

2016 Mock Newbery Discussion #2

It's time to start taking a closer look at the children's books of 2015. Please read one or (better yet) more books for the first meeting. Participating in the Mock Newbery is an opportunity to read the newest children's books and to discuss them with other passionate readers. Please join us!

Mock Newbery Discussion #2

Wednesday, November 4

Hampden Meadows School

297 New Meadow Rd, Barrington, RI 02806

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM (Please note the time change)

Please register for this program: <http://www.olis.ri.gov/services/ce/regist.php>

The Newbery Medal is awarded annually to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children published in the United States during the preceding year. The Award is restricted to authors who are citizens or residents of the United States.

Criteria: 1) In identifying "Distinguished Writing" in a book for children,

a. Committee members need to consider the following:

- Interpretation of the theme or concept
- Presentation of information including accuracy, clarity, and organization
- Development of a plot
- Delineation of characters
- Delineation of setting
- Appropriateness of style

Note: Because the literary qualities to be considered will vary depending on content, the committee need not expect to find excellence in each of the named elements. The book should, however, have distinguished qualities in all of the elements pertinent to it.

b. Committee members must consider excellence of presentation for a child audience.

Voting for a Rhode Island winner and honor books will take place in using the balloting procedures of the real committee.

2016 Mock Newbery Reading List #2

1. Applegate, Katherine. *Crenshaw*. (Feiwel and Friends, 2015) **Added 9/30**
2. Baskin, Nora Raleigh. *Ruby on the Outside*. (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2015)
3. Benjamin, Ali. *The Thing About Jellyfish*. (Little, Brown, 2015) **Added 10/5**
4. Bradley, Kimberly Burbaker. *The War That Saved My Life*. (Penguin Young Readers Group, 2015)
5. Gino, Alex. *George*. (Scholastic, 2015) **Added 10/5**
6. Graff, Lisa. *Lost in the Sun*. (Penguin Young Readers Group, 2015)
7. Holm, Jennifer L. *Sunny Side Up*. (Scholastic, 2015) **Added 9/30**
8. Hoose, Philip. *The Boys Who Challenged Hitler: Knud Pedersen and the Churchill Club*. (Farrar, Strauss, and Giroux, 2015) **Added 9/30**
9. Jamieson, Victoria. *Rollergirl*. (Penguin Young Readers Group, 2015)
10. Jarrow, Gail. *Fatal Fever: Tracking Down Typhoid Mary*. (Highlights Press, 2015)
11. Lai, Thanhha. *Listen, Slowly*. (HarperCollins, 2015)

12. McGhee, Alison. *Firefly Hollow*. (Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2015) **Added 9/30**
13. Pizzoli, Greg. *Tricky Vic: The Impossibly True Story of the Man Who Sold the Eiffel Tower*. (Penguin Young Readers Group, 2015) **Added 9/30**
14. Pyron, Bobbie. *Lucky Strike*. (Scholastic, 2015) **Added 10/5**
15. Ryan, Pam Muñoz. *Echo*. (Scholastic, 2015)
16. Schlitz, Laura Amy. *The Hired Girl*. (Candlewick Press, 2015) **Added 9/30**
17. Schmidt, Gary D. *Orbiting Jupiter*. (Houghton Mifflin, 2015) **Added 9/30**
18. Sheinkin, Steve. *Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War*. (Roaring Book Press, 2015) **Added 9/30**
19. Springstubb, Tricia. *Moonpenny Island*. (HarperCollins, 2015)
20. Stead, Rebecca. *Goodbye Stranger*. (Random House Children's Books, 2015)
21. Williams-Garcia, Rita. *Gone Crazy in Alabama*. (HarperCollins, 2015)

Dropped on 9/30

1. Beasley, Cassie. *Circus Mirandus*. (Penguin Young Readers Group, 2015)
2. Draper, Sharon. *Stella by Starlight*. (Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2015)
3. Holt, Kimberly Willis. *Dear Hank Williams*. (Henry Holt, 2015)
4. Hunt, Linda Mullaly. *Fish in a Tree*. (Penguin Young Readers Group, 2015)
5. Kelly, Jacqueline. *The Curious World of Calpurnia Tate*. (Henry Holt, 2015)

Please feel free to send suggested titles to: danielle.margarida@olis.ri.gov

Continuing sessions:

Mock Newbery Discussion #3
 Wednesday, December 2
 Archie R. Cole Middle School
 100 Cedar Avenue, East Greenwich, RI 02818
 6:30– 8:30 PM

Directions to Hampden Meadows School, 297 New Meadow Road, Barrington, RI 02806:

- From 95 heading North or South, Get on 195 East.
- Take Exit 7 (114 South towards Barrington.)
- Continue on 114 South (changes name and then merges with 103 South.)
- Turn Left at Massasoit Avenue.
- Turn Left at New Meadow Road. The school will be on your right.