houghton Mifflin Company, 2001)

Here Comes Our Bride!: An African Wedding Story (Ages 4-8)
Ifeoma Onyefulu
(Publishers' Group West, 2004)

Jambo Means Hello: Swahili Alphabet Book (Ages 5-8)
Muriel and Tom Feelings
(Penguin Young Readers Group, 1992)

Magic Gourd (Ages 4-7)
Baba Wague Diakite
(Scholastic, 2003)

Masai and I (Ages 5-7)
Virginia Kroll
(Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing, 1997)

Moja Means One: Swahili Counting Book (Ages 4-8)
Muriel and Tom Feelings
(Penguin Young Readers Group, 1976)

My Painted House, My Friendly Chicken and Me (Ages 6-9)

Maya Angelou

(Alfred A. Knopf, 2003)

Once Upon a Time (Ages 4-8)

Niki Daly

(Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2003)

Safari Animals (Preschool)

Paul Hess

(Zero to Ten, 2001)

When Africa Was Home (Ages 4-8)

Karen Lynn Williams

(Scholastic, Inc., 1994)

Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears: A West African Tale (Ages 4-8)

Verna Aardema

(Penguin Young Readers Group, 1992)

Zomo the Rabbit: A Trickster Tale from West Africa (Ages 5-8)

Gerald McDermott

(Harcourt Children's Books, 1996)

Middle and High School

Chanda's Secret

Allan Stratton

(Annick Press, 2004)

The Heaven Shop

Deborah Ellis

(Fitzhenry & Whiteside, Limited; 2005)

Girl Named Disaster

Nancy Farmer

(Penguin Young Readers Group, 1998)

Kaffir Boy: The True Story of a Black Youth's Coming of Age in Apartheid South Africa

Mark Mathabane

(Free Press, 1998)

Out of Bounds: Seven Stories of Conflict and Hope

Beverley Naidoo

(HarperCollins, 2003)

No More Strangers Now: Young Voices from a New South Africa

Tim McKee

(DK Publishing, 1998)

Saba: Under the Hyena's Foot

Jane Kurtz

(Pleasant Company, 2003)

Somehow Tenderness Survives: Stories of Southern Africa

Hazel Rochman

(HarperCollins Children's Books, 1990)

Talking Drums: A Selection of Poems from Africa South of the Sahara

Veronique Tadjo

(Bloomsbury, 2004)