Reading Suggestions From Wapiti Regional Library Kids Books By Saskatchewan Authors

Title: Anywhere But Here

Author: Dueck, Adele

Description: The prospect of a boring summer vacation turns to adventure when eleven-year-old Marjorie discovers stolen pesticides on her family's farm. It's a mystery that turns the summer on its ear and an experience that makes Marjorie see her home in a startling new light.

Title: Ghosts of Government House

Author: Silverthorne, Judith

Description: Sam, J.J. and Grandma Louise, set out on a ghost-finding adventure in the former vice-regal residence.

Title: Racing Home

Author: Dueck, Adele

Description: It's 1908, and twelve-year-old Erik faces the challenges of adapting to pioneer life on the Canadian prairie and understanding what's really going on in his family.

Title: The Secret of Sentinel Rock

Author: Silverthorne, Judith

Description: Twelve-year-old Emily is facing not only the loss of her grandmother but her grandmother's farm, as well. She retreats to her favourite spot, a rock ledge overlooking the prairie, where, to her surprise, she finds a girl from the past. Through the magic of kindred spirits, Emily is transported back to the days when pioneers homesteaded in the same spot where her grandmother's farm stands.

Title: Leaving Mr. Humphries

Author: Lohans, Alison

Description: Josh takes his teddy bear and companion, Mr. Humphries, to visit Grandpa at the lake, even though his mom thinks he's too old for a teddy bear. Mr. Humphries does all sorts of things with Josh. But what will Josh do when Mr. Humphries is ready for an adventure of his own?

Title: The Secret of the Stone Circle

Author: Silverthorne, Judith

Description: Emily, whose story begins in The secret of Sentinel Rock, takes an heirloom mirror with her on a trip to Scotland with her Dad. With the help of the image in the mirror, Emily begins to understand the secrets of the past.

Title: Honouring the Buffalo: a Plains Cree Legend

Author: Silverthorne, Judith

Description: "Written in both English and Cree, Honouring the buffalo is the Plains Cree story of the people's relationship with the buffalo (bison) and the many traditional gifts its body provided the First Nations in times past."

Title: The Raspberry Room

Author: Lohans, Alison

Description: A secret spot and a hole in the fence lead Abby into some difficult situations before she makes a new friendship and forges an old one anew.

Title: The Secret of the Stone House

Author: Silverthorne, Judith

Description: As Emily struggles to accept the breakup of her parents' marriage, her beloved grandmother dies and her mother, Kate, says they can no longer afford to keep her beautiful stone farmhouse built when the family first came to Canada. Then Emily discovers a special stone that helps her learn the secrets of the old house.

Title: Colours of Saskatchewan

Author: Dupre, Mackenzie May

Description: Describes the environment, history, industry, tourist attractions, arts, sports, and cultural groups that make *Saskatchewan* unique.

Title: Full Steam to Canada: A Barr Colony Adventure

Author: Patton, Anne

Description: Eleven-year old Dorothy Bolton makes the long journey to the Canadian prairies in 1903 with her parents, her sister Lydia, her brother Frank, and a boatload of new acquaintances. They travel with other Barr Colonists by steam train, steam boat, and another train on their way to settle in the Northwest Territories (now Saskatchewan and Alberta). Reverend Barr has promised them a fertile land with a gentle climate just waiting to welcome them to a new home. But when they get there, things are not quite as rosy as they thought.

Title: Adeline's Dream

Author: Aksomitis, Linda

Description: Adeline hasn't seen her father for four years, but his letters promise a splendid new life and a house of their own. When they step off the train in Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan, the reality is very different. Home is a sod house in "Germantown," a squatter settlement on CPR land at the edge of town. For a long time Adeline can't forgive her father for bringing her here.

Title: Saskatchewan

Author: Goldsworthy, Kaite

Description: Follows the progress of a hungry little caterpillar as he eats his way through a varied and very large quantity of food until, full at last, he forms a cocoon around himself and goes to sleep and wakes up a butterfly.

Title: 10 Plants That Shook the World

Author: Richardson, Gillian

Description: The ten plants in this book are the source of profound changes in the world, both good and bad. Through vibrant illustrations and astonishing facts, you'll discover that without them, our lives today would be vastly different.'

Title: L is for Land of Living Skies: A Saskatchewan Alphabet

Author: Aksomitis, Linda

Description: Readers can visit the RCMP Heritage Centre in Regina, study the rare flora and fauna of the Cypress Hills Forest Reserve, or enjoy the music at the John Arcand Fiddle Fest...

