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☆ = **Sydney Taylor Award Winner**

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PICTURE BOOKS

Altman, Linda Jacobs. *The Legend of Freedom Hill.* Illus. Cornelius Van Wright and Ying-Hwa Hu. New York: Lee & Low Books, Inc, 2003. ISBN: 1584300035. \$15.95. Grades 1-3.

During the California Gold Rush Rosabel, an African American, and Sophie, a Jew, team up and search for gold to buy Rosabel's mother her freedom from a slave catcher.

Bierman, Carol. *Journey to Ellis Island: How My Father Came to America.* Illus. Laurie McGaw. New York: Hyperion Books for Children, 1998. ISBN: 0786803770. \$17.95. Grades 3-6.

An account of the ocean voyage and arrival at Ellis Island of twelve-year-old Julius Weinstein who, along with his mother and younger sister, emigrated from Russia in 1922.

☆ **Blanc, Esther Silverstein.** *Berchick.* Illus. by Tennessee Dixon. Volcano, CA: Volcano Press, 1989. ISBN: 0912078812. \$14.95. Grades 2-4.

Homesteading in Wyoming in the early 1900's, a Jewish mother develops an unusual relationship with a colt she adopts named Berchick. See also *Long Johns for a Small Chicken* (2003).

Blumberg, Margie. *Avram's Gift.* Illus. Laurie McGaw. Bethesda, MD: MB Publishing, 2003. ISBN: 0962416622. \$19.95. Grades 2-4.

In this Rosh Hashanah story, immigrant story, and story about contemporary Jewish life, Mark learns to appreciate the picture of his great-great-grandfather and his great-grandfather's journey to America. He also realizes his dream of becoming the synagogue's shofar blower.

Cohen, Barbara. *Molly's Pilgrim.* Illus. Michael J. Deraney. New York: Harper Collins, 1998 (revised edition). ISBN: 0688162797. \$15.95; \$3.99 (pbk.). Grades 2-5.

Told to make a doll like a Pilgrim for the Thanksgiving display at school, Molly's Jewish mother dresses the doll as she herself dressed before leaving Russia to seek religious freedom -- much to Molly's embarrassment. The sequel is *Make A Wish Molly* (1994) and both are also available on VHS. See also *A Guide for Using Molly's Pilgrim in the Classroom* by Susan Kilpatrick (1995).

* **Cohn, Janice.** *The Christmas Menorahs: How a Town Fought Hate.* Illus. Bill Farnsworth. Morton Grove, IL: Albert Whitman & Company, 1995. ISBN: 0807511536. \$6.95. Grades 3-6.

Describes how people in Billings, Montana, joined together to fight a series of hate crimes.

Costabel, Eva Deutsch. *The Jews of New Amsterdam.* New York: Atheneum, 1988. ISBN: 0689313519. OUT OF PRINT. Grades 2-4.

Traces the events leading to the arrival of the first group of Jews in the Dutch colony of New Amsterdam in 1654, and describes how they adapted and eventually prospered under Dutch, and later British, rule.

* **Hest, Amy.** *When Jessie Came Across the Sea.* Illus. by P.J. Lynch. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick Press, 1997. ISBN: 076361274X. \$16.99; \$6.99 (pbk.) Kindergarten-Grade 3.

A thirteen-year-old Jewish orphan reluctantly leaves her grandmother and immigrates to New York City, where she works for three years sewing lace and earning money to bring Grandmother to the United States, too.

Lasky, Kathryn. *Marven of the Great North Woods.* Illus. Kevin Hawkes. San Diego, CA: Harcourt Brace & Company, 1997. ISBN: 0152001042. \$16.00; \$7.00 (pbk.) Grades 2-4.

When his Jewish parents send him to a Minnesota logging camp to escape the influenza epidemic of 1918, ten-year-old Marven finds a special friend.

Levinson, Riki. *Watch the Stars Come Out.* Illus. Diane Goode. New York: Dutton, 1985. ISBN: 0140555064. \$6.99 (pbk.) Early Childhood-Grade 2.

Grandma tells about her mama's journey to America by boat, years ago. See also *Soon, Annala* (1993).

Morris, Ann. *Grandma Esther Remembers: A Jewish-American Family Story*. Illus. Peter Linenthal. Brookfield, CT: Millbrook Press, 2002. ISBN: 076132318X. \$22.90. Grades 1-3.

In Manhattan and Brooklyn, New York, two Jewish girls learn about their heritage from their grandmother, who was born in Lithuania, escaped during World War II, and lived for a while in Israel.

☆ **Polacco, Patricia. *The Keeping Quilt*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 1988. ISBN: 0689844476. \$6.99 (pbk.) Grades 1-4.**

A homemade quilt ties together the lives of four generations of an immigrant Jewish family, remaining a symbol of their enduring love and faith. See also *Mrs. Katz and Tush* (1992), *Tikvah Means Hope* (1994), and *The Trees of the Dancing Goats* (1996).

☆ **Rael, Elsa Okon. *Rivka's First Thanksgiving*. Illus. by Maryann Kovalski. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2001. ISBN: 0689839014. Grades 1-3.**

Having heard about Thanksgiving in school, nine-year-old Rivka tries to convince her immigrant family and her Rabbi that it is a holiday for all Americans, Jews and non-Jews alike.

Rael, Elsa Okon. *What Zeesie Saw on Delaney Street*. Illus. Marjorie Priceman. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1996. ISBN: 0689805497. \$16.00; \$6.99 (pbk.) Grades 1-5.

A young Jewish girl living on Manhattan's Lower East Side attends her first "package party" where she learns about the traditions of generosity, courage, and community among Jewish immigrants in the early 1900s. See also *When Zaydeh Danced on Eldridge Street* (Sydney Taylor Award Winner 1997).

* **Schuman, Burt E. *Chanukah on the Prairie*. Illus. by Rosalind Charney Kaye. New York: UAHC Press, 2002. ISBN: 080740814X. Grades 2-4.**

After the Zalzman family immigrates to Grand Forks, North Dakota, they are welcomed by the local Jewish community and celebrate their first Chanukah on the prairie.

Tarbescu, Edith. *Annushka's Voyage*. New York: Clarion Books, 1998. ISBN: 039564366X. \$15.00. Grades 2-4.

The Sabbath candlesticks given to them by their grandmother when they leave Russia help two sisters make it safely to join their father in New York.

