Books on Bikes

PROMOTING LITERACY & ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

Fiction Ages 4-8

**Sally Jean, the Bicycle Queen**
Cari Best (Author) Christine Davenier (Illustrator)
When Sally Jean outgrows Flash, her beloved bicycle, she experiments with various ideas for acquiring a new, bigger one. ($13.35)

**A Crash Course for Molly**
Eva Eriksson (Author and Illustrator)
Molly is big enough and smart enough to ride a bike now, but she keeps running into things until she gets some useful advice from a driving instructor. ($4.00)

**The Bear’s Bicycle**
Emilie Warren McLeod (Author) David McPhail (Illustrator)
A young boy and an outrageous bear demonstrate how to ride a bicycle safely. ($6.30)

**Yuki’s Ride Home**
Manya Tessler (Author and Illustrator)
After an enjoyable day at her grandmother's house, Yuki tries to gather all her courage to ride her bicycle home in the evening fog. ($4.00)

**Franklin’s Bicycle Helmet**
Paulette Bourgeois and Brenda Clark (Creators)
Franklin is embarrassed by his new bicycle helmet which has a bright red light on top of it. ($3.47)

Fiction Ages 4-8 (continued)

**Play It Safe**
Mercer Mayer (Author and Illustrator)
Little Critter and Gabby spend the day at Bike Safety Camp, learning how to "play it safe." ($3.56)

**Gracie Goat’s Big Bike Race**
Erin Mirabella (Author) Lisa Horstman (Illustrator)
Gracie Goat doesn't know how to ride a bike and is so scared she refuses to try. Fortunately her Grandma convinces her to face her fears. ($5.49)
**Duck on a Bike**  
David Shannon (Author and Illustrator)  
When Duck gets the zany idea to ride a bike one day, each animal on the farm has a reaction. ($13.69)

**Vera Rides a Bike**  
Vera Rosenberry (Author and Illustrator)  
When Vera gets a new bicycle, she learns to ride it but has trouble learning how to stop. ($5.00)

**Every Cowgirl Needs a Horse**  
Rebecca Janni (Author) Lynne Avril (Illustrator)  
Nellie Sue, who fancies herself a real cowgirl, wants a horse for her birthday, but she discovers that a brand new bicycle, her first, takes almost as much taming as a filly. ($11.48)

**Fiction Ages 4-8 (continued)**

**Dona Eremita Sobre Ruedas / Mrs. Armitage On Wheels**  
Quentin Blake (Author and Illustrator) Carmen Diana Dearden (Introduction)  
Relates the misadventures of Mrs. Armitage as she makes increasingly complicated modifications of her bicycle. ($14.16)

**Rosaura En Bicicleta / Rosaura on a Bicycle (Ponte Poronte)**  
Daniel Barbot (Author) Morella Fuenmayor (Illustrator)  
Senora Amelia loves animals. In this lively and cheery story from Venezuela, you will see to what lengths she will go in order to grant her handsome hen Rosaura a birthday wish. ($10.72)

**Sky Blue Accident/Accidente Celeste**  
Jorge Elias Lujan, Piet Grobler, and Elisa Amado (Authors)  
This sweetly whimsical book describes a little boy who falls from his bicycle and crashes into the sky. The sky shatters, but the little boy puts some of the broken pieces into his pocket and, in the end, saves the day. ($21.95)

**Superabuelo**  
David M. Schwartz and Martin Luis Guzman (Authors) Bert Dodson (Illustrator)  
Schwartz tells the story of a 66-year-old cyclist who competed in the Tour of Sweden, and to the surprise of the judges, finished first. ($16.53)
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**Ride Right: Bicycle Safety (How to Be Safe!)**
Jill Urban Donahue (Author) Bob Masheris (Illustrator)
Ajay gets a new bicycle for his birthday and learns the rules of bicycle safety. ($5.00)

Non Fiction Ages 4-8 (continued)

**Seguridad y las Bicicletas / Bicycle Safety**
Sue Barraclough (Author)
Children view various situations that show key safety rules for biking. ($5.39)

**Staying Safe on My Bike/La Seguridad En Mi Bicicleta (Safety First/ La Seguridad Es Lo Primero) - Bilingual**
Joanne Mattern (Author)
Beginning bilingual English/Spanish readers learn and understand safety rules on their bike, as well as the tools needed to avoid and react to danger. Includes full-color photographs, glossary, research sources and index. ($19.80)

**Bicicletas Del Pasado**
Mark Beyer (Author)
Describes the history of the bicycle and its uses for work and pleasure. ($21.24)

**Verde dice adelante/Green Means Go - Bilingual**
Susan Ring (Author)
Simple text and photos introduce basic traffic rules. ($13.50)

**Jugar Sin Peligro / Playing Safe (Libros Para Avanzar)**
Robin Nelson (Author)
Provides advice on keeping safe while riding a bicycle, playing ball, skating, and swimming. ($20.34)

