

Recommended Intermediate-Level Booklist: 1930s

1930s Books - Recommended	Author	Distributor	Pub. Date	Cost	Purpose	
Rose's journal : the story of a girl in the Great Depression	Moss, Marissa				Children's Literature: Picture	Students will LOVE this book! It's written in a format as if a girl were keeping a diary and it beautifully illustrates the culture of the 1930s; Includes several primary source artifacts
Bud, not buddy	Curtis, Christopher Paul	Silver Whistle/Harcourt	2001	\$12.75	Children's Literature: Chapter	Chapter book that addresses many 1930s themes (e.g., Hooverville, train riding, orphanages, music)
The Hoover Dam: The Story of Hard Times, Tough People and The Taming of a Wild River (Wonders of the World Book)	Mann, Elizabeth and Wischonke, Alan	Delacorte/Random House		\$6.50	Children's Literature: Picture	I have NOT reviewed this book, but it is the only picture book I can find that is recommended on the topic
Rudy rides the rails : a Depression era story	Mackall, Dandi Daley		2006	\$9.95	Children's Literature: Picture	An excellent picture book telling the story of a boy who rides the rails to find a home; Great geography connections
Saving Strawberry Farm	Hopkinson, Deborah	Sleeping Bear Press	2007	\$15.26	Children's Literature: Picture	Great review from School Library Journal as an introduction to the drought and Depression, but it is NOT starred; Sharon recommends (Pics not reviewed)
Out of the dust	Hesse, Karen	Greenwillow Books	2005	\$17.89	Children's Literature: Chapter	Chapter book beautifully explaining everyday life during the Dust Bowl era
Tree of hope	Littlesugar, Amy	Scholastic	1999	\$5.99	Children's Literature: Picture	Provides a context for the 1930s using the Harlem Renaissance as a backdrop; Gives the African-American perspective of the 1930s; Excellent overview of the arts of the era and how political decisions affected the arts
A teacher's guide for using Bud, not buddy in the classroom		Puffin Books	2001	\$11.56	Pedagogical Support	Teacher's Guide for Bud, Not Buddy
The great depression		Teacher Created Resources		\$8.99	Children's Literature: Magazine	
The house in the mail	Wells, Rosemary	Kids Discover		\$3.99	Children's Literature: Picture	The content pre-dates the module, but helps establish what life was like before the Depression so the difference is more evident
Review: Tough Times	Meltzer, Milton	Puffin Books	2004	\$11.56	Children's Literature: Chapter	NCSS 2008
Talkin' about Bessie : the story of aviator Elizabeth Coleman	Grimes, Nikki	Clarion Books	2007	\$12.48	Children's Literature	Focus is on a single individual; Shows how people can overcome their troubles; I worry that it over-represents the role of the Black American in aviation of the time and a book on Amelia Earhart might better represent the period)
Children of the Great Depression	Freedman, Russell	Orchard Books	2002	\$14.40	Children's Literature: Content Book	Excellent pictures (though they are available online); Great content in easy to read language (for 5th graders); Good overview of the period; Has the feel of a textbook
Dust bowl! : the 1930s black blizzards	Levey, Richard H.	Clarion Books	2005	\$16.96	Children's Literature: Content Book	Excellent inclusion of primary source pictures; Very low reading level; Content similar to that of the "If You Were There..." series, but with much lower level text
Civilian conservation corps		Bearport	2005	\$18.95	Children's Literature: Magazine	We do not have any other resources on this topic; Teacher's Guide online at: <a href="http://www.cobblestonepub.com/resources/COB0504t.html">http://www.cobblestonepub.com/resources/COB0504t.html</a>
Rent party jazz	Miller, William	Cobblestone		\$5.95	Children's Literature: Picture	Wonderful illustrations; Story of how people used parties to earn money during the Depression - shows people's ability to overcome and will help some children relate to the era; I question the historical accuracy of the text
		Lee & Low Books	2001	\$16.95		
Total				\$190.13		
Recommended - Funds Permitting						
Not Yet Reviewed						