Woodruff, Elvira. *The Memory Coat*. Illus. Michael Dooling. New York: Scholastic Inc., 1999. ISBN: 0590677179. \$15.95. Grades 2-4.

In the early 1900s, two cousins leave their Russian shtetl with the rest of their family to come to America, hopeful that they will all pass the dreaded inspection at Ellis Island.

FICTION - CHAPTER BOOKS

Auch, Mary Jane. *Ashes of Roses*. New York: Henry Holt, 2002. ISBN: 044023851X. \$5.99 (pbk.) Grades 7-10.

Sixteen-year-old Margaret Rose Nolan, newly arrived from Ireland, finds work at New York City's Triangle Shirtwaist Factory shortly before the 1911 fire in which 146 employees died.

Bat Ami, Miriam. *Two Suns in the Sky*. Chicago: Cricket Books/Front Street, 1999. ISBN: 0812629000. \$6.99 (pbk.) Grades 7-10.

After being moved from Yugoslavia to a refugee camp in New York during World War II, one Jewish boy is befriended by a local girl, but when their special friendship turns to romance, their parents demand they end the relationship. See also *Good Night, Maman* by Norma Fox Mazer (1999).

Bunin, Sherry. *Dear Great American Writers School*. New York: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1995. ISBN: 0395716454. \$15.00 (HC). Grades 6-8.

It's 1944 and Bobbie Lee Pomeroy has signed up for ten writing lessons from the Great American Writers School. Her hometown of Twin Branch, Kentucky, is full of stories with colorful characters and tragic events.

*** Ducharme, Dede Fox. *The Treasure in the Tiny Blue Tin*. Fort Worth, TX: Texas Christian University Press, 1998. ISBN: 0875651801. \$11.95 (pbk.) Grades 3-6.**

In the early 1900's in Texas, a twelve-year-old Jewish immigrant runs away to search for his father who he fears is sick, and he is joined on his dangerous journey by a prejudiced country boy.

Gantz, David. *Jews in America : A Cartoon History*. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 2002. ISBN: 0827607164. \$24.95 (pbk.) Grades 5-9.

A unique presentation of the history of Jewish life and culture in the United States over the past 500 years. *Jews in America* is a graphic history that uses the comic book format to depict five centuries of Jewish life in America. With a blend of humor, history, and old-fashioned sentimentality, the author illustrates the prominence of Jews in U.S. history from the time Columbus first set foot in the New World.

Giff, Patricia Reilly. *Lily's Crossing*. New York: Delacorte, 1997. ISBN: 0440414539 (reprint edition). \$5.50 (pbk.) Grades 4-6.

During a summer spent at Rockaway Beach in 1944, Lily's friendship with a young Hungarian refugee causes her to see the war and her own world differently.

Greene, Bette. *Summer of My German Soldier*. New York: Speak, 2002. ISBN: 014130636X (reissue edition). \$6.99 (pbk.) Grades 7-10.

A 12-year-old Jewish girl is forced to confront both personal and political demons in her life when German prisoners-of-war arrive in her Arkansas community. The book was made into a movie in 1978. Sequel: *Morning Is a Long Time Coming* (1978).

Greene, Jacqueline Dembar. *Out of Many Waters*. New York: Walker, 1988. ISBN: 0802774016. \$8.95 (pbk.) Grades 5-8.

Kidnapped from their parents during the Portuguese Inquisition and sent to work as slaves at a monastery in Brazil, two Jewish sisters attempt to make their way back to Europe to find their parents, but instead one becomes part of a group founding the first Jewish settlement in the United States. See also *One Foot Ashore* (1994).

*** Greene, Jacqueline Dembar. *One Foot Ashore*. New York: Walker and Company, 1994. ISBN: 0802776019. \$8.95 (pbk.) Grades 5-8.**

Arriving alone and destitute in Amsterdam in the spring of 1654, sixteen-year-old Maria Ben Lazar finds refuge and friendship in the household of the artist Rembrandt and continues to search for her parents and her younger sister. See also *Out of Many Waters* (1988).

*** Hautzig, Esther. *A Picture Of Grandmother*. Illus. by Beth Peck. New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2002. ISBN: 0374359202. \$15.00. Grades 3-5.**

A letter inviting Sara's mother and grandmother to come from Poland to America and mentioning a mysterious photograph arouses Sara's curiosity and leads her to discover a family secret. See also *The Endless Steppe* (1968).

Hesse, Karen. *A Time of Angels*. New York: Hyperion, 2000. ISBN: 0786812095. \$5.95 (pbk.) Grades 5-8.

Sick with influenza during the 1918 epidemic and separated from her two sisters, a young Jewish girl living in Boston relies on the help of an old German man, and her visions of angels, to get better and to reunite herself with her family.

☆ **Hesse, Karen. *Letters from Rifka*. New York: Henry Holt, 1992. ISBN: 0140363912. \$5.99. Grades 4-6.**

In letters to her cousin back 'home' in Russia, 12-year-old Rifka tells of her journey to America in 1919, from the dangerous escape over the border through Europe and across the sea to the new country.

Hesse, Karen. *Witness*. New York: Scholastic Press, 2001. ISBN: 0439272009. \$5.99 (pbk.) Grades 6-9.

A series of poems expresses the views of various people in a small Vermont town, including a young black girl and a young Jewish girl, during the early 1920s when the Ku Klux Klan is trying to infiltrate the town.

Hurwitz, Johanna. *Faraway Summer*. New York: Morrow Junior Books, 1998. ISBN: 0380732564. \$4.95 (pbk.) Grades 3-5.

In the summer of 1910, Dossi, a poor Russian immigrant from the tenements of New York, spends two weeks with the Meade family on their Vermont farm. The friendship established between Dossi and Emma continues in *Dear Emma* (2002). See also: *Once I Was a Plum Tree* (1980), *Baseball Fever* (1981), and *The Rabbi's Girls* (1982).

Karwoski, Gail Langer. *Quake: Disaster in San Francisco, 1906*. Peachtree Publishing, 2004. ISBN: 1561453102. \$14.95. Grades 4-6.

Tells the story of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake as seen through the eyes of Jacob, a thirteen-year-old Jewish boy who lives in a boarding house with his father and younger sister.

Lasky, Kathryn. *Dreams in the Golden Country: The Diary of Zipporah Feldman, A Jewish Immigrant Girl*. New York: Scholastic, 1998. ISBN: 0590029738. \$9.95. Grades 4-6.

