



Quality Literature for Children and Adolescents: A Research Guide for ED 210

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St. James guide to children's writers Ref 028.52 Sa132

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American Library Association's Association for Library Service to Children [Notable Children's Books](#) Listings from 1996 to the present. According to ALSC policy, the current year's Newbery, Caldecott, Sibert, Geisel, and Batchelder Award and Honor books automatically are added to the Notable Children's Books list. Notable Children's Books that have received other ALA awards, such as the Coretta Scott King Award, Michael L. Printz Award, Schneider Family Book Award, and/or were named a Best Book for Young Adults are also noted on this list.

[Caldecott Medal Winners and Honor Books](#) 1938 to the present.

[Newbery Medal and Honor Books](#) 1922 to the present.

[Theodor Seuss Geisel Award](#) Established in 2004, has been given annually (beginning in 2006) to the author(s) and illustrator (s) of the most distinguished contribution to the body of American children's literature known as beginning reader books.

Evaluating resources, on the Web and off

[Evaluating Information Found on the Internet](#) This guide can be applied equally to Internet and non-Internet resources, from Johns Hopkins.

[Evaluate Internet Resources](#) UMUC provides a checklist of questions to ask about an Internet resource or any information resource.

[Evaluating Web Pages: Techniques to Apply & Questions to Ask](#) UC Berkeley provides a great evaluative framework in a graphically-pleasing chart.

[Five Criteria for Evaluating Web Pages](#) A chart from Cornell's Web site.

[What's in a URL?](#) IANA (Internet Assigned Numbers Authority) list of generic top-level domain name endings (like .com, .gov).

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