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Growing Up and Growing Older: Books for Young Readers©

An Annotated Booklist of Nonageist Literature (Preschool-Third Grade)

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Children today are expected to live longer than any other generation of Americans. A child born today in the U.S. can expect to live to be 80, 90 or 100 years old. Centenarians (people 100 years old or older) are the most rapidly growing age group in our country today. The attitudes children form about aging will play an important role in how successfully they age. The images of older people in children's literature play an important part in attitude formation.

This booklist started 25 years ago in an attempt to locate early children's literature that would help to promote positive attitudes about aging. In reviewing this literature it was found that many of the portrayals of older people focused on the negative aspects of aging and mirrored our society's ageist attitudes.

This booklist is a compilation of carefully selected children's literature that contains positive portrayals of older adults. The book collection is housed at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Hodges Library, *Center for Children's and Young Adult Literature* (http://www.lib.utk.edu/refs/ccyal/research.html). Books on the booklist portray aging as a natural and lifelong process of growing and developing, present similarities between young and old, show young and old enjoying each other and learning from each other, view older adults as valuable and contributing members of society, and help children to think about life's later years. Books that focus on death, dying, illness and disability are not included on this list. These topics are not synonymous with aging.

Use the books on the list to help children see their "elder within" (the older person they can become) and think in terms of "lifespan activities" (activities they do now and that they can do as an older person-like art, dance, music, theater, biking, walking, swimming, hiking, and traveling). If the reading level of a book is beyond that of the child you can read the story to them. It can be a rewarding intergenerational experience to have older adults read the books to children. The books can stimulate interesting discussions, promote positive attitudes about aging, and help children to learn about growing up and growing older.

The first part of the booklist contains books-in-print. It is followed by listings of: 1) some "favorite" books in print, 2) selected excellent OOPS (Out-Of-Print Stories) and Out-Of-Stock Indefinitely books (look for these books at libraries and with book vendors), and 3) books with multicultural content.

The following is a quote we should all take to heart: "Only as children view their own aging and the elderly positively will they be able to achieve the life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness that are considered rights of each in our society." We have the potential to create of generation of Americans who see the potentials of age and aging and value older people. This is a legacy worth leaving.

Thank you for visiting the booklist. Help by contacting your local schools and libraries to make sure booklist books are available. Buy some of the books for children you know. Contact authors and publishers about the need for children's books that help children to see the potentials of aging and promote more positive attitudes about aging. If you have books that you would like considered for the list, or comments about the booklist, please contact me at smcguire@utk.edu. I look forward to hearing from you.

- 1. Elder within is a term used by Ken Dychtwald and Joe Fowler in their book *Age Wave* (1990). New York: Bantam Books.
- 2. Jantz, R. K., Seefeldt, C., Galper, A., & Serock, K. (1976). *Children's attitudes toward the elderly. Final report to the American Association of Retired Persons and the National Retired Teachers Association*. College Park, MD: University of Maryland—Center on Aging and Department of Early Childhood/Elementary Education.

Book List

Ackerman, Karen (2003). Song and Dance Man

Random House Children's (PS-2) \$15.95/\$3.95

ISBN: 0-394-89330-1/ISBN 0-439-04437-5

In the attic grandfather shows the grandchildren a trunk full of mementos from his vaudeville days. Grandfather sings and dances, they all dress up, and put on a show. A good time is had by all. Portrays older people as fun, active, and interesting.

Caldecott Medal Award

Ada, Alma Flor (2002). I Love Saturdays y domingos

Simon & Schuster Children's (PS-2) \$17.99/\$6.99

ISBN 0-689-31819-7/ISBN 0-689-87409-X

On Saturdays a young girl visits her Grandma and Grandpa who are European-American. On Sundays, (los domingos) she visits Abueleto y Abuelita, her grandparents who are Mexican-American. Her grandparents are different in many ways but also have a lot in common, especially the love for their granddaughter. Intergenerational story of loving and caring. *MULTICULTURAL*

Alexander, Martha (1992). Where Does the Sky End, Grandpa?

Harcourt Children's (PS-3) \$12.95

ISBN: 0-15-295603-4

A young girl walks with her grandpa and asks him many fascinating questions. Illustrates a knowledgeable and sensitive grandfather.

Anholt, Laurence (2003). The Magical Garden of Claude Monet

Barron's (2-3) \$14.95

ISBN 0-7641-5574-1

The story is based on Julie, a daughter of the French painter Berthe Morisot. Julie lives in Paris and longs to walk in a country garden. Her mother takes her to the garden of a family friend, the great painter Claude Monet. Monet was working in his garden and he took Julie on a garden tour. Monet was an avid gardener and his gardens can still be visited today. Illustrates both painting and gardening as a lifelong activities and intergenerational friendship. Portrays older adults as creative, active and capable.

Applegate, Katherine (2007). *The Buffalo Storm*

Clarion (PS-3) \$16.00

ISBN 978-0-618-53597-2

Hallie's grandmother can bake a cake, tame a colt, birth a calf or build a barn. When Hallie's parents decide to go to Oregon by wagon train, Hallie wants to stay behind with her grandmother. Grandmother tells Hallie she needs to go, and assures her that she will be with her wherever she goes. Hallie was afraid of storms and grandmother gave her a quilt to wrap around her if a storm comes and then she wouldn't be afraid. On the journey Hallie remembers her grandmother's teachings and feels her grandmother with her. When they arrive in Oregon Hallie writes to her grandmother about her new baby sister and tells her that the baby was named Olympia after her. Loving intergenerational relationship.

Applet, Kathi (2002). Where, Where is Swamp Bear?

HarperCollins (PS-2) \$15.95

ISBN 0-688-17102-8

Louisiana black bears are an endangered species. They used to roam in east Texas, Mississippi, and Louisiana, but today they are only found in two regions of Louisiana. Pierre and Granpere search for the Louisiana black bear, but it's not an easy task to find the bears in the swamps where they live. Granpere is very knowledgeable about the bear and shares this knowledge with his grandson. Illustrates young and old enjoying each other and learning from each other, as well as the contemporary topic of endangered species and their preservation.

Applet, Kathi (2003). The Best Kind of Gift

HarperCollins (1-3) \$16.99

ISBN 0-688-15392-5

Jory is a rural Appalachian boy. His family is putting together gifts to offer the new preacher, Brother Harper. Jory wants to give the perfect gift, but can't think of what he can give. Grandpa helps him to come up with the best kind of gift, a gift from the heart.

Arden, Carolyn (2004). Goose Moon

Boyds Mills Press (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 1-59078-040-X

A young girl and her grandfather share many happy times together. They go fishing, tobogganing, drink cocoa, and sing by the fire while grandpa plays the guitar. Grandpa explains the seasons by the coming and going of the geese and says that they will have to wait for "Goose Moon" summer. Goose Moon happens when the moon is full and the geese follow the stars to find their way home. One night grandpa takes the girl out on the porch and they hear the sound of the geese coming—Goose Moon is on its way. An active, knowledgeable grandfather. Intergenerational friendship.

Aska, Warabe (2006). Tapicero Tap Tap

Tundra (1-3) \$16.95 ISBN 0-88776-760-5

Grandpa is called Tapicero Tap Tap due to the tap tap tap sound of his hammer when he is making furniture in his shop. His grandson asks grandpa to help him watch his younger brother. Grandpa stops his work and tell his grandsons and their friends a story. He tells a story about his childhood and the dreams he had of traveling across the ocean. He tells them that during his life, he did not travel, but found treasures in the local wine making, fiestas and bullfights. At fiesta time he met people from the far away places he had dreamed of going to. He lead a productive life and found pleasure in making things that people enjoyed. Active grandfather who is working. Illustrates growing up and growing older. Helps children see that they can have fulfilling, productive lives in their own communities and make a difference where ever they are. *MULTICULTURAL*

Atwell, Debby (2003). *The Thanksgiving Door*.

Houghton Mifflin (K-3) \$16.00

ISBN 0-618-24036-5

An immigrant family is preparing for the first Thanksgiving in their restaurant. Everything is almost ready when two strangers enter the restaurant. Grandmother invites the strangers as guests to dinner. Wise and caring grandmother.

Bair, Sheila (2006). Rock, Brock and the Savings Shock

Whitman (1-2) \$15.95

ISBN 0-0875-7094-X

Rock and Brock are twins. Grandpa proposed a summer saving plan to them. For 10 straight weeks each Saturday he would pay each of them one dollar to mow his lawn and wash his car. If they saved the dollar he would match it, if they spent it he wouldn't. After a few weeks grandpa encouraged saving by giving even more for each dollar saved. Brock saved his money but Rock didn't. Brock's money grew and at the end of the summer he had \$512 dollars, but Rock hadn't saved any money. Brock and Rock learned the value of saving from their wise grandfather. At the end of the book the twins are older and millionaires from their savings. Teaches children about savings and lifelong financial security. A chart at the end of the book shows how savings can grow and there is a discussion about how to be a millionaire by savings. Excellent book to start talking about lifelong financial security.

Balouch, Kristen (2006). Mystery Bottle

Hyperion (PS-1) \$15.99

ISBN 0-7868-0999-X

A package came early in the morning for Bailey with a bottle inside. When he opened the bottle the wind inside carried him in a fantasy journey across the sea to the house where his grandfather, Baba Bozorg,

lived. They had tea and climbed the tallest mountain. At the top of the mountain the bottle was filled with wind and love, and was ready to be used again for the boy to visit his grandfather. Loving intergenerational relationship. Can lead into discussions about visits to grandparents and older friends. *MULTICULTURAL*

Barsotti, Joan (1996). Christopher and Grandma on Safari

Barsotti Books (PS-3) \$6.95

ISBN 0-9642112-2-X

Safaris are a great adventure, and Christopher and grandma go on an African safari. They live in tents and have Masai guides. Christopher has a Masai friend called Moses and together they search for the rare brown giraffe. Shows an active grandmother, lifelong learning, and adventure. Exciting intergenerational activities. *MULTICULTURAL*

Beardshaw, Rosalind (2001). Grandma's Beach

Bloomsbury Children's Books (PS-2) \$15.95

ISBN 1-58234-935-5

Mom has to go to the office so she can't take Emily to the beach, and Emily goes to visit grandma instead. Grandma uses her imagination to create a day at the beach that she and Emily enjoy. Active, capable grandmother.

Beardshaw, Rosalind (2004). *Grandpa's Surprise*

Bloomsbury Children's Books (PS-2) \$15.95

ISBN 1-58234-934-7

Jack won't let Stanley ride his new tricycle. Grandpa knows Stanley is disappointed and cheers him up him up with helping him make a go-cart. Even though Jack wouldn't share with Stanley, Stanley lets Jack ride on his go-cart. Brings up the concept of sharing. Grandfather is portrayed as active and capable.

Berenstain, Stan & Jan (1986). *The Berenstain Bears and the Week at Grandma's* Random House (PS-3) \$3.99

ISBN 0-394-87335-1

When brother and sister bear find out that they are going to spend a week with their grandparents they wonder what they will do, then end up having a really wonderful time. This book can be used to help show children that older people can be fun to be with and have much in common with children.

Biro, Maureen (2002). Walking with Maga

All About Kids (PS-K) \$16.95

ISBN 0-9700863-4-2

A young girl and her grandmother, Maga, spend many happy hours together. They go walking, talk about things they like, discover shapes in the clouds that float by, eat ice cream cones, and visit people they know. They stop by Mr. Anton's garage and see his shell collection. Illustrates young and old enjoying each other.

Birtha, Becky (2005). Grandmama's Pride

Whitman (1-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-8075-3028-X

Every summer a young African American girl and her younger sister visit their grandmother who lives in the south. During their visits the grandmother shielded the girls from what was happening with segregation but gradually the older granddaughter begins to understand. Active grandmother who is wise and caring and proud of her heritage. Nonstereotypic portrayal of older adult. Excellent presentation of information about the Civil Rights Movement. *MULTICULTURAL*. *Golden Kite Honors Award*

Blackstone, Stella (2005). *My Granny Went to Market: Around-the-World Counting* Rhyme

Barefoot (PS-1) \$16.99 ISBN 1-84248-792-9

In this fantasy journey Granny goes to market in Istanbul and buys a flying carpet. She travels around the world on her carpet buying things. She starts out buying one carpet and ends up buying 10 llamas. Fantasy journey. Book integrates counting from one to ten.

Blegvad, Lenore (1993). Once Upon a Time and Grandma

Elderry Books (PS-2) \$14.95

ISBN 0-689-50548-5

Emma and her younger brother Luke are visiting Grandma. Grandma takes them to the house where she grew up and shares memories of her childhood, when she was a young girl called "Norrie". The children have a hard time believing grandma was young like them. Grandma shares memories of her childhood and the children start to understand that grandma was once young too and that they are growing up and growing older. Illustrates growing up and growing older, family history and a caring intergenerational relationship.

Blomberg, Dianne (1999). Sam and Gram and the First Day of School

Magination Press (PS-2) \$14.95

ISBN 1-55798-562-6

This book was designed to help parents prepare their child to start school. It is Gram who walks Sam to school on his first day. Gram tells Sam "I think this is going to be a fun day". When Sam returns home from school Gram is there with pretzels and lemonade. Sam and Gram talk about the first day at school and Sam says he had a great day. The back of the book has a "Things to Do" list for parents to help prepare children for school. The grandmother is wise, caring, and an active part of the family.

Bogart, Jo Ellen (1999). Jeremiah Learns to Read

Scholastic [Orchard Books] (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 0-531-33190-3

Jeremiah is an older man who can do many things. He knows how to make a split-rail fence, how to build a table and how to grow corn. Although Jeremiah can do all these things, he cannot read. One day he goes to the schoolhouse where the teacher and children help him to learn to read. He teaches the children how to do things such as whittle and make bird sounds. Later, Jeremiah reads to his wife from a book of poems about love. Portrays a reciprocal intergenerational relationship and a warm, loving relationship between an older couple.

Bond, Ruskin (2003). Cherry Tree

Boyd Mills Press (1-3) \$9.95

ISBN 1-56397-621-8

Rakhi lives in the Himalayan foothills of India with her grandfather. She likes to buy cherries at the bazaar. Grandfather suggests that she plant one of the cherry seeds in his garden. The tree and Rakhi grow older together. One year the tree is full of beautiful blossoms and Rakhi is now a young woman. She and her grandfather sit in the evening silence under the tree and watch the stars come out. Rakhi comments on how the tree has changed from a small seed into a beautiful tree. "Just like you," her grandfather replied. This story portrays a loving intergenerational relationship, illustrates growing up and growing older, and aging as a natural and lifelong process. *MULTICULTURAL*

Bootman, Colin (2006). Fish for the Grand Lady

Holiday (1-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-8234-1898-7

Two young brothers go fishing and bring the fish back to their grandmother "Grand Lady' to cook. The grandmother is not a major character, but the story is interesting. Shows a loving intergenerational relationship. MULTICULTURAL Trinidad

Bowen, Anne (2004). When You Visit Grandma and Grandpa

Lerner (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 1-57505-610-0

A young girl talks to her baby brother about visits to grandma's and grandpa's house where she has lots of fun and "anytime" is the best time to visit. At grandma's house they splash through puddles, sing favorite songs, read, play hide and seek, watch fireflies flickering, play in leaves, carve a jack-o-lantern, and make snow forts. A warm intergenerational relationship and active grandparents.

Bradford, Karleen (2003). You Can't Rush a Cat

Orca (PS-2) \$16.95/\$7.95

ISBN 1-55143-247-1/ISBN 1-55143-283-8

Jessica went to visit her grandfather and found that he was putting out a bowl of milk for a wild kitten that was hiding in his bushes. The milk went away, but the cat did not come in, not even when it rained the next day. Jessica knows that you can't rush a cat. Jessica and her grandfather tame the kitten and when Jessica leaves her grandfather has made a new friend. Warm intergenerational relationship. Illustrates young and old enjoying each other and learning from each other.

Bridges, Shirin (2002). Ruby's Wish

Chronicle (2-3) \$15.95

ISBN 0-8118-3490-5

A young Chinese girl's wants to attend the university when she is older. Traditionally, girls have not gone to the university. Her wish comes to her grandfather's attention and grandfather makes the wish come true. Inspired by the life of the author's grandmother. *MULTICULTURAL*

Brisson, Pat (1994/2003). Wanda's Roses

Boyds Mills (PS-3) \$15.95/\$9.95

ISBN 1-56397-1364/ISBN 1-56397-925-X

Wanda is a young girl who lives in the city. One morning on her way to school she noticed a bare, thorny bush growing in an empty, trash filled lot. She decided the bush was a rosebush and that it needed care so it would bloom. Wanda talked to the people in the neighborhood about her bush. Mrs. Giamoni, her older next door neighbor, knew that Wanda's bush was not a rosebush, but helped her clean up trash. She told Wanda "I don't want you to be disappointed if this bush doesn't bloom." Wanda invited all of her neighbors to a tea party in her rose garden and what happened was heartwarming. Her friends did not want her disappointed and almost everyone who came to Wanda's party brought along a rosebush to plant. Soon the lot became a beautiful rose garden. Enlightening story about intergenerational caring and community sharing.