Twelve-year-old Zippy, a Jewish immigrant from Russia, keeps a diary account of the first eighteen months of her family's life on the Lower East Side of New York City in 1903-1904. Part of the "Dear America" series; also available on VHS.

Levine, Gail Carson. *Dave at Night*. New York: HarperCollins Publishers, 1999. ISBN: 0064407470. \$5.99 (pbk.) Grades 4-7.

Eleven-year-old Dave is orphaned and placed in New York's Hebrew Home for Boys. Eager to run away, Dave takes nighttime sojourns into nearby Harlem, where he's befriended by an elderly fortune teller and a wealthy African-American girl.

Levitin, Sonia. *Journey to America*. New York: Aladdin Library, 1987. ISBN: 0689711301 (reprint edition). \$4.99 (pbk.) Grades 4-6.

In 1938 Lisa Platt, her mother and sisters attempt to flee Nazi Germany to Switzerland, and then to America where her father waits for them. The Platt family's story is continued in *Silver Days* (1989) and *Annie's Promise* (1993).

Matas, Carol. *Gotcha! Rosie in New York City*. New York: Aladdin Paperbacks, 2003. ISBN: 0689857144. \$4.99 (pbk.) Grades 3-5.

Matas, Carol. *Play Ball! Rosie in Chicago*. New York: Aladdin Paperbacks, 2003. ISBN: 0689857152. \$4.99 (pbk.) Grades 3-5.

Matas, Carol. *Action! Rosie in Los Angeles*. New York: Aladdin Paperbacks, 2004. ISBN: 0689857160. \$4.99 (pbk.) Grades 3-5.

This trilogy, taking place during 1909-1910, follows 11 year old Rosie and her Jewish immigrant family from New York to Chicago to Los Angeles.

Mazer, Norma Fox. *Good Night, Maman*. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, 1999. ISBN: 0064409236. \$5.99 (pbk.) Grades 4-6.

After spending years fleeing from the Nazis in war-torn Europe, twelve-year-old Karin Levi and her older brother Marc find a new home in New York and hope to be reunited with their parents. See also *Two Suns in the Sky* by Miriam Bat-Ami (1999).

Matas, Carol. *The War Within: A Novel of the Civil War*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2001. ISBN: 0689843585. \$4.99 (pbk.) Grades 4-6.

In 1862, after Union forces expel Hannah's family from Holly Springs, Mississippi, because they are Jews, Hannah reexamines her views regarding slavery and the war.

*** Mayerson, Evelyn Wilde. *The Cat Who Escaped Steerage*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 1990. ISBN: 0684192098. \$15.95. Grades 3-5.**

As nine-year-old Chanah and her family journey from their native Poland to seek a new life in America, Chanah worries about the possible fates of her deaf-mute cousin Yaacov and of Pitsel, the cat she had rescued in Marseilles and smuggled aboard ship.

Meyer, Carolyn. *Gideon's People*. San Diego: Gulliver Books, 1996. ISBN: 0152003045. \$6.00 (pbk.) Grades 5-8.

Torn between youthful rebellion and their traditional heritages, two boys from very different cultures--one Amish, one Orthodox Jew--discover just how similar they really are. See also *Drummers of Jericho* (1995).

Moss, Marissa. *Hannah's Journal: The Story of an Immigrant Girl*. New York: Harcourt Press, 2000. ISBN: 0152163298. \$7.00 (pbk.) Grades 3-5.

In the Russian shtetl where she and her family live, Hannah is given a diary for her tenth birthday, and in it she records the dramatic story of her journey to America.

Oswald, Nancy. *Nothing Here But Stones*. New York: Henry Holt, 2004. ISBN: 0805074651. \$16.95. Grades 4-6.

In 1882, ten-year-old Emma and her family, along with other Russian Jewish immigrants, arrive in Cotopaxi, Colorado, where they face inhospitable conditions as they attempt to start an agricultural colony, and lonely Emma is comforted by the horse whose life she saved.

Rocklin, Joanne. *Strudel Stories*. New York: Delacorte Press, 1999. ISBN: 0440415098 (reprint edition). \$4.50. Grades 3-5.

Seven generations of a Jewish family hear stories of their family history, all told while making apple strudel.

Rose, Deborah Lee. *The Rose Horse*. Illus. Greg Shed. New York: Harcourt Brace & Company, 1995. ISBN: 0152000682. \$16.00. Grades 2-4.

When Lily goes to Coney Island in 1909 to visit her newborn sister, she learns about the art and traditions of the Jewish wood-carvers who make the carousel animals there.

Roseman, Kenneth. *The Melting Pot: An Adventure in New York*. New York: UAHC Press, 1984. ISBN: 0807402699. \$8.95 (pbk.) Grades 4-6.

Roseman, Kenneth. *The Other Side of the Hudson: A Jewish Immigrant Adventure*. New York: UAHC Press, 1993. ISBN: 080740506X. \$8.95 (pbk.) Grades 4-6.

The Do-It-Yourself Jewish Adventure series lets the reader make decisions for the characters. Online discussion and activity guides are available at www.urj.org/press.

☆ Rosen, Sybil. *Speed of Light*. New York: Anne Schwartz Book/Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 1999. ISBN: 0689841515. \$16.00; \$4.99 (pbk.) Grades 4-6.

An eleven-year-old Jewish girl living in the South during the 1950s struggles with the anti-Semitism and racism which pervade her small community.

Taylor, Sydney. *All-Of-A-Kind Family*. New York: Yearling Books, 1980. ISBN: 0440400597 (reissue edition). \$5.50 (pbk.) Grades 2-5

A heartwarming story of five Jewish girls living with their parents in New York City at the turn of the century. See also: *All of a Kind Family Downtown*, *More All of a Kind Family*, *All of a Kind Family Uptown*, and *Ella of All-Of-A-Kind Family*. **Note:** The Association of Jewish Libraries has created a companion guide to *All-of-a-Kind Family* in honor of Sydney Taylor's 100th birthday - it includes background information, discussion questions, extension activities, and "read-alike" list. Go to www.jewishlibraries.org to download a copy.

Wishinsky, Frieda. *Just Call Me Joe*. Custer, WA: Orca Book Publishers, 2003. ISBN: 1551432498. \$4.99 (pbk.) Grades 3-5.

With short chapters, large type face, and clear, simple, descriptive writing, this story focuses on the experiences of a ten-year old immigrant boy who arrives in America from Russia with his older sister in the early 1900s.

