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## Historical Fiction

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### K-2

Bildner, Phil. *The Hallelujah Flight*. New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2010. ISBN 978-0-399-24789-7. In 1932, James Banning, along with his co-pilot Thomas Allen, make history by becoming the first African Americans to fly across the United States, relying on the generosity of people they meet in the towns along the way who help keep their "flying jalopy" going.

McCully, Emily Arnold. *Wonder Horse*. New York: Henry Holt, 2010. ISBN 978-0-8050-8793-2. A fictionalized account of Bill "Doc" Key, a former slave who became a veterinarian, who trained his horse, Jim Key, to recognize letters and numbers and to perform in skits around the country, and moved the nation toward a belief in treating animals humanely.

### 3-4

Holm, Jennifer L. *Turtle in Paradise*. New York: Random House, 2010. ISBN 978-0-375-83688-6. In 1935, when her mother gets a job housekeeping for a woman who does not like children, eleven-year-old Turtle is sent to stay with relatives she has never met in far away Key West, Florida. 2011 Newbery Honor

Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. *Emily's Fortune*. New York: Delacorte Press, 2010. ISBN 978-0-385-73616-9. While traveling to her aunt's home in Redbud by train and stagecoach, quiet young Emily and her turtle, Rufus, team up with Jackson, fellow orphan and troublemaker extraordinaire, to outsmart mean Uncle Victor, who is after Emily's inheritance.

### 5-6

Cushman, Karen. *Alchemy and Meggy Swann*. New York: Clarion Books, 2010. ISBN 978-0-547-23184-6. Meggy Swann, a girl who walks with the aid of two sticks, arrives in Elizabethan London, along with her goose Louise, to stay with her father who really does not want her, and while he pursues his dream of transforming base metal into gold, Meggy undergoes a transformation herself.

Paulsen, Gary. *Woods Runner*. New York: Wendy Lamb Books, 2010. ISBN 978-0-385-73884-2. From his 1776 Pennsylvania homestead, thirteen-year-old Samuel, who is a highly-skilled woodsman, sets out toward New York City to rescue his parents from the band of British soldiers and Native Americans who kidnapped them after slaughtering most of their community. There are some graphic scenes; not for weak stomachs!