

# War Stories

Trojan War  
The Crusades  
Revolutionary War  
Civil War  
WWI  
WWII  
Vietnam War

## Historical & Contemporary Fiction

### Tamar

Mal Peet  
FIC PEET

*Carnegie Award 2005*

In 1995 England, fifteen-year-old Tamar, grief-stricken by the puzzling death of her beloved grandfather, slowly uncovers his secret life in the Dutch resistance during the last year of the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands.



### The Book Thief

Markus Zusak  
FIC ZUS

*Michael L. Printz Honor 2007*

Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death relates the story of Liesel -- a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding.

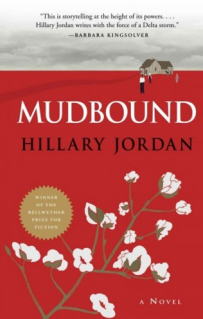


### Mudbound

Hillary Jordan  
FIC JOR

*Alex Award 2009*

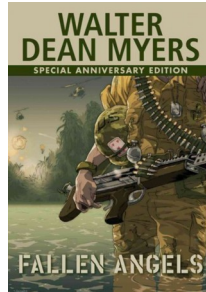
In 1946, Laura McAllan tries to adjust after moving with her husband and two children to an isolated cotton farm in the Mississippi Delta. As the McAllan's are tested in every way, two celebrated soldiers of World War II return home to help work the farm.



### Fallen Angels\*

Walter Dean Myers  
FIC MYE

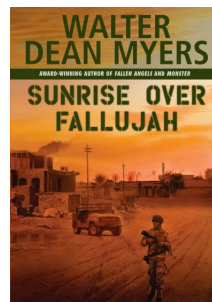
A coming-of-age tale for young adults set in the trenches of the Vietnam War in the late 1960s. Seventeen-year-old Richie Perry, just out of his Harlem high school, spends a devastating year on active duty in Vietnam.



### Sunrise over Fallujah

Walter Dean Myers  
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Robin "Birdy" Perry, a new army recruit from Harlem, isn't quite sure why he joined the army, but he's sure where he's headed: Iraq. Birdy and the others in the Civilian Affairs Battalion are supposed to help secure and stabilize the country and successfully interact with the Iraqi people. Officially, the code name for their maneuvers is Operation Iraqi Freedom. But the young men and women in the CA unit have a simpler name for it: WAR.



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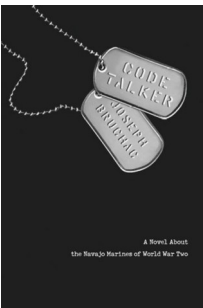


\* Denotes Mature Readers

### Code Talkers

Joseph Bruchac  
FIC BRU

After being taught that Navajo is a useless language in a boarding school run by whites, Ned Begay and other Navajo men are recruited by the Marines to become Code Talkers, sending messages during World War II in their native tongue.



### FLYGIRL

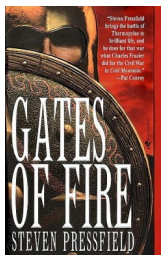
Sherri L. Smith  
FIC SMI

During World War II, a light-skinned African American girl "passes" for white in order to join the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP's).



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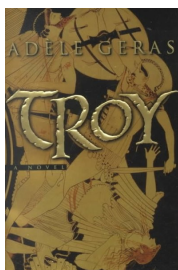


### **Gates of Fire\***

Steven Pressfield

FIC PRE

A young man chooses to join the Spartan army, and just as he grows accustomed to his new way of life, he is forced to fight in the battle of Thermopylae and carry on the Spartan traditions.



### **Troy**

Adèle Geras

FIC GER

This book portrays the last weeks of the Trojan War, when women are sick of tending the wounded, men are tired of fighting, and bored gods and goddesses find ways to stir things up.

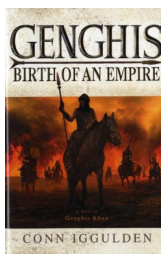


### **The Hittite**

Ben Bova

FIC BOV

This is the tale of Lukka, the soldier who traveled across Greece in search of the vicious slave traders who kidnapped his wife and sons. He tracks them to war-torn Troy where he builds the Trojan horse.



