

Bright Wings: Children's Books To Make the Heart Soar

Stories For Strong Girls

(An imperfect listing, to help you begin)

For Strong Girls aged 3- 10:

Big Sister Now. Annette Sheldon

Arlene Sardine. Chris Raschka

The Enchanter's Daughter. Antonia Barber

Joan of Arc. Gerald Gottlieb

Warm As Wool. Scott Russell Sanders (check libraries)

Princess Furball. Anita Lobel

Katy and the Big Snow. Virginia Lee Burton

The Rag Coat. Lauren Mills

Katie's Trunk. Ann Turner

I Know A Lady. Charlotte Zolotow

A Beautiful Girl. Amy Schwartz

Thank You, Sarah: The Women Who Saved Thanksgiving. Laurie Halse Anderson

Dahlia. Barbara McClintock

The Patchwork Kilt. Mabel Watts (grandparent shelves?)

Katie Morag and *Katie Morag Island Stories.* Mairi Hedderwick

A Madeline Treasury. Ludwig Bemelmans

Miss Bridie Chose A Shovel. Lesley Connor

Marie Curie: My First Marie Curie. Isabel Sanchez Vegara

The Girl Who Drew Butterflies: How Maria Merian's Art Changed Science. Joyce Sidman

Counting On Katherine. Helaine Becker

Growing Seasons. Elsie Splear

Minty: A Story of Young Harriet Tubman. Alan Schroeder and Jerry Pinkney

Brave Irene. William Steig

New Shoes For Silvia. Johanna Hurwitz

The Country Bunny. DuBose Heyward

The Question Box. Jay Williams (check with grandparents and libraries!)

Feliciano Feydra LeRoux. Tynia Thomassie

Queen on Wednesday by Gabi Swiatkowska
Fancy Nancy, series. Jane O'Connor
The Library and The Garden by Sarah Stewart
Fiona's Lace. Patricia Polacco
Chicken Sunday. Patricia Polacco
The Story Blanket. Ferida Wolf
Abuela. (and in Spanish). Arthur Dorros
A Chair For My Mother. Vera Williams

The Bravest Woman in America. Marissa Moss
Independent Dames: What You Never Knew About the Women And Girls. Laurie Halse Andersen
The Scarlet Stocking Spy. Trinka Hakes Noble
Eliza: The Story of Elizabeth Schuyler Hamilton. Margaret McNamara
Annushka's Voyage—An Immigration Story. Edith Tarbescu
Swamp Angel. Anne Isaacs
Meanwhile, Back at the Ranch. Anne Isaacs

For Older Strong Girls:

A Gathering of Days. Joan W Blos
Redcoats and Petticoats. Katherine Kirkpatrick

A Little Princess. Frances Hodges Burnett
On the Far Side of the Mountain. Jean Craighead George
Caddie Woodlawn. Carol Ryrie Brink

Pegeen. Hilda Van Stockum
The Borrowed House. Hilda Van Stockum

Pippi Longstocking. Astrid Lindgren
Betsy-Tacy Treasury. Maud Hart Lovelace
The Green Ember or 4-Book Series or 8-Book Series S.D. Smith
The Cabin Faced West. Jean Fritz
From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E Frankweiler. E.L. Konigsburg
Joan of Arc. Mark Twain
Ella Enchanted. Gail Carson Levine

Anne of Green Gables OR Anne of Green Gables Series. L.M. Montgomery
Rilla of Ingleside. L.M. Montgomery
Emily of New Moon and Series. L.M Montgomery
Pat of Silver Bush. L.M. Montgomery
The Story Girl. L.M. Montgomery

Jane of Lantern Hill. L.M. Montgomery
Charlotte's Web. E.B. White
Tuck Everlasting. Natalie Babbitt
The Penderwicks OR *The Penderwicks Series*. Jeanne Birdsall
Little Women. Louisa May Alcott
The Princess Academy. Shannon Hale
The Goose Girl by Shannon Hale
The Horse and His Boy and *The Silver Chair*. C.S. Lewis
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry. Mildred Taylor
To Kill A Mockingbird. Harper Lee

The Secret Keepers. Trenton Lee Stewart
Chains. Laurie Halse Andersen
The Princess and the Goblin. George MacDonald
Pictures of Hollis Woods. Patricia Reilly Giff
Esperanza Rising. Pam Munoz Ryan
The Breadwinner. Deborah Ellis
Sophie Quire and the Last Storyguard. Jonathan Auxier
The Witch of Blackbird Pond. Elizabeth George Speare