BIOGRAPHIES

Berkow, Ira. *Hank Greenberg: Hall-Of-Fame Slugger.* Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 2001. ISBN: 0827606850. \$9.95. Grades 5-8.

A biography of the powerful home-run hitter who became the first Jewish player elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. Note: A lesson plan on Hank Greenberg for grades 4 & up is available from www.torahaura.com for \$11.95. See also *The Life and Times of Hank Greenberg* available on VHS.

Brooks, Philip. *Extraordinary Jewish Americans.* New York: Children's Press, 1998. ISBN: 0516263501. \$16.95 (pbk.) Grades 5-9.

Presents short biographies of more than sixty Jewish Americans who have flourished in careers including law, finance, entertainment, writing, politics, and science. Includes historical figures like Haym Salomon, Emma Lazarus, and Uriah Levy as well as contemporary figures like Judy Blume, Steven Spielberg, Barbara Streisand, and Jerry Seinfeld.

Freedman, Suzanne. *Louis Brandeis: The People's Justice.* Berkeley Heights, NJ: Enslow Publishers, 1996. ISBN: 089490678X. \$26.60. Grades 5-8.

Includes the use of anecdotes to present the personal and professional life of the first Jew to serve on the Supreme Court. Note: A lesson plan on Louis Brandeis for grades 4 & up is available from www.torahaura.com for \$11.95.

Grey, Vivian. *Moe Berg: The Spy Behind Homeplate.* Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1996. ISBN: 0827606206. \$9.95. Grades 5-8.

A major league baseball player fluent in nine languages, an Ivy League scholar, and an attorney, Moe Berg led a life of mystery and intrigue as a top secret spy who helped the United States win the race against Nazi Germany to build the atomic bomb. He used baseball as a cover to make significant intelligence contributions to the United States.

Hirschfelder, Arlene B. *Photo Odyssey: Solomon Carvalho's Remarkable Western Adventure, 1853-54.* New York: Clarion Books, 2000. ISBN: 039589123X. \$18.00. Grades 4-6.

Describes the life of Carvalho, a Jewish photographer who accompanied John Charles Fremont on his last expedition to the West.

Hurwitz, Johanna. *Leonard Bernstein: A Passion for Music.* Philadelphia: The Jewish Publication Society, 1993. ISBN: 0827605013. \$14.95. Grades 3-6.

Traces the life and career of the famous composer, conductor, pianist and teacher. See also *Leonard Bernstein* by Mike Venezia (1997) and *Leonard Bernstein: In Love with Music* by Caroline Lazo (2002). The CD *Leonard Bernstein: A Jewish Legacy* from the Milken Archive of American Jewish Music includes recordings of Bernstein's works.

Kessler, Jimmy. *Henry Cohen: The Life of a Frontier Rabbi.* Austin, TX: Eakin Press, 1997. ISBN: 157168199X. \$13.95. Grades 4-6.

As he goes about his daily rounds on December 10, 1945, Henry Cohen reflects upon his life and times, especially the sixty-two years he has served as rabbi in Galveston, Texas.

Krantz, Hazel. *Daughter of My People: Henrietta Szold and Hadassah.* Northvale, NJ: Jason Aronson, 1995. ISBN: 1568213379 (edited edition). \$25.00. Grades 5-8.

Traces the life of the Hadassah women's organization's first president, who dedicated its activities to improving the living conditions of Jews in Palestine.

Milgrim, Shirley. *Haym Salomon: Liberty's Son.* Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1975. ISBN: 082760739. \$9.95. Grades 5-8.

Here is the little-known story of the selfless and patriotic Jewish merchant who raised money to finance the American Revolution and the new nation. Note: A lesson plan on Haym Salomon for grades 4 & up is available from www.torahaura.com for \$11.95.

Rappaport, Doreen. *In the Promised Land: Lives of Jewish Americans.* Illus. Cornelius van Wright and Ying-Hwa Hu. New York: Harper Collins Publishers, February 2005. ISBN: 0688171508. \$15.99. Grades 3-6.

Offers vignettes from the lives of thirteen Jewish Americans whose achievements, from the colonial period through the present, contributed to women's and worker's rights, medicine, science, fashion, photography, sport, and entertainment.

Rau, Dana Meachen. *Harry Houdini: Master Magician*. New York: F. Watts, 2001. ISBN: 053115551X. \$6.95 (pbk.) Grades 3-5

Describes the career and accomplishments of the magician and escape artist who changed the field of stage magic and investigated the claims of spiritualism. See also *The Houdini Box* by Brian Selznick (1991), *The Great Houdini* by Monica Kulling (1999), *Spellbinder: The Life of Harry Houdini* by Tom Lalicki (2000), *Houdini: Master of Illusion* by Clinton Cox (2001), *Harry Houdini Escape Artist* by Patricia Lakin (2002), and *Who Was Harry Houdini?* by Tui T. Sutherland (2002).

Rose, Or N. *Abraham Joshua Heschel: Man of Spirit, Man of Action*. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 2003. ISBN: 082760758X. \$9.95 (pbk.) Grades 4-8.

Profiles Abraham Heschel, a Jewish rabbi who grew up in Eastern Europe; taught, spoke, and wrote about Judaism and civil rights; and walked with Martin Luther King, Jr., in the 1965 march in Selma, Alabama. See also *A Conversation with Dr. Abraham Joshua Heschel* available on VHS, part of The Jewish Heritage Video Collection.

Venezia, Mike. *George Gershwin*. Chicago: Children's Press, 1994. ISBN: 0516045369 (pbk.) Grades 2-4.

Focuses on the life and music of the composer who wrote such musical masterpieces as "Rhapsody in Blue," "American in Paris," and "Porgy and Bess," and who made jazz an accepted form of serious music. See also *America, I Hear You: A Story about George Gershwin* by Barbara Mitchell (1987).

Weidt, Maryann N. *Mr. Blue Jeans: A Story About Levi Strauss*. Minneapolis: Carolrhoda Books, Inc, 1990. ISBN: 0876144210. \$6.95 (pbk.) Grades 3-5.

Traces the life of the immigrant Jewish peddler who went on to found Levi Strauss & Co., the world's first and largest manufacturer of denim jeans.

Wells, Rosemary. *Streets of Gold*. New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 1999. ISBN: 0803721498. \$15.99. Grades 3-5.

Based on a memoir written in the early twentieth century, tells the story of a young girl and her life in Russia, her travels to America, and her subsequent life in the United States.