Brumbeau, Jeff (2001). The Quiltmakers Gift

Scholastic (1-3) \$17.95

ISBN 0-439-30910-7

A generous quilt maker sews the most beautiful quilts in the world and then gives them away to those in need. A greedy king wants one of her quilts but the older woman will not give him one because he does not need it. She tells the king that when he has given away all of his riches she will make him a quilt. The beautiful illustrations help the story to unfold. Children find it interesting to see how the king finally obtains his quilt. The generosity and kindness of the quilt maker are good lessons for children. An enjoyable story with an active and capable older person.

Benjamin Franklin Award, ABC Children's Booksellers Choice Awards

Buckley, Helen (1994). Grandfather and I

HarperCollins Children's (PS-3) \$6.99

ISBN 0-688-17526-0

A grandfather and granddaughter take long, slow walks together. They stop and look at things along the way. Other people are in a hurry, but they are not and take as long as they like. Back at home they sit in a chair, rock, read and talk. A story of a warm and happy intergenerational relationship. Portrays young and old enjoying each other.

Bunting, Eve (1989). The Wednesday Surprise

Clarion Books (K-3) \$5.95

ISBN 0-395-54776-8

Grandma stays with Eve on Wednesday night when her mom works late and her dad is at basketball practice with her brother. During their Wednesday times Eve and grandma plan a special surprise for dad's birthday. The birthday surprise is that Eve teaches grandma to read. Portrays the grandmother as an integral member of the family. Illustrates lifelong learning and intergenerational sharing and caring.

Bunting, Eve (1999). Butterfly House

Scholastic (K-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-590-84884-4

A little girl saves a tiny caterpillar from being eaten by a blue jay and her grandfather helps her make a butterfly house to keep it safe. The caterpillar transforms into a beautiful butterfly and is set free. The years pass, the girl is now as old as her grandfather was when they found the caterpillar, and something "amazing" happens each spring. Each spring beautiful butterflies come to her garden. Her neighbors find this a mystery, but to her it is no mystery. To her the butterflies are saying "This is the girl, but older now. We visit her each spring to give her back the love she gave to us so long ago." Illustrates growing up and growing older, a wise grandfather, a loving intergenerational relationship, and aging as a natural and lifelong process.

Busse, Sarah & Martin, Jacqueline Briggs (2006). Banjo Granny

Houghton (PS-1) \$16.00

ISBN 0618-33603-6

Granny takes her banjo and travels to see her new grandbaby, Owen. Her imaginary journey is interesting and illustrates the bond and love between grandparent and grandchild. Granny plays bluegrass music for Owen. Celebrates the meeting of grandmother and grandchild.

Butterworth, Nick (2003). My Grandma is Wonderful

Candlewick Press (PS-1) \$5.99

ISBN 1-7636-2051-3

A large-print story told by a child about a wonderful grandmother who knows all about nature and always seems to have whatever you need. Grandmother is portrayed as active, sensitive and capable.

Butterworth, Nick (2003). My Grandpa is Amazing

Candlewick Press (PS-1) \$5.99

ISBN 1-7636-2057-2

A story told by a child about an amazing grandfather. Grandpa makes flower arrangements, dances, and has a great motorcycle. He is a lot of fun, and portrayed in nontraditional activities. Shows older people as interesting and active.

Cali, Davide (2007). Piano Piano

Charlesbridge (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 978-1-58089-191-2

Marcolino's mom wants him to play the piano, but Marcolino is not interested in playing the piano. When Marcolino and his mom have dinner at grandpa's, grandpa intervenes and Marcolino is able to choose the musical instrument that he wants to play.

Callahan, Sean (2006). Bear Hug

Whitman (PS-K) \$15.95

ISBN 08075-0596-X

Cubby bear loves to visit his grandpa. The best thing about visiting grandpa is the hugs. Grandpa is very active and they go fishing and swimming, and hunt for food. They look through a photo book of snapshots of grandpa when he was a boy. Grandpa taught Cubby how to growl. Presents growing up and growing older and a warm intergenerational relationship.

Carney, Margaret (1998). At Grandpa's Sugar Bush

Kids Can Press (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 1-55074-341-4

During spring break from school a young boy enjoys going to visit his grandfather and helping with the maple syrup harvest. They work together tapping the trees, collecting the sap and making syrup. Grandfather teaches the boy many things about the forest and about syrup making. Grandfather is active, knowledgeable and capably works on his farm. Caring intergenerational relationship.

Caseley, Judith (1994). *Dear Annie*

HarperCollins Children's (PS-3) \$6.99

ISBN 0-688-13575-7

Grandpa has been Annie's pen pal since the day she was born. Annie saves the cards and letters grandpa sends. She takes these to share at school for Show-and-Tell. A delightful book that encourages children to become pen pals with an older person. Loving intergenerational relationship.

Cech, John (1998). My Grandmother's Journey

Tandem Library Books (PS-3) \$14.15

ISBN 0-613-05545-4

This story is based on the real life adventures of Feodosia Belevtsov. She survived the Russian Revolution and World War II and after the war came with her family to America. The reader is introduced to Feodosia as a young girl and travels with her to the present as she tells her life story to her granddaughter. The text introduces the reader to interesting events in history, illustrates family history and oral history, and shows aging as a natural and lifelong process. *MULTICULTURAL*

Cheng, Andrea (2000). *Grandfather Counts*

Lee & Low (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 1-58430-010-8

Helen's Chinese grandfather, who does not speak English, comes to live with her family in the United States. Helen and her grandfather find a way for her to learn Chinese and for him to learn English. Illustrates young and old enjoying one another and learning from one another. *MULTICULTURAL*

Chichester-Clark, Ema (2004). *Mimi's Book of Counting*

Charlesbridge (PS) \$9.95

ISBN 1-58091-573-3

Monkey Mimi and her grandmother spend the day counting objects from one through ten. Portrays a loving intergenerational relationship and a caring grandmother.

Chocolate, Debbi (2000). The Piano Man

Tandem Library Books (K-3) \$15.25

ISBN 0-613-28604-9

A story about a young African American girl and her grandfather and their shared love of music. Grandfather's life history from a young man to the present is told. He played piano for the silent movies, vaudeville, and ragtime and shares his stories with his granddaughter. A story about shared interests, growing up and growing older, family history, and oral history. An active and capable older person who is an integral part of his family. MULTICULTURAL John Steptoe Award for New Talent

Clark, Katie (2006). Grandma Drove the Garbage Truck

Down East (1-2) \$15.95

ISBN 0-89272-698-9

Grandma runs the town's garbage business and her sons drive the trucks. But one 4th of July her sons are too sick to drive. 4th of July is a big parade day in town and the trash needs to be picked up. With the help of her young grandson Billie grandma takes over. Grandma and Billie have a few mishaps, but succeed in picking up all the trash. The truck ends up winning "Most Creative Float" in the parade from the decorations picked up during the mishaps. Active grandmother who is working.

Cocoa-Leffler, MaryAnn (2003). Clams all Year

Boyd Mills Press (PS-2) \$8.95

ISBN 1-56397-381-2

All the cousins gather together for summer vacation at grandpa's house at the seashore. At sunrise Grandpa wakes the kids to go clam digging. Grandpa taught them how to find clams with their feet, that when you see bubbles in the sand you dig for clams, and how to clean clams. They have fun and find enough clams for many dinners. Active, knowledgeable grandpa who is an integral part of his family.

Cohen, Caron (2003). Everything is Different at Nonna's House

Clarion (PS-2) \$16.00

ISBN 0-618-07335-3

When a young city boy visits his grandparents in the country he finds that everything is different. No taxis jam the streets and no tall buildings crowd the sky. Instead there are blueberry pancakes he helps make and fun jobs to do all day long like clipping roses, feeding the cows and riding on the tractor with Pop-Pop. At night they go for walks. Sometimes they stay out late at night and sit together on the porch swing as they watch the stars blink and hear the crickets chirp. There are lots of hugs, kisses and laughter. Active grandparents. Intergenerational sharing and caring.

Cooney, Barbara (2000/2004). Miss Rumphius

Puffin/DIANE Publishing (PS-3) \$15.99/\$6.00

ISBN 0-670-47958-6/ISBN 1-58609-188-3

Study Guide Available [ISBN 1-58609-188-3]

Published since 1982. Available in multiple formats including audiocassette & CD

As a little girl, Alice helped her grandfather who was an artist. Alice told her grandfather that when she grew up she wanted to go to faraway places and live beside the sea. Her grandfather said that there was one more thing she must do: "You must do something to make the world more beautiful". Alice grows up, becoming Miss Rumphius, and readily accomplishes the first two goals. How she accomplished the third makes the story interesting and heartwarming. At the end of the book Miss Rumphius is an older woman who shares her grandfather's message with the young children in the story as well as the young readers. This is a wonderful book that illustrates growing up and growing older, aging as a natural and lifelong process, and older people as active members of their communities and planning for later life. *American Book Award*

Cooper, Ilene (2007). The Golden Rule

Abrams (K-2) \$16.95 ISBN 978-0-8109-0960-1

A grandfather helps a young grandson understand the Golden Rule. He helps him to see that it means imagining how other people feel, treating people the way you would like to be treated, and that it is a valuable way of living. Grandfather helps the grandson to see that the rule is known throughout the world and in all religions. The grandfather helps the boy to see how to practice the rule and to see how things would change if everyone lived by the Golden Rule. Wise and caring grandfather who teaches an excellent lesson to his grandson.

Cowley, Joy (2003). Big Moon Tortilla

Boyds Mill Press (PS-2) \$14.95/\$8.95

ISBN 1-56397-601-3/ISBN 1-59078-037-X

Story is set in one of the small villages on a Papago reservation in southern Arizona. Marta Enos, a Native American girl, is having a bad day and grandmother helps to make it better. Grandmother has some good advice for her granddaughter and sings a healing song for her. *MULTICULTURAL*

Cox, Judy (2003). My Family Plays Music

Holiday House (PS-2) \$16.95

ISBN 0-8234-1591-0

A young girls family all love music and play musical instruments. Grandma plays music in a bluegrass band. Grandpa plays tuba in a polka band and dresses in lederhosen and a hat with a feather. Great-

grandmother plays the pipe organ in St. Peter's Cathedral. Older adults are actively engaged in music and family. *MULTICULTURAL*

Crews, Donald (1998). Bigmama's

Scholastic (PS-3) \$3.95

ISBN 0-439-04436-7

Crews tells the story of his childhood visits to his grandmother "Bigmama". Every summer this African American family traveled to see grandparents and relatives in the country. These visits were greatly enjoyed. This is a beautifully illustrated story of family relations, activities and treasured memories. The grandparents are valued, loved, and contributing members of the family. *MULTICULTURAL*

Crum, Shutta (2004). My Mountain Song

Clarion Books (PS-3) \$16.00

ISBN 0-618-15970-3

Brenda Gail enjoys her visits to her great-grandfather, Gran Pop, and great-grandmother, Big Ma. While she and Gran Pop are collecting eggs she asks him what song he is singing and he tells her it is a mountain song. He tells her that everybody born in the mountains has a mountain song in them. An accident happens with one of the hens and is successfully resolved with the help of the great-grandparents. Active great-grandparents who show understanding, kindness and sensitivity.

Crystal, Billy (2004/2007). I Already Know I Love You

HarperCollins Children's Books (PS-2) \$16.99/\$6.99

ISBN 0-06-059391-1/ISBN 0-06-059393-8

Actor and comedian Billy Crystal tells a story of all the things he plans to do with his grandchild before the child is born. Portrays loving relationship between grandparent and grandchild.

Crystal, Billy (2006). Grandpa's Little One

HarperCollins (PS-1) \$16.99

ISBN 006-078173-4

Actor and comedian Billy Crystal tells about the first year his grandson's life. Shows a tender, loving relationship.

Cumberbatch, Judy (2006). Can You Hear the Sea?

Bloomsbury (PS-1) \$15.95

ISBN 158234-703-4

Sarah's grandpa gave her a sea shell. He told her that if she listened carefully she could hear the sea. Sarah tries to hear the sea when she is at the market and farm with grandma, but she cannot. She is not able to hear the sea until grandpa helps her. Active grandparents. Nonstereotypic portrayal of older adults. *MULTICULTURAL*

Cunnane, Kelly (2006). For You Are a Kenyan Child

Atheneum/Schwartz (PS-1) \$16.95

ISBN 0-689-86194-X

This is a story about the day in the life of a Kenyan child. There is a glossary of Swahili words and these words are used throughout the text. The day starts with a young boy being sent to take his grandfather's cows to pasture. There are many departures along the way to the cows. He meets his grandmother who offers him milk and reminds him to tend to the cows. When the boy finally gets to the cows his grandfather is already there tending them and the two go home together. Older adults are not main characters but are integrated in the story. Older adults are seen as productive members of the community. Kenyan life is depicted. *MULTICULTURAL*

D'Arcy Karen (2001). My Grandmother is a Singing Yaya

Scholastic/Orchard (2-3) \$15.95

ISBN 0-439-29309-X

Lulu's Greek grandmother, Yaya, used to sing on stage. When they are alone together Lulu loves to her

Yaya's exuberant singing, but she sometimes finds it embarrassing. She worries about bringing Yaya to her school's Grandparent's Day picnic. The picnic-goers enjoy Yaya's singing and the school principal asks Yaya to lead the group in a song. Illustrates young and old enjoying each other. Active older person. Non-stereotypic grandmother. *MULTICULTURAL*

Delgado, Maria (1996). Chave's Memories

Pinata Books (PS-3) \$14.95

ISBN 1-55885-084-8

This is a bilingual book written in English and Spanish. Chave is a young Mexican American girl who loves visiting her grandparent's ranch in Mexico. Her grandparents maintain the ranch and grandma has a plant and flower garden. Although there is little interaction with the grandparents in the book it is a good multicultural story illustrating active older people who are a respected and integral part of the family. *MULTICULTURAL*

De Paola, Tomie (1978). Pancakes for Breakfast

Harcourt Children's (PS-2) \$14.95/\$6.00

ISBN 0-15-259455-8/ISBN 0-15-670768-3

An older women attempts to have pancakes for breakfast and is hindered by a scarcity of supplies and her pets. There are no words in this story. Young readers can easily follow the pictures, and can help to make up the story. The pictures portray the older woman as active, flexible, and resourceful.

DiSalvo-Ryan, DyAnne (1997). Uncle Willie and the Soup Kitchen

Turtleback Books (1-3) \$11.10

ISBN 0-606-12026-2

A young boy stays with his Uncle Willie after school. Uncle Willie is a volunteer at a local soup kitchen for homeless people. One day when the boy is out of school he helps his uncle at the soup kitchen. Illustrates the community service activities that older people are involved in. The older adult is a role model for the young boy. Deals with the contemporary social issues of homelessness and hunger.

Dorros, Arthur (1999). Isla

Puffin (PS-2) \$6.99

ISBN 0-14-056505-1

A young girl, Rosalba, and her grandmother take an imaginary trip to the Caribbean island where her grandmother grew up. A glossary of Spanish words in included. Presents family history and shows old and young enjoying each other. *MULTICULTURAL*

Dorros, Arthur (1997). Abuela

Puffin (PS-2) \$6.99

ISBN 0-14-056226-5

Abuela means grandma in Spanish and Spanish words are integrated throughout the text. While taking a bus ride with her grandmother a young Hispanic girl imagines that she and her grandmother are taken up into the sky to see the sights of New York City. Uses bright, colorful illustrations that children find quite fascinating. Shows old and young enjoying each other. *MULTICULTURAL*

Dunbar, James (1999). When I Was Young

Carolrhoda Books (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 1-57505-359-4

Seven year old Josh learns about family history from his grandmother and the family photo album. Grandma tells about her life as a young girl, her grandparents and great-grandparents. An interesting story for children to see how things used to be. Good examples of family history and oral history. Children can be encouraged to explore their own family histories. Useful information in the back of the book talks about what life was life from the 1690s to present.

England, Kathryn (2007). Grandfather's Wrinkles

Flashlight (PS-2) \$15.95

ISBN 978-0-9729225-9-3

Lucy says that grandpa's skin is "crinkly". Grandpa explains that he has lived a long time and that those crinkles are actually wrinkles and that each was made by a big smile. Grandpa tells her the stories behind his wrinkles, like the times when he got married, when Lucy's mom was born, and when Lucy's mom was married. The two biggest wrinkles came from his smiles when Lucy was born. The last page of the book shows pictures of grandpa from when he was a young man until today. Shows growing up and growing older. Loving intergenerational relationship.

