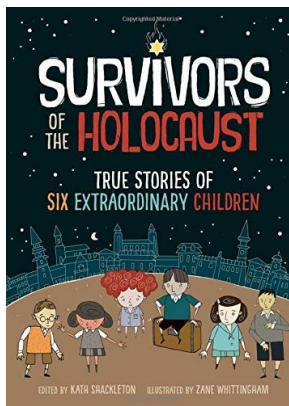
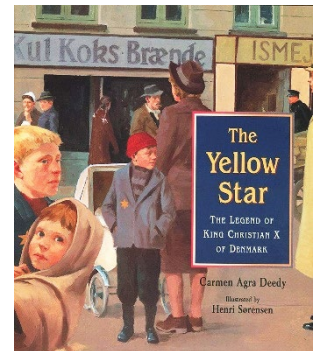


HOLOCAUST RESOURCES

The Holocaust is a difficult subject to read about, especially with young children. The Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library at Congregation Achduth Vesholom has hundreds of titles for all ages, both fiction and non-fiction. For better or for worse, some of the best Jewish fiction and non-fiction for children in recent years has been Holocaust-related. While we have dozens of titles about Anne Frank, we're proud to offer a huge variety of material for students. This is only a brief sample of our large collection for children and teens. Check out our full catalog of Holocaust resources [here](#).

Picture Books for Younger Readers

Our library's picture books about the Holocaust are divided between the Easy and Juvenile sections based on their graphic content. Those included in our easy collection are gentle introductions to the subject without the scary images of those books for slightly older readers. Among these, *The Yellow Star: The Legend of King Christian X of Denmark*, by Carmen Agra Deedy, is a particularly heartwarming story of how the country of Denmark resisted the Nazis. Jeff Gottesfeld's *The Tree in the Courtyard* is a Sydney Taylor Notable Book, among several titles that relate Anne Frank's story to young readers. *Bear and Fred: A World War II Story*, by Iris Argaman, and *The Story of Bodri*, by Hedi Fried, are recent picture books that use pets and stuffed animals to gently introduce readers to the Holocaust.



Chapter Books for Older Children

Our juvenile fiction and non-fiction collections include some award-winning graphic novels about the Holocaust. *White Bird: A Wonder Story*, by R.J. Palacio, and *Hidden*, by Loic Dauvillier, are about young Jewish girls hidden in Nazi-occupied France. Also in graphic novel format, *Survivors of the Holocaust: True Stories of Six Extraordinary Children*, edited by Kath Shackleton, was a National Jewish Book Award finalist. *The Journey that Saved Curious George: The True Wartime Escape of Margret and H.A. Rey*, by Louise Borden, is an excellent tale of escape that doesn't get too graphic. *Hana's Suitcase*, by Karen Levine, is a beautiful book that uses a suitcase to tell the story of a young Czech girl who died in the Holocaust.

For Teens

Our Teen collection is filled with award-winning fiction and non-fiction Holocaust titles. In the non-fiction section are biographies and memoirs, collections specifically about teens, and histories written for young adults. Among the notable titles is Neal Bascomb's *The Nazi Hunters: How a Team of Spies and Survivors Captured the World's Most Notorious Nazi*, a Sydney Taylor Award winner. *Requiem: Poems of the Terezin Ghetto*, by Paul Janeczko, received the Cybils Award in 2011 and is a beautiful collection of poems. *Salvaged Pages: Young Writers' Diaries of the Holocaust*, by Alexandra Zapruder, is a National Jewish Book Award winner, and an excellent example of the primary sources available in our collection. Another series in our teen collection, *True Stories of Teens in the Holocaust*, is nothing but primary sources, covering teen resisters, hidden teens, and more. Our teen fiction collection also holds a wide variety of titles. Jane Yolen's *Briar Rose: A Novel of the Holocaust*, is a retelling of the *Sleeping Beauty* story, and may be appropriate for fantasy readers. *What the Night Sings*, by Vesper Stamper, is a beautiful Sydney Taylor Award-winner about a sixteen-year-old survivor. *The War Within These Walls*, by Aline Sax, received both the National Jewish Book Award and the Sydney Taylor Award. Illustrated by Caryl Strzelecki, it's almost a graphic novel, and is set in the Warsaw Ghetto. Our teen collection of Holocaust titles is broad enough for any young adult to find something of interest.

