<u>Attention Parents: Shamona Creek Elementary School Author's Day</u> 2015 with "Children's Author Jen Bryant"

1. Abe's Fish: A Boyhood Tale of Abraham Lincoln \$12.76 (Gr K-5) Exploring a day in the life of America's future president, *Abe's Fish* is the story of six-year-old Abe, who wishes he were taller, has a mischievous streak, and puzzles deeply over the concept of freedom. Sent out to bring home a fish for the family supper, Abe encounters a soldier returning home from war. Abe gives up his dinner to the hungry man, remembering his mother's words to always "be good to the soldiers." *Abe's Fish* is the perfect way to celebrate President's Day and Abraham Lincoln's birthday.





2. Georgia's Bones \$7.20 (Grades K-5)

Growing up on a Wisconsin farm, Georgia O'Keefe began gathering all sorts of objects — sticks and stones, flowers and bones. Although she was teased for her interest in unique shapes and sizes, young Georgia declared: "Someday, I'm going to be an artist" — and that is exactly what she became.

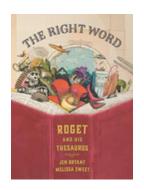


3. Kaleidoscope Eyes \$5.59 (Grades 4-5)

When Lyza helps her dad clean out her late grandfather's house, a surprise brightens the sad task. In Gramps's attic, an envelope says "For Lyza ONLY." What could this possibly be? It takes the help of her two best friends to figure out that the maps reveal where Captain Kidd the pirate may have buried a treasure. Can three thirteen-year-olds find the secret treasure? In a tale inspired by a true story of buried treasure, Jen Bryant weaves an emotional and suspenseful novel in poems, set against the backdrop of the Vietnam War during a pivotal year in U.S. history.

4. The Right Word: Roget and His Thesaurus \$14.00 (Grades K-5)

For shy young Peter Mark Roget, books were the best companions—and he began writing his own book. But he didn't write stories; he wrote lists. Peter took his love for words and turned it to organizing ideas and finding exactly the right word to express just what he thought. His lists grew and grew, eventually becoming one of the most important reference books of all time.



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5. The River of Words: The Story of William Carlos Williams \$13.60 (Grades K-5)

River of WORDS

Caldecott Honor Book

Willie loved to write—words gave him freedom and peace. When he grew up, he went off to medical school and became a doctor! Yet he never stopped writing. In this picture book biography of poet William Carlos Williams, Jen Bryant's engaging prose and Melissa Sweet's stunning mixed-media illustrations celebrate the amazing man whose poems will inspire you to create poems of your own.

6. A Splash of Red: The Life and Art of Horace Pippin \$14.39 (Grades K-5)

Horace Pippin loved to draw pictures for his sisters, his classmates, his co-workers. Even during W.W.I, Horace filled his notebooks with drawings from the trenches—until he was wounded. Would he

THE TRIAL

ever draw again? Bryant & Sweet share the story of a self-taught artist who overcame poverty, racism, disability and war to become an American master.

7.The Trial \$4.79 (Grades 4-5) In a compelling, immediate voice, 12-year-old Katie Leigh Flynn takes us inside the courtroom of the most widely publicized criminal case of the 20th century: the kidnapping and murder of Charles Lindbergh's baby son. And in doing so, she reveals the real-life figures of the trial—the accused, the lawyers, the grieving parents—and the many faces of justice.

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