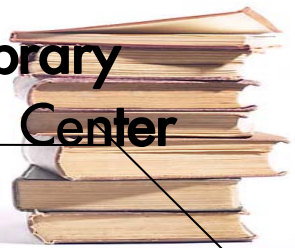


Ashland University Library Instructional Resource Center

New! The IRC Book Review Blog



WELCOME TO THE IRC BOOK REVIEW BLOG

<http://ircbookreviews.blogspot.com/>

This blog has been created to supplement the juvenile collection New Book Shelf and answer some of the following FAQ's:

- Do you have any new children's books?
- What new book would you recommend?
- Do you like anything on the new book shelf?
- Help! I need a good book for class.

ABOUT THIS BLOG

Looking for a book?

Reviews posted are written by librarians, professors, and education students. Focus will be on new juvenile fiction and non-fiction titles added to Ashland University Library's collection.

Finding the book

Each post title will link directly to the Ashland University Library catalog. Additional information provided after the review may include read-alike recommendations and Internet links.

Who wrote the review?

At the end of each review post, the reviewer's name will appear along with a date and time stamp. For more information, see the listing of review contributors below.

May I recommend a book for reviewing?

Yes! To recommend a juvenile book you would like to see added to this review page contact one of the review contributors via email with title suggestions. Remember that books reviewed here are already part of the AU Library juvenile collection and have been subjected to collection development policy standards.

What is the comment link?

If you use a reviewed book in a lesson, in class, or have simply read the title, feel free to add your personal comments to the review. Comments

should be of a professional nature and represent your experiences with or reactions to a particular title reviewed on this blog.

What are the tags on each review?

Tags included with each review are Technorati subject or category tags. Each one links back to the Technorati web site, leading to other blogs tagged in a like manner. Tags may provide additional information on the author, illustrator, or book located on other blogs. Please see the library disclaimer for additional information.

Where are the new books?

When shelf ready, new juvenile books are initially placed on the new books bookshelf outside of the IRC. Once a book has circulated, it is shelved with the regular juvenile titles.

How often are books added to the new book shelf?

New books are continuously added to the juvenile collection. The bookshelf is emptied at the end of each term; fall, spring, and summer. All new titles are listed, with links to AU catalog, on the IRC Blog when shelf ready.

AU JUVENILE COLLECTION

The purpose of Ashland University Library's juvenile collection is to support the College of Education curriculum. Intended for AU students, preservice teachers, student teachers, and faculty members, the juvenile collection is also used by Ashland community borrowers and OhioLINK patrons.

Titles added to the juvenile collection, both fiction and non-fiction are subject to professional reviews before purchase. Review resources include, but are not limited to, Booklist, Book Links, The Horn Book Magazine, School Library Journal, Publishers Weekly, and The Reading Teacher.

The juvenile collection includes award winning titles such as Newbery and Caldecott winner and honor books, Coretta Scott King award books, ALA Best Books for Young Adults, Notable Children's books, and Children's and Teacher's Choice award books.

Students are encouraged to preview, read and evaluate books before using them in a classroom setting. This step is necessary to determine if selected titles are appropriate for individual classroom situations. If you have questions about a particular title, consult with your professor or cooperating teacher before using it in the classroom

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<http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/ejournals/ALAN/alan-review.html>

*** Book Links**

<http://www.ala.org/BookLinks/>

*** Booklist**

<http://www.ala.org/booklist/>

The Bulletin

<http://bccb.lis.uiuc.edu/>

Children's Literature

http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/childrens_literature

*** The Horn Book**

<http://www.hbook.com/>

Kirkus Reviews Online

<http://www.kirkusreviews.com/kirkusreviews/index.jsp>

*** School Library Journal**

<http://www.schoollibraryjournal.com/index.asp>

*** Publisher's Weekly**

<http://www.publishersweekly.com/>

VOYA

<http://www.voya.com/>