

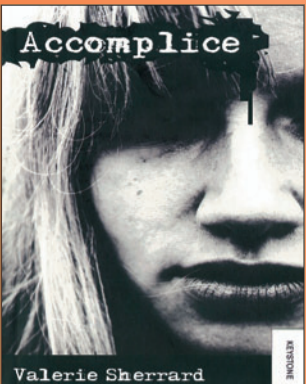
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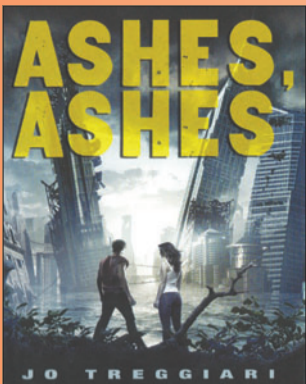
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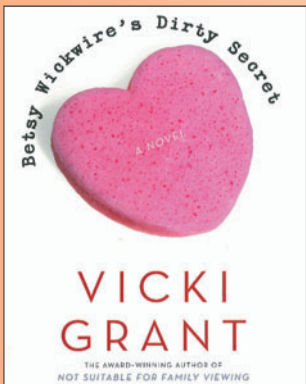
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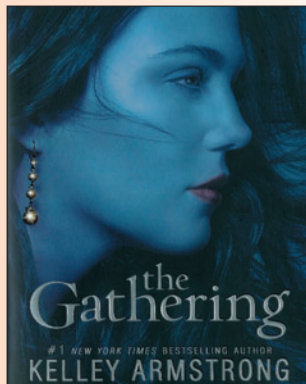
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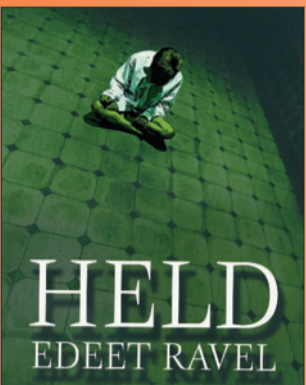
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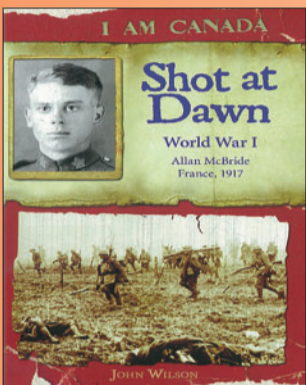
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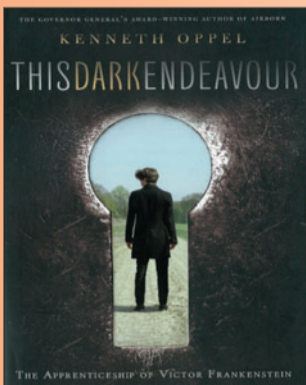
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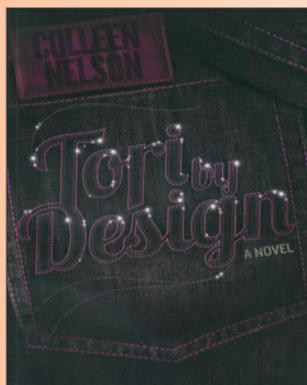
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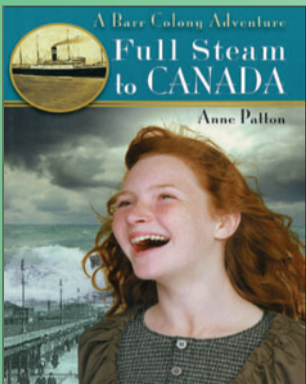


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Diamond Willow (gr. 4-6)



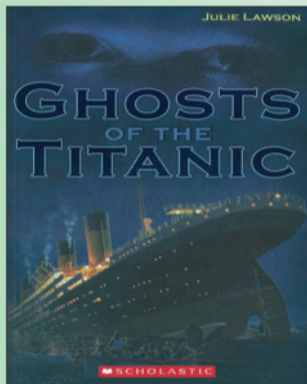
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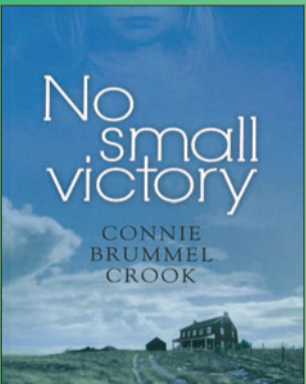
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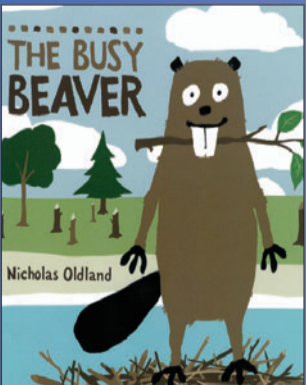


