



RECOMMENDED READING LIST

There are many great books with factual information that may be helpful in learning about the subjects surrounding the Underground Railroad. This list is extensive but by no means exhaustive.

FOR STUDENTS AND EDUCATORS

Kindergarten – Grade 3:

- Adler, D. *A Picture Book of Harriet Tubman*. Holiday House, 1992.
- Bail, Raymond. *The Underground Railroad*. Houghton Mifflin Company, 1995.
- Cline-Ransome, Lesa. *Words Set Me Free: The Story of Young Frederick Douglass*. Simon & Schuster, 2012.
- Lawrence, J. *Harriet and the Promised Land*. Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1993.
- Levine, E. *Henry's Freedom Box: A True Story from the Underground Railroad*. Scholastic Press, 2007.
- Mojo, F.N. *The Drinking Gourd: A Story of the Underground Railroad*, Harper Collins, 1983.
- Osborne, M. *Civil War on Sunday*. Random House, 2000.
- Rappaport, D. *Freedom River*. Hyperion Books for Children, 2000.
- Schroeder, A. *Minty: A Story of Young Harriet Tubman*. Puffin Books, 1996.
- Winter, Jeanette. *Follow the Drinking Gourd*. Knopf, 1988.
- Woodruff, E. *Dear Austin: Letters from the Underground Railroad*. Scholastic, Inc., 1998.

Grades 4 - 6:

- Clark, Margaret Goff. *Freedom Crossing*. Scholastic Paperbacks, 1991.
- Curtis, Christopher Paul. *Elijah of Buxton*. Scholastic Paperbacks, 2009.
- Houston, Gloria. *Bright Freedom's Song: A Story of the Underground Railroad*. Silver Whistle, 1998.
- Levine, Ellen. *If You...Traveled on the Underground Railroad*. Scholastic, Inc. 1993.
- Nelson, Kadir. *HEART AND SOUL: The Story of America and African Americans*. Carolrhoda Books, Inc., 2011.
- Arato, Rona. *Working for Freedom: The Story of Josiah Henson*. Napoleon & Co., 2009.
- Petry, Ann. *Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad*. Amistad Publishing, 1995.
- Stanley, George. *Frederick Douglass: Abolitionist Hero*. Aladdin Paperbacks, 2008.

Grades 6 - 8:

- Carbone, Elisa Lynn. *Stealing Freedom*. Knopf, 1998.
- Collier, Christopher. *Jump Ship to Freedom (Arabus Family Saga)*. Yearling, 1987.
- Feeling, Tom. *The Middle Passage: White Ships / Black Cargo*. Dial Publishers, 1995.
- Ayres, Katherine. *North by Night: A Story of the Underground Railroad*. Yearling, 2000.
- Horton, James Oliver, and Lois E. Horton. *Slavery and the Making of America*. Oxford University Press, 2006.
- Katz, William Loren. *Breaking the Chains: African American Slave Resistance*. Sagebrush Bound, 1999.
- Reed, Stephanie. *Across the Wade*. Kregel Publications, 2004.
- Yetman, Norman R. *Voices from Slavery: 100 Authentic Slave Narratives*. Dover Publications, 1999.

Young Adults:

- Conkling, Winifred. *Passenger on the Pearl: The True Story of Emily Edmonson's Flight from Slavery*. Algonquin Young Readers, 2016.
- Fradin, Dennis Brindell. *Bound for the North Star: True Stories of Fugitive Slaves*. Houghton Mifflin Co., 2000.
- Henson, Josiah. *Autobiography of Josiah Henson: An Inspiration for Harriet Beecher Stowe's Uncle Tom* (Reprint of 1881 edition) Dover, 2003.
- Kallen, Stuart A. *Life on the Underground Railroad (The Way People Live)*. Lucent Books, 2000.
- Kay, Alan N. *Send 'Em South (Young Heroes of History)* White Mane Publishers, 2001.
- Schraff, Anne E. *Harriet Tubman: Moses of the Underground Railroad (African Americans Biographies)* Enslow Publishers, Inc., 2001.
- Stowe, Harriet Beecher. *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. Houghton Mifflin Co., 1952.

FOR ADULTS

- Blackett, R.J.M. *Making Freedom: The Underground Railroad and the Politics of Slavery*. University of North Carolina Press, 2013.
- Bordewich, Fergus M. *Bound for Canaan: The Underground Railroad and the War for the Soul of America*. HarperCollins, 2005.
- Clinton, Catherine. *Harriet Tubman: The Road to Freedom*. Back Bay Books, 2005.
- Douglass, Frederick. *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, An American Slave, Written by Himself*. (Reprint of 1845 edition).
- Fields, Barbara Jeanne. *Slavery and Freedom on the Middle Ground: Maryland during the Nineteenth Century*. Yale University Press, 1985.
- Foner, Eric. *Gateway to Freedom: The Hidden History of the Underground Railroad*. W.W. Norton and Company, 2016.
- Franklin, John Hope and Loren Schweninger. *Runaway Slaves: Rebels on the Plantation*. Oxford University Press, 1999.
- Henson, Josiah. *Autobiography of Josiah Henson: An Inspiration for Harriet Beecher Stowe's Uncle Tom*. (Reprint of 1881 edition). Dover, 2003.
- Jacobs, Harriet. *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*. Dover Thrift Editions, 2001.
- Ricks, Mary Kay. *Escape on the Pearl: The Heroic Bid for Freedom on the Underground Railroad*. HarperCollins, 2007.
- Seibert, Wilbur H. *The Underground Railroad from Slavery to Freedom: A Comprehensive History*. (Reprint of 1898 edition) Dover Publications, 2006.
- Still, William. *The Underground Railroad: Authentic Narratives and First-Hand Accounts*. (Reprint of 1872 edition). Dover Publications, 2007.
- Stowe, Harriet Beecher. *Uncle Tom's Cabin*.

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