Teachers who use children's literature as an integral part of their curriculum are challenged to keep abreast of newly published titles. Librarians who are supporting the classroom curriculum also have the same challenge. Part of my role as a consultant is to support teachers and librarians in their discovery of new titles. To do so I have compiled this list of excellent choices of trade books for kindergarten through ninth grade. I have read all the books on the list with an eye toward classroom use. I receive thousands of review copies from the major children's trade publishers each year. This access allows me to select from a variety of choices. I may read from ten to fifteen titles to find one that will be on the list. The list that follows is offered to teachers and librarians to save them time, and money. The list is not intended to limit but to be a beginning for those who need to have some guidance.

Thousands of new books roll off the presses of the major children's publishers each year. To discover the best of these new books takes many hours. Too often, limited funds are spent on titles that may sound attractive in a catalogue but prove otherwise when ordered. Gaining access to new titles, reading the books, setting criteria for selection and matching the titles to the needs of the targeted students is a lengthy process. I suggest a visit to your local library or children's book store to browse and read before purchases are made. When teachers and librarians make their own choices they will be enthusiastic about the books and that excitement will transfer to their students.

**PICTURE BOOKS**
Agee, Jon TERRIFIC
Alborough, Jez TALL
Almond, David KATE AND THE MOON
Alvarez, Julie A GIFT OF GRACIAS
Anderson, M.T. THE SERPENT CAME TO GLOUCESTER
Armstrong, Jennifer MAGNUS AT THE FIRE
Arnosky, Jim COYOTE RAID IN CACTUS CANYON
Asher, Sandy TOO MANY FROGS!
Auch, Mary Jane & Herm CHICKERELLA
Banks, Kate THE GREAT BLUE HOUSE
Barbour, Karen MR. WILLIAMS
Beaumont, Karen I AIN'T GONNA PAINT NO MORE!
Bergman, Mara SNIP SNAP! WHAT'S THAT?
Bertrand, Lynne GRANITE BABY
Best, Cari ARE YOU GOING TO BE GOOD?
Blake, Robert CAROUSEL CAT
Bower, Tamara HOW THE AMAZON QUEEN FOUGHT THE PRINCE OF EGYPT
Bridges, Margaret I LOVE THE RAIN
Broach, Elise WHAT THE NO-GOOD BABY IS GOOD FOR
Browne, Anthony MY MOM
Brunelle, Nicholas SNOW MOON
Bunting, Eve MY READ BALLOON
Cabrera, Jane IF YOU'RE HAPPY AND YOU KNOW IT!
Casper, Tom HENRY AND PAWL AND THE ROUND YELLOW BALL
Cheng, Andrea SHANGHAI MESSENGER
Choi, Yangsook PEACH HEAVEN
Clements, Andrew SLIPPERS AT HOME
NAPTIME FOR SLIPPERS
Collins, Suzanne WHEN CARLIE McBUTTON LOST POWER
Cooper, Elisah A GOOD NIGHT WALK
Cooper, Helen A PIPKIN OF PEPPER
Cox, Judy DON'T BE SILLY, MRS. MILLIE!
Crew, Gary PIG ON THE TITANIC
Damico, Carmela & Steven ELLA TAKES THE CAKE
de Deu Prats, Joan SEBASTIAN'S ROLLER SKATES
Daly, Niki RUBY SINGS THE BLUES
Denslow, Sharon IN THE SNOW
DiPucchio, Kelly. WHAT'S THE MAGIC WORD?
Doyle, Malachy THE DANCING TIGER
Edwards, Pamela MCGILLYCUDDY COULD!
Ehlert, Lois LEAF MAN
English, Karen THE BABY ON THE WAY
Ernst, Lisa Campbell THIS THE VAN THAT DAD CLEANED
Esbaum, Jill STE-E-E-E-E AMBOAT A-COMIN!
Fleming, Candace SUNNY BOY! THE LIFE AND TIMES OF A TORTOISE
Fleming, Denise THE FIRST DAY OF WINTER
Fox, Mem HUNWICK'S EGG
Funke, Cornelia PIRATE GIRL
Geisert, Arthur LIGHTS OUT
George, Kristine O'Connell UP!
Gerstein, Mordicai CAROLINDA CLATER!
Grey, Mini TRACTION MAN IS HERE!