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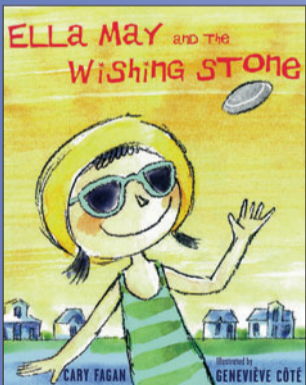


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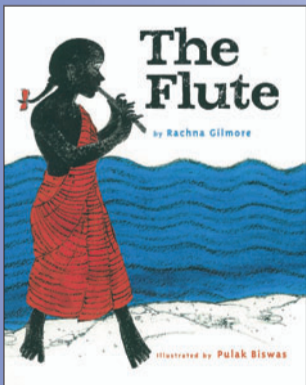
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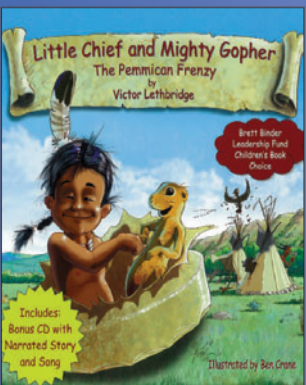
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Tradewind Books, ©2011



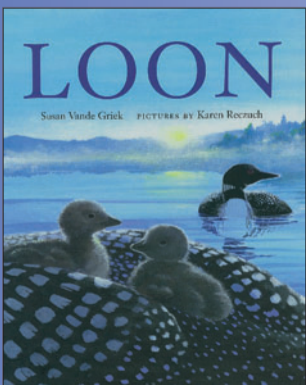
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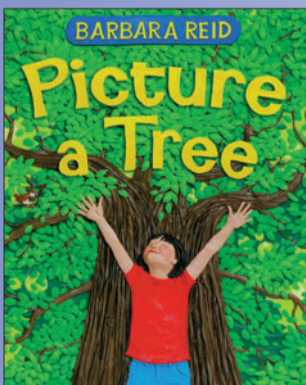
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By Monica Kulling
Illustrated by David Parkins
Tundra Books, ©2011



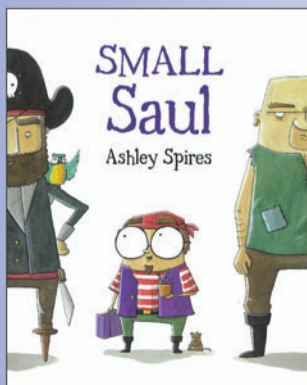
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Illustrated by Ben Crane
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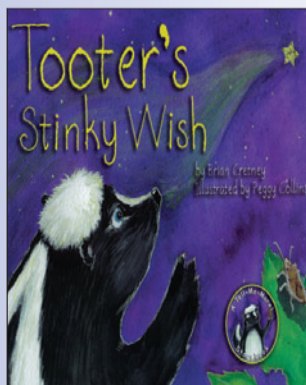
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Saskatchewan students must read or have heard read the minimum number in each category to vote for that award.

Snow Willow Award:
At least 3 of the 10 titles.

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Snow Willow Award Nominees - Read at least 3

Accomplice
by Valerie Sherrard
Dundurn Press, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55488-764-4 (pbk)
Fifteen-year-old Lexie's ex-boyfriend is a heroin addict, living on the streets of Vancouver. The hidden truth is that she's the person who urged him to try heroin at a party. Because of her feelings of guilt, she continues to give in to his demands for money. How can she break free from this downward spiral?

Ashes, Ashes
by Jo Treggiari
Scholastic Press, ©2011
ISBN 978-0-545-25563-9 (hc)
In post-apocalyptic New York City, Lucy escapes a refugee camp and tries to survive on her own. Due to the constant fear of the plague, packs of wild dogs, and being hunted by the Sweepers, she reluctantly joins forces with strangers. Does Lucy have an immunity that the others do not? Is that why the scientists are stalking her?

Betsy Wickwire's Dirty Secret
by Vicki Grant
HarperTrophyCanada, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55468-182-2 (pbk)
Betsy has just been dumped by her boyfriend – for her best friend. In her humiliation, she befriends a quirky girl, and together they start a housecleaning business. While cleaning, they discover more than just household dirt, and uncover some secrets of their clients, and a few about themselves.

Dust City
by Robert Paul Weston
Puffin Canada, ©2010
ISBN 978-0-670-06396-3 (hc)
When your dad is the wolf who killed Little Red Riding Hood, life is no fairy tale. Henry needs to find out what happened to the real fairies, who is supplying the synthetic dust that everyone seems to be hooked on, and if his father is truly to blame for the murder.

the Gathering
by Kelley Armstrong
Doubleday Canada, ©2011
ISBN 978-0-385-66851-4 (hc)
Most of the town works at the drug research facility on Vancouver Island. Maya questions the drowning death of her best friend, and the reporter who keeps returning to interview teens. Does Maya's pawprint birthmark have anything to do with the frequent cougar sightings? She needs to make sense of what is happening to her.