Winter, Jonah. *Once Upon A Time in Chicago*. Illus. Jeanette Winter. New York: Hyperion Books for Children, 2000. ISBN: 0786804629. \$14.99. Grades 1-3

A chronicle of the life of the great jazz musician Benny Goodman, explaining how his extraordinary musical ability was originally encouraged by his immigrant father.

NON-FICTION

Dash, Joan. *We Shall Not Be Moved: The Women's Factory Strike of 1909*. New York: Scholastic, 1996. ISBN: 0590484109. \$5.99 (pbk.) Grades 6-8.

Describes the conditions that gave rise to efforts to secure better working conditions for the women (mostly Italian or Jewish) working in the garment industry in early twentieth-century New York and led to the formation of the Women's Trade Union League and the first women's strike in 1909.

Diner, Hasia R. *Jews in America*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1999. ISBN: 0195106784. \$28.00. Grades 7-9.

Examines the migration and background of those Jews who came to America, their adaptations to their new life, the rituals, traditions, and organizations of Jewish Americans, and their contemporary situation.

Diner, Hasia R. *A New Promised Land: A History of Jews in America*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2003. ISBN: 0195158261. \$11.95 (pbk.) Grades 5-9.

Reconstructs the multifaceted background and very American adaptations of American Jews, from the arrival of twenty-three Jews in the New World in 1654, through the development of the Orthodox, conservative, and Reform movements, to the ordination of Sally Priesand as the first woman rabbi in the United States.

Finkelstein, Norman H. *Forged in Freedom: Shaping the Jewish-American Experience*. Philadelphia: The Jewish Publication Society, 2002. ISBN: 0827607482. \$24.95. Grades 6-12.

A history in words and photographs of the growth of the Jewish community in the United States and its contributions to American culture, politics, and economics in the twentieth century.

Finkelstein, Norman H. *Heeding the Call: Jewish Voices in America's Civil Rights Struggle*. Philadelphia: The Jewish Publication Society, 1997. ISBN: 0827605909. \$14.95. Grades 5-8.

Discusses the involvement of Jews in the African American struggle for civil rights in the United States, from the first settlers up to the 1990s.

Fisher, Leonard Everett. *To Bigotry No Sanction: The Story of the Oldest Synagogue in America*. New York: Holiday House, 1998. ISBN: 0823414019. \$16.95. Grades 4-6.

The history of the oldest Jewish house of worship in the United States, the Touro Synagogue, which was built in Newport, Rhode Island, between 1759 and 1763. See also *America's Synagogue: A Video Portrait of Touro Synagogue* available on VHS.

Horton, Casey. *The Jews*. New York: Crabtree Publishing, 2000. ISBN: 0778702014. \$8.95 (pbk.) Grades 3-6.

Descriptive text and eyewitness accounts describe how Jews from around the world fled persecution in their homelands and came to North America.

Kale, Shelly. *A Suitcase of Dreams: Immigration Stories from the Skirball Cultural Center*. Los Angeles: Skirball Cultural Center, 2001. ISBN: 0970429509. \$12.95 (pbk.) Grades 4-6.

Includes true accounts of Jewish immigrants as they traveled to the U.S. during the late nineteenth and twentieth centuries including Levi Strauss, Albert Einstein, and Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Also, includes full color illustrations of paintings, photographs, and artifacts from the Skirball Museum's Project Americana collection.

Levine, Ellen. *If Your Name Was Changed at Ellis Island*. Illus. Wayne Parmenter. New York: Scholastic Inc., 1993. ISBN: 0590438298. \$5.99 (pbk.) Grades 3-5

Describes, in question and answer format, the great migration of immigrants to New York's Ellis Island, from the 1880s to 1914. Features quotes from children and adults who passed through the station.

TEXT BOOKS & OTHER RESOURCES

Kaplan, Gabrielle Suzanne. *Extraordinary Jews: Staging Their Lives - One-Act Plays for Teens*. Denver: ARE Publishing, 2001. \$12.95. Grades 6-12.

Eight outstanding biographical one-act plays, each 15-20 minutes long, including "Bella Abzug: A Serious Woman," "Leonard Benrstein: A Jewish American Genius" and "Abraham Joshua Heschel: A Modern Prophet."

Kenvin, Helene Schwartz. *This Land of Liberty*. Springfield, NJ: Behrman House, 1986. \$10.95. Grades 7-9.

More than 350 years of American history filtered through the Jewish experience, based on the authentic family records of generations of American Jews. Over 500 illustrations and photographs accompany the text, illuminating what it was like to be a Jew in Dutch New Amsterdam, Puritan New England, and Quaker Pennsylvania. Reexamine the Civil War, the California gold rush, and the civil rights movement--all through Jewish eyes. Teacher's Guide available for \$16.95.

Leiman, Sondra and Jonathan D. Sarna. *America: The Jewish Experience*. New York: UAHC Press, 1994. \$12.00. Grades 5-6.

Chronicles the story of Jewish migration to America from the earliest colonial settlement in 1654 to the present time. Chapters include "People to Know" (prominent Jewish personalities) and "In Their Own Words" (original letters, newspaper clippings, and diaries), dramatizing the following key themes: Jewish community, religious liberty, contributions of Ashkenazi and Sephardic communities, immigration, civil rights, and the changing face of American Judaism. Teacher's Guide available for \$20.00.

Rosenberg, Shelley Kapnek, Ed.D. *Challenge and Change: History of the Jews in America, Early Settlement Through Central Migration*. Springfield, NJ: Behrman House, 2004. \$7.95. Grades 7-9.

A concise presentation of the early years of American Jewish history, combining thematic and chronological explorations of events from the expulsion from Spain (1492) to the settlement in American cities from New York to Galveston (1880). Developed by the Feinstein Center for American Jewish History, in collaboration with renowned historians, researchers, and educators, this colorful history shows how the Jews brought their religion, traditions, languages, culture, and ideas to a new land—America. Complimentary Teaching Guide available at www.behrmanhouse.com. Book 2 (1860-1924) will be available in December 2004; Book 3 (1914-2004) will be available in June 2005.

Rossel, Seymour. *Let Freedom Ring: A History of Jews in the United States*. West Orange, NJ: Behrman House, 1995. \$7.95. Grades 5-7.

