

## Worlds of Words 2020

### Global Short Stories

<i>Title and author</i>	<b>Level Info</b>	<b>Global Context</b>	<b>Themes/Plot</b>	<b>Possible Pairings</b>
<b>Grades 2-5</b>				
<i>Amazonia</i> , Daniel Munduruku	RL 6.5 (S) 95 pp	Brazil, Tr	Tales set in the Amazon rainforest from 7 Indigenous tribes, focus on humor, death, and shapeshifters. Luminous full-page illustrations.	<i>Whiskers, Tails &amp; Wings</i> , Judy Goldman
<i>Coyote Tales</i> , Thomas King	59 pp 570 L	Canada Indigenous	Two tales about Coyote’s vanity, one involving singing to the moon and the other on his new suit.	
<i>Heroes of the Night Sky</i> , Tom Kindley	22 pp	Greece	Short stories of the ancient Greek myths behind 12 constellations of the night sky.	<i>Percy Jackson’s Greek Gods</i> , Rick Riordan and John Rocco
<i>Magic: New Fairy Tales from Irish Writers</i> , Siobhan Parkinson	RL 6.3 61 pp	Ireland	New tales by contemporary Irish writers, with plenty of magic, wisdom and laughter.	
<i>Making It Home: Real-Life Stories from Children Forced to Flee</i> , Beverly Naidoo	117 pp	Global	First-hand accounts of children forced to flee their war-torn countries, including Kosovo, Bosnia, Iraq, Afghanistan, Congo, etc.	<i>Shattered: Stories of Children and War</i> , Jennifer Armstrong
<i>Not One Damsel in Distress</i> , Jane Yolen	RL 4.0 116 pp	Global	A collection of traditional tales from around the world with brainy and brave heroines.	
<i>The Ogress and the Snake</i> , Elizabeth Laird	RL 4.4 95 pp	Somalia	Traditional Somalian folktales collected from living storytellers. Set in desert regions.	
<i>Once Upon an Eid: Stories of Hope and Joy</i> , S.K. Ali and Aisha Saeed, editors	263 pp	Muslim world	Collection of short stories that showcase Muslim voices writing about the joyful holiday, Eid, in a variety of formats.	

<i>Shahnameh: The Persian Book of Kings</i> , Elizabeth Laird	RL 4.2 129 pp	Iran	A collection of ancient short stories and myths, written as an epic poem. Classic of Persian literature	<i>Tales from India</i> , Jamila Gavin
<i>Sit</i> , Deborah Ellis	720 L 138 pp	Global	Short stories, centered on a chair, where children face a difficult choice, make a decision, and act.	
<i>Stories from the Billabong</i> , James Marshall	760 L 61 pp	Australia Indigenous	Origin and pourquoi tales from the Yorta-Yorta, an Aboriginal tribe, with illustrations using Aboriginal symbols and bright colors	<i>Who is King? Ten Magical Stories from Africa</i> , Beverly Naidoo
<i>Under the Weather: Stories about Climate Change</i> , Tony Bradman	750 L 215 pp	Global	Anthology with a global view on climate change in short stories by various authors about concerned young people taking action.	
<i>Who is King? Ten Magical Stories from Africa</i> , Beverly Naidoo	3.9 RL 69 pp.	Africa	Collection of 10 brief folktales, many of which are pourquoi tales, from 8 different African nations. Energetic pen and watercolor art.	<i>Stories from the Billabong</i> , James Marshall
<i>When Apples Grew Noses and White Horses Flew</i> , Jan Andrews	520 L 67 pp	French Canadian	Collection of stories featuring Ti-Jean, Quebec's traditional hero, a character who is both wise and foolish	
<b>Grades 6-12</b>				
<i>A Banquet for Hungry Ghosts</i> , Ying Chang Compestine	880 L 180 pp	China	Eight chilling ghost stories that integrate Chinese foods and culture, includes recipes and historical notes.	
<i>Changing Woman and Her Sisters</i> , Katrin Tchana	890 L (V) 80 pp	Global	Stories of ten goddesses from different cultures, including Navajo, Celtic, Inuit, Buddhist, Mayan, and Shinto.	<i>Fearless Girls</i> , Kathleen Ragan
<i>The Coyote Road: Trickster Tales</i> , Ellen Datlow and Teri Windling	523 pp	Global	26 original trickster tales and poems by a range of authors, includes an intro on tricksters in various literary and cultural traditions	

