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PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES

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Best Books for Young Adults. (American Library Association, ©2007) Gives a history of the Best books for young adults annual lists and a complete listing of the best books from 1966 to 2007. [028.1 BES](#)

Biogs, Wikis, Podcasts, and Other Powerful Web Tools for Classrooms by Will Richardson. (Corwin Press, ©2006) Presents a guide to how blogs, wikis, and podcasts can be used to engage students in new interactive learning formats in the classroom, and includes information on Internet safety. [371.334 RIC](#)

Creating & Recognizing Quality Rubrics by Judith A. Arter. (ETS, ©2006) A guide to rubrics that defines what they are, provides advice on effective rubrics and their development, and discusses quality performance tasks, converting scores to grades, assessment for learning, and communicating with parents. Includes samples and professional development CD-ROM. [371.27 ART](#)

The Flip Side: Break Free of the Behaviors That Hold You Back by Flip Flippen. (Springboard Press, ©2007) Explores how recognizing and overcoming weaknesses can unleash great strengths. Identifies the top ten “killer constraints” that most people confront every day—in ourselves, in our bosses, and in our families. [158.1 FLI](#)

Fluency in the Classroom. (Guilford Press, ©2008) Explains what works and why in helping students build comprehension along with word recognition and the expressive elements of oral reading. Includes lesson plan ideas, vignettes, and examples. [372.4 FLU](#)

KidChat: 222 Creative Questions to Spark Conversations by Bret Nicholaus. (Roaring Brook Press, ©2004) Presents more than two hundred questions designed to encourage family discussions and help parents and children get to know one another better. [031 NIC](#)

Serving Young Teens and ‘Tweens. (Libraries Unlimited, ©2007) Discusses the importance of library service to young teens, and offers advice on how to enhance library services and collections for this age group. [027.626 SER](#)

Teaching Science Through Literature: Grades 6-8 by Nancy J. Keane. Presents a selection of booktalks, or short book promotions, that may be used to get students in grades six through eight interested in science; grouped by topic, with suggested booklists and sample activities. [507 KEA](#)

Youth Information-Seeking Behavior 11: Context, Theories, Models, and Issues. (Scarecrow Press, ©2007) Presents an historical overview of the literature on children’s use and understanding of electronic information systems. [025.524 YOU](#)



Feature Videos & DVDs @ your library

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[Australia Revealed](#) [DVD] - 12238500

Discovery Channel, 2007.

Summary: Explores the big and bold country of Australia. In the vast interior, a man transforms the struggle to survive into a game of pathos and humor; on the coast, a naval cadet dreams of a place in the sophisticated navy of the world's largest island; in the tropical North, a couple preserves a storehouse of culture over 40,000 years old; along the Gold Coast, a woman competes to win against nature's colossal waves.

Description: 1 DVD (102 min.) : sd., col. ; 4 3/4 in.

Interest Grade Level: 6-12.

[The Biggest Test in the Universe](#) [DVD] -

11318500 GPN, c2006.

Summary: Presents the title story in which Sam and his classmates dread the arrival of Friday and the Big Test—their elementary school rite of passage; and includes visits with children preparing for important performances, and reviews of related books.

Description: 1 DVD (ca. 30 min.) : sd., col. ; 4 3/4 in.

Interest Grade Level: K-3

[Boxes for Katje](#) [DVD] - 11338500

GPN, c2006.

Summary: Presents the title story in which a young Dutch girl writes to her new American friend in thanks for the care package sent after World War II, and begins to receive increasingly larger boxes; and includes an introduction to helping groups powered by young people, and reviews of related books.

Description: 1 DVD (ca. 30 min.) : sd., col. ; 4 3/4 in.

Interest Grade Level: K-3.

[First Year Milestones: A Monthly Guide to Your Baby's Growth](#) [DVD] - 11228500

Injoy, 2006.

Summary: This 2-disc program illustrates the physical, emotional, and linguistic milestones of the first year, and it includes corresponding brain development and safety information throughout.

Description: 2 DVDs (25 min. each) : sd., col. ; 4 3/4 in. + 1 facilitator's guide (7 p.)

Interest Grade Level: 9-12.

[How Much Should I Eat?](#) [DVD] - 12178500

Learning Seed, c2007

Summary: Explains what the healthy portion sizes are for common foods and provides viewers with strategies for developing portion awareness, discussing the psychology of eating, tricks of perception, calorie listings on food labels, the use of "ounce equivalents" in the Food Pyramid, and other related topics.

Description: 1 DVD (21 min.) : sd., col. 4 3/4 in.

Interest Grade Level: Young Adult.

[I Lost My Tooth in Africa](#) [DVD] - 11328500

GPN, c2006.

Summary: Presents the title story in which a young girl, visiting her father's family in Mali, loses a tooth and in the African tradition, places it under a gourd to await a reward from the Tooth Fairy; and includes a trip to the dentist, a visit to a Quinceanera celebrating a fifteen-year-old Hispanic girl's transition into womanhood, and reviews of related books.

Description: 1 DVD (ca. 30 min.) : sd., col. ; 4 3/4 in.

Interest Grade Level: K-3.

[October Sky](#) [DVD] - 12188500

Universal Studios, 2005, 1998.

Summary: Homer Hickam, the introspective son of a mine superintendent and a mother determined to get him out of Coalwood, West Virginia, forever, nurtures a dream to send rockets into outer space—an ambition that changes his life and the lives of everyone living in Coalwood in 1957. Based on a true story.

Description: 1 DVD (108 min.) : sd., col. ; 4 3/4 in.

Interest Grade Level: Young Adult.