

# Historical Fiction

## Revolutionary War

### **Nails, A Boy at Bunker Hill**

Bowen JF BOW

The adventures of a young hero of the American Revolution.

### **Sleds on Boston Common**

Borden JF BOR

Henry complains to the royal governor, General Gage, after his plan to sled down the steep hill at Boston Common is thwarted by the masses of British troops camped there.



### **Patsy Jefferson's Diary**

Bourne JF BOU

A fictional diary of "Patsy" Jefferson records the highlights of her life with "Papa" Thomas Jefferson from the time he was elected governor of Virginia in 1779 until his return from France in 1789.

### **One April in Boston**

Edwards JF BOU

A story of an American family who live in Colonial Boston in 1775. 10-year-old Ben Edwards dreams of becoming a mariner, just like his grandfather, an early Boston sea captain. Throughout the story, Ben carries a spyglass that belonged to an ancestor. He believes he can see the future through its lens.

### **This Time Tempe Wick**

Gauch JF GAU

Everyone knew Tempe Wick was a most surprising girl, but they found out just how surprising when two mutinous Revolutionary soldiers tried to steal her beloved horse.

### **Captain Grey**

Avi YA AVI

Following the Revolution, an eleven-year-old boy becomes the captive of a ruthless man who has set up his own "nation", supported by piracy, on a remote part of the New Jersey coast.

### **Winter Hero**

Collier YA COL

Anxious to be a hero, a young boy relates how he becomes involved in Shays' Rebellion begun by farmers in western Massachusetts against unfair taxation levied on them by the Boston government.

### **Jump Ship to Freedom**

Collier YA COL

In 1787 a fourteen-year-old slave, anxious to buy freedom for himself and his mother, escapes from his dishonest master and tries to find help in cashing the soldier's notes received by his father for fighting in the Revolution.

### **War Comes to Willy Freeman**

Collier YA COL

A free thirteen-year-old black girl in Connecticut is caught up in the horror of the Revolutionary War and the danger of being returned to slavery when her patriot father is killed by the British and her mother disappears.

### **My Brother Sam Is Dead**

Collier YA COL

Recounts the tragedy that strikes the Meeker family during the Revolution when one son joins the rebel forces while the rest of the family tries to stay neutral in a Tory town.

## Johnny Tremain

Forbes YA FOR

The year is 1773; the scene is Boston. Johnny Tremain is fourteen and apprenticed to a silversmith. He is gifted and clever and lords it over the other apprentices until the tragic day when a crucible of molten silver breaks and Johnny's right hand is so burned as to be useless. After a period of despair, Johnny becomes a dispatch rider for the Committee of Public Safety, a job that brings him in touch with Otis, Hancock, John and Samuel Adams, and other Boston patriots.

## Early Thunder

Fritz YA FRI

Traces a youth's growth to maturity as he resolves his political conflicts in pre-revolutionary Salem, a center of high feeling between the British and colonists.

## The Rifle

Paulsen YA PAU

A priceless, handcrafted rifle, fired throughout the American Revolution, is forgotten in a farmhouse attic until the fateful Christmas Eve of 1994.



## A Ride Into Morning

Rinaldi YA RIN

When unrest spreads at the Revolutionary War camp in Morristown, New Jersey, under the command of General Anthony Wayne, a young woman cleverly hides her horse from the mutinous soldiers who have need of it.

## A Namesake for Nathan

Monjo YA MON

Joanna Hale recounts the events of 1776 as she and her family follow the activities of her brother Nathan in the Continental Army.