English, Karen (1996). Big Wind Coming

Albert Whitman (PS-3) \$14.95

ISBN 0-8075-0726-1

Grandpa alerts the family that a big storm is coming. The children take the animals to the barn and help board up the windows. Grandma and Grandpa are the ones who take charge of preparations for the storm. Capable, active grandparents. *MULTICULTURAL*

English, Karen (2005). The Baby on the Way

Farrar (2-3) \$16.00

ISBN 0-374-37361-2

Jamal asks grandma if she was ever a baby and a little girl. Grandma tells him that she was both a baby and a little girl. Grandma tells him the story of her birth and includes family history. *MULTICULTURAL*

Flournoy, Valerie (1985). The Patchwork Quilt

Dial (PS-3) \$16.99

ISBN 0-8037-0097-0

Tanya is a young African America girl. She loved listening to her grandmother talk to her about the patchwork quilt she was putting together. When grandmother gets temporarily ill Tanya decides to finish the quilt and the whole family works together to finish the quilt for grandmother. *MULTICULTURAL Coretta Scott King Award, Christopher Book Award*

Ford, Juwanda (1996). Kenya's Family Reunion

Scholastic (PS-2) \$2.99

ISBN 0-590-53736-9

Kenya is a young African American girl. She is excited about the annual family reunion at her grandfather's farmhouse. Grandfather built the farmhouse, and this year the farmhouse will be 50 years old. Kenya and her family have a special surprise for grandpa—they made him a miniature of the farmhouse and barn. Illustrates a loving, caring family and an active, productive grandparent. *MULTICULTURAL*

Fruisen, Catherine (2000). My Mother's Pearls

CEDCO/StarBright (PS-2) \$12.95/\$5.95

ISBN 0-76683-2177-8/ISBN 159572-005-7

A young girl enjoys helping her mother get dressed up and especially loves the pearls that have been in the family since her great-great-great-great grandmother was given them in 1788. A good story about family history and oral history.

Gilman, Phoebe (1993). **Something From Nothing**

Scholastic (K-3) \$16.95/\$5.99

ISBN 0-590-47280-1/ISBN 0-590-74557-3

The story is an adaptation of a Jewish folktale. When Joseph was born his grandfather, who is a tailor, makes him a blanket. The blanket has a long and delightful history. As Joseph grows older it becomes worn and frazzled and his mother wants to throw it out, but Joseph says "grandpa can fix it." Grandpa makes the worn out blanket into a jacket for Joseph. As the years go by the jacket becomes too small so grandpa makes it into a vest. Later the vest is transformed by grandpa into a Sabbath tie, then a handkerchief and finally a button. When Joseph loses the button there is nothing left of the blanket.

Joseph now makes "something from nothing" by writing a story about the blanket. Grandfather is working, creative and an integral part of the family and community. A delightful book with wonderful illustrations. MULTICULTURAL

Sydney Taylor Book Award, Ruth Schwartz Children's Book Award

Glaser, Linda (1997/2004). The Borrowed Hanukkah Latkes

Albert Whitman (1-3) \$15.95/\$6.95

ISBN 0-8075-0841-1/ISBN 0-8075-0842-X

On the first night of the Jewish Hanukkah celebration there are only three potatoes left and more potatoes are needed to make latkes. Rachel decides to borrow potatoes from her elderly neighbor, Mrs. Greenburg. She has Mrs. Greenburg participate in the family's Hanukkah celebration. An intergenerational story of caring and sharing. *MULTICULTURAL*

Gray, Libba Moore (1998). *Miss Tizzy*

Alladin (PS-3) \$6.99

ISBN 0-689-81897-1

Miss Tizzy is loved by all the children in the neighborhood. They love her and her colorful house and clothes. She bakes with them, lets them pick flowers, puts on puppet shows, plays her bagpipes, leads them in parades, plays dress-up, roller skates and sings songs. Everyone wants to have someone like Miss Tizzy in their neighborhood. Everyone wants to be like Miss Tizzy when they are older. Illustrates older people as active and valued members of their communities. *MULTICULTURAL*

Greene, Rhonda (2003). At Grandma's

Holt (PS) \$15.95

ISBN 0-8050-6336-6

A young dog always has a lot to do at grandma's house. He sleeps in a big bed, eats cinnamon bread, rides with grandma in a canoe, goes for walks, has a picnic lunch works in the garden, and mends a fence. At bedtime grandma reads him and book and puts him to bed. Shows young and old enjoying each other and can lead into a discussion of what the children do with their grandparents or with older friends.

Greenfield, Eloise (1988/1996). *Grandpa's Face*

Putnam (PS-3) \$16.99/\$6.99

ISBN 0-399-21525-5/ISBN 0-698-11381-0

Tamika is a young African American girl who loves her grandfather very much. She especially enjoys spending time with him and loves his stories and their long "talk-walks". One day Tamika sees her grandfather practicing a mean face for a play. She learns that, despite her grandfather's many faces, his feelings for her will never change, and his love is something that she can always depend on. Illustrates shared emotions, depicts the grandfather as healthy, active and vibrant, and illustrates a loving, caring relationship between grandchild and grandparent. *MULTICULTURAL*

Grifalconi, Ann (2007). Ain't Nobody a Stranger to Me

Hyperion (2-3) \$16.99

ISBN 978-0-7868-1857-0

The story starts with a women telling that as a young girl she went along with her grandfather to his apple orchard. As the girl and grandfather went through the town he waved to everyone and said hello. The grandfather did not know all the people by name and tells the girl, "Ain't nobody a stranger to me". The grandfather talks to the girl about his escape from slavery on the underground railroad and the help and friendship he received along the way. Wise grandfather. Nonstereotypic portrayal of the older adult. *MULTICULTURAL*

Griffith, Helen (1987). Grandaddy's Place

HarperCollins (PS-3) \$15.89

ISBN 0-688-06254-7

Janetta is a "city girl," and her first visit to her grandfather's farm was one of mixed emotions. At first she was not sure that she liked her granddaddy, his farm or the animals. She didn't like the wasp's nest under

the roof, or the chickens that made scary noises, the mean-looking cat or the "giant" mule. As grandfather tells her stories and finds ways to help her learn to love and understand the farm. *MULTICULTURAL*

Guback, Georgia (1994). Luka's Quilt

Greenwillow (PS-3) \$16.99

ISBN 0-688-12154-3

Luka is Hawaiian. Her grandmother "tutu" makes a quilt for her. Luka has envisioned a quilt of many bright colors and is disappointed when the quilt only has green and white colors in it. When Luka and tutu attend a Lei Day celebration Luka begins to appreciate the traditional Hawaiian quilt design and her grandmother comes up with a way to add bright colors to Luka's quilt. A good intergenerational story interlaced with culture and tradition. *MULTICULTURAL*

Hanson, Warren (2006). Grandpa Has a Great Big Face

HarperCollins (PS-K) \$16.99

ISBN 0-060078775-9

Grandpa's face is big along with his feet and smile. The young grandson thinks that what is biggest of all is grandpa's loving heart. Warm intergenerational relationship.

Hawxhurst, Joan (1996). Bubbe and Gram. My Two Grandmothers

Dovetail Publishers (PS-2) \$12.95

ISBN 0-9651284-2-3

A story about a child who learns from her two grandmothers. Bubbe, her Jewish grandmother, tells her stories about Moses, lights Sabbath candles and shares stories of Passover. Gram, her Christian grandmother, dyes Easter eggs, recites the Lord's Prayer and tells the Nativity story. Shows respect for different religious traditions. An interesting story of two active and loving grandmothers. *MULTICULTURAL*

Helldorfer, M. C. (2004). Got to Dance

Random House Children's (PS-3) \$17.99

ISBN 0-385-90865-2

A little girl has the summertime blues and wants to dance. Grandpa makes a wonderful dancing companion. Besides the dancing you see Grandpa flipping pancakes, playing cards and going to the zoo. Intergenerational story with an active grandparent.

Henkes, Kevin (1995). Good-bye, Curtis

HarperCollins (PS-1) \$16.99

ISBN 0-688-12827-0

Curtis has been delivering mail for 42 years and today is his last day at work. All along his mail route the mailboxes are filled with surprises. Everyone loves Curtis, and at the last house on his route they have a party for him. Illustrates an older person as a worker and opens up a discussion about work and retirement.

Herman, Charlotte (2003). The Memory Cupboard: A Thanksgiving Story

Whitman (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 0-8075-5055-8

Katie's family gathers at Grandma's for Thanksgiving. Grandma's has all the letters and drawings Katie sent her on the wall in the kitchen. When clearing the table Katie accidentally broke Grandma's antique gravy boat. Katie is in tears, but Grandma took her by the hand and showed her a cupboard filled with old broken teapots, mugs, cookie jars, toys, and clocks where every object had "a story to tell". The cupboard is Grandma's "memory cupboard" and she shared the memories with Katie. Grandma tells Katie that people are more important than things. The letters that Katie wrote to her Grandmother can lead into a discussion of penpals and letter writing. The memory cupboard stories are examples of oral family history. A loving, wise and caring Grandmother with good advice for her granddaughter.

Herrera, Juan Felipe (2002). *Grandma and Me at the Flea/Los Meros Meros Remateros*

Children's Book Press (2-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-89239-171-5

Every Sunday Juanito and his grandmother sell clothes at a California flea market. Juanito spends a lot of time at other booths. Grandmother is active and working. Bilingual text in both English and Spanish. MULTICULTURAL

Hest, Amy (1992). The Purple Coat

Simon and Schuster Children's (K-3) \$6.99

ISBN 0-689-71634-6

Every autumn Gabrielle and her mother take the train to New York to Grandpa's tailor shop for Grandpa to make Gabrielle a new navy blue coat with gold buttons. This year Gabrielle wants a purple coat, but her mother wants her to have a blue one. Grandfather ingeniously solves the problem by making a reversible coat. He tells Gabrielle and her mother that "sometimes it is good to try something new". Shows an older adult who is working, creative and caring.

Christopher Book Award

Hest, Amy (2002). Make the Team, Baby Duck!

Candlewick (PS-1) \$16.99

ISBN 0-736-1541-2

Baby Duck wants to join the swim team but she is scared to go in the water. Grandpa knows what to say to get her into the water and on the team. Wise and caring Grandpa.

Hest, Amy (2004). Guess Who, Baby Duck!

Candlewick Press (PS-1) \$14.99

ISBN 0-7636-1981-7

Grandpa comes to visit baby duck with a surprise. The surprise is a picture book of baby duck on the day he was born. Leads into a discussion of growing up and growing older.

High, Linda (2003). **Beekeepers**

Boyds Mill Press (1-3) \$15.95

ISBN 1-56397-486-X

Grandfather is a beekeeper and a young granddaughter helps him tend his beehives. They enjoy working together. Grandfather is depicted as active. Good intergenerational activities.

Hines, Anna (1998). *Grandma Gets Grumpy*

Tandem (PS-1) \$15.25

ISBN 0-8335-4715-1

Lassen and her cousins spend the night at grandmother's house. Grandma has a box full of toys and a drawer full of clothes for them to play with. When the cousins get a little wild "grandma gets grumpy". The book ends with the children knowing that even though grandma got grumpy she loves them. Most children would agree they would get grumpy like grandma did. This book can be used to help show children how young and old are similar (e.g. share the same types of feelings).

Hines, Anna (1996). Miss Emma's Wild Garden

HarperColllins (PS-3) \$NA

ISBN 0-614-13395-5

Miss Emma is a neighbor who lets her garden grow any way it wants. Her garden has dandelions, foam wild blue phlox and even wild animals. Miss Emma shows all kinds of wonderful things that happen in the garden to her young friend like deer eating flower buds, rabbits nibbling the wild ginger, a woodchuck and her baby eating sweet cicely, birds nesting, a lizard sunning on a rock, butterflies, bees sipping blossom nectar and a toad hiding in the forget-me-nots beside the creek. The young girl values her friendship with Miss Emma. Miss Emma is portrayed as active and capable. Illustrates intergenerational sharing and caring. Everyone wants a friend like Miss Emma and wants to be like her when they are older.

Hines, Anna (2003). My Grandma is Coming to Town

Candlewick (PS-1) \$13.99

ISBN 0-7636-1237-5

Grandma lives far away but she and her grandson Albert have a long-distance relationship through phone calls, photographs, letters and presents. Grandma comes for a visit but Albert is suddenly shy and won't talk to her. Grandma has a plan and soon Albert overcomes his shyness. Warm intergenerational relationship and a sensitive, imaginative grandmother.

Hoberman, Mary Ann (2007). I'm Going to Grandma's

Harcourt Books (PS-2) \$16.00

ISBN 978-0-15-216592-5

A young granddaughter is going to her grandparents to spend the night. Grandpa is an artist and helps her to draw. He plays music for her on his musical saw. Grandma likes dancing, has a whole closet of dress-up clothes and has planted a garden where everything grows. When it gets time to go to bed Grandma tells the girl a story of when she spent the night at her grandmothers, the granddaughters great-great grandmother. The great-great grandmother had made a quilt that the girl was now using to sleep under. Active grandparents, a story with family history and a loving intergenerational relationship.

Hoffman, Mary (1991/1998). Amazing Grace

Penguin/Dramatic Publishing (PS-3) \$16.99/\$6.25

ISBN 0-8037-1040-2/ISBN 0-87129-809-0

Also available in VHS and film

Grace is a young African American girl who loves acting. Her class at school plans to do the play *Peter Pan* and Grace wants to try out for the title role. Some of her classmates discourage her, but with the support and encouragement of her grandmother, Grace auditions for the part and everyone in the class votes for her. This book portrays the grandmother as capable, sensitive, and an integral part of the family. It shows how old and young enjoying each other and learning from each other. *MULTICULTURAL Waldenbooks Best Children's Book Award*

Holabird, Katharine (2004). Angelina, Star of the Show

Pleasant Company (1-3) \$12.95

ISBN 1-58485-903-2

Angelina is a young mouse and she can hardly wait to dance in the Mouseland Dance Festival. Angelina's grandparents are taking her to the festival on their boat, The Jolly Rat. Angelina practices her dancing so much on the boat that she forgets to do some things and gets into some problems. Grandparents are shown as active and capable. Grandmother comes to the rescue when Angelina ruins her dance costume. Grandparents are portrayed as active and capable.

Homan, Lynn & Reilly, Thomas (2002). The Tuskegee Airmen Story

Pelican (1-3) \$15.95

ISBN 1-58980-005-2

The grandkids find Granddad's WWII uniforms, his leather flight helmet and medals. Grandma tells them that Granddad was a Tuskegee Airman. Granddad tell his grandchildren about his role with the Tuskegee Airmen, an elite squadron of African-American pilots that flew over 1,500 missions during WWII. Introduces children to a part of our countries history. Capable, caring grandparents. *MULTICULTURAL*

Houston, Gloria (1992/1997). My Great-Aunt Arizona

HarperCollins (1-3) \$15.89/\$6.99

ISBN 0-06-022606-4/ISBN 0-06-443374-9

The story is about the author's Great-Aunt Arizona who was born in a log cabin. As a young girl she liked to grow flowers, sing, and dance to fiddle music. What she liked most of all is too read. She dreamed of going to far away places but instead stayed in the Blue Ridge Mountains and for 57 years taught generations of children. At the end of the story Arizona is an older woman who is still teaching. The story is a wonderful illustration of growing up and growing older—a process that the children are already involved in.

Howard, Elizabeth (2001/1995). Aunt Flossie's Hats (and Crab Cakes Later)

Clarion (PS-3) \$16.00/\$7.95

ISBN 0-618-12038-6/ISBN 0-395-72077-X

On Sunday afternoons Sarah and Susan, two young African American sisters, go to see great-great aunt Flossie. Aunt Flossie greets them at the door and offers them tea, cookies, and crab cakes later. They love Aunt Flossie's house and especially her hats. Aunt Flossie tells the girls the stories about her hats. This beautifully illustrated book shows an older person who is an important part of the family and portrays young and older enjoying each other. *MULTICULTURAL*

Hughes, Sarah (2001). My Grandmother Works in a Dress Shop

Scholastic (PS-1) \$4.95

ISBN 0-516-29576-4

Actual photos of a grandmother and granddaughter. The grandmother works in a dress shop and makes a beautiful dress for her young granddaughter. One of the few books that has an older person working. Grandmother is portrayed as capable. Loving intergenerational relationship.

Hurd, Edith (1982). I Dance in My Red Pajamas

HarperCollins Children's (1-3) \$14.04

ISBN 0-06-022699-4

Jenny loves her visits with her grandparents. Her parents tell her that grandma and grandpa want peace, quiet, and tranquility, but Jenny knows differently. No one is better at jumping and stomping than grandfather--especially when he dances with Jenny in her red pajamas. Grandmother is a wonderful cook and knows more about cats than anyone. When grandfather tucks her into bed he tells Jenny: "Oh what a beautiful, lovely, noisy day". Illustrates similarities between young and old, older people are portrayed as active and vibrant and as integral members of the family.

Hutchins, Pat (1992). You'll Soon Grow Into Them Titch

Harper Trophy (PS-3) \$5.99

ISBN 0-688-11507-1

Titch receives hand-me-downs from his brother and sister when he outgrows his clothes. The clothes are usually too big for him and they tell him that he will grow into them soon. One day mom buys Titch some brand new clothes. When he outgrows them he is able to hand them down to someone else. The story helps to show children that they are growing up and growing older. Although there are no older characters in the book the book illustrates growing up. Children enjoy talking about things they have outgrown and how they are growing. Leads into a discussion of growing up and growing older.