Held
by Edeet Ravel
annick press, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55451-282-9 (pbk)
Seventeen-year-old Chloe is on summer vacation in Greece when she is drugged and kidnapped. Fearing for her life, she doesn't know if she can believe what her captor tells her, or if she can trust the feelings she's developing for him. Will well-meaning friends and social media help or hinder her rescue?

Shot at Dawn
by John Wilson
Scholastic Canada Ltd., ©2011
ISBN 978-0-545-98595-6 (hc)
Allen McBride is excited to fight for his country in World War I, but soon becomes disillusioned by the realities of war. His actions lead to his being tried as a deserter. We hear his story as told to a guard the night before his planned execution by firing squad.

This Dark Endeavour
by Kenneth Oppel
HarperCollins Publishers Ltd., ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55468-339-0 (hc)
Young Victor Frankenstein, his cousin Elizabeth and his friend Henry stumble across a hidden library in the Frankenstein chateau. Here they read ancient manuscripts that might help them find the ingredients for the Elixir of Life, which may save the life of Victor's twin brother.

Tori by Design
by Colleen Nelson
Great Plains Teen Fiction, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-926531-10-6 (pbk)
When Tori's family moves to New York City for a year, she gets the opportunity of her dreams to do a summer internship at the Fashion Institute of Technology. What she isn't prepared for is her mother getting pregnant, and the repercussions that this will have on their lives.

Undergrounders
by David Skuy
Scholastic Canada Ltd., ©2011
ISBN 978-1-4431-0728-0 (pbk)
Twelve-year-old Jonathon has been living on the streets since his mom died. Not only does he love hockey, but he's also a talented player. When he gets an offer to play on a team, he worries they'll discover his secrets – that his equipment is stolen, and his only family is a street gang.

Diamond Willow Award Nominees - Read at least 4

Better Than Weird
by Anna Kerz
Orca Book Publishers, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55469-362-7 (pbk)
Aaron doesn't fit in with the other kids – but why? He knows he's different and spends a lot of time thinking about life. He's waiting for his dad to arrive after an eight-year separation, and is looking forward to all the fun things they are going to do together. Will it be as good as he hopes?

Full Steam to Canada
by Anne Patton
Coteau Books, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55050-457-6 (pbk)
Dorothy Bolton and her family decide to leave England and emigrate to Canada, because Reverend Isaac Barr promises free farmland by Saskatoon. The journey across the ocean is not like anything Dorothy has ever experienced. What adventures will she have, and what awaits her in Canada?

Ghosts of Government House
by Judith Silverthorne
Your Nickel's Worth Publishing, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-894431-63-7 (pbk)
Sam and her friends are given an after-hours tour of Government House in Regina. She meets some interesting people that no one else seems to have met. She starts to suspect that maybe she has spoken to ghosts. Her grandmother and her friend help her investigate, to see if ghosts really live in Government House.

Ghosts of the Titanic
by Julie Lawson
Scholastic Canada Ltd., ©2011
ISBN 978-1-4431-0041-0 (pbk)
Angus pocketed a victim's purse in 1912 while helping to recover the bodies from the Titanic disaster. The victim's ghost now has a connection to him. Many years later, when Kevin finds a curious artifact in Angus' old house, this gives the ghost a connection to him, and he is caught up in the mystery of the ghost, the artifact and the Titanic.

Missing
by Becky Citra
Orca Book Publishers, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55469-345-0 (pbk)
Having your Dad keep you from riding is awful. Losing your Mom is even worse. Thea's Dad gets a job on a ranch, and Thea meets an abandoned horse and makes friends with a local boy named Van. She then encounters an old mystery involving Van's grandfather, and finally starts to come to terms with the losses in her own life.

No small victory
by Connie Brummel Crook
Fitzhenry & Whiteside, ©2010
ISBN 978-1-55455-169-9 (pbk)
The Depression hits hard, and Bonnie's family has to move in the middle of the night. Being the new kid is tough, and then there's the bullying, the lice and getting caught in a blizzard. As Bonnie works to fit in, she comes to appreciate the small and big victories in her life.

Off to Class: Incredible and Unusual Schools Around the World
by Susan Hughes
Owlkids, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-926818-86-3 (pbk)
School doesn't have to take place in a building. Street kids have the chance to learn about their world right where they sleep, play, and live. There are schools in caves, and on boats and train platforms. Read about different schools around the globe and how other kids get to learn.

