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Picture books aren't just for little kids. They are powerful and engaging texts that can help all middle school students succeed in language arts, math, science, social studies, and the arts. Picture books appeal to students of all readiness levels, interests, and learning styles. Featuring descriptions and activities for fifty exceptional titles, Mary Jo Fresch and Peggy Harkins offer a wealth of ideas for harnessing the power of picture books to improve reading and writing in the content areas. The authors provide a synopsis of each title along with discipline-specific and cross-curricular activities that illustrate how picture books can be used to supplement--and sometimes even replace--traditional textbooks. They also offer title suggestions that create a "text set" of supporting resources. By incorporating picture books into the classroom, teachers across the disciplines can introduce new topics into their curriculum, help students develop nonfiction literacy skills, provide authentic and meaningful cultural perspectives, and help meet a wide range of learning needs.

Home Learning Year by Year, Revised and Updated Crown

Reprint of the original, first published in 1862.

An improved dictionary: English and French, and French and English Beard Books

While rehearsing what may be the last show in the Ethel Merman Theater, twelve-year-old Monica Garcia and other cast members are locked in and must try to appease a ghost and reverse a curse.

Notes BoD - Books on Demand

One of the Best Books of the Year: Janet Maslin, *The New York Times* *Vulture* NPR "Social Creature is a wicked original with echoes of the greats (Patricia Highsmith, Gillian Flynn)." —Janet Maslin, *The New York Times* For readers of Gillian Flynn and Donna Tartt, a dark, propulsive and addictive debut thriller, splashed with all the glitz and glitter of New York City.

They go through both bottles of champagne right there on the High Line, with nothing but the stars over them... They drink and Lavinia tells Louise about all the places they will go together, when they finish their stories, when they are both great writers—to Paris and to Rome and to Trieste... Lavinia will never go. She is going to die soon. Louise has nothing. Lavinia has everything. After a chance encounter, the two spiral into an intimate, intense, and possibly toxic friendship. A Talented Mr. Ripley for the digital age, this seductive story takes a classic tale of obsession and makes it irresistibly new.

Death by Opera Macmillan

Beep! Beep! go the taxis. Voof! go the velvet curtains. The Nutcracker ballet and New York City's David H. Koch Theater come to life in this onomatopoeic representation of a little girl's experience at the ballet. From the swish of her dress and the tick-tick-tick of the conductor's baton to the twelve bongs of the clock and the pitter-patter of dancers' feet, this special evening is filled with sensory treats for the eyes

and especially the ears. And did she enjoy the ballet? The answer is a big smooch on her father's cheek. Written by Mireille Messier, *Nutcracker Night* is a celebration of a Christmas classic that is often a child's first experience of the ballet. Award-winning illustrator Gabrielle Grimard infuses each scene with warm holiday colors and a richness that will make young readers feel they are really there. An author's note enriches the text with further information and a brief summary of the famous ballet.

The Horn Book Guide to Children's and Young Adult Books Corwin Press

Whether you are planning a romantic Italian getaway, packing a knapsack for your junior year abroad, or just want to engage your Italian business associate in everyday conversation, *Italian Made Simple* is the perfect book for any self-learner. Void of all the non-essentials and refreshingly easy to understand, *Italian Made Simple* includes: * basics of grammar * vocabulary building exercises * pronunciation aids * common expressions * word puzzles and language games * contemporary reading selections * Italian culture and history * economic information * Italian-English and English-Italian dictionaries Complete with drills, exercises, and answer keys for ample practice opportunities, *Italian Made Simple* will soon have you speaking Italian like a native.

Fin, Fur and Feather Lulu.com

Most of our experience is visual. We obtain most of our information and knowledge through sight, whether from reading books and newspapers, from watching television or from quickly glimpsing road signs. Many of our judgements and decisions, concerning where we live, what we shall drive and sit on and what we wear, are based on

what places, cars, furniture and clothes look like. Much of our entertainment and recreation is visual, whether we visit art galleries, cinemas or read comics. This book concerns that visual experience. Why do we have the visual experiences we have? Why do the buildings, cars, products and advertisements we see look the way they do? How are we to explain the existence of different styles of paintings, different types of cars and different genres of film? How are we to explain the existence of different visual cultures? This book begins to answer these questions by explaining visual experience in terms of visual culture. The strengths and weaknesses of traditional means of analysing and explaining visual culture are examined and assessed. Using a wide range of historical and contemporary examples, it is argued that the groups which artists and designers form, the audiences and markets which they sell to, and the different social classes which are produced and reproduced by art and design are all part of the successful explanation and critical evaluation of visual culture.