Hutchins, Pat (2006). Bumpety Bump

Greenwillow (PS-1) \$16.89

ISBN 0-06-056000-2

Grandpa pushes his young grandson in a wheelbarrow as they go around the farm and do different things. Grandpa helps the boy dig potatoes and pick tomatoes, lettuce and berries. An active grandfather. Shows young and old enjoying each other.

Isadora, Rachel (2005). Luke Goes to Bat

Putnam Juvenile (1-3) \$15.99

ISBN 0-399-23604-X

In 1950s Brooklyn a young African American boy, Luke, really wants to play stickball with his older brother and the other kids. One day Luke gets a chance to play, but he strikes out, and is sure the other kids would not let him play again. Jackie Robinson of the Brooklyn Dodgers was Luke's favorite baseball player. Luke's Grandma takes him to see Jackie Robinson play at Ebbets Field. His Grandma tells him that he can't give up and he doesn't. Grandmother is supportive and wise. *MULTICULTURAL*

Jacobs, Laurie (2005). A Box of Candles

Boyds Mill Press(2-3) \$17.95

ISBN 1-59078-169-4

When Ruthie's Grandma Gussie starts to have a friendship with Mr. Adler, Ruthie is not sure how well she likes not getting all of grandma's attention. She thinks of many reasons not to like Mr. Adler. As time goes by Mr. Adler helps Ruthie with a Passover song, helps her learn how to ride a bike and ice skate, and takes her and grandma fishing. Ruthie and Mr. Adler become friends. Mr. Adler asks grandma to marry him and Ruthie will now have a new grandpa. The book includes a glossary of terms and explanations of Jewish customs and traditions and tells of Jewish history. One of the few books that illustrates companionship, dating and marriage as an older adult. *MULTICULTURAL*

James, Simon (2002). The Birdwatchers

Candlewick (PS-1) \$15.99

ISBN 0-7636-1676-1

Granddad is a birdwatcher, makes pictures of the birds, and tells his young granddaughter, Jess, interesting bird watching stories. Jess joins her grandfather on a bird watching trek and a good time is had by all.

Jeffers, Dawn (2006). Vegetable Dreams/Huerto Sonado

Raven (1-3) \$16.95/\$4.99

ISBN 0-9741992-9-X/0-9770906-0

The book is written in both English and Spanish. Erin wants a garden, but her parents are reluctant to let her have one. Her older neighbor, Mr. Martinez, agrees to give her part of his garden to plant her vegetables. He says he will teach her all that he knows, but she must do the work. Erin and Mr. Martinez plant and tend the garden. Erin loved to work the garden, but she loved her talks with Mr. Martinez even more. Erin enjoyed the magic of the friendship found in the garden. Illustrates intergenerational friendship and old and young enjoying each other and learning from each other. *MULTICULTURAL*

Johnson, Angela (1990/1993). When I am Old With You

Scholastic [Orchard Books] (PS-3) \$15.95/\$6.95

ISBN 0-531-05884-0/ISBN 0-531-070345-2

A young African American girl shares enjoyable times with her grandfather and talks about what they will do "When I am old with you". The story is full of love and family history. It can help children to see that they too will someday be old, and helps them to think of activities they would like to do when they are older. MULTICULTURAL

Joosee, Barbara (2008). *Grandma Calls Me Beautiful*

Chronicle (K-3) \$16.99

ISBN 978-0-8118-5815-1

A grandmother tells her granddaughter the story of her birth and her name "Beautiful". Loving intergenerational relationship. Hawaiian culture. Shows shared between grandmother and grandchild. *MULTICULTURAL*

Joosse, Barbara (2001). A Houseful of Christmas

Henry Holt (PS-3) \$14.95

ISBN 0-8050-6391-9

Every Christmas all the relatives go to Granny's house. Weeks ahead of time Granny starts to bake, decorate and wrap packages. On Christmas day she prepares a wonderful dinner and waits for her guests to arrive. Granny plays Christmas carols on the accordion and everyone sings along. A snow storm comes and Granny gets out blankets and pillows so everyone can sleep over. An active, capable grandmother who is an integral part of her family.

Juster, Norton (2005). The Hello, Goodbye Window

Scholastic (PS-2) \$NA

ISBN 0-7868-0914-0Nanna and Poppy live in a big house in the middle of town. In the front of their house is a kitchen window, the Hello, Goodbye Window. Nanna and Poppy wave hello to you from the window when you come and are there to wave goodbye to you and blow you kisses when you leave. It is a special window where you can play peek-a-boo and make silly faces, and get a lot of hellos before you even get inside. The story tells of the fun things that the grandchild does with Nanna and Poppy like riding a bike and Poppy playing the harmonica. When the grandchild grows up she wants to have a Hello, Goodbye Window too. Active grandparents and a loving family tradition.

Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor, New York times Best Illustrated Children's Book

Karon, Jan (2004). Miss Fannies Hat

Penguin (PS-2) \$17.9 ISBN 0-866-4585-7

Miss Fannie is 99 years old and lives with her daughter Miss Wanda. Miss Fannie enjoys reading her Bible, going to church, and her hats. Her favorite hat is pink straw with silk roses and she has worn it to church every Easter Sunday for 35 years. When the minister asks her to donate a hat for the Easter auction, she donates her favorite hat. With the money earned from Miss Fannie's hat the church planted beds of pink roses. "Now when people pass the little white church, they think they're seeing a garden of dazzling pink roses. But what they're really seeing is Miss Fannie's hat. And it will always be her favorite." Not many books have an older character that is 99 years old and active in their community. A good book to use in talking to children about how many of them will live to be as old as Miss Fannie and what they want to do as an older person.

Keller, Holly (1994). Grandfather's Dream

HarperColllins (PS-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-688-12339-2

The story takes place in Vietnam. The war in Vietnam was over but the cranes had not returned. Grandfather had a dream that the cranes would return and shares this dream with his grandson, Nam. Grandfather likes to tell Nam stories, like the one about the otters that he trained to catch fish as a boy. He and Nam continue to look for the cranes return and the cranes do return. The grandfather is wise and capable and shares a message about the importance of preserving the global environment. *MULTICULTURAL*

Kesselman, Wendy (1993). *Emma*

Tandem Library Books (PS-2) \$15.30

ISBN 0-8085-3572-2

Motivated by a birthday gift a 72-year-old woman begins to paint. Children enjoy drawing and painting; a similar interest between children and elders. This delightful book illustrates the creativity of older people and lifelong learning.

Kessler, Christina (2000). My Great-Grandmother's Gourd

Scholastic [Orchard] (PS-3) \$17.99

ISBN 0-531-33284-5

When a new water pump comes to her Sudanese village in East Africa, Fatima is pleased, However, Her grandmother decides to still save water the old way by filling their baobab tree with rain for the dry season. For centuries Fatima's people have been using these trees as giant water gourds to store water. A broken pump and water shortage finds the village mixing the old ways with the new. A wise, active grandmother. The story is based on a true event. *MULTICULTURAL*

Kinsey-Warnock, Natalie (2005). Nora's Ark

HarperCollins (2-3) \$15.99

ISBN 0-68817244-X

This story is based on the real-life event of the Vermont Flood of 1927. Nora's Grandpa decides to build grandma a new house high on a hill and just as the house is finished it started to rain and rained so much that it caused a flood. The family, neighbors and the farm animals go to the new house on the hill to

escape the flood. With all the animals there the new house becomes "Nora's Ark". Shows active and capable grandparents and a loving intergenerational relationship.

Kirk, Connie (2004). Sky Dancers

Lee & Low Books (K-3) \$16.95

ISBN 1-58430-162-7

An American Indian boy, John Cloud, lives with his parents and grandfather. His grandfather was a steelworker who used to build skyscrapers in New York City and his father is a steelworker now. John, his mother and grandfather took the train to New York City where his father worked. Grandfather explained things along the way on the train. *MULTICULTURAL*

Kovalski, Maryann (1993). Take Me Out to the Ballgame

Scholastic (PS-3) \$14.95

ISBN 0-590-45638-5

Jenny and Joanna get their grandma to take them to a baseball game. At the game the girl's balloon flies away and grandma rescues it and the ballgame.

Krebs, Laurie (2002). The Beeman

National (PS-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-7922-7224-2

Grandfather is known in town as the beekeeper. He has special beekeeper equipment. He teaches his young granddaughter about the different bees in the hive and how to make honey. Knowledgeable and active grandfather.

Laminack, Lester (2004). Saturdays and Teacakes

Peachtree (1-3) \$16.95

ISBN 1-56145-303-X

Every Saturday morning a young boy rides his bike to visit his grandmother and Mammaw is waiting for him on the front porch glider. Mammaw works in the garden, grandson mows the yard, and they make teacakes together. A warm intergenerational relationship. Shows young and older enjoying each other and learning from each other. A capable and caring grandmother.

Laminack, Lester (2006). Jake's 100th Day of School

Peachtree (2-3) \$16.95

ISBN 1-56145-355-2

Jake's class is celebrating the 100th day of school by bringing in collections of 100 things. Grandma Maggie and his teacher have planned a surprise for the class that day. Grandma Maggie brings her Aunt Lula to class. Aunt Lula is 100 years old. Aunt Lula and grandma help the class make a snack. Few books have a centenarian portrayed. Active older adults. Leads into a discussion of growing up and growing older and the fact that many children will live to be centenarians.

Lainez, Rene (2005). Playing loteria/El juegode la loteria

Luna Rising (2-3) \$ Not listed

ISBN 0-87358-881-9

This text is written in both English and Spanish. A young girl goes to visit her Spanish speaking grandma "abuela". The girl speaks only English. Grandma makes a deal where she will teach the granddaughter Spanish and the granddaughter will teach her English. Every day they practice their phrases together. Active grandma who cooks and has a loteria stand. Nonstereotypic portrayal of the grandma. Active grandma and a loving intergenerational relationship. *MULTICULTURAL*

Levine, Abby (2000). This is The Turkey

Albert Whitman (PS) \$6.95

ISBN 0-8075-7889-4

Family and friends are gathered for Thanksgiving dinner. Mom trips while taking the turkey to the dinner table and it lands in the fish tank. Grandma says, "we have all we need because everyone's here".

Grandma and grandpa help the dinner to go on as planned.

Look, Lenore (2001). Henry's First-Moon Birthday

Atheneum (PS-2) \$16.00

ISBN 0-689-82294-4

Gnin Gnin (paternal grandmother) came to help out for the birth of Jen's baby brother, Henry. She knows how to make sweaters, blankets, noodles, ornaments and can braid hair beautifully. Gnin Gnin leads the way and prepares for Henry's first-moon (one-month) birthday. She and Jen cook food, write Chinese calligraphy, and color eggs for good luck. Capable grandmother who is an integral part of the family. Chinese words are defined. *MULTICULTURAL*

American Library Association Notable Books for Children

Lord, Janet (2008). Albert the Fix-It Man

Peachtree (PS-1) \$15.95

ISBN 978-1-56145-433-4

Albert has many tools and he is never to busy to help repair things for his friends and neighbors. Everyone calls him the "Fix-It Man" repairs stuff for neighbors. Active older adult who is an integral part of his community. When Albert falls ill his friends bring him meals and he is quickly on the mend. Intergenerational sharing and caring.

Lord, Janet (2005). Here Comes Grandma!

Holt (PS-K) \$12.95

ISBN 0-8050-7666-2

Grandma is coming to visit and it doesn't matter if she has to walk, bicycle, drive, ski, or fly. Grandchild is looking forward to the visit and grandma is greeted with a big hug.

Lum, Kate (2002). What! Cried Granny. An Almost Bedtime Story

Penguin (PS-2) \$6.99

ISBN 0-14-230092-6

When Patrick goes to Grandma's to spend the night he finds he needs a bed, a pillow, a blanket and a teddy bear. His industrious Grandma makes all of these for Patrick.

Arizona Young Reader's Award

Lyons, Marty (1997). Catching the Fire, Philip Simmons, Blacksmith

Houghton Mifflin (1-3) \$17.00

ISBN 0-395-72033-8

This book tells the true story of Philip Simmons, an African American blacksmith. Mr. Simmons was born on June 9, 1912 and lived in the Charleston, South Carolina area. He became a blacksmith at the age of 13. He was a wonderful artist and became famous for his ornamental wrought iron creations. Although he officially retired in 1987 he never really retired. Mr. Simmons continued to teach and create beautiful artwork throughout his life. A wonderful story based on a productive life. A role model for growing up, growing older and making a difference in the world. *MULTICULTURAL*

MacLachlan, Patricia (1994). All the Places to Love

HarperCollins (PS-3) \$16.99

ISBN 0-06-021098-2

On the day Eli was born his grandmother held him up to the window so that he heard first was the wind and what he saw first was all the places to love. Everyone in Eli's family has a favorite place. Mama loves the meadows and hay fields, papa loves the fields to plow, grandmother loved the river, grandfather loved the barn where the family names are carved in the rafters. Eli's favorite place is the marsh where ducklings follow their mother like tiny tumbles of leaves. Eli has wonderful memories of all of these places and he grows up knowing that no matter where the rest of his life takes him all the places to love are still there. Reciprocal intergenerational relationships of loving, sharing and caring. Shows older people as active and integral members of their families.

Oklahoma Book Award

Major, Kevin (2005). Aunt Olga's Christmas Postcards

Groundwood (2-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-88899-593-8

Aunt Olga is ninety-five and amazing. She writes poetry, does tai chi, bakes gingerbread, speaks a number of languages, and plans to start dancing again. Her first job long ago was writing verses for Christmas postcards. Years ago people sent postcards for Christmas. Aunt Olga has a wonderful collection of Christmas postcards from all around the world. She likes to share her postcards and Christmas memories with her niece, Anna. Aunt Olga teaches Anna how to write her own Christmas verses. Beautiful illustrations. Active, caring older adult and a warm intergenerational relationship.

Martin, Bill Jr. & Archambault, John (1993/1997). Knots on a Counting Rope

Henry Holt & Company (PS-3) \$19.95/\$6.95

ISBN 0-8050-2955-9/ISBN 0-8050-5479-0

An American Indian boy sits by the fire with his grandfather. The boy is blind and asks his grandfather to once again tell him the story of his life. Each time the story is told the grandfather ties a knot in the "counting rope". Through telling the story the grandfather has helped the boy become strong, capable, and independent in spite of his blindness. This wise grandfather has had a profound and positive influence on the boy's life. *MULTICULTURAL*

Martin, Bill, Hr. & Sampson, Michael (2003). Little Granny Quarterback

Boyds Mill Press (PS-1) \$15.95

ISBN 1-56397-930-6

Watching football on the television Granny Whiteoak recalls her glory days when she was the first female quarterback to win the Heisman trophy. She looks at the wall where her trophies are hung and the clippings of her career. Granny quarterbacks again. This can lead into a discussion of older people who remain active in sports. In communities around the country there are many older people involved in Senior Olympics. Can lead into a discussion of lifespan activities, activities children are doing now and that they can do as an older person.

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs (1992/1997). *Good Times on Grandfather Mountain*

Scholastic (PS-1) \$15.95/6.95

ISBN 0-531-05977-4/ISBN 0-531-07087-5

Washburn is an older man who always looks on the bright side of things. He is a fine fiddler and whittler. He can whittle a fiddle out of a log or a spider out of a stick of wood. During the story many mishaps occur including Washburn's cow, pigs and chickens running off. Amazingly, everything gets back to normal. Young children delight in hearing all the things that happened to Washburn. Shows an active, capable older person with a positive outlook on life.

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs (1998). Snowflake Bentley

Houghton Mifflin (2-3) \$16.00

ISBN 0-395-86162-4

Wilson Bentley was born on February 9, 1865 in Jericho, Vermont. This is a true story about the life of this self-taught scientist who photographed thousands of individual snowflakes to study their unique formations. Colleges and universities bought copies of Bentley's photographs and these photographs are still used today. It was Bentley who determined that each snowflake is different. His book *Snow Crystals* has become a classic. His photos inspired artists and designers. The story follows Bentley from childhood through adulthood. This story shows a lifetime of accomplishment, creativity and activity.

