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## Literary Element: Plot

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### K-2

Boelts, Maribeth. *Those Shoes*. Candlewick Press, 2007. Jeremy wants a pair of those shoes that everyone is wearing, but he comes to realize he has what he needs – warm boots, a grandmother who loves him, and a good friend.

Kromhout, Rindert. *Little Donkey And The Birthday Present*. North South Books, 2007. Little Donkey finds the perfect present for his friend but decides he'd rather keep the gift for himself. Mama insists that the gift be given but plans for a happy surprise.

### 3-4

Asch, Frank. *Mrs. Marlowe's Mice*. Kids Can Press, 2007. Mrs. Eleanor Marlowe, a seemingly quiet, law-abiding cat librarian, is harboring a family of mice in her tidy home. She must pretend to eat one of her mice in order to outwit the Catland Security Police when they come knocking at her door to press charges.

Nolen, Jerdine. *Pitching In For Eubie*. Amistad, 2007. When Lily's older sister, Eubie, wins a scholarship the whole family pitches in to earn the rest of the money Eubie will need. Through ingenuity and determination, Lily finds a way to help.

### 5-6

Salisbury, Graham. *Night Of The Howling Dogs*. Wendy Lamb Books, 2007. Dylan and ten other Boy Scouts, their leaders, and some new friends are camping at Halape, Hawaii in 1975 when a massive earthquake strikes, followed by a tsunami. Antagonistic feelings between Dylan and another scout must be put aside and survival skills put to the test when all lives are endangered (based upon a true events).

Fletcher, Susan. *Dadblamed Union Army Cow*. Candlewick Press, 2007. A cow follows her owner into the Union Army and provides some comfort for weary soldiers (based upon true events).