### **Genghis Birth of an Empire\***

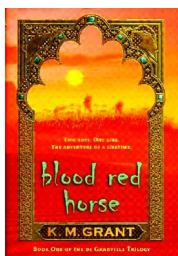
Conn Iggulden

*Alex Award*

2008

FIC IGG

Tartar raids kill the father of Temujin and banishes his family from the land. When he grows older, he assembles a small army of men to raid Tartar camps, eventually uniting all Mongol tribes as one.

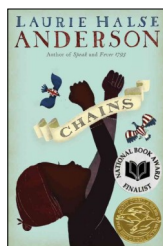


### **Blood Red Horse**

K. M. Grant

FIC GRA

A special horse named Hosanna changes the lives of two English brothers and those around them as they fight with King Richard I against Saladin's armies during the Third Crusade.



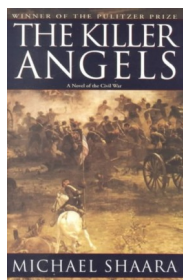
### **Chains**

Laurie Halse Anderson

*National Book Award Finalist*

FIC AND

After being sold to a cruel couple in New York City, a slave named Isabel spies for the rebels during the Revolutionary War.



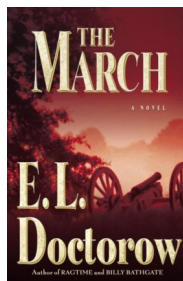
### **The Killer Angels\***

Michael Shaara

*Pulitzer Prize 1975*

FIC SHA

The Battle of Gettysburg was fought for two dreams-- freedom and a way of life. Memories, promises, and love were carried into the battle — futures, innocence, and beauty fell.



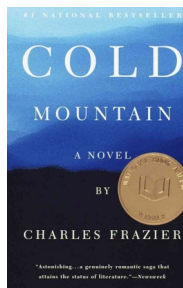
### **The March\***

E.L. Doctorow

*Pulitzer Prize 2006*

FIC DOC

Union General William Tecumseh Sherman's devastating march through Georgia and the Carolinas during the final years of the Civil War has a profound impact on its outcome.



### **Cold Mountain**

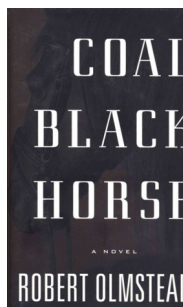
Charles Frazier

*National Book Award*

*Award*

FIC FRA

Inman, an injured Confederate soldier, embarks on a harrowing journey home to his sweetheart, Ada, who is struggling to run the farm left her at her father's sudden death.

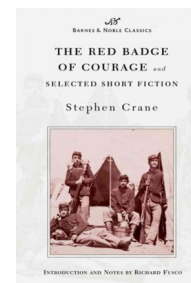


### **Coal Black Horse**

Robert Olmstead

FIC OLM

Robey Childs's mother experiences a premonition about her husband, a Civil War soldier. She sends her only son to retrieve his father from the battlefield., accompanied by an unusual horse that becomes his only companion and his protector.

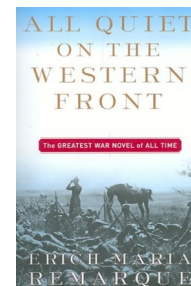


### **The Red Badge of Courage**

Stephen Crane

FIC CRA

Young Henry Fleming dreams of finding glory and honor as a Union soldier in the American Civil War. Yet, he also harbors a hidden fear about how he may react when the horror and bloodshed of battle begin.

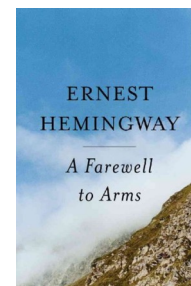


### **All Quiet on the Western Front**

Erich Maria Remarque

FIC REM

Paul Baumer and his classmates enlist in the German army of World War I. Youthful and enthusiastic, they become soldiers. As the horrible war slogs on, Paul holds fast to a single vow: to fight against the principles of hate that pit young men uselessly against each other.



### **A Farewell to Arms**

Ernest Hemingway

FIC HEM

This tragic wartime romance, set against the brutal and chaotic backdrop of World War I, is the classic story of a volunteer ambulance driver wounded on the Italian front and the English nurse he loves.



### **Kipling's Choice**

Geert Spillebeen

FIC SPI

In 1915, mortally wounded in Loos, France, eighteen-year-old John Kipling, son of writer Rudyard Kipling, remembers his boyhood and the events leading to what is to be his first and last World War I battle.

