PROFILES IN COURAGE by John F. Kennedy
(Main Book Stacks E176 K4 1998)
John F. Kennedy’s spirited style and devotion to courage live on in his Pulitzer Prize-winning portraits of Americans.

SOUNDER by William H. Armstrong
(Children’s Books PZ7 A73394 S6 1969)
Angry after his sharecropper father is jailed for stealing food for his hungry family, a black boy grows in understanding by learning to read and in courage with the help of his devoted dog, Sounder.

STUART LITTLE by E. B. White
(Children’s Books PZ7 W58277 S7 1973)
The Little family is surprised when their second child turns out to be a small mouse.

TAKING SIDES by Gary Soto
(Children’s Books PZ7 S7242 T3 1991)
Fourteen-year-old Lincoln Mendoza, an aspiring basketball player, must come to terms with his divided loyalties when he moves from the Hispanic inner city to a white suburban neighborhood.

THINGS FALL APART by Chinua Achebe
(Main Book Stacks PR9387.9 A3 T5 1992b)
Okonkwo’s fall from grace provides us with a powerful fable about the immemorial conflict between the individual and society. A monument to the modern African experience as seen from within.

TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD by Harper Lee
(Main Book Stacks PS3562 E353 T6 1999)
Set in the small town of Maycomb, Alabama during the Great Depression, To Kill A Mockingbird follows three years in the life of eight-year-old Scout Finch, her brother, Jem, and their father, Atticus—three memorable years intensified by the arrest and trial of a young black man accused of raping a white woman.

UP A ROAD SLOWLY by Irene Hunt
(Children’s Books PZ7 H9156 U6 1966)
A young woman recalls her experiences, feelings, and growth to maturity from the death of her mother, when as a hysterical seven-year-old she went to live with her spinster schoolteacher aunt, to her graduation from high school.

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BLESS ME, ULTIMA by Rudolfo A. Anaya
(Main Book Stacks PS3551 N27 B582 1994)
Ultima, a curandera, one who cures with herbs and magic, comes to Antonio Marez’s New Mexico family when he is six years old, and she helps him discover himself in the magical secrets of the past.

CALL OF THE WILD AND OTHER STORIES by Jack London
(Main Book Stacks PS3523 O46 C2)
Stolen from his family, a dog named Buck must quickly learn the harsh law of survival amongst the men and dogs of the Canadian wilderness.

CATCHING DREAMS: My life in the Negro Baseball Leagues
By Frazier Robinson
(Main Book Stacks GV865 R596 A3 1999)
Robinson’s memoir is an honest and entertaining view of the black baseball diamond through the catcher’s mask.

CHILD CALLED IT ‘One child’s courage to survive.’ by David Pelzer
(Main Book Stacks HV883 C2 P45 1995)
The story of a child’s abuse at the hands of his alcoholic mother.

COLLECTED WORKS OF EDGAR ALLEN POE by Edgar Allen Poe
(Main Book Stacks PS2600 F69)
Poetry, short stories and fiction.

COMPLETE GUIDE TO SURFING by Peter L. Dixon
(Main Book Stacks GV840 S8 D515 2001)
A fully illustrated, full color how-to guide to the fun and challenge of surfing from beginner to elite.

DIARY OF A YOUNG GIRL by Anne Frank
(Main Book Stacks DS135 N6 F7313 2001)
Story of a 13 year old Jewish girl and her family who are forced into hiding by the Nazis during World War II.

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DISCOVERY OF THE TOMB OF TUTANKHAMEN by Howard Carter  
(Main Book Stacks DT87.5 C4 1977)  
This book captures the painstaking, step by step process of excavation and the wonders of the treasure-filled inner chamber of the tomb.

FLOWERS FOR ALGERNON by Daniel Keyes  
(Main Book Stacks PS3561 E76 F4)  
Thirty-two-year-old Charlie Gordon, who has only an IQ of 68, undergoes an experimental brain operation which transforms him into an instant genius.

GREEN ANGEL by Alice Hoffman  
(Children’s Books PZ H67445 G 74 2003)  
Haunted by grief and by her past after losing her family in a fire, fifteen-year-old Green retreats into her ruined garden as she struggles to survive emotionally and physically on her own.

HISTORY OF THE DONNER PARTY: a tragedy of the Sierra  
by C. F. McGlashan  
(Main Book Stacks F868 N5 M33 1881)  
A towering tribute to the band of pioneers who struggled over deserts and the High Sierra toward California during the rugged winter of 1846-47.

HOLES by Louis Sachar  
(Children’s Books PZ7 S1185 H65 1998)  
The story of Kissing Kate and a curse weave a narrative puzzle that tangles and shows that the hand of fate has been at work for generations in the lives of the Yelnat family.

THE HOUSE ON MANGO STREET by Sandra Cisneros  
(Main Book Stacks PS3553 I78 H6 2007)  
Esperanza’s memorable childhood life in a Spanish-speaking area of Chicago is described in a series of stories.

INCREDIBLE JOURNEY by Sheila Burnford  
(Children’s Books PZ10.3 B935 i5 1961)  
Separated from their owners, a young Labrador retriever, a bull terrier, and a brave Siamese cat set out through the Canadian wilderness, making their way home to the family they love.

ISLAND OF THE BLUE DOLPHINS by Scott O’Dell  
(Children’s Books PZ7 A2 O237 I8 1990)  
Left alone on a beautiful but isolated island off the coast of California in the early 1800s, a young Indian girl spends eighteen years, not only surviving through her enormous courage and self-reliance, but also finding happiness in her solitary life.

LEWIS AND CLARK, EXPLORERS OF THE AMERICAN WEST  
By Steven Kroll  
(Children’s Books F592.7 K76 1994)  
Introduces Meriwether Lewis and William Clark and their expedition of 1804-1806 through the Louisiana Territory, opening the land from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean.

LORD OF THE FLIES by William Golding  
(Main Book Stacks PR6013 O35 L6 1996)  
A group of British schoolboys stuck on a deserted island, who try to govern themselves with disastrous results.

MACHINERIES OF JOY by Ray Bradbury  
(Main Book Stacks PS3503 R167 M2)  
A collection of short stories.

MAYA LIN : ARCHITECT AND ARTIST by Mary Malone  
(Children’s Books NA737 L48 M35 1995)  
Designer of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D. C.

THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA by Ernest Hemingway  
(Main Book Stacks PS3515 E37 O5)  
Exciting tale of the sea, an aged Cuban fisherman goes head-to-head with a magnificent marlin.

THE PEARL by John Steinbeck  
(Main Book Stacks PS3537 T3234 P4)  
The tragic tale of how a priceless pearl brings greed, treachery, and loss to a poor Mexican pearl diver, his wife, and their infant son.

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