Griessman, Annette THE FIRE
Gorbachev, Valerie THAT'S WHAT FRIENDS ARE FOR
Henkes, Kevin SO HAPPY!
Henson, Heather ANGEL COMING
Hicks, Barbara JITTERBUG JAM: A MONSTER TALE
Hobbie, Holly TOOT & PUDDLE WISH YOU WERE HERE
Hopkinson, Deborah SAVING STRAWBERRY FARM
Horning, Sandra THE GIANT HUG
Isadora, Rachel LUKE GOES TO BAT
Johnson, Angela A SWEET SMELL OF ROSES
Johnston, Tony THE WHOLE GREEN WORLD
Juster, Norton THE HELLO, GOODBYE WINDOW
Kangas, Juli THE SURPRISE VISITOR
Karas, Brian ON EARTH
Karr, Kathleen MAMA WENT TO JAIL FOR THE VOTE
Kent, Jack THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A DRAGON
Kinsey-Warmock, Natalie NORA'S ARK
Krieb, Mr. WE'RE OFF TO FIND THE WITCH'S HOUSE
Lear, Edward A WAS ONCE AN APPLE PIE (Illus. Suse Macdonald)
Lester, Alison ARE WE THERE YET?
Lester, Helen TACKY AND THE WINTER GAMES
Lindbergh, Reeve THE VISIT
London, Jonathan DO YOUR ABC'S LITTLE BROWN BEAR
Martin, David PIGGY AND DAD GO FISHING
Mayhew, James KATIE'S SUNDAY AFTERNOON
McDonald, Megan ANT AND HONEY BEE WHAT A PAIR!
McFarland, Lyn MOUSE WENT OUT TO GET A SNACK
McKay, Hilary THERE'S A DRAGON DOWNSTAIRS
McNaughton, Colin ONCE UPON AN ORDINARY SCHOOL DAY
Meade, Holly INSIDE, INSIDE, INSIDE
Meddaugh, Sisam THE WITCH'S WALKING STICK
Michelson, Richard HAPPY FEET
Mobin-Uddin MY NAME IS BILAL
Mora, Pat DONNA FLOR
Muth, Jon ZEN SHORTS
Nelson, Kadir HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HANDS
O'Flatharta, Antoine HURRY AND THE MONARCH
Ogburn, Jacqueline THE BAKE SHOP GHOST
Ormerod, Jan WHEN AN ELEPHANT COMES TO SCHOOL
LIZZIE NONSENSE
Park, Linda Sue WHAT DOES BUNNY SEE?
Palatini, Margie THREE FRENCH HENS
Perry, Elizabeth THINK COOL THOUGHTS
Pham, LeUyen BIG SIS LITTLE SIS
Polacco, Patricia EMMA KATE
Poydar, Nancy THE BIGGEST TEST IN THE UNIVERSE
Priceman, Marjorie HOT AIR: THE (Mostly) TRUE STORY OF A HOT AIR BALLOON RIDE
Reid, Barbara THE SUBWAY MOUSE
Reichert, Amy WHILE MAMA HAD A QUICK LITTLE CHAT
Robbins, Maria P. MOTHER, MOTHER, I WANT ANOTHER
Rosenberry, Vera VERA'S BABY SISTER
Ross, Eileen NELLIE AND THE BANDIT
Rylant, Cynthia IF YOU'LL BE MY VALENTINE
Say, Allen KAMISHIBAI MAN
Schaefer, Carole COOL TIME SONG
Schubert, Leda HERE COMES DARRELL
Scieszka, Jon & Smith, Lane SEEN ART?