Power Play
by Liam O'Donnell
Illustrated by Mike Deas
Orca Book Publishers, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55469-069-5 (pbk)
Nadia and Devin are attending the World Leaders Summit, and when Dr. Ashmore's assistant dies, Nadia and Devin are pulled into the mystery. Was it an accident or murder? Is Dr. Ashmore in danger? Will they be able to solve this puzzle with the help of their friends?

Somebody's Girl
by Maggie de Vries
Orca Book Publishers, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55469-383-2 (pbk)
Martha's life is changing quickly and she doesn't feel ready. She won't be an only child anymore, she has to do a project about sturgeon with Chance, her annoying partner, and she's alienating her friends. As she tries to sort out the frustration, loneliness, and uncertainty she feels, she learns that life means change.

Spy, Spy Again: True Tales of Failed Espionage
by Tina Holdcroft
annick press, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55451-222-5 (pbk)
Want to be a spy? Easy job? Think again. This cartoon history of spying takes the reader into the world of spy bloopers, mistakes, and botched missions. These witty stories expose tales of espionage botched by bad luck, rotten timing, incompetence, miscommunication, pride and betrayal.

Shining Willow Award Nominees - Read at least 5

The Busy Beaver
by Nicholas Oldland
Kids Can Press, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55453-749-5 (hc)
There once was a beaver who was so busy that he didn't think things through. After finding himself on the wrong side of a falling tree, he begins to see the error of his careless ways. He is eager to set things right, but will his friends believe he is a changed beaver?

Ella May and The Wishing Stone
by Cary Fagan
Illustrated by Geneviève Côté
Tundra Books, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-77049-225-7 (hc)
Ella May finds a stone that has a line going all-all-all the way around it. She decides it must grant wishes, and is soon busy making wishes and bragging about them. Ella May objects when her friends want to share the fun, but realizes she is losing her friends.

The Flute
by Rachna Gilmore
Illustrated by Pulak Biswas
Tradewind Books, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-896580-57-9 (hc)
After her parents are swept away by a catastrophic flood, Chandra finds solace in her mother's magic flute. After experiencing many hardships, Chandra finds a new, loving family. Set in India, this is an enchanting tale of the power of hope and the resilience of the human spirit.

I Know Here
by Laurel Croza
Illustrated by Matt James
Groundwood Books, ©2010
ISBN 978-0-88899-923-8 (hc)
A girl lives with her family in a trailer in northeastern Saskatchewan, where her father is building a dam. She knows everything about the place she lives. The dam is nearly finished and the family is moving to Toronto. With her teacher's help she finds a way to keep everything she loves about home.

In The Bag! Margaret Knight Wraps It Up
By Monica Kulling
Illustrated by David Parkins
Tundra Books, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-77049-239-4 (hc)
Margaret was different than other girls in 1850. She loved to make things. Her father died when she was three, and by the age of twelve she was working at the local cotton mill with her older brothers. After seeing a worker get injured she invented the first of her many inventions.

Little Chief and Mighty Gopher: The Pemmican Frenzy
By Victor Lethbridge
Illustrated by Ben Crane
Tatanka Productions, ©2010
ISBN 978-0-9866738-0-1 (hc)
Snow Cloud is lonely. He limps, and struggles to keep up with the other children who sometimes make fun of him. He makes friends with Mighty Gopher, but when Mighty Gopher follows him home, chaos arrives at the tipi camp.

Loon
by Susan Vande Griek
Illustrated by Karen Reczuch
Groundwood Books, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55498-077-2 (hc)
This prose poem follows two loon chicks through their life cycle: from birth all the way to their migration to the coast. We see them learn to swim, find food, avoid predators and danger, and eventually take their first flights. On the coast, they mature into adults, find mates and return inland.

Picture a Tree
by Barbara Reid
North Winds Press, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-4431-0761-7 (hc)
Picture a tree – what do you see? From bare branches tracing the sky to an explosion of colour, a place for adventure or a friend to shelter you from the sun – a tree can be many things. Picture a tree – now look again!

Small Saul
by Ashley Spires
Kids Can Press, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55453-503-3 (hc)
Small Saul joins a pirate crew, and the other pirates notice something is very different about him. Small Saul learned at Pirate College that pirates only care about three things: their ship, being tough and lots of treasure. Can he show these ruffians that despite his gentle spirit, he's worth his weight in gold?

Tooter's Stinky Wish
By Brian Cretney
Illustrated by Peggy Collins
Fitzhenry & Whiteside, ©2011
ISBN 978-1-55455-165-1 (hc)
Tooter is a skunk that just can't stink. He tries everything, from scientific experiments to self-help manuals. In despair, he wishes on an evening star. A small bug overhears his wish and takes him on a journey of discovery, where Tooter learns the value of perspective, perseverance, and patience.