



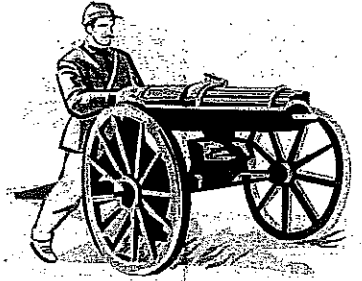
2nd MARKING PERIOD BOOK REPORT:

HISTORICAL FICTION, REPORT DUE: 1/18/19

Historical Fiction is a genre of books in which the book represents a specific time period or historical event that actually happened.

However, what makes the book fiction is that it is written from the point of view of a fictional character, or a real character, but with made-up events.

Historical fiction books may have characters who are either imaginary or who actually lived during the time period. The plot events may be documented historical events or they may be fictional. The fictional characters, settings, and plot events must be portrayed authentically as if they actually could have happened.



Here are some examples of Historical Fiction books:

Some of these books can be found in the Goetz Library, but for others you would have to check at the public library, my library, or online. These are just suggestions; you do not have to choose from this list.

Historical Fiction books about Native Americans:

Carter, Forrest. The Education of Little Tree. 1976.

A boy is raised and educated by his Cherokee grandparents in the rural South in the first part of this century.

Edwardson, Debby Dhal. My Name is Not Easy. 2011.

Alaskans Luke, Chickie, Sonny, Donna, and Amiq relate their experiences in the early 1960s when they are forced to attend a Catholic boarding school.

Historical Fiction books about Colonial and Revolutionary Days:

Anderson, Laurie Halse. Fever, 1793. 2000. (*A Mrs. Mundie Top Pick!)

In 1793 Philadelphia, sixteen-year-old Matilda learns about perseverance and self-reliance when she has to cope with the horrors of a yellow fever epidemic.

Anderson, M.T. The Pox Party. 2006.

Octavian, a young African American is brought up as part of a science experiment in the years leading up to and during the Revolutionary War.

Collier, James Lincoln. My Brother Sam is Dead. 1974.

Tragedy strikes the Meeker family when one son joins the rebel forces while the rest of the family tries to stay neutral in a Tory town.

Kees, Celia. Witch Child. 2000.

Mary Newbury keeps a journal of her voyage from England to the New World and her experiences living as a witch near Salem, Massachusetts.

Rinaldi, Ann. A Break with Charity: A Story about the Salem Witch Trials. 1992.

The daughter of a wealthy Salem merchant recalls the malice, fear and accusations of witchcraft that tore her village apart in 1692.

(*A Mrs. Mundie Top Pick!)

Historical Fiction books that take place in the Nineteenth Century:

Avi. The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle. 1990. (*A Mrs. Mundie Top Pick!)

As the only passenger on a transatlantic voyage in 1832, Charlotte learns that the captain is murderous and the crew rebellious.

Butler, Octavia. Kindred. 1979.

A young black woman is abruptly transported through time to save the life of the reckless young son of a plantation owner.

Draper, Sharon M. Copper Sun. 2006.

Two fifteen-year-old girls--one a slave and the other an indentured servant--escape their Carolina plantation.

Patterson, Katherine. Lyddie. 1991.

An impoverished Vermont farm girl is determined to gain her independence by becoming a factory worker in Lowell, Massachusetts, in the 1840s.

Paulsen, Gary. Nightjohn. 1993.

A man allows himself to be captured as a slave so he can teach the enslaved children to read.

Wisler, G. Clifton. Red Cap. 1991.

A young Yankee drummer boy displays great courage when he is captured and sent to Andersonville Prison.

Historical Fiction books about Immigration:

Levitin, Sonia. Silver Days. 1989.

Escaping from Hitler's Germany, a prosperous Jewish family lives in a New York City tenement until Papa decides to move the family to California.

Myers, Walter Dean. Riot. 2009.

In 1863, fifteen-year-old Claire, the daughter of an Irish mother and a black father, faces ugly truths and great danger in New York City.

Historical Fiction books that take place in the Twentieth Century:

Magoon, Kekla. The Rock and the River. 2009.

In 1968 Chicago, fourteen-year-old Sam Childs is caught in a conflict between his father's nonviolent approach to seeking civil rights for African Americans and his older brother, who has joined the Black Panther Party.

Turetsky, Bianca. The Time-Traveling Fashionista on Board the Titanic. 2011.

Twelve-year-old Louise Lambert accepts an invitation to a private sale of vintage clothing but upon donning an evening gown, she finds herself in 1912 aboard the Titanic as the gown's original owner, silent film star Alice Baxter.

Taylor, Mildred. Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry. 1976. (*A Mrs. Mundie Top Pick!)

A black family living in the South during the 1930s is faced with prejudice and discrimination which its children do not understand.

Bartoletti, Susan Campbell. The Boy Who Dared. 2008. (*A Mrs. Mundie Top Pick!)

In October, 1942, seventeen-year-old Helmuth Hübener, imprisoned for distributing anti-Nazi leaflets, recalls his past life and how he came to dedicate himself to bring the truth about Hitler and the war to the German people.

Chotjewitz, David. Daniel, Half-Human: And the Good Nazi. 2004.

In 1933, best friends Daniel and Armin admire Hitler, but as anti-Semitism brings Hitler to power, Daniel learns he is half Jewish...

Boyne, John. The Boy in the Striped Pajamas. 2008. (*A Mrs. Mundie Top Pick!)

A boy named Bruno moves to a new and different place with his family after his father, a high-ranking Nazi officer, is transferred. Bruno wonders and learns more about a large, caged-in "farm" nearby, and its inhabitants.

Nielsen, Jennifer. A Night Divided. 2015.

With the rise of the Berlin Wall, Gerta finds her family divided overnight. She and her family are on opposite sides of the wall. How will they reunite?

Sepetys, Ruta. Between Shades of Grey. 2011. (*A Mrs. Mundie Top Pick!)

One day, Soviet officers burst into Lina's house and change her family's life forever. (1941, WWII)

Zusak, Marcus. The Book Thief. 2006 (*A Mrs. Mundie Top Pick!)

WWII, Germany, Liesel Meminger is a foster girl living outside of Munich. She deals with life during the war, and helps a Jewish man living in her basement.

Wein, Elizabeth. Code Name Verity. 2012.

A WWII story about two young British women, Maddie and Queenie (or Julie), who undertake a secret mission behind enemy lines in Occupied France in 1943.