In just one semester, give your students an unforgettable tour of Jewish American history. This fascinating saga spans over 300 years in 96 concise pages, brought to life with over 100 photographs and illustrations. This page-turning volume transports students from pre-Colonial America all the way to the present and asks them to consider their own roles in the next chapter of Jewish American history. Teacher's Guide available for \$16.95.

GENERAL RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS

Diner, Hasia. *Jews of the United States, 1654 to 2000*. Berkeley: University of California Press, 2004. ISBN: 0520227735. \$29.95

Hasia Diner traces Jewish participation in American history -- from the communities that sent formal letters of greeting to George Washington; to the three thousand Jewish men who fought for the Confederacy and the ten thousand who fought in the Union army; to the Jewish activists who devoted themselves to the labor movement and the civil rights movement.

Dalin, David G. and Alfred J. Kolatch. *The Presidents of the United States and the Jews*. Middle Village, NY: Jonathan David Publishers, 2000. ISBN: 0824604288. \$35.00

Documents the relationships between U.S. Presidents and the prominent Jews of their day, from Haym Solomon, who helped George Washington finance the American Revolution, to Senator Joe Lieberman, who was chosen by Al Gore to be the first Jewish nominee on a national ticket.

Feldberg, Michael, Ph.D., editor. *Blessings of Freedom: Chapters in American Jewish History*. Hoboken, NJ: Ktav, 2002. ISBN: 0881257567. \$24.95 (pbk.)

This book is a collection of 120 columns that have appeared in the English-language edition of Forward and other newspapers since January 1997.

Hyman, Paula E. and Deborah Dash Moore, eds. *Jewish Women in America: An Historical Encyclopedia*. 2 vols. New York: Routledge Press for the American Jewish Historical Society, 1997. ISBN: 0415919363. \$350.00

Jewish Women in America: An Historical Encyclopedia is a unique work that examines the contributions of Jewish women to American society and contains more than 800 biographies and 110 topical essays.

Gay, Ruth. *Unfinished People: Eastern European Jews Encounter America*. New York: W. W. Norton, 1996. ISBN: 0393322408. \$14.95 (pbk.)

Winner of the National Jewish Book Award, this is a seminal work of history on immigrant Jewish life in early twentieth-century New York.

Grunberger, Michael W. and Hasia R. Diner, editors. *From Haven to Home: 350 Years of Jewish Life in America*. New York: WW Norton & Company Inc., 2004. ISBN: 0807615374. \$50.00

From Haven to Home celebrates the 350th anniversary of the first Jewish settlement in America by bringing together an eminent group of Judaic scholars who take stock of American Jewish life, from the arrival of the first small group in Manhattan in 1654 to the present.

Korn, Bertram W. *American Jewry and the Civil War*. Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society of America, 2001. ISBN: 0827607385. \$25.00 (pbk.)

Korn, a Philadelphia rabbi and Naval Reserve chief chaplain who died in 1979, chronicles roles Jews played in the US Civil War and attitudes toward them. The book includes the preface to the 1961 second edition and documents such as Jewish leaders' correspondence with President Lincoln. It was first published in 1951; the third edition appeared in 1970.

Levine, Peter. *Ellis Island to Ebbets Field: Sport and the American Jewish Experience*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1992. ISBN: 0195085558. \$21.50 (pbk.)

Peter Levine vividly recounts the stories of Red Auerbach, Hank Greenberg, Moe Berg, Sid Luckman, Nat Holman, Benny Leonard, Barney Ross, Marty Glickman, and a host of others who became Jewish heroes and symbols of the difficult struggle for American success.

Levitan, Tina. *First Facts in American Jewish History: From 1492 to the Present*. Northvale, NJ: Jason Aronson, 1996. ISBN: 1568218958. \$40.00

Lists in chronological order the events, people, institutions, and places that have shaped Judaism and American culture over the past five hundred years in America.

Marcus, Jacob Rader and Gary Phillip Zola. *The Dynamics of American Jewish History: Jacob Rader Marcus's Essays on American Jewry.* Hanover: Brandeis University Press; 2003. ISBN: 1584653434. \$29.95

Sheds light on how Jacob Rader Marcus--one of the twentieth century's most influential American Jewish historians--conceptualized his understanding of the American Jewish experience.

Marcus, Jacob Rader and Judith M. Daniels. *The Concise Dictionary of American Jewish Biography.* Brooklyn, NY: Carlson Publishing, 1994. ISBN: 0926019740. \$200.00

A biographical dictionary containing more than 24,000 brief biographies of American Jews. Entries include dates of birth and death, the most important accomplishments, the sources of information, and a citation to the obituary.

Marcus, Jacob Rader. *This I Believe: Documents of American Jewish Life.* Northvale, NJ: Jason Aronson, 1990. ISBN: 1568219687. \$35.00 (pbk., reprint)

Ninety-one letters, ethical wills, bar mitzvah speeches, and other personal records are presented in chronological order following an interpretive essay on the ethical aspirations of American Jewry.

Nadell, Pamela S. and Jonathan D. Sarna. *Women and American Judaism: Historical Perspectives.* Hanover: Brandeis University Press, 2001. ISBN: 1584651245. \$24.95 (pbk.)

New portrayals of the religious lives of American Jewish women from colonial times to the present.

Raphael, Marc Lee. *Judaism in America.* New York: Columbia University Press, 2003. ISBN: 0231120605. \$40.00

Beginning with a chapter on Jewish beliefs, festivals and life-cycle events, both traditional and non-traditional, this text goes on to explain the enormous variation in practice. It then covers Jewish history in America, from the arrival of the first Jews 350 years ago to the present.

Rochlin, Harriet. *Pioneer Jews: A New Life in the Far West.* Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 2000. ISBN: 0618001964. \$30.00 (pbk.)

Pioneer Jews is a vivid and thorough chronicle of the lives, experiences, and contributions of the Jewish men and women who helped shape the American frontier.

Rosen, Robert N. *The Jewish Confederates.* Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 2000. ISBN: 1570033633. \$39.95

Rosen shows that the breadth and strength of Southern Jews commitment to the Confederate cause is undeniable. Focusing on the Jewish communities throughout the South, Rosen explains each city's reasons for supporting the cause of Southern independence.

Sachar, Howard. *A History of the Jews in America.* New York: Knopf, 1992. ISBN: 0679745300. \$25.00 (pbk.)

A history of the Jews in America, from the earliest days of settlement to recent tensions in Israel, discusses the impact of America on Jewish culture, the contributions that Jews have made, the conflicts, noted Jewish Americans, and more.

