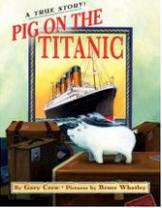
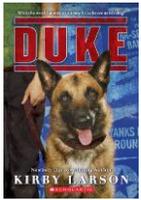
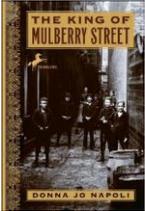
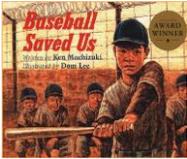
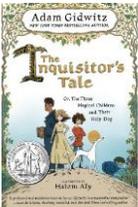
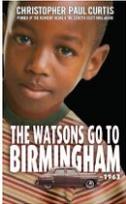
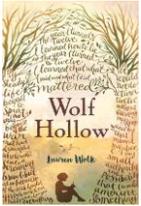
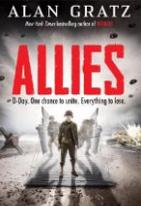
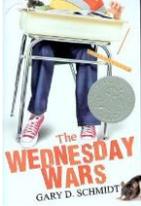


HISTORICAL FICTION

Mrs. P's TOP Historical Fiction Book Recommendations

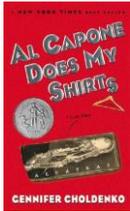
1	<p>Pig on the Titanic by Gary Crew</p> <p>FIC CRE</p>	<p>AR Level: 2.5</p> <p>AR Points: 0.5</p>		<p>Miss Edith Rosenbaum, given a pig-shaped music box as a good-luck charm for her journey to New York aboard the "Titanic," uses the toy's cheerful tune to keep up the spirits of children forced to spend the night in a lifeboat after the ship hits an iceberg and sinks.</p>
2	<p>A Lion to Guard Us by Clyde Robert Bulla</p> <p>FIC BUL</p>	<p>AR Level: 2.9</p> <p>AR Points: 2</p>		<p>On their own in London, three children draw upon all their resources to stay together and make their way to the Virginia colony.</p>
3	<p>Bridge to America By Linda Glaser</p> <p>FIC GLA</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.3</p> <p>AR Points: 5</p>		<p>Eight-year-old Fivel narrates the story of his family's Atlantic Ocean crossing to reunite with their father in the United States, from its desperate beginning in a shtetl in Poland in 1920 to his stirrings of identity as an American boy.</p>
4	<p>Sarah, Plain and Tall By Patricia MacLachlan</p> <p>FIC MAC</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.4</p> <p>AR Points: 1</p>		<p>When their father invites a mail-order bride to come live with them in their prairie home, Caleb and Anna are captivated by their new mother and hope that she will stay.</p>

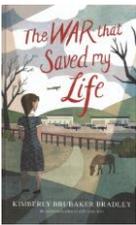
5	<p>Finding Winnie By Lindsay Mattick</p> <p>FIC MAT</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.4</p> <p>AR Points: 0.5</p>		<p>A fictionalized account of Captain Harry Coleburn's relationship with a bear cub in 1914, which he rescued while on his way to care for soldiers' horses during World War I and became the inspiration for A.A. Milne's Winnie-the-Pooh.</p>
6	<p>Duke By Kirby Larson</p> <p>FIC LAR</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.5</p> <p>AR Points: 5</p>		<p>In 1944 Hobie Hanson's father is flying B-24s in Europe, so Hobie decides to donate his beloved German shepherd, Duke, to Dogs for Defense in the hope that it will help end the war sooner--but when he learns that Duke is being trained for combat he is shocked, frightened and determined to get his dog back.</p>
7	<p>King of Mulberry Street By Donna Jo Napoli</p> <p>FIC NAP</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.6</p> <p>AR Points: 8</p>		<p>In 1892, Dom, a nine-year old stowaway from Naples, Italy, arrives in New York and must learn to survive the perils of street life in the big city.</p>
8	<p>Baseball Saved Us By Ken Mochizuki</p> <p>FIC MOC</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.9</p> <p>AR Points: 0.5</p>		<p>A Japanese American boy learns to play baseball when he and his family are forced to live in an internment camp during World War II.</p>
9	<p>The Inquisitor's Tale By Adam Gidwitz</p> <p>FIC GID</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.5</p> <p>AR Points: 11</p>		<p>Crossing paths at an inn, thirteenth-century travelers impart the tales of a monastery oblate, a Jewish refugee, and a psychic peasant girl with a loyal greyhound, the three of whom join forces on a chase through France to escape persecution.</p>
10	<p>The Watsons Go to Birmingham by Christopher Paul Curtis</p> <p>FIC CUR</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.7</p> <p>AR Points: 7</p>		<p>The ordinary interactions and everyday routines of the Watsons, an African-American family living in Flint, Michigan, are drastically changed after they go to visit Grandma in Alabama in the summer of 1963.</p>