Caldecott Medal, American Library association Notable Books for Children, ABC Children's Booksellers Choices Awards

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs (2003). The Water Gift and the Pig of the Pig

Houghton Mifflin (2-3) \$15.00

ISBN 0-618-07436-8

For many centuries there have been people who could locate underground water by walking across the ground holding a Y-shaped branch, a "divining rod". Isabel's grandfather is one of those people who has

the water gift. Grandfather was a sea captain and he kept a pig that went around Cape Horn with him. Grandmother says that the pig thinks she is one of the family. When the pig gets lost Isabel convinces her Grandfather to help her find him. Active, capable and caring grandparents. Blue Ribbon Picture Books Award

Matze, Claire (1999). The Stars in My Geddoh's Sky

Albert Whitman (K-3) \$14.95

ISBN 0-8075-5332-8

One summer an Arab American boys grandfather "Geddoh" comes to visit him. Geddoh has brought a camel saddle for his grandson and helps the boy to learn about his Arab heritage. Geddoh talks to him about the mosque where he prays. They do many fun activities together and Geddoh shows his grandson what his name looks like in Arabic. A loving, active grandfather. *MULTICULTURAL*

Mauner, Claudia & Smalley, Elisa (2006). **Zoe Sophia in New York: The Mystery of the Pink Phoenix Papers**

Chronicle (2-3) \$14.95

ISBN 0-8118-4877-9

Zoe Sophia's favorite person, her great aunt Dorothy, comes to visit her in New York. Great Aunt Dorothy stays in Greenwich Village. She is a famous writer and she is doing research for her new book. She and Zoe hunt for a lost journal, The Pink Phoenix Papers. They visit many interesting places in New York and find many clues. They dine at a restaurant where Great Aunt Dorothy's dear friend, Mr. Irving plays the piano. Their clues lead them to a second-hand book shop where Zoe finds a copy of the journal. Active older adult and a loving intergenerational relationship.

May, Kathy (2000). *Molasses Man*

Holiday House (PS-2) \$16.95

ISBN 0-8234-1438-8

Grandpa decides that it is time to make molasses and the members of his family pitch in to help. Everyone knows that Grandpa makes the best molasses and he's called" Molasses Man" in his community. Grandparents who are capable and an integral part of the family. Family traditions of this rural African-American family. Caring intergenerational relationships. *MULTICULTURAL*

McCain, Becky (1998/2004). Grandmother's Dreamcatcher

Albert Whitman (PS-3) \$15.95/\$6.95

ISBN 0-8075-3031-X/ISBN 0-8075-3032-8

Kimmy stays with her Chippewa grandmother while her parents look for a new home. Grandmother teaches her to make a dreamcatcher to keep nightmares away and comfort her during the night. The dreamcatcher helps to ease Kimmy's move to her new home. Illustrates intergenerational learning, sharing and caring. *MULTICULTURAL*

McCaughrean, Geraldine (2002). My Grandmother's Clock

Clarion (PS-2) \$15.00

ISBN 0-618-21695-2

Grandmother has a clock that does not work, but she does not need a clock. She has other ways to tell time and to measure things. She shares these things with her granddaughter. Grandmother says that a lifetime, can be measured in all kinds of ways, such as birthdays and friends. A loving intergenerational relationship and an active, wise and capable grandmother.

McCleery, Patsy (1988). The Turtle Lady

Texas Geographic Interests (1-3) \$6.95

ISBN 0-915101-03-3

This is the true story of Ila Loetscher known as "The Turtle Lady". Mrs. Loetscher lives on South Padre Island in Texas and takes care of sick and injured sea turtles and helps to save them from extinction. She also teaches people about the endangered sea turtles. Mrs. Loetscher is a legend in her own time. Her

story helps to show children that older people are active in their communities and contributing members of society.

McCutcheon, John (2006). *Christmas in the Trenches*

Peachtree (2-3) \$18.95

ISBN 1-56145-374-9

Grandpa talks about his favorite Christmas with his young grandchildren. His favorite Christmas was during World War I in 1914. Grandpa was in the battlefield trenches when a Christmas truce was called. The Christmas Truce of 1914 actually happened.

McElroy, Lisa. *Meet My Grandmother Series*

Milbrook Press (2-3)

This excellent series profiles famous grandmothers as seen through the eyes of their grandchildren. At the end of each book the author gives the children tips on how to achieve what the grandmothers did (e.g, how to become a United States Senator). The author's use of actual older adults is an excellent way for children to see the real achievements that older adults have made.

Meet my Grandmother. She's a Children's Book Author (2001). ISBN 0-7613-1972-7 \$22.90

Meet my Grandmother. She's a Deep Sea Explorer (2000). ISBN 0-7613-1720-1 \$22.90

Meet my Grandmother. She's a United States Senator (2000). ISBN 0-7613-1721-X \$22.90

Meet my Grandmother. She's a Supreme Court Justice (1999). ISBN 0-7613-1386-9 \$7.95

McLeod, Elaine (2002). Lessons from Mother Earth

Groundwood \$15.95 ISBN 0-88899-312-9

Tess, a young native American girl, has visited her grandmother many times but never been aware of her garden. Grandma teaches her that all nature can be a garden. As they visit Grandma's garden Tess learns about the plants and how to take care of them. Grandma is knowledgeable. Loving intergenerational relationship. *MULTICULTURAL*

Mills, Claudia. Gus and Grandpa Series

Farrar, Straus & Giroux (PS-3)

This heartwarming series shows a loving and warm intergenerational relationship and a grandfather who is capable, caring, sensitive and has good advice. The following books in the series are recommended.

Gus and Grandpa and the Piano Lesson (2004). ISBN 0-374-32814-5 \$15.00

Gus and Grandpa Go Fishing (2003), ISBN 0-374-32815-3 \$15.00

Gus and Grandpa and the Halloween Costume (2002). ISBN 0-374-32816-1 \$15.00

Gus and Grandpa and the Christmas Cookies (2000). ISBN 0-374-42815-8 \$5.95

Gus and Grandpa Show-and-Tell (2000). ISBN 0-374-32819-6/ISBN 0-374-42848-4 \$13.00/\$5.95

Gus and Grandpa Ride the Train (2000). ISBN 0-374-42813-1 \$5.95

Gus and Grandpa and Two-Wheeled Bike (1999/2001). ISBN 0-374 32821-8/ISBN 0-37442816-6 \$13.00/\$4.95

Gus and Grandpa (1999). ISBN 0-374-42847-6 \$5.95

Mitchell, Margaree (2003). Grandaddy's Gift

Tandem Library (K-3) \$12.10

ISBN 0-60613449-2

A young African American girl grew up with her grandparents on a farm in Mississippi. The girl loves and respects her grandaddy. She follows him everywhere and is nicknamed "Little Joe." Grandaddy teaches her the importance of education, the right to vote, and voting. He shows her the importance of standing up for what you believe in, even in the face of adversity. Presents the problems her grandfather had when he tried to register to vote. Shows an active, capable older person who is respected by his family and community. Addresses some significant points in American history and civil rights. *MULTICULTURAL*

Mitchell, Margaree (1998). *Uncle Jed's Barbershop*

Simon and Schuster (PS-3) \$6.99

ISBN 0-689-81913-7

Everyone has a favorite relative and for a young African American girl, Sarah Jean, its her Uncle Jed. Jedediah Johnson was the only black barber in the county. Every Wednesday night he would ride over to Sarah Jean's house on his horse to give her daddy a haircut and a shave. Uncle Jed had a dream of opening up his own barber shop. However, a number of setbacks like paying for an operation for Sarah Jean and the Great Depression keep him from achieving his dream. Uncle Jed finally opened up his shop on his seventy-ninth birthday. Parts of our countries history such as the Great Depression and segregation are discussed. The story is based on the life and dreams of the author's grandfather. Shows an older person who is working and active in his community. *MULTICULTURAL Coretta Scott King Honor Book, American Library Association Notable Children's Book*

Mobin-Uddin, Asma (2007). The Best Eid Ever

Boyds (2-3) \$16.95

ISBN 978-1-59078-431-0

Aneesa spends the Muslim holiday of Eid al-Adha with her grandmother. Her grandmother gave her a gift of beautiful clothes for the holiday and fixed her favorite food. When they meet two young girls who need food and clothing Aneesa and the grandmother share with them. *MULTICULTURAL*

Moore, Elaine (1994). *Grandma's Garden*

HarperColllins (PS-3) \$15.00

ISBN 0-688-08963-4

Kim goes to her grandmothers in the spring and helps grandma "wake her garden." Grandma supervises putting in the garden and teaches Kim about gardening. They plant together, make a scarecrow and fly kites. Grandma is portrayed as fun to be with active and knowledgeable. Illustrates intergenerational learning.

Moore, Floyd (1995). I Gave Thomas Edison My Sandwich

Albert Whitman (2-3) \$14.95

ISBN 0-8075-3504-4

Floyd Thompson was born in 1908 in Iron City, Tennessee. When he was a little boy celebrity trains often came to town. A train came to his town with President Taft, Henry Ford and Thomas Edison on it. In real life Floyd actually talked to Thomas Edison, and in the story he gives him his sandwich. An interesting story that illustrates past history, famous older people, and growing up and growing older. Can lead into a discussion of older leaders and famous older people.

Mora, Pat (2008). Sweet Dreams/Dulces suenos

HarperCollins (PS-K) \$12.99

ISBN 978-0-06-085042-5

Grandmother, Abuelita, tucks in her grandchildren, gives each a kiss, and says goodnight to each of them. Bilingual text Spanish/English. *MULTICULTURAL*

Mora, Pat (1997). A Birthday Basket for Tia

Simon and Schuster Children's (PS-1) \$5.99

ISBN 0-689-81328-7

Also available on VHS and audiocassette

Cecilia is a young Mexican American girl. She has many happy memories of special times with her greataunt Tia and decides to give her a surprise 90th birthday party with a special birthday present. A loving intergenerational relationship. Let's children see the prospect of a long, productive life. *MULTICULTURAL*

Morris, Carla (2007). The Boy Who Was Raised By Librarians

Peachtree (1-3) \$16.95

ISBN 978-1-56145-391-7

Melvin loves the library. He can always find answers there. The librarians, Marge, Betty and Leeola, are

always at the reference desk and always ready to help him. The story shows his love of the library from when he was a little boy through high school. When he graduates from high school the librarians, who are now older, go to his high school graduation. Illustrates growing up and growing older and shows the value of reading and the library.

Moser, Lisa (2006). Watermelon Wishes

Clarion (PS-2) \$16.00

ISBN 0-618-56433-0

Charlie and Grandpap prepare to plant watermelon seeds. Charlie tells Grandpap that he wants to grow an "wishing watermelon" and Grandpap is not sure what that is. Charlie tells him that it is very special watermelon and it can give only one wish. Over the summer Charlie and Grandpap do many things together as they watch the watermelons grow. Charlie finds his wishing watermelon and made a wish. He wished for a summer just like the one he had just had. Loving intergenerational relationship and an active Grandpap.

Murphy, Yannick (2006). Ahwooooooo!

Clarion (K-2) \$16.00

ISBN 0618-11762-8

Little Wolf wants to learn to howl but mother and father wolf are too busy to teach him. Other animals in the forest do not howl, so they cannot teach him. He finds his grandfather who tells Little Wolf that you have to think of all the things you love when you howl. Little Wolf does this and he learns to howl from his wise and patient grandfather.

Neasi, Barbara (2001). Listen to Me

Scholastic (PS-2) \$4.95

ISBN 0-516-25970-9

When others are too busy grandmother is there to listen. Multicultural representation of older people. Illustrates a reciprocal relationship of sharing and caring. *MULTICULTURAL*

Nicholson, Caitlin (2008). Niwechihaw/I Help

Groundwood (PS-1) \$17.95

ISBN 978-0-88899-812-5

This simply told story is written in both Cree and English and illustrates Cree life and customs. The author's grandmother, whose teaching and storytelling helped young people live with tradition and cultural values in a contemporary world, was the inspiration for the book. In Cree the word kôhkom means grandmother and Cree children have many kôhkom's. The story tells about a young boy and his grandmother as they get ready to drive to the woods. In the woods they walk, pray, pick berries, listen, eat and share time together. The book reflects the education that children receive from older adults. Nonstereotypic portrayal of the grandmother. Please share with children the dialogue, acknowledgements and notes at the end of the book. The dialogue says that children should never stop learning from elders and that elders are the key to the past and the future. Young people use kôhkom as a term of love and respect for women elders. *MULTICULTURAL*

Nielsen, Laura (2008). Mrs. Muddle's Holidays

Farrar (K-2) \$16.95

ISBN 978-0-374-35094-9

Mrs. Muddle moves into Katie's neighborhood. Mrs. Muddle rides a bicycle and celebrates more holidays than anyone. These holidays are many of her favorite things and she celebrates them with the neighborhood including First Robin Day, First Shower of April, and First Snow. The children and their families surprise Mrs. Muddle with another holiday "Mrs. Muddle Day". At the end of the book the meaning of "holidays" is described. Capable, active older adult. Illustrates young and old enjoying each other and learning from each other Intergenerational friendship.

Nozick, Betsy (2000). Grandma and Me and Her Secret Recipe

Eakin (PS-3) \$16.95

ISBN 1-57168-473-5

A girl goes to her Grandma's on Saturday mornings for a pancake breakfast. The young girl helps her grandma make the pancakes and they make pancake "bears" together. Her grandfather, Poppa, is there to join in the fun. The secret pancake recipe is given at the end of the book. Grandma has lots of hugs and kisses and love to share. Illustrates young and old enjoying each other and learning from each other.

Numeroff, Laura (2000). What Grandmas Do Best/What Grandpas Do Best

Simon (PS) \$14.95

ISBN 0-689-80552-7

Read the book and find out what grandmas do best, then turn the book upside down and find out what grandpas do best. Animal characters. Lots of fun activities for grandparents and grandchildren to do. What grandparents do best though is give lots of love.

O'Connor, Jane (2008). Fancy Nancy: Bonjour, Butterfly

HarperCollins (1-3) \$16.99

ISBN 978-0-06-123588-7

Nancy can't wait to attend her friend's butterfly birthday party. When Nancy finds out that she can't go to the party because she has to attend her grandparent's fiftieth wedding anniversary party she is not happy. Her mother tells her that being married for fifty years is "exceptional, extraordinary." When she gets to the party her grandparents are thrilled to see her and she has a wonderful time. At the party grandma and grandpa dance and grandpa taught her how to cha-cha. The day after the party her grandparents take her to the zoo to the butterfly garden. Active grandparents. Non-stereotypic portrayal of the grandparents.

Oller, Erika (2004). The Cabbage Soup Solution

Dutton Juvenile (K-3) \$15.99

ISBN 0-525-47005-0

Elsie is an older woman who has a cabbage farm. She drives in to town to sell her cabbages. One morning see finds nearly all of her cabbages are gone and she sets out to find who took them. With the help of her cat the mystery is solved and Elsie makes some new friends. Shows an older person who is working and active.

Oppenheim, Shulamith (1994). Fireflies for Nathan

HarperCollins (PS-2) \$16.00

ISBN 0-688-12147-0

Nathan and his grandparents catch fireflies together at their rural home, just as Nathan's father did when he was a boy. An intergenerational story that depicts active, interesting grandparents and family history.

Ortega, Cristina (1998, 2006). The Eyes of the Weaver/Los ojus del tejedor

New Mexico (2-3) \$17.95

ISBN 0-8263-3990-5

The author's grandfather is the subject of this book. The Ortega family has been making beautiful weaving for seven generations. The story tells of Maria Christina who goes to visit her grandpa in New Mexico at the family farm and learns to weave. Grandpa is a master weaver and is proud that Christina wants to learn. With the help of her grandpa Christina learns to weave. Hispanic culture is presented and Spanish words are used throughout the book. A Spanish glossary of words is included. Wise and active grandfather who is still working. Loving intergenerational relationship. *MULTICULTURAL*

Park, Frances & Park, Ginger (2005). The Have a Good Day Cafe

Lee (1-3) \$16.95

ISBN 1-58430-171-6

Grandma came from Korea a year ago to live with Mike and his family. Every morning the family drives to the city where they sell American—style food from their corner food cart. Business becomes slow. Grandma and Mike have a solution. They decide to make and sell Korean food from the cart, Mike names

the cart "The Have a Good Day Cafe" and the business is successful again. Active, resourceful, grandmother. Loving intergenerational relationship. A glossary of Korean words is at the end of the book and Korean words are used in the story. *MULTICULTURAL*

Parr, Todd (2006). The Grandma Book

Little, Brown and Company/Tingley Books (PS) \$9.99

ISBN 0-316-0582-5

Grandmas are very special and they know everything. All grandmas are happy when you spend the night with them and they like to hear from you. Mentions grandmas in a variety of roles including helping their neighbors and taking care of their grandchildren. Loving portrayal of grandma's doing many things.

Parr, Todd (2006). *The Grandpa Book*

Little, Brown and Company/Tingley Books (PS) \$9.99

ISBN 0-3160581-7

Grandpas are very special. All grandpas like to hold and hug you. Talks about the many things that grandpas do including telling you stories, teaching you new things, sending you cards, taking you to school and to the park, and making you laugh.

Pellegrino, Marjorie (1999). My Grandma's the Mayor

Magination Press (1-3) \$14.95

ISBN 1-555798-608-8

Annie is very proud of her grandmother when she gets elected mayor but things change as grandma now has to spend a lot of time with her new job. Grandma and Annie work this out. This is one of the few books that shows an older person as a leader. It shares with children the leadership role older people often play in their nation and communities.