Title: From There to Here

Author: Croza, Laurel

Description: A young girl tries to adjust to moving from northeastern Saskatchewan to Toronto, where she misses her father coming home for lunch and looking at the stars at night with her family, but an eight-year-old girl from next door helps her to feel better.

Title: Ecosystems: Science Q & A

Author: Richardson, Gillian

Description: Science is a part of our lives, from weather to construction and health to ecosystems. The books in the Science QA series illustrate for young readers how science touches and shapes our daily lives. Spectacular color images highlight fascinating facts that will engage and excite young minds. In addition, each book in the series offers exciting challenges and hands-on activities. This captivating series leads to an understanding and appreciation of the important role that science plays in the world around us.

Title: Longhorns and Outlaws

Author: Aksomitis, Linda

Description: After Lucas Vogel's parents die in a hurricane, his older brother shows up to take Lucas to Montana to work on a cattle drive. In the wild buttes of Montana and Canada's Big Muddy, he finds outlaws and danger when he runs into the Sundance Kid and his gang.

Title: Gina's Wheels

Author: Bishop, Mary Harelkin

Description: "What would it be like to spend your life in a wheelchair? After meeting Colette Bourgonje, one of Canada's most accomplished Paralympic athletes, five-year-old Gina explores her own world from her version of a wheelchair. How will the affect Gina when she goes to kindergarten?"

Title: A Prairie Alphabet

Author: Bannatyne-Cugnet, Jo Description: Various aspects of prairie life introduce the alphabet.

Title: Sports Champions

Author: Aksomitis, Linda

Description: Science is the secret weapon of sport stars, it helps them win when it really matters. Athletes use science to make their bodies work better, move faster, and keep going for longer. Find out how the latest sports equipment and training plans can make the difference between winning and losing.

Title: Magical Map

Author: Neisz, Carter

Description: Curious twin brothers, Adam and Peter, buy a map from a mysterious store after visiting the fair. They follow the map and go on a magical adventure (from back cover). Carter Neisz is a nine year old boy who likes to play soccer, read, and write stories. He lives in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan with his mom, dad and younger sister.

Title: The Day I Became a Canadian: a citizenship scrapbook

Author: Bannatyne-Cugnet, Jo

Description: On a snowy morning, little Xiao Ling Li and her parents are about to take part in a ceremony — one that will make them Canadian citizens. To record the day for her new brother or sister, she decides to keep a scrapbook to treasure the day. This is not only the story of one special girl and her family, it is a tribute to Canada. Xiao Ling Li's scrapbook is a useful resource that is full of information for anyone embarking on the road to becoming a citizen.

Title: The Canadian Shield Alphabet

Author: Guymer, Myrna Irene

Description: An alphabet book that introduces the Canadian Shield's geography, animals, plants, history and culture, from Arviat to zero temperatures.

Title: Manny's Memories

Author: Caron, Ken

Description: Memories, by author Ken Caron with his daughter Angela Caron, introduces us to the Métis community of Round Prairie, Saskatchewan through the eyes of a young boy growing up in the 1940s. Manny shares his boyhood memories of the once vibrant community not too far from Saskatoon's city limits. Though rural life at the time called for hard work, self-sufficiency, and generosity, there was always time to have fun and to enjoy being a young Métis boy.

Title: Grandpa's Alkali

Author: Bannatyne-Cugnet, Jo

Description: Ten-year-old James, nicknamed Alkali, can't seem to keep out from under his grandfather's feet until Grampa falls ill and James must rescue him.

Title: Leaving Mr. Humphries

Author: Lohans, Alison

Description: Josh's mom thinks Josh is too old for Mr. Humphries, his teddy bear. But when Josh has to stay at the summer cottage with Grandpa, it's Mr. Humphries who keeps him company at night in the attic room, on the long dark walks to the outhouse, and even for boat rides on the lake. When Mr. Humphries has an adventure of his own, Josh isn't sure he's ready to let him go.

Title: Potash Corporation

Author: Goldsworthy, Kaite

Description: History of the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan.

Title: Heartland: a prairie sampler

Author: Bannatyne-Cugnet, Jo

Description: A sampler of the Prairies: the patterns of the land and its colors, embroidered with details of life and history, which make up the place she calls home. She describes weather so wild that you can sometimes make a snowman in the summer; the prairie love of the one-ton grain truck; the crafts and games unique to those living on the Prairies. There is even a recipe for Saskatoon pie! Heartland is a bright and bold tribute to the author's "big sky" home, and is filled with artwork as beautiful as the Prairies themselves.