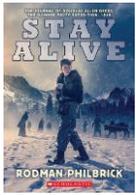
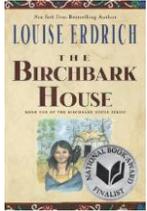
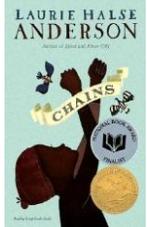
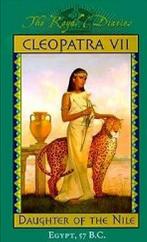
12	Wolf Hollow By Lauren Wolk FIC WOL	AR Level: 4.9 AR Points: 9		Twelve-year-old Annabelle must learn to stand up for what's right in the face of a manipulative and violent new bully who targets people Annabelle cares about, including a homeless World War I veteran.
13	The Player King by Avi FIC GRA	AR Level: 4.9 AR Points: 4		In 1486 England, a penniless kitchen boy named Lambert Simnel is told by a mysterious friar that he, Lambert, is actually Prince Edward, the true King of England, setting him on a dangerous course to regain the throne. Based on a true story.
14	Esperanza Rising By Pam Munoz Ryan FIC RYA	AR Level: 5.3 AR Points: 6		Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to go work in the labor camps of Southern California, where they must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing Mexican farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression.
15	Allies By Alan Gratz FIC GRA	AR Level: 5.6 AR Points: 9		It is June 6, 1944, D-Day, and Dee Carpenter (true name Dietrich Zimmermann), an underage private in the United States Army, is headed for Omaha Beach, seeking revenge for his uncle, who was arrested by Nazis when Dee was a little boy; meanwhile, Samira Zidano, an eleven-year old French-Algerian girl is looking for the French resistance, desperate to deliver the message that the invasion is about to begin, and get their help in freeing her mother--this is the most important day of the twentieth century, and both children want to fight, and survive.
16	The Wednesday Wars By Gary Schmidt FIC SCH	AR Level: 5.9 AR Points: 12		Seventh-grader Holling Hoodhood, stuck in Mrs. Baker's classroom during the 1967 school year while his classmates go to either Catechism or Hebrew school, learns much of value about the world in which he lives from the study of the plays of William Shakespeare.

17	<p>The Midwife's Apprentice By Karen Kushman</p> <p>FIC KUS</p>	<p>AR Level: 6.0</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>In medieval England, a nameless, homeless girl is taken in by a sharp-tempered midwife, and in spite of obstacles and hardship, eventually gains the three things she most wants: a full belly, a contented heart, and a place in this world.</p>
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Mrs. P's TOP Historical Fiction Series Recommendations:

	<p>Magic Tree House by Mary Pope Osborne</p> <p>FIC OSB</p>	<p>AR Level: 2nd-4th</p> <p>AR Points: 1</p>		<p>Go on adventures with Jack and Annie! This series contains imaginative plots with just the right dose of history and science.</p>
3	<p>Al Capone Does My Shirts By Gennifer Choldenko</p> <p>FIC CHO</p>	<p>AR Level: 3rd</p> <p>AR Points: 7-9</p>		<p>A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister.</p>
	<p>My America by Multiple Authors</p> <p>FIC AME</p>	<p>AR Level: 3rd-4th</p> <p>AR Points: 1-2</p>		<p>A series of fictional diaries of children that take place during significant moments in American history.</p>

