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The following books have recently appeared in paperback, either for the first time or after a long absence. All are recommended.

- Beatty, Patricia. *Turn Homeward, Hannalee*. Morrow, 1999. ISBN 0-688-166676-8. \$5.95. 193 pages. Grades 4-8. Reprint. Twelve-year-old Hannalee Reed, forced to relocate to Indiana with other Georgia millworkers during the Civil War, leaves her mother with a promise to return home as soon as the war end
- DeFelice, Cynthia. *The Ghost of Fossil Glen*. Avon, 1999. ISBN 0-380-73175-4. \$4.99. 154 pages. Grades 4-8. Reprint. After a ghostly voice guides Allie Nichols safely down a steep cliff side, she tries to discover who is behind that voice and what the ghost, who seems to be pursuing her, wants from Allie.
- Freedman, Russell. *Out of Darkness*. Illustrated by Kate Kiesler. Clarion, 1999. ISBN 0-395-96888-7. \$7.95. 79 pages. Grades 3-8. Reprint. A biography of the nineteenth-century Frenchman who, having been blinded himself at the age of three, went on to develop a system of raised dots on paper that enabled blind people to read and write.
- Markle, Sandra. *Outside and Inside Spiders*. Simon & Schuster, 1999. ISBN 0-689-83120-X. \$5.99. 40 pages. Grades 3-6. Reprint. In this overview of how spiders live and how their bodies work, intriguing photographs show both external and internal views of spiders, including heart, lungs, and egg sacs.
- McKissack, Patricia C. *Ma Dear's Aprons*. Illustrated by Floyd Cooper. Simon & Schuster, 1999. \$5.99. ISBN 0-689-83262-1. Not paginated. Grades K-3. Reprint. Young
- David Earl always knows what day of the week it is, because his mother, Ma Dear, has a different apron for every day except Sunday.
- Nygaard, Elizabeth. *Snake Alley Band*. Illustrated by Betsy Lewin. Dell, 1999. ISBN 0-440-41352-4. \$5.99. Not paginated. Grades Preschool-2. Reprint. The littlest snake misses being part of the music-making snake band until he finds a new group even better to his musical liking.
- San Souci, Robert. *Even More Short & Shivery*. Illustrated by Jacqueline Rogers. Delacorte, 1999. ISBN 0-385-32639-4. \$10.95. 162 pages. Grades 3-6. Reprint. The fourth in this series of spooky stories, this volume presents three short tales of ghosts and the macabre collected from around the world
- Stewart, Sarah. *The Library*. Illustrated by David Small. Farrar Straus, 1999. ISBN 0-374-44394-7. \$5.95. Unpaginated. Grades K-4. Reprint. Elizabeth Brown loves to read more than anything else, but when her collection of books grows and grows, she must make a change in her life.
- Trumble, Kelly. *Cat Mummies*. Illustrated by Laszlo Kubinyi. Clarion, 1999. ISBN 0-95-6891-7. \$5.95. 44 pages. Grades 3-8. Reprint. Presents intriguing facts about cats in ancient Egypt and how they were revered, worshiped, and mummified; chronology, notes, and glossaries are appended.
- Turner, Ann. *Finding Walter*. Dell, 1999. ISBN 0-440-1527-6. \$4.50. 161 pages. Grades 3-6. Reprint. When two sisters, Emily and Rose, find a dusty old dollhouse in their grandmother's attic, they are delighted, as are

the dolls, who have been waiting to be found, but the youngest doll, Walter, is missing.

Wallace, Bill. *Eye of the Great Bear*. Pocket Books, 1999. ISBN 0-671-02502-3. \$4.99. 161 pages. Grades 3-7. Reprint. Bailey Trumbull is picked on constantly by other boys, but the day arrives when he must confront his destiny, as foretold earlier by an ancient medicine man.

Wilson, Diane Lee. *I Rode a Horse of Milk White Jade*. Harper, 1999. ISBN 0-06-44073-X. \$5.95. 288 pages. Grades 5+. Reprint. In early fourteenth-century China, Oyuna tells her granddaughter of her girlhood in Mongolia and how love for her horse enabled her to win an important race and bring good luck to her family.