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### Featured Book

#### *Seven Brave Women*

by Betsy Hearne

Author Betsy Hearne entertains readers with stories about seven generations of women in her family, from the Revolutionary era to today. In the lives they built and the objects they left behind, the author finds a legacy of strength, courage, and wisdom that spans the link between mothers and daughters.

Topics Women's History, 18th-Century History, 19th-Century History, 20th-Century History

Age Groups Preschool, Early Elementary (K-3)

Book Type Nonfiction

Publisher Greenwillow Books: A Division of William Morrow & Company, Inc., 1997, New York, NY

#### *Alice Ramsey's Great Adventure*

by Don Brown

A traveling book about an adventurous young woman, Alice Ramsay, who drives across the country in 1909. Despite facing natural and manmade obstacles - including poor roads and a lack of traffic signs - Alice's westward voyage ends triumphantly in San Francisco, making this a charming tale of a girl and a nation in transition.

Topic: Women's History

Age Groups: Preschool, Early Elementary (K-3)

Book Type: Nonfiction

Awards: Caldecott Medal, Golden Kite Award, Scott O'Dell Historical Fiction Award

Publisher: Houghton Mifflin, 1997, Boston, MA

#### *In My Family*

by Garza Lomas Carmen

Author and artist Carmen Lomas Garza takes readers to her hometown of Kingsville, Texas, near the Mexican border. Through vibrant paintings and warm personal stories, she brings to life memories of growing up in a traditional Mexican American community. *Book is written in English and Spanish.*

Topics: Latino History, Women's History, 20th-Century History

Age Groups: Preschool, Early Elementary (K-3)

Book Type: Nonfiction

Publisher: Children's Book Press, 1996, San Francisco

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### *Nobody Owns the Sky: The Story of "Brave" Bessie Coleman* by Reeve Lindbergh

A picture book biography of Bessie Coleman, a young African American girl who achieved her dream of flying a plane through the sky, despite the difficulties she encountered because of the color of her skin.

Topics: Women's History, 20th-Century History

Age Groups: Preschool, Early Elementary (K-3)

Book Type: Nonfiction

Publisher: Candlewick Press, 1996

### *Mr. Lincoln's Whiskers* by Karen Winnick

In this true story, young Grace Bedell writes to Abraham Lincoln and asks him to grow a beard so that he can win more votes, become president, and abolish slavery. After following her advice and winning the election, Lincoln stops by to thank Grace on his way to Washington, D.C.

Topics: Women's History, 19th-Century History

Age Groups: Preschool, Early Elementary (K-3)

Book Type: Nonfiction

Publisher: Boyds Mills Press, 1996, Honesdale, PA

### *Molly Learns a Lesson* by Valerie Tripp

Molly McIntire is a young girl growing up in America during World War II. When her class starts a contest to support the war effort, Molly learns important life lessons. (from the American Girls Collection)

Topics: Women's History, 20th-Century History

Age Groups: Early Elementary (K-3), Late Elementary (4-6)

Book Type: Fiction

Publisher: American Girls Publishing, Inc., 1990, Middleton, WI