

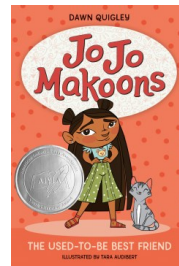
AMERICAN INDIAN & ALASKA NATIVE HERITAGE MONTH

Chapter Books



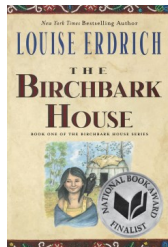
[The Sea in Winter](#)

By Christine Day
Maisie is still recovering from a knee injury that has sidelined her from her beloved ballet. During a family visit to the area near the Makah community where her mother grew up, Maisie begins to realize that she needs healing for more than her knee and that she can't face all her problems alone.
Grades 4 - 6



[The Used-To-Be Best Friend](#)

By Dawn Quigley
Spunky Jo Jo Makoons Azure has her own way of doing things and two best friends — her cat Mimi at home and Fern at school. But Jo Jo is worried that Fern wants to find new friends. Jo Jo's story is interspersed with Ojibwe words and introduces readers to life on her fictional reservation. (series)
Grades 2 - 5



[The Birchbark House](#)

By Louise Erdrich
Omakayas, a young Ojibwa girl growing up in 1847, loves following the seasonal traditions of her people and having everyday adventures on her home island in Lake Superior. But the world around her is changing, bringing devastating consequences to her family.
Grades 4 - 6



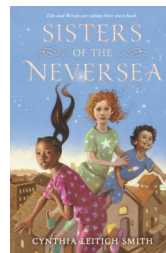
[Ancestor Approved: Intertribal Stories for Kids](#)

Edited by Cynthia Leitich Smith
Each short story or poem in this collection explores the significance of attending the same Powwow from the perspective of members of different tribes and first nations around the U.S. and Canada. The stories range from funny to fantastical to poignant and short author bios are featured at the end.
Grades 3 - 6



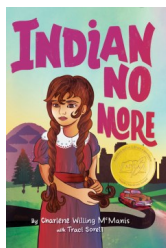
[Fatty Legs: A True Story](#)

By Christy Jordan-Fenton and Margaret-Olemaun Pokiak-Fenton
Growing up in northern Canada in the 1940s, all Olemaun wants to do is learn to read. She doesn't realize that attending the residential school for Inuit children means a new name, harsh work, and humiliation from one of the nuns. But this spirited girl finds her own way to stand up for herself.
Grades 4 - 6



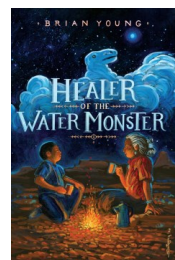
[Sisters of the Neversea](#)

By Cynthia Leitich Smith
In this reimagining of Peter Pan, Lily (Muscogee (Creek) Nation) is the hero who must travel to Neverland to rescue her stepsister, Wendy, and their shared half-brother, Michael, from Peter who has turned into a cruel tyrant.
Grades 4 - 7



[Indian No More](#)

By Charlene Willing McManis with Traci Sorell
Regina Petit has always been Umpqua. But in 1947, the U.S. government says that the Umpqua are no longer a recognized Indian tribe. Her family moves to Los Angeles where Regina tries to make new friends while her entire identity is thrown into question.
Grades 4 - 7



[Healer of the Water Monster](#)

By Brian Young
When Nathan concocts a science experiment that requires him to stay with his grandmother on her ancestral Diné homelands on the Navajo reservation just to avoid spending time with his dad's new girlfriend, he has no idea that he will meet a Holy Being from the Navajo Creation Story and set off on an epic adventure.
Grades 5 - 8