Classic Love Anchor

The popularity of *The Lord of the Rings* echoes a similar work about a ring with magical powers. This work is known as *The Ring of the Nibelung*, and it consists of four separate operas. Also known as the Ring Cycle, it was the crowning point of the career of the 19th century German composer Richard Wagner. Wagner was somewhat of a late bloomer in music. His first major composition was performed when he was nearly 30, and the Ring Cycle premiered when he was 53. While Richard Wagner was among the world's greatest composers, he was not a particularly good person. He didn't repay borrowed money, he bore grudges

against people who had done favors for him, he was unfaithful to his first wife, and he took his second wife away from her husband. He remains fascinating and controversial today. Tens of thousands of books and articles have been written about him.

Comprehension Strategies for Your K-6 Literacy Classroom Simon and Schuster

Giuseppe Verdi was born in obscurity in a tiny Italian village in 1813. When he died in 1901, hundreds of thousands of people turned out to pay their respects to the man whom many people consider as the best opera composer of all time. His career spanned more than half a century and included such successes as *Rigoletto*, *La Traviata*, *Il Trovatore*, *Otello*, *Falstaff*, and *Aida*, the most often-performed work at New York's Metropolitan Opera. Yet when he applied at a famous music school in Milan, he was turned down because he was "lacking in musical talent." He not only proved the school wrong but became an important figure in Italian politics during the turbulent era when the scattered provinces came together to form a new nation. Along the way, he overcame obstacles such as the death of his first wife and two small children and the humiliation of being booed during the premiere of one of his early operas.

Chamber Music Pajama Press Inc.

After a series of sometimes funny and sometimes heartbreaking missteps in her first year of living in New York, Sophie must learn to stand up for herself and concentrate on her first true love: hip-hop.

A Night In Brooklyn John Benjamins Publishing

Having survived her entanglement in a murder plot at the Metropolitan Opera, violinist Julia Kogan finds herself once

more in operatic turmoil at the Santa Fe Opera. Against the breathtaking backdrop of mystical New Mexico and the elegant contemporary outdoor Santa Fe Opera Theatre, chaos ensues, as murderous activities plague the performers on stage and off.

The Lotus Bravo! Brava! A Night at the Opera

Italian poet, novelist, literary critic and translator Cesare Pavese (1908-1950) is generally recognized as one of the most important writers of his period. Between the years 1929 and 1933, Pavese enjoyed a rich correspondence with his Italian American friend, the musician and educator Antonio Chiuminatto (1904-1973). The nature of this correspondence is primarily related to Pavese's thirst to learn about American culture, its latest books, its most significant contemporary writers, as well as its slang. This volume presents an annotated edition of Pavese and Chiuminatto's complete epistolary exchange. Mark Pietralunga's brilliant introduction provides historical and cultural context for the letters and traces Pavese's early development as a leading Americanist and translator. The volume also includes an appendix of Chiuminatto's detailed annotations and thorough explanations of colloquial American terms and slang, drawn from the works of Sinclair Lewis, Sherwood Anderson, and William Faulkner. A lively and illuminating exchange, this collection ultimately corroborates critical opinion that America was the igniting spark of Pavese's literary beginnings as a writer and translator.

The Power of Picture Books Mitchell Lane Publishers, Inc.

Bravo! Brava! A Night at the Opera Oxford University Press

Nutcracker Night Oxford University

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Introduces the directors, musicians, designers, stagehands and many other people who make the magic happen. Singers work with all others to create a performance.

Marietta Simon and Schuster

Five Easy Pisces - The lobby aquarium fish of the Sculch Cove Playhouse are working through the usual challenges of mounting a production of "Othello" on a very limited budget, amidst the intrigues of theater life and complicated "interpisces" relationships. The Cattish Play - Sick of performing commercially successful yet banal musical material, a professional company of cats experiences the upheaval of dissent, the treachery of ambition and the smothering kitty litter of death, as certain members of the company are hell-bent on producing much darker motifs. Fowl Play - The Chicken Coop is home to two feuding groups, and in response to the constant fighting the Coop leader has issued an edict that will impose expulsion on anyone caught fighting. Against this backdrop, young Danny on the football team falls for Sandy, the drama club's leading lady (about to play Juliet in the upcoming play.) Together, they live out the famous final scenes of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers.