Piernas-Davenport, Gail (2007). Shante Keys and the New Year's Peas

Whitman (PS-3) \$16.95

ISBN 978-0-8075-7330-3

It's New Years and Shante Keys family is going to grandmas. Grandma has forgotten to cook good-luck black-eyed peas. It's a year of bad luck if you don't eat black-eyed peas at New Years. Shante goes to her neighbors to find some and each of them tells her their New Years foods and customs from different countries. Shante finds the peas at her Auntie Marie's. She invites all of her neighbors over for New Years dinner. At the end of the book it talks about New Years traditions in other countries.

Polacco, Patricia (1997). Thunder Cake

Penguin (PS-3) \$16.99/\$6.99

ISBN 0-399-22231-6/ISBN 0-678-11581-3

Available on VHS and audiocassette

A grandmother helps her granddaughter overcome fear of thunderstorms. When the grandmother senses that a storm is coming she announces it is "Thunder Cake" baking weather. To be a real Thunder Cake it needs to be in the oven before the storm comes. Grandmother and granddaughter make the cake together. An independent, loving, and capable grandmother emerges from this beautifully illustrated text.

Polacco, Patricia (1998). Bee Tree

Penguin (1-3) \$7.99

ISBN 978-0-698-11696-2

Mary Ellen is tired of reading and wants to do something outside. Grampa decides that they will find a bee tree. He lets a bee loose from a jar and tells Mary Ellen that the bee will lead them to a bee tree to honey. Others join in the race and the bee tree is found. Grampa invited everyone back to the house for biscuits, tea and honey.

Prater, John (2003). Is It Christmas?

Barron's (PS-2) \$13.95

ISBN 0-7641-5668-3

Baby bear is excited because Christmas is almost here. He and Grandpa Bear open cards, make cards, clean the house, bake cookies for Christmas visitors, make a snowman, dig up a Christmas tree, decorate the tree, and celebrate Christmas with the family. A loving and capable grandfather.

Purnell, Ann (2002). Apple Cider Making Days

Millbrook (K-3) \$21.90

ISBN 0-7613-2364-3

Grandpa has an apple farm and makes cider. He drives the tractor that pulls the wagon that carries all the aunts, uncles, cousins and grandkids out to pick the apples. Grandpa supervises the cider making process. Once the cider is made it is sold at Grandpa's Apple Barn along with Grandma's homemade jams, jellies and donuts. Active grandparents who are working.

Purnell, Ann (2006). Christmas Tree Farm

Holiday House (K-2) \$16.95

ISBN 0-8234-1886-3

Grandpa and his grandson ride on a tractor through the Christmas tree farm. All year long grandpa and his family work on the farm planting, pruning and tagging trees for Christmas. Grandpa knows about the trees on the farm. From the day after Thanksgiving until Christmas Eve grandpa works at his Christmas Tree Hut. On Christmas Eve the family gathers at Grandpa and Grandma's house for an old-time tree-trimming party. Active Grandfather who is working.

Quigley, Mary (2007). Granddad's Fishing Buddy

Dial (1-3) \$NA

ISBN 978-0-8037-2942-1

Tells the story of a young girl staying with her grandparents at their cottage on the lake. Grandpa cooks breakfast and gets up early to go fishing. The young granddaughter goes fishing with him and granddad teaches her how to fish. Active grandparents and a loving intergenerational relationship.

Reynolds, Adrian (2001). Pete and Polo's Farmyard Adventure

Scholastic/Orchard (PS-1) \$16.95

ISBN 0-439-30913-1

Pete and his stuffed polar bear Polo visit Grandpa's farm. One morning grandpa took Pete and Polo to the pond where there were new ducklings. When they got to the pond it had dried up and the search for the ducklings began. Pete finds the ducklings and takes them back to the farmhouse. Grandpa refills the duck pond and Pete and Grandpa watch the ducklings swimming happily. Illustrates an active older adult and young and old enjoying each other.

Root, Phyllis (2003). The Name Quilt

Farrar, Straus & Giroux (K-3) \$16.00

ISBN 0-374-35484-7

Sadie vacations at Grandma's in the summer. Every evening grandma tucks Sadie into bed with the "name quilt." Every name on the quilt is a member of the family and has a story. One of the quilt's patches was a piece of Grandma's wedding dress. One day when the name quilt is on the clothesline a storm blows it away. Even with the quilt gone grandma lets Sadie know that the stories will live on. Sadie and Grandma start a new quilt. Active grandmother. Presents family history and oral history.

Rosa-Casanova, Sylvia (2001). *Mama Provi and the Pot of Rice*

Tandem Library Books (PS-3) \$14.15

ISBN 0-613-34844-3

Lucy is a Hispanic girl who lives on the eighth floor of an apartment building and her grandmother, Mama Provi, lives on the first floor. When Lucy spends the night with her, grandmother tells her wonderful stories and fixes her a breakfast feast. Lucy gets chickenpox and can not go to visit. Mama Provi decides

to make Lucy's favorite dish, rice with chicken, and take it to her. As Mama Provi climbed the stairs with her huge pot of rice she noticed many wonderful smells and traded some of her rice for the food her neighbors were cooking. By the time she arrived at Lucy's door she had a feast for Lucy. Illustrates old and young enjoying each other and an active, industrious grandmother. *MULTICULTURAL*

Roseberry, Vera (2005). Vera's Baby Sister

Henry Holt (1-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-8050-7126-1

Vera is having a hard time adjusting to a new baby sister and Grandfather helps her. They plant a garden and build a bean tent. The beans grow, Vera adjusts to her new baby sister, and plants a bean tent for her the next year. Loving intergenerational relationship. Thoughtful, wise grandfather.

Rosen, Michael (2003/2005). *Fishing With Dad: Lessons of Love and Lure From Father to Son*

Artisan (PS-3) \$9.95

ISBN 1-57965-286-7

Every Sunday when the author was young he went fishing with his father. Now his son goes fishing with his father like he used to. The grandson calls the grandfather "Zee" which is short for Zayde (Yiddish for Grandpa). The pair get up early, stop for bait (night crawlers), travel down country roads, hike through a farmer's field, and find the "fishing hole". Grandpa has an amazing tackle box, fishing vest and hat, as well as a fishing secret that is revealed at the end of the book. Actual photographs are used to show the boy and his grandfather and their fishing excursions. Portrays a warm intergenerational relationship and an active older adult. MULTICULTURAL

Rosenbaum, Andria (2006). A Grandma Like Yours/A Grandpa Like Yours

Kar-Ben (PS-K) \$16.95/\$6.95

ISBN 1-58013-167-0/ISBN 158013-168-9

Grandmas and grandpas can be counted on to make each Jewish holiday special. Grandmas and grandpas in the book are animal characters and all are portrayed as active. Jewish traditions are portrayed. A glossary of Hebrew and Yiddish words is included. *MULTICULTURAL*

Rosenthal, Betsy (2006). It's Not Worth Making a Tzimmes Over

Whitman (K-1) \$NA

ISBN 0-8075-3677-6

Grandma rides a motor scooter. Sara and grandma play badminton and do many things together. One morning grandma asked Sara if she would like to make a challah, which is a braided or round egg bread often used on the Sabbath and Jewish holidays. Many mishaps occur in the making of the bread and grandma responds with "It's not work making a tzimmes over." Grandma and Sara forget to watch the dough and it rises up so much that it takes over the neighborhood. An interesting solution happens when the bread is finally baked and there is enough for the entire neighborhood.

Ruepp, Krista (2005/2007). Runaway Pony

North-South (2-3) \$15.95/\$6.95

ISBN 0-7358-1985-8/ISBN 0-7358-2106-2

Anna lived with her parents and grandparents on an island in the far north of Iceland. Anna had a pony, Prince. Prince was too young to ride and Anna was training him how to walk with a halter and lead line. One day when they were walking Prince was frightened by a tractor and ran away. Anna's grandmother goes off with her to help her find Prince. The grandmother knows just what to do to win back the ponies trust. Wise, caring grandmother. Nonstereotypic illustrations.

Ryan, Pam Munoz (2001/2005). *Mice and Beans*

Scholastic (1-3) \$15.95/\$5.99

ISBN 0-439-18303-0/ISBN 0-439-70136-8

In one week Rosa Maria's youngest grandchild, Little Catalina, will be seven years old. Rosa Maria loves to cook and she is having the whole family (including children, grandchildren, aunts, uncles and cousins)

over for the birthday dinner. She planned the menu, ironed the tablecloths, went to the market, planned the party activities, and ordered a cake and birthday present. The mice in the house add an interesting touch to the story. An active, capable grandmother who is a vital member of her family. A Spanish glossary is included. *MULTICULTURAL*

Rylant, Cynthia (2002/2005). Christmas in the Country

Blue Sky Press (PS-2) \$15.95/\$5.99

ISBN 0-439-07334-0/ISBN 0-439-76985-X

A girl lived with her grandparents in the country and Christmas was the time of year she most looked forward to. Grandfather always chopped a Christmas tree from the woods behind the house, and the girl and her grandmother pulled boxes of ornaments from the closet. On Christmas Eve the girl and her grandparents went to church services. After the service grandmother helped her write a note to Santa. On Christmas day grandma fixed a family dinner. Active, capable grandparents.

Rylant, Cynthia (2002). The Ticky-Tacky Doll

Harcourt Children's (PS-2) \$16.00

ISBN 0-15-201078-5

Grandmama made her granddaughter a ticky-tacky doll from sewing scraps and the little girl loved the doll. When the girl starts school it makes her sad to leave her doll at home. Her grandmother makes her a miniature of the doll that fits into her book bag, "Very small and ready to go to school." A caring and sensitive grandmother and a loving intergenerational relationship.

Rylant, Cynthia (2001/1993). The Relatives Came

Simon and Schuster Children's (PS-2) \$16.00/\$7.99

ISBN 0-689-84508-1/ISBN 0-689-71738-5

Also available in audiocassette and CD

The relatives come from Virginia to visit and have a wonderful time. Older people are integrated throughout the text. The book illustrates family relationships, allows discussion of generations, shows older people in a variety of situations.

Rylant, Cynthia (1993). *Mr. Griggs's Work*

Scholastic [Orchard Books] (PS-1) \$6.95

ISBN 0-531-07037-9

Year after year Mr. Griggs has worked at the Post Office. He loves his work and is very upset when he must miss a day. Shows an active older person who is working and a vital part of his community.

Rylant, Cynthia (1982/1993). When I Was Young In The Mountains

Penguin (PS-3) \$16.99/\$6.99

ISBN 0-525-42525-X/ISBN 0-14-054875-0

The story is a reminiscence of the pleasures of childhood in the Appalachian Mountains. Although older people are not main characters, they appear in a variety of roles and are integrated into family and community life throughout the text.

Rylant, Cynthia (1987). This Year's Garden

Aladdin (PS-3) \$6.99

ISBN 0-689-71122-0

This book shows the seasons of the year as reflected in the family garden. This is a large family and family members are portrayed in a variety of roles. Grandmother cans the garden products. Active older people who contribute to family life.

Rylant, Cynthia. *Mr. Putter and Tabby Series*

Harcourt Children's (PS-3)

In the series Mr. Putter has a cat named Tabby and his friend Mrs. Merriweather has a bulldog

named Zeke. Both Mr. Putter and Mrs. Merriweather are active older people. The two of them enjoy each others company and do things together. The following books in the series are recommended. Some are available on audiocassette.

Mr. Putter and Tabby Run the Race (2008). ISBN 978-0-15-206069-5 \$15.00

Mr. Putter and Tabby See the Stars (2007). ISBN 978-0-15-206075-6 \$14.00

Mr. Putter and Tabby Write the Book (2005). ISBN 0-15-200241-3/ISBN 0-15-200242-1 \$14.00/\$5.95

Mr. Putter and Tabby Ride the Bike (2002). ISBN 0-15-202432-8 \$14.00

Mr. Putter and Tabby Feed the Fish (2001/2002). ISBN 0-15-202408-5/ISBN 0-15-216366-2 \$14.00

Mr. Putter and Tabby Paint the Porch (2000). ISBN 0-15-201787-9/ISBN 0-15202474-3 \$13.00/\$5.95

Mr. Putter and Tabby Toot the Horn (1998). ISBN 0-15-200244-8/ISBN 0-15-200247-2 \$14.00/\$5.95

Mr. Putter and Tabby Take the Train (1998). ISBN 0-15-201786-0 \$14.00

Mr. Putter and Tabby Row the Boat (1997). ISBN 0-15-201059-9/ISBN 0-15-216366-2 \$14.00/\$5.95

Mr. Putter and Tabby Bake the Cake (1994). ISBN 0-150-15-200205-7/ISBN 0-15-200214-6 \$14.00/\$5.95

Mr. Putter and Tabby Walk the Dog (1994). ISBN 0-15-256259-1/ISBN 0-15-200891-8 \$14.00/\$5.95

Sasso, Sandy (2005). Abuelita's Secret Matzahs

Emmis Books (2-3) \$9.99

ISBN 1-57860-177-0

Jacobo is a young Spanish American boy. He loves to visit his grandmother, Abuelita, especially at Easter time. At Easter he and his grandmother paint Easter eggs. Joseph notices that some of the traditions that his family follows are different than other families. They do not eat pork and during Semana Santa, Holy Week, his grandmother never ate bread and only served tortillas made without any yeast. The different traditions become more puzzling to Jacobo and one day Abuelita is ready to share with Joseph "the secret of our family". Generations ago Joseph's family had been Jewish and they still followed many of the Jewish traditions. Spanish words are integrated throughout the text. Active grandmother. *MULTICULTURAL*

Schaap, Martine & deWolf Alex (2001). Mop's Treasure Hunt

Gingham Dog Press (PS-1) \$12.95

ISBN 1-57768-891-0

Twins Justin and Julie and Mop the sheepdog are going to Granddad's for the day. Granddad's place is like a pirate's den. Granddad shows them treasures from his sailor days and tells them exciting sea stories from his past. Illustrates young and old enjoying each other as well as family history and oral history.

Schlein, Miriam (2004). The Story About Me

Albert Whitman (PS-2) \$15.95

ISBN 0-8075-7631-X

Grandma loves to tell stories about the family. She tells her granddaughter about the activities that happened before she was born, like great-uncle Paul calling from Washington, D.C. and great-aunt Sally knitting for her. Leads into a discussion of family history and oral history.

Scott, Blackie (1992). *It's Fun At Grandmother's House*

Peachtree Publishers (PS-3) \$8.95

ISBN 0-932419-01-X

Contrasts daily events in a young girl's life at her house and at her grandmother's home. Grandmother's house provides a wonderful time for the young girl, and it is obvious that they share a special love. The illustrations are very contemporary and not age stereotypic.

Shaw, Eve (2001). Grandma's Alphabet: Grandma Can Be Anything From A to Z

Scholastic (PS-1) \$14.95

ISBN 0-439-19995-6

For every letter in the alphabet there is a description of a grandma. Each description is very positive and not age stereotypic. Some interesting portrayals include grandma as an artist, business woman,

carpenter, doctor, engineer, judge, innkeeper, rancher, scientist, teacher, yachter, and zoologist. Shows young children the potentials of aging. *MULTICULTURAL*

Sheth, Kashmira (2007). *My Dadima Wears a Sari*

Peachtree (1-3) \$16.95

ISBN 978-1-56145-392-4

In America Rupa's grandmother wears a sari like she did in India. Grandmother's sari dances in the breeze. The grandmother shares with Rupa all the wonderful things that sari's do, like protect you from the rain, wrap up shells at the beach, and a young girl can hide there. Grandmother gives Rupa and her young sister sari's that were hers. At the end of the book there is a picture story on how to wrap a sari. Story presents family history and warm intergenerational relationship. *MULTICULTURAL*

Shields, Carol (2000/2002). Lucky Pennies and Hot Chocolate

Penguin (PS) \$5.99

ISBN 0-14-230190-6

When grandpa comes for a weekend visit he and his young grandson have lots of fun together. They tell jokes, drink hot chocolate with marshmallows, eat peanut butter, go for walks, read books, do dishes, and take rides in grandpa's convertible with the top down. On a thunder filled night the young grandson finds it comforting to have grandpa, his favorite person, with him. An active grandparent. A warm intergenerational relationship that shows similarities between young and old and young and old enjoying each other.

Silverman, Erica (1996). Mrs. Peachtree's Bicycle

Simon & Schuster Children's (PS-3) \$15.00

ISBN 0-6589-80477-6

Set in the 1800's. Mrs. Peachtree owns a tea shop and she and her cat Shadow walk to deliver tea and biscuits each day. She decides that she needs to get a bicycle. However, she needs to learn how to ride it. After going to the City Riding Academy she finally masters the bike. Shows an older person who is working, capable and learning new things. Shows the children an activity that they may be already involved in that can be a "lifespan activity".