Sarna, Jonathan D. *American Judaism.* New Haven: Yale University Press, 2004. ISBN: 030010197X. \$35.00

This magisterial work chronicles the 350-year history of the Jewish religion in America. National Jewish Book Award Winner.

Schneier, Rabbi Marc. *Shared Dreams: Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Jewish Community.* Woodstock, VT: Jewish Lights Publishing, 1999. ISBN: 1580230628. \$24.95

Schneier presents the full story of Dr. King's involvement with the Jewish community. Through the use of previously unpublished material and interviews with those who marched at Dr. King's side, the long neglected story of mutual support and cooperation between Dr. King and the Jewish community is brought to life.

Stone, Kurt E. *The Congressional Minyan: The Jews of Capitol Hill.* Hoboken, N.J.: KTAV, 2000. ISBN: 0881256595. \$75.00

Richly illustrated with more than 85 photos, the book contains 179 separate essays or mini-biographies on Jewish congressmen.

Telushkin, Rabbi Joseph. *The Golden Land: The Story of Jewish Immigration to America*. New York: Harmony Books, 2002. ISBN: 0609609041. \$29.95

The Golden Land is a museum-in-a-book that devotes a double-page spread -- complete with removable letters, documents, and personal effects -- to each of the successive waves of Jewish immigration to America, from the Germans and Eastern Europeans in the 19th and early 20th centuries to the refugees from the Nazis in the 1930's and 1940's to the Soviet Jews in the 1970's and 1980's. The book includes facsimiles of George Washington's letter to a community of Jews in Rhode Island, Emma Lazarus's poem that was later inscribed on the base of the Statue of Liberty, Irving Berlin's handwritten lyrics for "God Bless America," a quiz challenging readers to guess the original names of American-Jewish show-business celebrities, and plenty of other materials to give readers a real feel for how America changed the Jews and how the Jews changed America.

Whitfield, Stephen J. *In Search of American Jewish Culture*. Hanover : Brandeis University Press, 1999. ISBN: 1584651717. \$20.95 (pbk.)

A leading cultural historian explores the complex interactions of Jewish and American cultures covering the Jewish role in the key areas of American culture: musical theater, music, theater, and film.

VIDEOS

From the Jewish Heritage Video Collection:

Alph-Bet Blast Off: A Light Unto the Nations (Jewish Television Network & Blast-Off Productions, 1998)

David and Rachel are whisked back in time where they meet Emma Lazarus, whose poem is inscribed on the Statue of Liberty. (Early-Childhood-Grade 2; 30 minutes)

An American Tail (Universal City Studios and U-Drive Productions, 1986)

Follow the humorous and dramatic adventures of Fievel, a little boy mouse who journeys from Russia to America with his family to seek a new life free of cat persecution. During the stormy boat trip Fievel is lost at sea, finally washing up ashore in New York Harbor, where he vows to find his family. (Early Childhood-Grade 3; 81 minutes)

An American Tail: Fievel Goes West (Universal Pictures Limited and Amblin Entertainment, Inc.)

The Mousekewitz family discovers the streets of America are not all paved with cheese, and living in a mouse tenement does not offer the life they hoped for. Young Tanya dreams of becoming a famous singer, and Fievel wants to become a tough law dog like his hero Wylie Burp. Lured out west by the crafty entrepreneur Cat R. Waul, Fievel discovers the evil gentleman's true plans to turn the settlers into mouse-burgers. Enlisting the aid of his cat friend Tiger, the two team up with the legendary Wylie Burp to stop the feline gang's dastardly plot. (Early Childhood-Grade 3; 75 minutes)

Delta Jews (Filmmakers Library, 1998)

Exploration of the quest to retain Jewish connections in the isolated Jewish communities of the Mississippi Delta. (Grades 8-12/Adult; 57 minutes)

Hollywood: An Empire of Their Own (A&E, 1997)

The lives of the Jewish immigrants who shaped Hollywood, based on the book by Neal Gabler. (Grades 8-12/Adult; 100 minutes)

The Life and Times of Hank Greenberg (20th Century Fox, 1999)

Popular, inspiring documentary about the great Detroit Tigers first baseman and his empowering effect on American Jewish life. (Grades 5 & up/Adult; 95 minutes)

Molly's Pilgrim (Phoenix Learning Group, 1985)

Based on the book by Barbara Cohen. (Grades 2-5; 24 minutes). See also *Make A Wish Molly*.

West of Hester Street (Media Projects Inc., 1983)

The true story of a young Jewish peddler who journeys from Russia to Texas as part of the Galveston Movement in the early 1900s. (Grades 7 & up/Adult; 58 minutes)

The Jewish Heritage Video Collection is available at the JCC of Washtenaw County, Temple Beth Emeth (Ann Arbor), The University of Michigan, the Cohn-Haddow Center for Judaic Studies at Wayne State University, Michigan State University, Congregation Shaarey Zedek (Southfield), the JCC of Metropolitan Detroit (West Bloomfield), and Temple Israel (West Bloomfield). For more information, as well as curriculum and discussion guides, visit www.jhvc.org.

America's Synagogue (The Society of Friends of Touro Synagogue, 1998)

A video portrait of Touro Synagogue in Newport, Rhode Island. (Grades 4 & up/Adult; 12 minutes). See also *To Bigotry No Sanction: The Story of the Oldest Synagogue in America* by Leonard Everett Fisher.

Dreams in the Golden Country (Scholastic, 1999)

Based on the book by Kathryn Lasky. (Grades 4-6; 30 minutes)

How to Trace Your Jewish Roots (Ergo Media Inc., 1995)

A do-it-yourself how-to-trace your Jewish roots video with renowned Jewish genealogist Arthur Kurzweil. (Grades 8-12/Adult; 33 minutes)

Jewish America: The Making of the West (Laulima Films, 1995)

Chronicling the unique chapter in American and Jewish history of Jewish contributions to the American West in the last half of the 19th century. (Grades 6 & up/Adult; 28 minutes)

Jewish American Heritage (Schlessinger, 1997)

Introduces viewers to the history of Jewish Americans, their journey to America, and the traditions they observe. (Grades 3-5; 25 minutes)

Jewish American Patriots (Ergo Media Inc., 1996)

Through archival photos and expert testimonials, this documentary traces the heroic acts of such famous Jewish American patriots as Asher Levy, Haym Salomon, Commodore Uriah Phillips Levy, and Sgt. Leopold Karpeles. Also includes interviews with Jewish war veterans from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and Operation Dessert Storm. (Grades 6 & up/Adult; 60 minutes)