<i>The Door in the Hedge</i> , Robin McKinley	1110 L 216 pp	Europe	Four stories by McKinley about princesses including two retellings of fairy tales and two new stories. Rich language and motifs of love, joy and magic.	
<i>Eat the Sky, Drink the Ocean</i> , Kristy Murray and Payal Dhar	750 L 225 pp	India Australia	Science fiction/fantasy short stories, including several graphic stories, from 20 female writers and artists from India and Australia. Imaginative and speculative.	
<i>Fearless Girls, Wise Women and Beloved Sisters</i> , Kathleen Ragan	1060 L 450 pp	Global	100 folktales from different parts of the world that feature a heroine.	<i>Changing Woman</i> , Katrin Tchana and <i>Tatterhood</i> , Ethel Johnston Phelps
<i>Fire: Tales of Elemental Spirits</i> , Robin McKinley and Peter Dickinson	1020 L 239 pp		Five fantasy short stories of fiery beasts united by the element of fire. See also <i>Water: Tales of Elemental Spirits</i> . Six short stories about fabulous creatures associated with the element of water.	
<i>The Great War: Stories Inspired by Items from the First World War</i> , David Almond	820 L 289 pp	Global WWI	Eleven writers draw on personal objects to tell short stories about experiences during World War I. Illustrations and photos of the objects with info on their history and authors' reasons for selecting them.	<i>Hidden Like Anne Frank: Fourteen True Stories of Survival</i> , Marcel Prins
<i>Heartsinger</i> , Karlijn Stoffels	1000 L 134 pp	Netherlands Tr	Connected short stories of Mee who travels the country, singing the healing life stories of people.	
<i>Hidden Like Anne Frank: Fourteen True Stories of Survival</i> , Marcel Prins	790 L 211 pp	Europe Dutch Tr	Fourteen young people who were hidden in the Netherlands during WWII. First-person accounts of what it took to survive.	<i>The Great War: Stories Inspired by Items from the First World War</i> , David Almond
<i>Open Mic: Riffs on Life Between Cultures in 10 Voices</i> , Mitali Perkins	810 L 129 pp	US/Global	Ten YA authors share their stories about growing up between cultures. Humor. Fiction/Nonfiction.	
<i>The Other Side: Stories of Central American Teen Refugees Who Dreamed of Crossing the Border</i> Juan Pablo Villalobos	147 pp	Central America	A collection of stories that are first-person accounts of teens' journeys of coming from Central America to the United States.	

<i>Out of Bounds: Seven Stories of Conflict and Hope</i> , Beverley Naidoo	750 L 175 pp	South Africa	Short stories by Naidoo which explore themes of choice during apartheid. Each story is set in a different decade from 1948 to 2000.	
<i>Percy Jackson's Greek Gods</i> , Rick Riordan and John Rocco	790 L 404 pp	Greece	Introduction to the 12 major gods and goddesses of Greek mythology with engaging retellings of their stories	
<i>Red Spikes</i> , Margo Lanagan	820 L 167 pp	Australia	Electrifying stories that take place in bizarre worlds of darkness, illuminating what it means to be human. See also <i>Black Juice</i> and <i>White Time</i> collections.	
<i>Shattered: Stories of Children and War</i> , Jennifer Armstrong	800 L 166 pp	Global	12 short stories by YA authors about the consequences of war for children in different settings	<i>Making It Home: Real-Life Stories from Children Forced to Flee</i> , Beverly Naidoo
<i>Tales from India</i> , Jamila Gavin	RL 6.5 88 pp	India	10 Hindu tales on the birth of gods, floods, romances, and battles between good and evil.	
<i>Tatterhood</i> , Ethel Johnston Phelps	910L 170 pp	Global	Twelve folktales that focus on women with cunning, hard work, and physical strength.	<i>Changing Woman</i> , Katrin Tchana and <i>Fearless Girls</i> , Kathleen Ragan
<i>A Thousand Beginnings and Endings</i> , Ellen Oh, editor	840 L 328 pp	Asia	16 retellings by Asian authors of folklore and mythology of East and South Asia, reimagined into fantasy to sci fi to contemporary fiction.	
<i>The Tiny Boy and Other Tales</i> , Muni Bunanta	RL 6.1 (R) 84 pp	Indonesia	8 Indonesian folktales of heroes and sacrifice, love and family, the value of children and nature. Vibrant images by an Indonesian artist.	
<i>Whiskers, Tails &amp; Wings</i> , Judy Goldman	930 L 58 pp	Mexico	Traditional animal folktales of 5 Indigenous groups from Mexico. Also includes info on each culture's history, customs and traditions.	<i>Amazonia</i> , Daniel Munduruku

Tr = translated from that language and country into English

Under Levels, the letters, e.g. (O), in parentheses are Fountas and Pinnell levels

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