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## Historical Fiction

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### K-2

Fern, Tracy. *Pippo the Fool*. Watertown: Charlesbridge, 2009. In fifteenth-century Florence, Italy, a contest is held to design a dome for the town's cathedral. Filippo Brunelleschi, known as Pippo the Fool, a goldsmith known for his beautiful but useless creations, is determined to win and shed his unwanted nickname. Pippo perseveres and creates a magnificent structure!

Nez, John Abbott. *Cromwell Dixon's Sky-Cycle*. New York: Putnam, 2009. In 1907, 14-year-old Cromwell is a born inventor. He dreams of being an aeronaut and he has just the bicycle to do it!

### 3-4

Ferrari, Michael. *Born to Fly*. New York: Delacorte Books For Young Readers, 2009. Bird McGill is thrilled when the local airstrip is turned into a WWII military flight school. When a new student named Kenji Fujita joins Bird's class, the entire community seems convinced that he's a Japanese spy! Bird and Kenji accidentally discover a real spy amongst them and save the day!

Polacco, Patricia. *January's Sparrow*. New York: Philomel, 2009. The Crosswhite family flee their Kentucky plantation, traveling north via the Underground Railroad in search of freedom. They settle in Northern Michigan, but face a stand off between town residents and a band of "paddy rollers" sent to retrieve them.

### 5-6

Choldenko, Gennifer. *Al Capone Shines My Shoes*. New York: Dial, 2009. In 1935, Moose Flanagan loves baseball, the warden's daughter, his developmentally disabled sister AND lives on Alcatraz island. He and his island buddies are frightened when he discovers that a prisoner, gangster Al Capone, wants a favor in return for the help that he secretly gave Moose or else...

Philbrick, Rodman. *The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg*. New York: Blue Sky Press, 2009. Homer P. Figg escapes from his awful guardian, Uncle Squinton—the meanest man in Pine Swamp, Maine and sets out to find his older brother, Harold, who has been wrongly sold into the Union Army. Homer's Civil War adventure to save Harold is grand, especially with Homer's manipulation of the truth!

## Everybody Also Ran's

Gourley, Robbin. *Bring Me Some Apples and I'll Make You a Pie: A Story About Edna Lewis*. New York: Clarion Books, 2009.

Hegamin, Tonya Cherie. *Most Loved in All the World*. Cookery: Houghton Mifflin Books For Children, 2008.

Gauch, Sarah. *Voyage to the Pharos*. New York: Viking Juvenile, 2009.

Kelly, Jacqueline. *The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate*. New York: Henry, 2009.

Kimmelman, Leslie. *Mind Your Manners, Alice Roosevelt!*. Atlanta: Peachtree Publishers, 2009.

Lowry, Lois. *Crow Call*. New York: Scholastic Press, 2009.

McDonough, Yona Zeldis. *The Doll Shop Downstairs*. New York: Viking Juvenile, 2009.

Naidoo, Beverley. *Burn My Heart*. New York: Amistad, 2009.

Thor, Annika. *A Faraway Island*. New York: Delacorte Books For Young Readers, 2009.

Weber, Elka. *The Yankee at the Seder*. Berkeley, CA: Tricycle Press, 2009.

Wells, Rosemary. *Lincoln and His Boys*. Library Binding ed. Cambridge: Candlewick, 2008.

Winter, Jonah. *The Fabulous Feud Of Gilbert And Sullivan*. New York: Arthur A. Levine Books, 2009.

Yolen, Jane. *My Uncle Emily*. New York: Philomel, 2009.

## How did this one get left behind in 2009?

Brewer, Paul, and Kathleen Krull. *Fartiste*. New York: Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing, 2008.