

Children's and Young Adult Literature

Subject Research Guide

Contained within this document are selected resources at the Monmouth University Library for locating information on children's and young adult literature. For additional resources, search the Library catalog or visit the reference desk.

Finding Books

Use the Monmouth University Online Library Catalog to search for books in the Monmouth University Library (<http://millenium.monmouth.edu/search.html>).

Reference Books

Authors & Illustrators Reference Books

REF PN451 M37 1993 Vol. 1-6: Major authors and illustrators for children and young adults: a selection of sketches from Laurie Collier and Joyce Nakamura

REF PN451 M37 Suppl. 1998: Major authors and illustrators for children and young adults. Supplement

REF PN1009 A1 C5424 1995: Children's books and their creators

REF PN1009 A1 T9 1999: St. James guide to children's writers - Sara Pendergast and Tom Pendergast, editors

REF PS490 S7 1999: St. James guide to young adult writers

Children's Literature Reference Books

REF Z1037.7 D36 2003: Bilingual children's books in English and Spanish: an annotated bibliography , Doris Cruger Dale

REF Z 1037.G48 2002: Best books for children: preschool through grade 6 / John T. Gillespie.

REF PN 1008.5. L38 2002: The children's literature dictionary: definitions, resources, and learning activities, Kathy H. Latrobe, Carolyn S. Brodie, and Maureen White.

REF Z1037 A2 N472 1999: The Newbery and Caldecott awards: a guide to the medal and honor books.

Young Adult Literature Reference Books

REF Z1037 B55 2000: (Shelved in Ready Reference) Best books for young teen readers, grades 7 to 10 - John T. Gillespie, editor

REF PN 1009 .A1 2003: Fantasy literature for children and young adults / Pamela Gates, Susan B. Steffel, Francis J. Molson.

REF Z1037 .B55 2000 Best books for young teen readers, grades 7 to 10 / John T. Gillespie, editor.

Children & Young Adult Literature Reference Books:

REF PR 990. C36 2001 The Cambridge guide to children's books in English [edited by] Victor Watson ; advisory editors, Elizabeth L. Keyser, Juliet Partridge, Morag Styles.;

REF Z1037 A1 B582 Fifteen centuries of children's literature (c.1980)

Search Tips

Keyword Searching - "children's literature" or "youth literature" and, perhaps any particular aspect of children's or youth literature for which you are searching.

Subject Keyword Searching: "children's literature" or "young adult literature", or search by a topic and limit to the Juvenile Collection (see directions below)

To search the Juvenile Collection only, do an author, subject or subject keyword search and then click on "LIMIT THIS SEARCH" option from the top bar. Go to the drop down menu under "WHERE item is located" and click on "Juvenile Collection". Then click on "Limit/sort items retrieved using above data" at the bottom of the screen.

Items in the Juvenile Collection are shelved in Dewey Decimal Order.

Finding Journal Articles

Use the following research databases to find journal or magazine articles on children's or young adult literature, or author-specific biographical information:

- ERIC Database
- MLA Bibliography
- Wilson Education Full Text
- Wilson Biography Reference Bank

Book Reviews

Booklist

This periodical contains a special section "Books for Youth" contains book reviews for children's and young adult literature.

Horn Book Magazine

This periodical reviews mostly younger children's books.

Web Site Directories

Directories will guide you to evaluated websites organized by categories such as authors and illustrators, bibliographies, or children's and young adult literature.

Yahoo Children's Literature Directory

http://dir.yahoo.com/Arts/Humanities/Literature/Genres/Children_s/

Yahoo Young Adult Literature Directory

http://dir.yahoo.com/Arts/Humanities/Literature/Genres/Young_Adult/

Google Children's Literature Directory

<http://directory.google.com/Top/Arts/Literature/Children's/>

Google Young Adult Literature Directory

http://directory.google.com/Top/Arts/Literature/Authors/Young_Adult/

Children's Literature Web Guide <http://www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~dkbrown/>

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Ask-a-Librarian: <http://library.monmouth.edu/help/ask.php>

Call the Reference Desk at 732.571.3438.

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