Slier, Debby (1992). Me and My Grandpa

Checkerboard Press (PS) \$2.95

ISBN 1-56288-182-5

Slier, Debby (1992). *Me and My Grandma*

Checkerboard Press (PS) \$2.95

ISBN 1-56288-183-3

Pocket-sized, wipe clean books that talk about young children's activities with grandpa and grandma. Delightful pictures. Shows old and young enjoying one another.

Smalls, Irene (2005). My Nana and Me

Little (PS-2) \$15.99

ISBN 0-316-16821-1

The story tells of a day full of love and fun between a young granddaughter and her grandmother (Nana). They have a tea party, dress up and put on a show, play hide-and-seek, plait hair, and do bedtime stories. The young girl says that Nana knows everything. Non-stereotypic portrayal of grandmother. Loving intergenerational relationship and an active grandmother. *MULTICULTURAL*

Smalls, Irene (2006). My Pop Pop and Me

Little, Brown and Company (PS-1) \$15.99

ISBN 0-316-73422-5

A young boy tells about his grandfather, Pop Pop. He enjoys his time with Pop Pop as they bake and eat a yummy lemon cake. MULTICULTURAL

Spinelli, Eileen (2002). Wanda's Monster

Albert Whitman (PS-2) \$15.95/\$6.95

ISBN 0-8075-8656-0/ISBN 0-8075-8657-9

When Wanda suspects a monster is in her closet. Granny has an interesting approach to Wanda's monster and helps Wanda deal with her fears. Capable, sensitive, imaginative grandmother.

Stevens, Janet & Crummel, Susan Stevens (2004). Plaidypus Lost

Holiday House (PS-1) \$16.95

ISBN 0-8234-1561-9

Grandma makes her old plaid shirt into a Plaidypus for her young granddaughter and the girl promises to never lose him. The young girl and Plaidypus go everywhere together, but there are times when Plaidypus gets lost and fortunately found. One time Plaidypus gets lost for longer than usual and returns home "hurt". Grandma fixes him good as new. A capable, loving grandmother.

Stilz, Carol (1995). Grandma Buffalo, May, and Me

Sasquatch Books (2-3) \$14.95

ISBN 1-57061-015-0

Although an older person is not a main character in the story this is a good story about family history. A young girl and her mother go to visit her Montana grandma and create their family history story. A family photo album helps to tell family history.

Stock, Catherine (2001). Gugu's House

Clarion Books (PS-3) \$16.00

ISBN 0-618-00389-4

The story is set in the grassy plains of Zimbabwe. Kukamba takes the bus from the city to visit her grandmother, Gugu. From the bus they walk the long, dusty path to Gugu's house. Kukamba has never seen a home as beautiful. She loves the colorful paintings and sculpted animals that Gugu has made. Gugu shares village traditions and shows Kukamba how to sculpt and paint wonderful animals like zebras, leopards and birds. The rains come and the painting and sculpting turn to mud, but grandmother tells her that the landscape is reborn with the rain. The grandmother is based on a real person. An intelligent, industrious, and capable grandmother. Illustrates young and old enjoying one another and learning from each other. A glossary of Afrikaans terms is included. *MULTICULTURAL*

Stolz, Mary (1990). Storm In The Night

HarperCollins Children's (K-3) \$6.99

ISBN 0-06-443256-4

Thomas and his grandfather are together during a thunderstorm and the lights go off. Grandfather tells Thomas a story about when he was young. During the storm Thomas discovers amazing things, such as the fact that he can hear better in the dark. The story portrays a wise and sensitive grandfather. Shows old and young enjoying and learning from each other.

Sullivan, Sarah (2005). Root Beer and Banana

Candlewick (PS-2) \$16.99

ISBN 0-7636-1748-2

Molly and her grandfather spend time together and go to Mister Mac's store. Mister Mac and grandfather are old friends. At the store Molly meets a young girl, Miracle. Miracle does not have enough money to buy an ice pop, but grandfather helps out and both of the girls get an ice pop. Grandfather is active, compassionate and caring. Nonstereotypic illustrations.

Taulbert, Clifton (1999). Little Cliff and the Porch People

Penguin (1-3) \$16.99

ISBN 0-8037-2174-9

Little Cliff lived with his great-grandparents, Poppa Joe and Mama Pearl. He loved going with Poppa Joe to the city where they would buy things. One day he was sent to buy a pound of Miz Callie's special butter for Mama Pearl's candied sweet potatoes. He knew he was supposed to come back as fast as he could,

but also knew he must speak respectfully to each neighbor he saw along the way. The neighbors are older friends and family. Few stories have great-grandparents raising great-grandchildren. A heartwarming, intergenerational story with capable, active older people. *MULTICULTURAL*

Taulbert, Clifton (2001/2003). Little Cliff's First Day of School

Penguin (2-3) \$15.99/\$6.99

ISBN 0-8037-2557-4/ISBN 0-14-250082-8

Little Cliff, is a young African American boy who has lived with his great-grandparents, Poppa Joe and Mama Pearl, all is life. He is apprehensive about his first day at school. His great-grandparents help him to overcome his apprehension and make this day a happy one. Few stories have great-grandparents raising great-grandchildren. These great-grandparents are seen as capable, sensitive and caring. *MULTICULTURAL*

Tessler, Manya (2008). Yuki's Ride Home

Bloomsbury (K-3) \$16.95

ISBN 978-1-59990-023-0

Yuki pedals her bicycle across the bridge from her house to Grandma's house. There is so much to do at grandma's. Grandma has pets, a dog, cat and canary. They spend the afternoon together and do many things including feeding the fish (koi) and seagulls and making origami animals. Grandma makes her special udon noodle soup for dinner. After dinner they sit in the same spot where grandma used to sit with Yuki's mother and listen to the night music of the fish splashing in the water and the waves lapping on the shore. *MULTICULTURAL*

Thomasie, Tynia (1996). *Mimi's Tutu*

Scholastic (PS-3) \$14.95/5.99

ISBN 0-590-440-209/ISBN 0-5990-44021-7

Mimi's grandmother and aunts make her a traditional African tutu for her mother's African dance class, and she learns that her own lapa skirt has a special significance. Illustrates intergenerational sharing, culture and family history. *MULTICULTURAL*

Thompson, Holly (2007). The Wakame Gatherers

Shen's (2-3) \$16.95

ISBN 978-1-885008-33-6

Nanami has a grandmother, Baachan, who lives with her family in Japan and a grandmother who lives in Maine. Nanami's grandmother from Maine comes to visit in Japan. Nanami's Japanese grandmother shows gram how to gather wakame (seaweed) to eat. The two grandmothers enjoy and learn from each other and have the shared love of their granddaughter. The grandmothers share their experiences during World War II. When gram returns home she sends tickets for Nanami and Baachan to come to Maine to visit her. Some Japanese words are used in the text. MULTICULTURAL

Tsubakiyama, Margaret (1999). Mei-Mei Loves the Morning

Tandem Library Books (PS-3) \$15.30

ISBN 0-8355-6958-9

The story is set in contemporary China. Mei-Mei is a young girl who loves the morning because she and grandpa do wonderful things together. Mei-Mei uncovers the bird cage, grandpa cooks breakfast and the two of them go on grandpa's bicycle for a ride in the city. In the city they shop, visit friends and do tai-chi. Shows older people as active and contributing members of their families and communities. *MULTICULTURAL*

Tusa, Tricia (2001). *Maebelle's Suitcase*

Fitzgerald Books (K-2) \$18.80

ISBN 1-59054-357-2

One of the few books where the main character is a centenarian. One hundred and eight year old Maebelle has a lot of hats and every year she makes a hat for the town's annual hat contest. With the help of one of her bird friends, Blinkie, Maebelle makes an interesting hat for the contest and helps Blinkie

in the process. Children will find the story amusing. It also illustrates the fact that people are living longer than ever before. *MULTICULTURAL*

Velasquez, Eric (2001). *Grandma's Records*

Walker & Company (2-3) \$16.95/\$6.95

ISBN 0-8027-8760-6/ISBN 0-8027-7660-4

Every summer Eric and his dog Daisy go to live with his grandmother in El Barrio (Spanish Harlem). Grandmother was originally from Puerto Rico. He and his grandmother have a shared love of music. Eric would pick records to play and grandmother would always say that she liked his selection. Grandma's nephew played in a band and give her tickets so she and Eric to attend the band's first concert in New York City. A loving intergenerational relationship and a capable grandmother. *MULTICULTURAL*

Weatherford, Carole (1996). Grandma and Me

Black Writers and Readers Publishing (PS) \$5.95

ISBN 0-86316-252-5

A young girl describes her grandma and the things they do together. Grandma has a smile as bright as a sunny day, laughs and plays, reads stories, and rocks you to sleep. A loving portrayal of a grandparent and a caring intergenerational relationship.

Wells, Rosemary (2001). Yoko's Paper Cranes

Hyperion Books for Children (PS-1) \$15.99

ISBN 0-7868-0737-7

Yoko is a young Japanese girl cat. She and her grandmother, Obaasan, fed the cranes in the grandmother's garden pond. Grandmother tells Yoko the story of how the cranes only stay in the garden for a few months each year. Yoko's grandfather, Ojissan, teaches her how to fold paper cranes. Yoko and her family go to America, but her beloved grandparents stay in Japan. Yoko finds a way to help her grandmother celebrate her birthday by making paper cranes and mailing them to her. Active, capable grandparents and a warm intergenerational relationship. *MULTICULTURAL*

Wild, Margaret (1994/1998). *Our Granny*

Houghton Mifflin (PS-3) \$17.00/\$5.95

ISBN 0-395-67023-3/ISBN 0-395-88395-4

Not all grandmothers are the same. This book celebrates these differences and affirms the love children feel for their special granny.

Winch, John (2000). Keeping up With Grandma

Holiday House (PS-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-8234-1563-5

Grandma and Grandpa are busy with their hobbies. Grandpa loves to paint and Grandma loves to bake. However, Grandma longs for adventure. She decides to do mountain climbing, sledding, white-water canoeing, diving, ballooning, cave exploring, horseback riding, dancing and dialing. During all these adventure Grandpa is busy "keeping up" with Grandma. Shows older people as active and capable. Illustrates "lifespan activities", activities people can be involved in as children and throughout life.

Winch, John (1997). The Old Woman Who Loved to Read

Holiday House (PS-3) \$16.95/6.95

ISBN 0-82324-1281-4/ISBN 0-8234-1348-9

An older woman moved from the noisy city to the country where she thought it would be quiet and she could read. She soon finds out that country life is not so peaceful. She has animals to care for, a barn to repair, fields to tend, a sheep to shear, fruit to harvest, and preserves to make. Once all the chores are done she finally has time to read. Shows older people as active and capable.

Winslow, Audrey (1997). My Grandma Says

Art-Print Publishing Company (PS-1) \$6.95

ISBN 1-880218-28-3

Wise words from grandma echo throughout the book and there is a chance for young readers to interact with the text as they are asked questions. The interactive nature is a nice feature and lets children think about their own grandparents and experiences with older people.

Yolen, Jane (2005). Grandma's Hurrying Child

Gulliver Books (1-3) \$16.00

ISBN 0-15-201813-1

Grandma tells Maddy the story of her birth. On the day that Maddy was born Grandma hurried to the hospital to see her. An active grandmother. Warm intergenerational relationship.

Ziefert, Harriet (2006). That's What Grandmas Are For

Blue Apple (PS-1) \$12.95

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Ziefert, Harriet (2006). *Grandma, It's for You!*

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Lulu wants to give her grandma the best present she has ever received. Lulu decides to make her grandmother a hat decorated with all of grandmother's favorite things. Grandmother loves the hat. The grandmother is not a main character. Loving intergenerational relationship portrayed.

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In this story the author draws on memories of her vacations with her grandfather in the Catskill mountains. The story has a young girl, Emma, who goes to visit her grandpa in the country every summer. Emma loves the big tree on grandpa's farm and loves to play under it, climb it and swing from it. When a storm topples the tree Emma asks grandpa to find a way to save part of the tree. Grandpa went to work with his chain saw and turned the fallen tree into a tree house for Emma. Active, capable

grandpa. Loving intergenerational relationship.

Ziefert, Harriet (2003). Lunchtime for a Purple Snake

Houghton/Lorraine (PS-1) \$15.00

ISBN 0-618-31133-5

Jessica's grandfather is an artist and she loves to visit him in his studio and paint with him. Grandpa teaches Jessica about art. Grandfather is knowledgeable and working as an artist. Warm intergenerational relationship.

Zolotow, Charlotte & Lobel, Anita (1992/2000). This Quiet Lady

Harper Trophy (PS-1) \$15.95/\$6.99

ISBN 0-688-09305-1/ISBN 0-688-17527-9

This book portrays the author's mother from infancy through adulthood. It provides an excellent starting point for a discussion of growing up and growing older, oral history and family history.

Zolotow, Charlotte (1992). I Know A Lady

Harper Trophy (PS-2) \$6.95

ISBN 0-688-11519-5

Children should all know an older person like the one in this book. She works in a garden, takes walks with her dog, gives out candy apples at Halloween, bakes cookies, and waves to the children as they pass by her house. She is a woman who makes others feel special, and is someone people always remember. The book illustrates how old and young can enjoy each other, do for each other and learn from each other.

Zolotow, Charlotte (1972/1985). William's Doll

HarperCollins Children's (PS-3) \$15.99/\$6.99

ISBN 0-06-027047-0/ISBN 0-06-443067-7

Also Available on VHS

William wanted a doll, but instead his father gave him a basketball and a train set. This did not make William want a doll any less. His grandmother gets him a doll so that when he grows up he will know how to be a good father. Grandmother shows sensitivity, wisdom and understanding.

SOME FAVORITE BOOKS IN PRINT

There are many wonderful books on the booklist. The following are some of my personal favorites. A number of "favorites" have gone out-of-print over the years. Some OOPS (Out-of-Print stories) & Out-of-Stock Indefinitely books follow this listing. *MULTICULTURAL* books are noted.

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Zolotow, Charlotte (1972). <i>William's Doll</i> ISBN 0-06-027047-0/ISBN 0-06-443067-7	\$15.99/6.99
Zolotow, Charlotte (1992). <i>I Know A Lady</i> ISBN 0-688-11519-5 \$6.95	
Zolotow, Charlotte (1992). <i>This Quiet Lady</i> ISBN 0-688-09305-1/ISBN 0-688-17527-9	\$15.95/\$6.99

OOPS (Out of Print Stories) or Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

These are some excellent books that are no longer in print or readily available. They are often available online, at your local library, or at a used book store. All are OOPS unless Out-of-Stock Indefinitely is noted.

Anderson, Lena (1989). Stina

Greenwillow (K-3) \$13.95

ISBN 0-688-08880-5

Every summer Stina visits her grandfather at his house by the sea. Each day they get up early, check grandfather's fishing nets, cook meals and do enjoyable things together. One night a storm comes and grandfather helps Stina to understand and learn from the storm. Portrays older people as intelligent and capable. Shows old and young enjoying each other and learning from each other.

Arnold, Marsha (1998). The Chicken Salad Club

Dial (2-3) \$15.99

ISBN 0-8037-1915-9 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Nathaniel Hopkin's great-grandfather, Henry "Hank" Hopkins, was one hundred years old. Every day when Nathaniel got home from school he would go next door to listen to Greatpaw's stories and eat the chicken salad sandwiches that Greatpaw made. Greatpaw came up with the idea of The Century Club made up of century old people. The Club did not materialize as planned, but Greatpaw made a new friend, Sadie Johannsen. Illustrates oral history and storytelling. This is a good opportunity to talk to the children about "centenarians", people who are 100 years old or older. By the year 2050 it is estimated that there will be 1 million centenarians in the United States. Many children today will live to be 100 years old. Greatpaw and Sadie are interesting and active.

Baker, Sanna (1995). Grandpa is a Flyer

Albert Whitman (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 0-8075-3033-6

When Anna goes to visit her grandparents her mother and grandmother drink coffee together while Anna's grandfather takes her flying. The story follows the grandfather's life from a young boy who dreamed of flying to becoming a flyer himself. Grandpa has his own plane. He tells Anna that one day she may be a flyer too. Illustrates shared interests between generations, life planning and a close intergenerational relationship.

Bauer, Marion (1995). When I Go Camping With Grandma

Troll Communications (PS-3) \$14.95/\$5.95

ISBN 0-8157-3448-8/ISBN 0-8167-3449-6

A young girl goes tent camping with her grandmother. They hike deep into the woods, pitch a tent, build a fire, kayak, roast marshmallows and hot dogs, paddle a canoe and go fishing. Shows an active and capable older woman. Portrays a wonderful and adventuresome intergenerational experience. Illustrates "lifespan" activities; activities children do now that they can do throughout life.

Blos, Joan (1994). The Grandpa Days

Simon & Schuster Children's (PS-1) \$8.95/3.95

ISBN 0-671-64640-0/ISBN 0-671-88244-9 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Philip's grandfather makes wonderful things out of wood with his carpenter tools. He shows Philip how to use each tool, teaches him about different kinds of wood, and together they build a sled. The grandfather is capable, skillful and knowledgeable. Illustrates shared interests and an enjoyable intergenerational relationship.