2	<p>The War That Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley</p> <p>FIC BRA</p>	<p>AR Level: 3rd-4th</p> <p>AR Points: 9</p>		<p>Ten-year-old Ada has never left her one-room apartment. Her mother is too humiliated by Ada's twisted foot to let her outside. So when her little brother Jamie is shipped out of London to escape the war, Ada doesn't waste a minute--she sneaks out to join him. So begins a new adventure for Ada, and for Susan Smith, the woman who is forced to take the two kids in. As Ada teaches herself to ride a pony, learns to read, and watches for German spies, she begins to trust Susan--and Susan begins to love Ada and Jamie. But in the end, will their bond be enough to hold them together through wartime? Or will Ada and her brother fall back into the cruel hands of their mother?"</p>
6	<p>Girls Survive By Multiple Authors</p> <p>FIC GIR</p>	<p>AR Level: 3-5th</p> <p>AR Points: 2-4</p>		<p>Experience history's most fearsome events--from the bombing of Pearl Harbor to the sinking of Titanic--through the eyes of young heroines who are at the heart of the survival action. Part historical fiction, part adventure story, Girls Survive shows how girls fought for their survival during times of both tragedy and triumph, drawing readers in with strong characters and gripping action.</p>
	<p>Baseball Card Adventure By Dan Gutman</p> <p>FIC PEC</p>	<p>AR Level: 4th</p> <p>AR Points: 3-6</p>		<p>Funny and well-paced, perfect for fans of time-travel, fantasy, and baseball! Full of sports trivia and actual historical documents. Joe Stoshack travels back in time to meet baseball greats!!</p>
4	<p>A Long Way From Chicago By Richard Peck</p> <p>FIC PEC</p>	<p>AR Level: 4th-5th</p> <p>AR Points: 4-5</p>		<p>A boy recounts his annual summer trips to rural Illinois with his sister during the Great Depression to visit their larger-than-life grandmother.</p>
5	<p>I Survived By Lauren Tarshis</p> <p>FIC TAR</p>	<p>AR Level: 4th -5th</p> <p>AR Points: 1-3</p>		<p>History's most exciting and terrifying events are brought to life in this fictional series. Readers will be transported by stories of amazing children and how they survived!</p>

	<p>My Name is America By Multiple Authors</p> <p>FIC NAM</p>	<p>AR Level: 4th-6th</p> <p>AR Points: 4-6</p>		<p>A series of historical novels for older boys, each book is written in the form of a journal of a fictional young man's life during an important event or time period in American history.</p>
	<p>Birkbark House By Louise Erdrich</p> <p>FIC ERD</p>	<p>AR Level: 5th</p> <p>AR Points: 5-9</p>		<p>Omakayas, a seven-year-old Native American girl of the Ojibwa tribe, lives through the joys of summer and the perils of winter on an island in Lake Superior in 1847. (The struggle to survive and the strength of the Ojibwa tribe provides exciting action in this series, based on the author's own family history.</p>
1	<p>The Seeds of America by Laurie Halse Anderson</p> <p>FIC HALS</p>	<p>AR Level: 5th</p> <p>AR Points 10-11</p>		<p>As the Revolutionary War begins, 13-year-old Isabel wages her own fight...for freedom. Promised freedom upon the death of their owner, she & her sister, Ruth, become the property of a malicious New York City couple, the Loctons, who have no sympathy for the American Revolution & even less for Ruth & Isabel. When Isabel meets Curzon, a slave with ties to the Patriots, he encourages her to spy on her owners, who know details of British plans for invasion. She is reluctant at first, but when the unthinkable happens to Ruth, Isabel realizes her loyalty is available to the bidder who can provide her with freedom.</p>
	<p>Royal Diaries by Multiple Authors</p> <p>FIC ROY</p>	<p>AR Level: 5th-7th</p> <p>AR Points: 3-6</p>		<p>In each of the books, a fictional diary of a real female figure of royalty as a child throughout world history was written by the author.</p>