Title: First flute = Whowhoahyahzo Tohkohya

Author: Bouchard, David

Description: Names should be respected. They should be valued. They should be honoured. In *The First Flute*, David Bouchard tells the story of a young man given the name Dancing Raven. He was a dancer - the best from all the nations. But the other men and boys in his village don't appreciate Dancing Raven's talent - hunting, fishing and tracking are the truly important talents. Dancing Raven must prove to his village the importance of his song.

Title: Mister Got to Go, Where are you Going?

Author: Simmie, Lois

Description: After nine years enjoying life at the Sylvia Hotel, Got To Go truly appreciates all the little perks, so it's hard to believe that Got To Go would just leave. While Mister Foster, the hotel manager, has never thought the cat appropriate for the hotel, hence his name, Mister Got To Go's absence is of great concern to everyone at the hotel, including Mister Foster.

Title: From Far and Wide: a Canadian Citizen Scrapbook

Author: Bannatyne-Cugnet, Jo

Description: Xiao Ling Li and her parents are about to take part in the ceremony that will make them Canadian citizens.

Title: The Two Trees

Author: Meadows, Sally

Description: Jaxon's older brother Syd is smart, really smart. But all Jaxon wants is someone to play with. When Jaxon sees Syd having trouble interacting with other kids, he is torn between loyalty to his brother and the frustation of having a sibling who is "different'. It is only when Syd gets the support he needs that the whole family is able to move forward in hope and healing.

Title: Northern Frights

Author: Slade, Arthur

Description: In the first novel, when Sarah, Michael, and Angie arrive from the U.S. to spend summer vacation with their grandpa in Gimli, Manitoba, they are prepared for his scary stories based on Icelandic mythology. But they are anything but prepared when the events from the story about a draugr -- a man who comes back from the dead -- begin to happen around them. In the second novel, when Michael and his father arrive on Drang Island for a camping trip, they find that all the rumors they've heard are true. In the third novel, while on vacation in Iceland, Angie discovers there is some truth in the horrifying dreams she has had.

Title: Dinosaur Blackout

Author: Silverthorne, Judith

Description: In the fourth book of the "Dinosaur Adventure series," Daniel finds himself back in the one place he vowed never to return to the Cretaceous Period 65 million years ago). At the start of the book, the Paleontological tourism camp that his family co-owns has a rare fossil stolen, ripped carelessly from the ground. The local RCMP is stumped, and what further complicates matters is that a local man is missing. Did he steal the fossil?

Title: Career Building Through Using Digital Design Tools

Author: Willett, Edward

Description: The field of digital design offers immense opportunities for creative young people. Digital designers are in high demand to help design and create images for Web sites and digital media. Business is becoming more dependent on Web marketing, which often relies on visual design to succeed. This title raises awareness of the many opportunities available in this burgeoning field. It explains how they can develop skills in digital design through both informal experience and formal education, and create an impressive portfolio that will open doors for them in the future.

Title: Dinosaur Breakout

Author: Silverthorne, Judith

Description: Dinosaurs, time travel, and dealing with local bullies are all intertwined in this suspenseful story.

Title: City Dogs

Author: Goertzen, Glenda

Description: Pierre and Dare are dognapped so their fellow prairie dog friends search for them in the big city before they are sold to an unscrupulous pet store owner.

Title: Dinosaur Hideout

Author: Silverthorne, Judith

Description: Daniel loves nothing more than fossil hunting. He even dreams about dinosaurs. Then, at

his secret hideout, a hollowed-out cave in a hillside, Daniel makes an exciting find. A fossil never before seen in the area.

Title: Miracle Dogs

Author: Goertzen, Glenda

Description: Pierre, the former agility dog champion, and his companions Dare, Mouse and Mew, finally have the life they've always longed for; a comfortable home, a human they can trust, and a lively pair of puppies who might become Assistance Dogs. Stardom will surely be theirs as well as they prepare to perform a dog act on the world-famous Telemiracle stage. But a freak accident turns their world upside down. Suddenly the dogs are prisoners of the dog-hating Calloway family. Their puppies are prisoners of a dangerous colony of feral cats who call themselves the Pride, led by an old enemy of Dare's. It will take a miracle to get everyone home in one piece! A sequel to The Prairie Dogs and City Dogs.

Title: Dinosaur Stakeout

Author: Silverthorne, Judith

Description: Daniel Bingham once again travels back to the time of dinosaurs to learn more about the prehistoric creatures he loves.