The Road to New York from Eastern Europe: Jewish Immigration at the Turn of the Twentieth Century (Ergo Media Inc., 1998)

Traces the path of over thirty percent of all European Jewry from 1880 to 1914 as they left the "Old Country" for the United States. (Grades 6 & up/Adult; 17 minutes)

Visions: Jewish American Hall of Fame (Ergo Media Inc., 1997)

A brief history of each of the Judah Magnes Museum's Jewish American Hall of Fame honorees with archival footage and photographs. Includes Haym Salomon, Emma Lazarus, Judah Magnes, Henrietta Szold, Golda Meir, Hank Greenberg, Elie Wiesel, Houdini, Barbara Streisand, and many more. (Grades 6 & up/Adult; 30 minutes)

MUSIC

From the Milken Archive of American Jewish Music:

Introducing the World of American Jewish Music

This CD, in its remarkable breadth and diversity, reflects the history, evolution, and variety of the Jewish experience in America.

Jewish Voices in the New World

Jewish Voices in the New World offers a rare and fascinating collection of synagogue melodies and biblical chants as they were sung in the early American Colonial period, throughout the Revolutionary War, and up through the early years of the new republic.

Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990): A Jewish Legacy

This unique collection of rarely heard works includes triumphal processions, mysterious invocations, intimate Jewish character portraits, and rousing dances presenting the great eclectic imagination of one of America's foremost 20th-century composers.

A musical adventure of historic proportions, the **Milken Archive of American Jewish Music** is an international undertaking to record, preserve and distribute a vast cross-section, comprising hundreds of outstanding pieces of American Jewish music from the past 350 years. Over 30 CD's are now available. Go to www.milkenarchive.org for more information. CD's are available from www.amazon.com for \$6.98 each.

From Avenue A to the Great White Way: Yiddish and American Popular Songs from 1914-1950 (Sony Music Entertainment, 2002)

A wonderful collection of Yiddish and American popular songs from 1914-1950. Artists include Molly Picon, Yossele Rosenblatt, Aaron Lebedoff, Sophie Tucker, Eddie Cantor, Al Jolson and more. (2 CD set \$19.98 at www.jewishmusic.com)

Famous Jewish Portraits in Sound (Bookmark Productions, 2001)

A glowing audio collection profiling fascinating and inspirational Jewish figures whose lives changed the very fabric of American culture, written, produced, and narrated by Florence Markoff. Includes Louis Brandeis, Hank Greenberg, Bella Abzug, Jonas Salk, Leo Calvin Rosten, Jan Peerce, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Golda Meir, Itzhak Perlman, David Sarnoff, Nathan Strauss, George Gershwin, David "Mickey" Marcus, Eddie Cantor, Rabbi Stephen Wise, and Emma Lazarus. (2 CD set \$25.00)

Music from the Yiddish Radio Project: Archival Recordings from the Golden Age of Yiddish Radio, 1930s-1950s (Sound Portraits Productions and Living Traditions, 2002)

The Yiddish Radio Project is the soundtrack companion CD to the 10 part NPR radio series celebrating the "golden age" of Yiddish Radio in America (1930 - 1955). The soundtrack includes a mixture of swing, Klezmer, Jewish songs, and campy commercials with a Yiddish twist. (\$15.98 at www.jewishmusic.com)

INTERNET SOURCES

American Jewish Historical Society: www.ajhs.org

Various posters, including a Time-Line Poster - 350 Years of Jewish Life in America, are available from the Gift Shop as well as the boxed collectible set of Jewish Major Leaguers Baseball Cards.

Board of Jewish Education of Greater New York - Celebrate 350 Years of American Jewry: www.bjeny.org/350years.asp

Includes lesson plans, educational resources, professional resources, bulletin board ideas, suggested videos, trip ideas, ideas submitted by teachers and more.

Celebrate 350: Jewish Life in America 1654-2004: www.celebrate350.org/

The official website of the celebration includes sermon ideas, triggers, texts and starters, timelines, program resources, local and national events, speaker's bureau, newsletters, and more.

The Commission for Commemorating 350 Years of American Jewish History: www.350th.org

A collaborative project involving The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives, The American Jewish Historical Society, The Library of Congress, and the National Archives & Records Administration. Online exhibits include:

- *First American Jewish Families: 600 Genealogies, 1654-1988* - Researchers now have online access to the complete text of Rabbi Stern's monumental volume that was published in 1991 as the updated and revised 3rd edition.
- *This Month in American Jewish History* - Important anniversary dates for each month in the American Jewish Experience with a selection of archival images. A new month will become available at the end of the preceding month.
- *Timeline of American Jewish History* - Students of American Jewish History have many timelines to choose from, however, Jacob Rader Marcus, known as the "Dean of American Jewish history" compiled one of the most comprehensive.
- *Historiography of American Jewish History* - Learn how scholars have studied and interpreted American Jewish history since American Jews celebrated their 300th anniversary in 1954.
- *From Haven to Home Library Of Congress Exhibit* - An exhibit telling the story of 350 years of American Jewish life in America opened at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. on September 9, 2004. The exhibit features rare, original documents, photographs, film, manuscripts, and other historical materials.
- *Great Voices of Reform Judaism* - An interactive exhibit with sound files explores some of the many influential leaders of the Reform Jewish movement.

Florida Atlantic University Special Collections & Archives: The Molly S. Fraiberg Judaica Collections: www.fau.edu/library/depts/judaica9.htm

An online version of the book, *Jewish Heroes & Heroines of America: 172 True Stories of American Jewish Heroism* by Seymour Brody. Includes American Jewish Heroes and Heroines from Colonial Times to 1900, American Jewish Heroes and Heroines from 1900 to World War II, American Jewish Heroes and Heroines from W.W. II to the Present, and Jewish Recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Jewish-American Hall of Fame: www.amuseum.org/jahf/

Includes brief biographies of many important American Jewish historical figures.

Jewish Women's Archive: www.jwa.org

Includes brief biographies, as well as primary sources and lesson plans.

National Museum of American Jewish History in Philadelphia: www.nmajh.org

Online exhibits include *Synagogue Postcards: Souvenirs of Community*, *Creating American Jews*, *From Generation to Generation*, *Passages: An Immigrant's Journey* and others. Also includes a timeline of American History, American Jewish History and World Jewish History.