Non Fiction Ages 4-8 (continued)

**What Happens at a Bike Shop?/ Que Pasa En Una Tienda De Bicicletas?: Gente?**
Kathleen Pohl (Author)
Buddy Bear, guides a behind-the-scenes tour at each of six important businesses that are found in almost every community. Designed to support the first-grade social studies curriculum, this series uses vivid, full-color photography and first-hand, expert information to show young readers the kinds of work people do at these familiar and fascinating places. ($6.65)
**Emmanuel’s Dream**
Laurie Ann Thompson and Sean Qualls (Author)
Born in Ghana, West Africa, with one deformed leg, he was dismissed by most people—but not by his mother, who taught him to reach for his dreams. He rode an astonishing four hundred miles across Ghana in 2001, spreading his powerful message: disability is not inability. ($12.59)

**Beginning Chapter Books Ages 4-8**

**Marvin Redpost, Super Fast, Out of Control!**
Louis Sachar (Author) Amy Wummer (Illustrator)
Afraid of his new mountain bike, third-grader Marvin finds himself in a desperate situation when he accepts a challenge to ride down Suicide Hill. ($3.59)

**Picture/Fiction Books Age 9-12**

**Me and My Bike**
Ander (Author and Illustrator)
A child wants nothing more than a new bicycle, and it seems the wish might come true with some help from the magic lamp that once made Grandpa grow up really fast. ($15.26)

**My Sister’s Rusty Bike**
Jim Aylesworth (Author) Richard Hull (Illustrator)
A rhyming tale of a zany, zigzag trip around America. ($5.00)

**Picture/Fiction Books Age 9-12 (continued)**

**Mike and the Bike**
Michael Ward (Author) Rob Thomson (Illustrator) Lance Armstrong (Forward)
This is a boy whose name is Mike. This is Mike’s pride and joy—his bike... So begins the inspiring tale of a boy, his best friend, and the adventurous relationship that many children begin when they are young and continue the rest their lives! ($15.29)

**La bicicleta de Selva**
Mónica Rodríguez (Author) Anuska Allepuz (Illustrator)
Selva is a special little girl who has blue skin and comes from a country where there is nothing but sand. She has a rusty bicycle with no bell, but with a great story hidden in its saddle. ($12.10)
Chapter Books Ages 9-12

**The Time Bike**  
Jane Langton (Author) Erik Blegvad (Illustrator)  
Eddy Hall receives a mysterious gift from India, an old-fashioned bike that transports its rider through time. ($5.00)

**The Big Bike Race**  
Lucy Jane Bledsoe (Author) Sterling Brown (Illustrator)  
Ernest Peterson’s hopes of winning the Washington, D.C., Citywide Cup bicycle race are shattered when his grandmother gives him a huge, clunky, yellow bike for his tenth birthday. ($5.00)

**The Bicycle Spy**  
Yona Zeldis McDonough (Author)  
This story takes readers on a historical adventure as they follow Marcel, astride his trusty bicycle, along the streets of German-occupied France. History seamlessly meets fiction as readers learn about a snippet of life in World War II Europe. ($11)

**The Green Bicycle**  
Haifaa Al Mansour (Author)  
Spunky eleven-year-old Wadjda lives in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia with her parents. She desperately wants a bicycle so that she can race her friend Abdullah, even though it is considered improper for girls to ride bikes

Non-Fiction Books Ages 9-12

**The Bicycle**  
Larry Hills (Author)  
This book introduces the history and development of the bicycle and explains how a bicycle works. ($18.09)

Non-Fiction Books Ages 9-12 (continued)

**Go Fly a Bike! The Ultimate Book of Bicycle Fun, Freedom, and Science**  
Bill Haduch (Author) Chris Murphy (Illustrator)  
This book discusses everything about the bicycle, from its history and the laws of physics that make it work, to how to plan a bike outing. ($5.00)

**Wheels of Change**  
Sue Macy (Author)
Through vintage photographs, advertisements, cartoons, and songs, this book transports young readers to bygone eras to see how women used the bicycle to improve their lives. ($8.34)

**Poetry**

**Bicycle Man**
Allen Say (Author and Illustrator)
The amazing tricks two American soldiers do on a borrowed bicycle are a fitting finale for the school sports-day festivities in a small village in occupied Japan. ($6.26)

**Along a Long Road**
Frank Viva (Author and Illustrator)
Speed off on an eventful bicycle ride along the bold yellow road that cuts through town, by the sea, and through the country. Ride up and around, along and through, out and down. ($16.99)

**Chapter Books Ages 12+ / Fiction**

**The Velocipede Races**
Emily June Street (Author)
Emmeline Escot knows that she was born to ride in Seren’s cutthroat velocipede races. The only problem: She’s female in a world where women lead tightly laced lives. Can her dream to race survive scandal, scrutiny, and heartbreak?

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