Scotton, Rob RUSSELL THE SHEEP
Shannon, George WHITE IS FOR BLUEBERRY
Sherman, Pat THE SUN'S DAUGHTER
Shulevitz, Uri THE TRAVELS OF BENJAMIN OF TUDELA
Slate, Joseph MISS BINDERTAEN HAS A WILD DAY IN KINDERGARTEN
Sloat, Teri THIS IS THE HOUSE THAT WAS TIDY & NEAT
Spinelli, Eileen CITY ANGEL
Spirin, Gennady MARTHA
Stoeke, Janet WAITING FOR MAY
Stroud, Bettye THE PATCHWORK PATH
Sturges, Philemon WAGGERS
Tauss, Marc SUPERHERO
Tavares, Matt MUDBALL
Tegen, Katherine THE STORY OF THE EASTER BUNNY
Thomson, Sarah IMAGINE A DAY
Uhlberg, Myron DAD, JACKIE, AND ME
Weatherford, Carole FREEDOM ON THE MENU
Wellington, Monica ZINNIA'S FLOWER GARDEN
Wells, Rosemary MECUFF'S WILD ROMP
Wild, Margaret PIGLET AND MAMA
Williams, Karen CIRCLES OF HOPE
Williams, Tom WAIT! I WANT TO TELL YOU A STORY
Willis, Jeanne NEVER TOO LITTLE TO LOVE
TADPOLE'S PROMISE
Wong, Janet HIDE & SEEK
Wood, Douglas THE SECRET OF SAYING THANKS
Woodson, Jacqueline SHOW WAY
Zalben, Jane HEY, MAMA GOOSE

**POETRY**
Alarcon, Francisco POEMS TO DREAM TOGETHER
Bush, Timothy (Illus.) TEDDY BEAR, TEDDY BEAR
Dawes, Kwame TOM FEELINGS I SAW YOUR FACE
Fletcher, Ralph A WRITING KIND OF DAY: POEMS FOR YOUNG POETS
Florian, Douglas ZOO'S WHO
George, Kristine O'Connell FOLD ME A POEM
Hayford, James KNEE-DEEP IN BLAZING SNOW
Hopkins, Lee Bennett DAY TO CELEBRATE
Janeczko, Paul A KICK IN THE HEAD
Kennedy, Caroline A FAMILY OF POEMS
Lewis, J. Patrick PLEASE BURY ME IN THE LIBRARY
MONUMENTAL VERSES
Marsalis, Wynton JAZZ ABZ
Moore, Lillian MURAL ON SECOND AVENUE
Nelson, Marilyn A WREATH FOR EMMETT TILL
Nye, Naomi Shihab A MAZE ME
Singer, Marilyn CENTRAL HEATING

BEGINNING READERS
Cutler, Jane ROSE AND RILEY
Kenah, Katharine THE BEST SEAT IN THE SECOND GRADE
Rylant, Cynthia MR. PUTTER & TABBY MAKE A WISH
Silverman, Erica COWGIRL KATE AND COCOA

FOLK TALES, FAIRY TALES AND MYTHS
Del Negro, Janice WILLA AND THE WIND
Johnson-Davies GOHA THE WISE FOOL
Kimmel, Eric THE HERO BEOWULF
Lynch, P.J. (Illus.) EAST O' THE SUN AND WEST O' THE MOON
Mayer, Marianna THE BOY WHO RAN WITH THE GAZELLES
McKissach, P. & Onawumi, J. PRECIOUS AND THE BOO HAG
Mills, Lauren (Illus.) THUMBELINA
Sherman, Pat THE SUN'S DAUGHTER
Wiesner, David & Kahng, Kim THE LOATHSOME DRAGON

FICTION
Armstrong, Alan WHITTINGTON
Avi THE BOOK WITHOUT WORDS
Bauer, Joan BEST FOOT FORWARD
Birdsall, Jeanne THE PENDERWICKS
Bridge, Martin READY FOR TAKEOFF!
Broach, Elise SHAKESPEARE'S SECRET
Canales, Viola THE TEQUILA WORM
Carvell, Marlene SWEETGRASS BASKET
Cooney, Caroline CODE ORANGE
Cooper, Susan THE MAGICIAN'S BOY
DiCamillo, Kate MERCY WATSON TO THE RESCUE
Dowell, Frances CHICKEN BOY
Erdrich, Louise THE GAME OF SILENCE
Funke, Cornelia INKSPELL
Gardner, Sally I, CORIANDER
Grimes, Nikki DARK SONS
Hale, Shannon PRINCESS ACADEMY
Hiaasen, Carl FLUSH
Hill, Kirkpatrick DANCING AT THE ODINOCHKA
Houston, Julian NEW BOY
Howe, James TOTALLY JOE
Lester, Julius DAY OF TEARS
Martin, Rafe BIRDWING
Moses, Shelia I, DRED SCOTT
Mwangi, Meja THE MZUNGU BOY
Napoli, Donna Jo UGLY
THE KING OF MULBERRY STREET
Park, Linda Sue PROJECT MULBERRY
Perkins, Lynne CRiss CROSS
Pullman, Philip THE SCARECROW AND HIS SERVANT
Riordan, Rick THE LIGHTNING THIEF
Salisbury, Graham EYES OF THE EMPEROR
Scieszka, Jon GUYS WRITE FOR GUYS READ
Sonneblick, Jordan DRUMS GIRLS & DANGEROURS PIE
Staples, Suzanne UNDER THE PERSIMMON TREE
Velde, Vivian THE BOOK OF MORDRED
Voight, Cynthia ANGUS AND SADIE
Wiles, Deborah EACH LITTLE BIRD THAT SINGS
Wynne-Jones, Tim A THIEF IN THE HOUSE OF MEMORY
Zevin, Gabrielle ELSEWHERE
BOOKS OF INFORMATION
Appelt, Kathi MISS LADY BIRD'S WILDFLOWERS
Armstrong, Katya ELEPHANTS CAN PAINT TOO!