How Socrates Bravo Got His Name Eld Inlet Press

"I grew up on a cotton farm in north-eastern Alabama where three generations of Jeffersons and Ashbys considered the land their own. I was young enough to believe that, although there was a wrinkled, paper deed to the farm in an old drawer somewhere, the fact that the Jeffersons were Negro and the Ashbys were white did not impact the entwining of our families or the yield

of rows of cotton planted to the horizon. A day came, however, when the story of how I came to inherit the name of a Greek philosopher-who lived his life questioning others-pulled us out of the shadows of ignorance and into the harsh light of truth." Socrates Bravo Jefferson, a young Negro scholar in 1928 Alabama, dreads leaving his family to attend college preparatory school. Through a particularly arduous cotton season in which ownership of their farm hangs in the balance, Socrates's family struggles to keep their land, while a Farm Bureau agent, a depraved Northern outsider, and a drove of wild hogs threaten to destroy them, the farm's pickers, and the way they have lived for the last hundred years. Socrates despairs that all is lost. But, when a painful story from the farm's past brings the families together, the magic of baseball played under the lights, a plot of vibrant dahlias protected by parasols, and a loved one's calculated sacrifice all lead to new beginnings for the individuals in How Socrates Bravo Got His Name.

Italian Made Simple University of Toronto Press

Every December, The Nutcracker comes to life in theaters all across the United States. But how did this 19th-century Russian ballet become such a big part of the holidays in 21st-century America? Meet Willam, Harold, and Lew Christensen, three small-town Utah boys who caught the ballet bug in the early 1900s. They performed on vaudeville and took part in the New York City dance scene. Russian immigrants shared the story of The Nutcracker with them, and during World War II, they staged their own Christmastime production in San Francisco. It was America's first full-length version and the beginning of a delightful holiday tradition.

Rowman & Littlefield
(EVIE WALL)(Semi-autobiographical fiction) It was just a quick trip to New York for a touch of romance in the otherwise reclusive life of Ellie Russ. She left Savannah for a day in Brooklyn, dinner and the Metropolitan Opera as in her favorite film, Moonstruck. Best laid plans ... The moment she entered Giancarlo's Restaurant, a crazy procession of events began. From a comical mishap and a black eye to a missed flight that saved her from a fiery plane crash, her fortune was linked to Stan Ponti, restaurateur and firefighter. As they gave aid to the few crash survivors, the devastation they saw led Ellie and Stan to reaffirm their own lives through reckless lovemaking. Her film fantasy began to materialize. Stan schemed to keep her in Brooklyn. Ellie had gone in search of a little vicarious romance. A Night In Brooklyn is the account of her journey, told with humor and insight, in her own eccentric narrative.

At the Opera Chronicle Books

In this sweetly funny picture book, a tiny mouse, Chico Canta, saves his entire family from the clever kitten, Little Gato-Gato, when he uses his quick wits and ability to speak another language. Mrs. Canta lives with her family in an old theatre, and she has her hands full trying to keep track of her twelve children—especially Chico Canta, the youngest, tiniest, and most mischievous of the mice. She is always telling them, "Hurry! Hurry! ¡Pronto! ¡Pronto!" She

speaks many languages, and she encourages her children to learn more, too. "Bilingual, bravo!" One evening, after a wonderful performance of The Three Little Pigs, the mouse family narrowly escapes Little Gato-Gato. Undaunted and inspired by the production, they decide to mount their own version of the play. A frenzy of sewing costumes and building sets ensues under the direction of Mr. Canta, while Mrs. Canta oversees the cricket musicians, the spider stage crew, and the moths who will be the ushers. But on the night of the play itself, it is tiny Chico who is the star of the show when he spots Little Gato-Gato in the shadows, and uses his own special gift for languages to avert disaster. Amelia Lau Carling's charming illustrations show the pleasures, fears, antics and glories of Chico Canta and his family, all against the backdrop of the elegant old theater. A note from author Pat Mora describes how she and her daughter Libby were inspired to write this story together after she read the kernel of this bilingual joke in a book of Mexican American folktales. Key Text Features author's note Correlates to the Common Core State Standards in English Language Arts: CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.2.2 Recount stories, including fables and folktales from diverse cultures, and determine their central message, lesson, or moral.

The Life and Times of Richard

Wagner Chicago Review Press
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