Booth, Barbara (1991). Mandy

HarperCollins (2-3) \$16.95

ISBN 0-688-10338-3 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Mandy is a young girl who is deaf. Grandmother uses sign language to communicate with her. Mandy and her grandmother do many things together including baking, dancing and taking walks. When grandmother's cherished silver pin is lost Mandy finds it for her. Portrays an active, capable grandmother and a reciprocal relationship of loving and caring. *MULTICULTURAL*

Bornstein, Ruth (1990). A Beautiful Seashell

Harper & Row (PS-1) \$12.95

ISBN 0-06-020594-6

A great-grandmother shares memories of her childhood with Rosie, her great-granddaughter. She tells Rosie about living in another country on a hill near the sea. She tells of the ships, the fog, the seagulls, and a beautiful seashell that she once found. At the end of the story great-grandmother goes into her black trunk and gives Rosie her treasured seashell. A good intergenerational story with sharing and family history.

Bottner, Barbara (1996). Nana Hannah's Piano

Penguin (PS-1) \$15.95

ISBN 0-399-22656-7 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Nana Hannah goes to dance class and loves to tango. She and her grandson share a love of baseball and Nana Hannah is able to get the grandson interested in playing the piano.

Bryan, Ashley (1989). Turtle Knows Your Name

Simon & Schuster Children's (PS-3) \$14.95/\$4.95

ISBN 0-689-31578-3/ISBN 0-689-71728-8

The story is based on West Indian folklore. Upsilimana Tumpalerado lives with his grandmother in the West Indies. His grandmother challenges him to find out her real name, and he succeeds. The grandmother is portrayed as capable and a contributing member of society. *MULTICULTURAL*

DeGross, Monalisa (1999). *Grandaddy's Street Songs*

Hyperion Books for Children (PS-3) \$14.99

ISBN 0-7868-2132-9

Roddy is an African American boy. He loves to bring out the old family photo album and listen to grandaddy tell stories about his days as an arabber. Arabbers were fruit and vegetable street vendors in days gone by. Grandaddy was an arabber in Baltimore and he would take his horse and wagon on the cobblestone streets and sing out calls to his customers to get their attention. Some of his calls are given in the book. Illustrates family history, oral history, and an interesting part of American history. A sharing and caring intergenerational relationship. *MULTICULTURAL*

Demas, Corrine (2000). The Disappearing Island

Simon and Schuster (PS-3) \$16.00

ISBN 0-689-80539-X Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

For her 9th birthday Carrie's grandmother takes her to Billingsgate island. Through the beauty and power of nature, the island is only visible at low tide. They travel out to the island on grandmother's boat, Aphrodite. On the island they find shells and a piece of the old lighthouse. Grandmother talks to Carrie about the fishing community that once lived on the island. They have lunch and spend an enjoyable time together. Capable, knowledgeable and energetic grandmother.

Denslow, Sharon (1990). At Taylor's Place

Bradbury (PS-2) \$13.95

ISBN 0-02-728685-1 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Tory loves to see Taylor, her neighbor, at his farm. She works with him at his woodshop, and helps him feed the goats and fill the bird feeders. They complete a weathervane they have been working on and

Taylor comments: "We make a great team." Taylor is independent and capable. The two characters have a reciprocal relationship of sharing, caring and learning.

DiSalvo, DyAnne (2002). Spaghetti Park

Holiday House (2-3) \$6.99

ISBN 0-688-15285-6

Angelo's neighborhood park used to be a great place, but now many people in the neighborhood avoid it because it is run down, has graffiti, and a group of troublemakers hang out there. Angelo and his grandfather like to go to the park and play "bocce", an Italian bowling game. They join a neighborhood group to clean up the park. Many of the people who help in cleaning up the park are older adults. Once the park is cleaned the troublemakers mess it up again, but in the end everyone helps to make the park a good place to be.

Douglass, Barbara (1982). Good as New

Harper/Collins (PS-3: Picture Book) \$15.00

ISBN 0688-41983-6

Grady's grandfather is known for his ability to fix just about anything. When a young cousin ruins Grady's prize teddy bear, grandfather does a wonderful job of fixing it. He takes it apart, sews it back together and fixes it "good as new!" Portrays the grandfather as intelligent, creative, and sensitive to the needs of the child. The grandfather does some nontraditional activities (e.g., sewing) and a loving intergenerational relationship is portrayed.

Duncan, Alice (1999). Miss Viola and Uncle Jed Lee

Atheneum (PS-2) \$16.00

ISBN 0-689-80476-8

Miss Viola and Uncle Jed Lee are neighbors on Joubert Street. A young boy, Bradley, lives in a house between the two. Bradley and Uncle Jed Lee play checkers and do things together. One day Uncle Jed Lee mentions that he would like to make a friend of Miss Viola. How Bradley brings the two of them together is fun and interesting. Portrays intergenerational friendship. This is one of the few stories where companionship and dating with older adults is addressed.

Goldman, Susan (1976). *Grandma Is Somebody Special*

Albert Whitman (PS-2) \$10.95

ISBN 0-8075-3034-4

A young girl enjoys visiting her grandmother in a tall apartment building in a big city. The grandmother demonstrates a wide range of behaviors--she works, goes to school, buys cookies at the bakery, and does some very interesting things with her granddaughter. The special things they do together make this a very enjoyable book. Grandmother is portrayed as active and in nontraditional activities.

Griffith, Helen (1995). *Grandaddy's Stars*

Greenwillow (1-3) \$15.00

ISBN 0-688-13654-0 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Grandaddy leaves his Georgia farm with his mule and chickens to come visit Janetta in the city. Janetta had made a list of important things to show him and grandaddy loved all of them. Grandaddy showed Janetta something that they both shared, even when they were apart, the stars in the sky. After grandaddy leaves when he and Janetta look at the stars it is like they are still together. Illustrates shared interests and a loving, caring relationship between grandparent and grandchild.

Hennessy, B. G. (1994). When You Were Just a Little Girl

Puffin (PS-3) \$4.99

ISBN 0-14-054172-1

A granddaughter asks her grandmother to tell her about life when she was a little girl. Children can be encouraged to ask older family members and friends the same thing. Helps to instill a sense of history and family history.

Hest, Amy (1984). The Crack-of-Dawn Walkers

MacMillan (PS-2) \$11.95/\$3.95

ISBN 0-14-050829-5/ISBN 0-14-050289-5 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Sadie and her brother take turns going with their grandfather on Sunday morning for walks together. Sadie delights in this special time with her grandfather. They talk about the "old country," stop at a bake shop and sip cocoa. Later, as others rise from their beds they notice the two very different size sets of tracks left by the "crack-of-dawn" walkers. Illustrates a caring intergenerational relationship and old and young enjoying each other.

Hest, Amy (1992). The Go-Between

Simon and Schuster Children's (K-3) \$14.95

ISBN 0-02-743632-2 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

A story about two older people who are fond of each other and marry. The granddaughter plays the "go between" role in the relationship. Not many stories present older people as dating and marrying. A good story about the need for companionship, love and caring throughout life.

Hest, Amy (1993). Nana's Birthday Party

Harper Collins Children's (PS-3) \$15.95

ISBN 0-688-07497-9 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Nana lives in New York city and Maggie enjoys visiting her with her cousins. They enjoy the family photos that Nana shares with them. "Remember," Nana says, "every picture tells a story." Every year Nana puts on a birthday party for herself with the same rules tacked to the door: no jeans; no gum; no presents, except for the ones you make yourself; no fighting and no whining. Maggie and her cousin Brette plan birthday presents for Nana. Good opportunity for discussion of family history. Active grandmother who is an integral part of the family.

Hest, Amy (1998). Gabby Growing Up

Simon and Schuster Children's (PS-3) \$16.00

ISBN 0-689-80573-X

It is grandpa's birthday and that means a trip to the city for Gabby and her mother. On the way they shop, have lunch and Gabby gets a new haircut. They meet grandpa and go ice skating. Gabby gives grandpa the bright orange mittens that she knit for his birthday. Gabby and grandpa dance together on the ice. Mother and the skaters have a surprise birthday cake for grandpa and everyone sings happy birthday to him. Portrays an active, caring grandfather.

Hest, Amy (2001). The Friday Nights of Nana

Candlewick (PS-2) \$15.99

ISBN 0-7636-0658-8 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Friday nights with Nana begin early on Friday morning. This Friday a young Jewish girl has off school and she and her Nana start preparing for the Sabbath. Nana washes the good china, irons the lace tablecloth, fixes the Sabbath dress, and bakes. Nana and the granddaughter go for a walk and eat sandwiches in the park. They go looking for violet-colored flowers. When they return to Nana's they finish preparing for the Sabbath.

Hilton, Nette (1990). The Long Red Scarf

Carolrhoda Books (PS-2) \$18.95/\$5.95

ISBN 0-87614-399-0/ISBN 0-87614-561-6

Jake has a long blue scarf that helps to keep him warm when he and grandfather go fishing. Grandfather likes Jake's scarf and decides to ask Great Aunt Maude to knit him one in red. Aunt Maude is wonderful at farming and cleaning fish but she can't knit a scarf. Grandfather asks Jake where he got his scarf and discovers that Jake knit it himself. Grandfather learns to knit himself a scarf. He enjoys knitting so much he knits things for others in the family. Portrays the grandfather as independent, active and creative, and engaged in a nontraditional activity "knitting".

Howard, Elizabeth (2001). Lulu's Birthday

Greenwillow (PS2) \$15.95

ISBN 0688159443 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Lulu suggests that she and her grandchildren, Laurie and J Matthew, celebrate her birthday before they leave for the summer. They talk about many of the things they have done together. The children have a birthday surprise that s a wonderful celebration for their grandmother. Illustrates young and old enjoying each other and loving family relationships. *MULTICULTURAL*

Lasky, Kathryn (1988). Sea Swan

MacMillan (1-3) \$14.95

ISBN 0-02-751700-4 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Elzibah Swan lived in the same house on Boston's Beacon Hill all her life. She keeps active and busy: going to the library and symphony concerts, gardening, and enjoying her grandchildren. On her seventy-fifth birthday she wants to do something "new," and decides to learn how to swim. Elzibah takes swimming lessons, snorkeling and water ballet. She loves swimming so much that she designs and builds a wooden house on the seashore and calls her new house "Sea Swan." The story integrates many generations into one text and illustrates how people can learn and do throughout life, "lifelong learning".

Olson, Arielle (1990). Hurry Home, Grandma!

Penguin (PS-3) \$4.99

ISBN 0-14-054760-6 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Timothy and Melinda anxiously anticipate their explorer grandmother's arrival for Christmas as she rushes through various adventures to make it home in time. Some of these adventures include flying a plane and grandmother involved in many nontraditional activities. Leads into a discussion of what children would like to do as older people.

Oxenbury, Helen (1993). Grandma And Grandpa

Puffin (PS-1) \$3.99

ISBN 0-14-054978-1 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

A small girl tells about all the good times that she has during her weekly visits to her grandparent's house. Illustrates a warm and loving relationship between grandparents and grandchildren.

Pittman, Helena (1993). Once When I Was Scared

Dutton (PS-2) \$4.99

ISBN 0-14-054932-3 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Grandfather talks to his grandson about when he was a little boy growing up in a mountain cabin. One time, he recalls, the stove went out and he had to get coal from the neighbors to restart it. Going to the "neighbors" meant going a long way across hills and through the woods. He helps the grandson learn about what life was like when he was young.

Purdy, Carol (1994/1997). Mrs. Merriweather's Musical Cat

G. P. Putnam's Sons (K-3) \$15.95/\$5.95

ISBN 0-399-22543-9/ISBN 069811598-8 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Mrs. Merriweather is an older woman who gives music lessons to the children in the neighborhood. One day a cat appears, Mrs. Merriweather calls him Beethoven, and right away everyone's music becomes better and things begin to happen. Mrs. Merriweather joined an aerobics class, subscribed to Musical Adventure, redecorated her piano studio, and bought a "wild" red dress. Her neighbor, Mr. Crump, bought her a bouquet of roses to thank her for the beautiful music that came after Beethoven arrived. As the story ends, Beethoven has a surprise for them all. An active, capable older person who is working.

Schwartz, Amy (1998). Oma And Bobo

Simon & Schuster Children's (PS-2) \$5.99

ISBN 0-689-82115-8 Out of-Stock Indefinitely

Alice gets a dog "Bobo" for her birthday much to her grandmother's dismay. Alice and Bobo go to dog obedience school. Grandmother starts to like Bobo and surprises Alice when she helps Bobo win a blue ribbon at the dog show. An active grandmother who is loved by her granddaughter.

Schwartz, David (1991). Supergrandpa

HarperCollins (1-3) \$17.00

ISBN 0-688-09898-3

This book is actually based on the story of 66 year old Gustaf Hakansson of Sweden. Gustaf was told he was too old to compete in a 1,094 mile bicycle race. He entered the race and finished first. A little girl who saw him along the route named him "supergrandpa." His race shattered aging stereotypes and captured the hearts and adoration of his country. Gustaf became a national hero. There are few children's books that tell a true story about an older person and this one is inspirational. Illustrates an active, capable older person. Helps children to see activities they can do throughout life, "lifespan" activities such as biking. *MULTICULTURAL*

Stanley, George (2001). Wedding Cookies

Tandem Library Books (K-2) \$Not Available

ISBN 0-606-21278-7

Katie Lynn is happy that Grandma is getting married and she will be the flower girl. When the florist doesn't deliver a wedding bouquet for Grandma, Katie Lynn gets creative and makes a bouquet of wedding cookies.

Steel, Danielle (1989). Max And The Baby-Sitter

Delacorte Press (PS-2) \$8.95

ISBN 0-385-29796-3 Out-of-Stock Indefinitely

Max has a baby-sitter, Jean, when his parents are at work. Jean is an older woman who takes care of a number of young children. She reads to the children and they make puppets of paper-maché and gifts for their parents. Max likes having Jean as a sitter. Jean is shown to be a capable, loving, trustworthy person. This book also shows the children an older adult who is working.

Thomson, Pat (1987). Can You Hear Me, Grandad?

BDD Books for Young Readers (PS-3) \$2.50

ISBN 0-440-40025-2

When the young granddaughter talks to her grandfather as they visit the zoo, he pretends not to hear well and mixes up her words. A good time is had by all. Shows old and young enjoying each other.

Williams, Barbara (1975). Kevin's Grandma

Puffin Books (PS-3) \$9.25/\$3.95

ISBN 0-525-33115-8/ISBN 0-525-45039-4

Kevin and his friend talk about their two very different grandmothers. Kevin's grandmother likes MAD magazine, rides a Honda, arm wrestles, practices yoga and judo, belongs to mountain-climbing/scuba diving/karate clubs, fixes her own roof, goes skydiving, takes her grandchildren on trips and makes peanut butter soup. His friend's grandmother gives piano lessons, plays checkers with him, takes him to the ice cream parlor, belongs to bridge/garden/music clubs, keeps interesting scrapbooks, takes her grandchildren on trips, and volunteers her time. Both grandmothers are portrayed as interesting and help to illustrate to children a variety of activities older people can be involved in.

Williams, Vera (1993). A Chair For My Mother

Morrow/Avon (K-3) \$18.95/\$4.95

ISBN 0-688-12612-X/ISBN 0-688-13200-6

A little girl, her mother and grandmother save dimes to buy a comfortable armchair after all their furniture is lost in a fire. A story of three generations living together and caring for each other.

Wilson, Christopher (1980). A Treasure Hunt

U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare (K-3) Unpriced USDHEW Publication #80-1403

This book was written as an attempt to overcome the stereotyped view of older people. As two children, Jan and Janet, walk through their neighborhood they meet many older people. The older people in the neighborhood plan a treasure hunt where the children visit their older neighbors. Intergenerational story with older people who are active in their community.

SOME MULTICULTURAL STORIES

African

Thomasie, Tynia (1996). *Mimi's Tutu*

African American

Birtha, Becky (2005). Grandmama's Pride

Chocolate, Debbi (1998). The Piano Man

Cheng, Andrea (2000). Grandfather Counts

Cox, Judy (2003). My Family Plays Music

Crews, Donald (1991). Bigmama's

DeGross, Monalisa (1999). Grandaddy's Street Songs

Duncan, Alice (1999). Miss Viola and Uncle Jed Lee

English, Karen (1996). Big Wind Coming

English, Karen (2005). The Baby on the Way

Flournoy, Valerie (1985). The Patchwork Quilt

Ford, Juwanda (1996). Kenya's Family Reunion

Gray, Libba Moore (1993). Miss Tizzy

Greenfield, Eloise (1996). Grandpa's Face

Hoffman, Mary (1998). Amazing Grace

Howard, Elizabeth (1991/1998). Aunt Flossie's Hats (and Crab Cakes Later)

Isadora, Rachel (2005). Luke Goes to Bat

Johnson, Angela (1993). When I am Old With You

Lyons, Marty (1997). Catching the Fire, Philip Simmons, Blacksmith

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