Bartoletti, Suasan HITLER YOUTH: GROWING UP IN HITLER'S SHADOW
Borden, Louise THE JOURNEY THAT SAVED CURIOUS GEORGE
Burleigh, Robert TOULOUSE-LAUTREC: THE MOULIN ROUGE...
Bustard, Anne BUDDY: THE STORY OF BUDDY HOLLY
Chambers, Veronica CELIA CRUZ, QUEEN OF SALSA
Collard, Sneed THE PRAIRIE BUILDERS
Cole, Sheila TO BE YOUNG IN AMERICA
Cowley, Joy CHAMELEON, CHAMELEON
Deem, James BODIES FROM THE ASH
Demi MOTHER TERESA
Fleming, Candace OUR ELEANOR
Gibbons, Gail OWLS
Giblin, James GOOD BROTHER BAD BROTHER
Giovanni, Nikki ROSA
Haskins, Jim DELIVERING JUSTICE: W.W. LAW AND THE FIGHT FOR CIVIL RIGHTS
Hesse, Karen THE YOUNG HANDS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN
Hines, Gary MIDNIGHT FORESTS
Jurman, Suzanne THE FORBIDDEN SCHOOLHOUSE
Krensky, Stephen DANGEROUS CROSSING
Krinitz, E. & Steinhardt, B. MEMORIES OF SURVIVAL
Leedy, Loreen LOOK AT MY BOOK
Markham, Beryl THE GOOD LION (Adapted & Illus. by Don Brown)
Millman, Isaac HIDDEN CHILD
Poole, Josephine ANNE FRANK
Prince, April Jones TWENTY-ONE ELEPHANTS
Rappaport, Doreen THE SCHOOL IS NOT WHITE!
Reading Is Fundamental THE ART OF READING
Reich, Susan JOSE! BORN TO DANCE
Richardson, J. & Parnell, P. AND, TANGO MAKES THREE
Rubin, Susan THE FLAG WITH FIFTY-SIX STARS
Russo, Marisabina ALWAYS REMEMBER ME: HOW ONE FAMILY SURVIVED ...
Ruurs, Margriet MY LIBRARIAN IS A CAMEL
Sadler, Judy, et.al. THE JUMBO BOOK OF NEEDLECRAFTS
Sayre, April STARS BENEATH YOUR BED: THE SURPRISING STORY OF DUST
Shetterly, Robert AMERICANS WHO TELL THE TRUTH
Silverman, Erica SHOLOM'S TREASURE
Sklansky, Amy WHERE DO CHICKS COME FROM?
Stamaty, Mark Alan ALIA'S MISSION: SAVING THE BOOKS OF IRAQ
St. George, Judith TAKE THE LEAD, GEORGE WASHINGTON
THE JOURNEY OF THE ONE AND ONLY DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE
Turner, Pamela GORILLA DOCTORS: SAVING ENDANGERED GREAT APES
Urbigkit, Cat BRAVE DOGS, GENTLE DOGS
Varmer, Hjordis HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN HIS FAIRY TALE LIFE
White, Linda A. I COULD DO THAT!
Williams, Mary BROTHERS IN HOPE
Winter, Jeanette THE LIBRARIAN OF BASRA: A TRUE STORY OF IRAQ
Winter, Jonah ROBERTO CLEMENTE
Yoo, Paula SIXTEEN YEARS IN SIXTEEN SECONDS: THE SAMMY LEE STORY
Yu, Chun LITTLE GREEN