Awakening the Dragon: The Dragon Boat Festival
Written by Arlene Chan
Illustrated by Song Nan Zhang
Tundra Books, 2004
ISBN 978-0887768057
Grades 2-3 / Ages 6-9
Category: Picture Book

Bamboo
Written by Paul Yee
Illustrated by Shaoli Wang
Tradewind Books, 2006
ISBN 978-1894965538
Grades 2-3 / Ages 6-10
Category: Picture Book

Beyond the Moongate: True Stories of 1920s China
Written and illustrated by Elizabeth Quan
Tundra Books, 2013
ISBN 978-1770493834
Grade 4 / Ages 10-12
Category: Non-Fiction

Blood and Iron (I Am Canada)
Written by Paul Yee
Scholastic Canada, 2010
ISBN 978-0545985932
Grades 5-7 / Ages 8-12
Category: Junior Fiction

The Bone Collector's Son
Written by Paul Yee
Tradewind Books, 2003
ISBN 978-1896580258
Grades 6-8 / Ages 11-13
Category: Young Adult Fiction

The Boy in the Attic
Written by Paul Yee
Illustrated by Gu Xiong
Groundwood Books, 1998
ISBN 978-0888993304
Grades 2-3 / Ages 4-7
Category: Picture Book

Breakaway
Written by Paul Yee
Groundwood Books, 1994
ISBN 978-0888992017
Grade 5 / Ages 11 and up
Category: Young Adult Fiction

Chin Chiang and the Dragon's Dance
Written and illustrated by Ian Wallace
ISBN 978-0888991676
Grade 2 / Ages 4-9
Category: Picture Book

The Chinese Community in Toronto: Then and Now
Written by Arlene Chan
Dundurn Press, 2013
ISBN 978-1459707696
Grades 6-8 / Ages 12 and up
Category: Non-Fiction

The Chinese Thought of It (We Thought of It)
Written by Ting-xing Ye
Annick Press, 2009
ISBN 978-1554511952
Grades 4-6 / Ages 9-12
Category: Non-Fiction

The Chinese Violin
Written by Madeleine Thien
Illustrated by Joe Chang
Whitecap Books, 2001
ISBN 978-1552852057
Grades 3-4 / Ages 5-8
Category: Picture Book

Courage to Fly
Written by Troon Harrison
Illustrated by Zhong-Yang Huang
Red Deer Press, 2002
ISBN 978-0889953611
Grade 3-4 / Ages 5-10
Category: Picture Book

The Dragon Boat Festival
Written by Paul Yee
Groundwood Books, 2004
ISBN 978-0887764103
Grade 3 / Ages 8 and up
Category: Non-Fiction

The Day I Became a Canadian: A Citizenship Scrapbook
Written by Jo Bannatyne-Cugnet
Illustrated by Song Nan Zhang
Tundra Books, 2008
ISBN 978-0887768927
Grades 2-3 / Ages 4-10
Category: Picture Book

Dead Man’s Gold and Other Stories
Written by Paul Yee
Illustrated by Harvey Chan
Groundwood Books, 2002
ISBN 978-0888994752
Grades 4-6 / Ages 9 and up
Category: Junior Fiction

The Dragon New Year: A Chinese Legend
Written by David Bouchard
Illustrated by Zhong-Yang Huang
Raincoast Books, 1999
ISBN 978-1561452101
Grades 2-3 / Ages 7-10
Category: Picture Book

The Dragon's Pearl
Written by Julie Lawson
Illustrated by Paul Morin
Oxford University Press, 1992
ISBN 978-0773728820
Grade 3 / Ages 5-9
Category: Folk tale

Emma’s Story
Written by Deborah Hodge
Illustrated by Song Nan Zhang
Tundra Books, 2003
ISBN 978-0887766329
Grades 1-3 / Ages 4-8
Category: Picture Book

Canadian Chinese-Themed Books for Kids and Teens
Reading Levels are listed by Grade, Interest Levels are listed by Age
The Fragrant Garden
Written by Day's Lee
Illustrated by Josée Bellemare
Napoleon Publishing, 2005
ISBN 978-1894917261
Grades 1-2 / Ages 5-9
Category: Picture Book

Maggie’s Chopsticks
Written by Alan Woo
Illustrated by Isabelle Malenfant
Kids Can Press, 2012
ISBN 978-1554536191
Grade 2 / Ages 4-7
Category: Picture Book

Ghost Train
Written by Paul Yee
Illustrated by Harvey Chan
ISBN 978-0888999801
Grade 4 / Ages 8 and up
Category: Picture Book

Me and Mr. Mah
Written by Andrea Spalding
Illustrated by Janet Wilson
Orca Book Publishers, 1999
ISBN 978-1551431680
Grade 3 / Ages 4-8
Category: Picture Book

The Hidden Treasure
Written by Ruowen Wang
Illustrated by Wei Xu
Kevin & Robin Books, 2007
ISBN 978-0973879810
Grade 3 / Ages 8-11
Category: Picture Book

Mei Ming and the Dragon’s Daughter: A Chinese Folktale
Retold by Lydia Bailey
Illustrated by Martin Springett
Scholastic Canada, 1990
ISBN 978-0590733694
Grade 4 / Ages 8-11
Category: Folktale

The Jade Necklace
Written by Paul Yee
Illustrated by Grace Lin
Tradewind Books, 2002
ISBN 978-1566564557
Grades 3-5 / Ages 5-10
Category: Picture Book

Midnight at the Dragon Café
Written by Judy Fong Bates
McClelland & Stewart, 2004
ISBN 978-0771010972
Grades 10-11 / Ages 16 and up
Category: Young Adult Fiction

The Kids Book of Canada’s Railway and How the CPR Was Built
(Kids Books of…)
Written by Deborah Hodge
Illustrated by John Mantha
ISBN 978-1554532568
Grades 4-5 / Ages 8-12
Category: Non-Fiction

Mooncakes
Written by Loretta Seto
Illustrated by Renné Benoit
Orca Book Publishers, 2013
Grades 2-3 / Ages 4-8
Category: Picture Book

Learning to Fly
(Orca Soundings)
Written by Paul Yee
Orca Book Publishers, 2008
ISBN 978-1551439532
Grades 3-4 / Ages 12 and up
Category: Teen Fiction (hi-lo)

Money Boy
Written by Paul Yee
Groundwood Books, 2011
ISBN 978-1554980932
Grades 8-9 / Ages 14 and up
Category: Young Adult Fiction

A Little Tiger in the Chinese Night: An Autobiography in Art
Written and illustrated by Song Nan Zhang
Tundra Books, 1993
ISBN 978-0887763205
Grade 5 / Ages 10-14
Category: Non-Fiction

Motherbridge of Love
Written by Anonymous
Illustrated by Josée Masse
Barefoot Books, 2007
ISBN 978-1846860478
Grades 1-3 / Ages 7-9
Category: Picture Book

Mystery of the Frozen Brains
(Marty Chan Mystery)
Written by Marty Chan
Thistledown Press, 2004
ISBN 978-1894345712
Grades 4-6 / Ages 8-12
Category: Junior Fiction

The Mystery of the Graffiti Ghoul
(Marty Chan Mystery)
Written by Marty Chan
Thistledown Press, 2006
ISBN 978-1897235003
Grade 4 / Ages 10-12
Category: Junior Fiction

Money Boy
Written by Paul Yee
Groundwood Books, 2011
ISBN 978-1554980932
Grades 8-9 / Ages 14 and up
Category: Young Adult Fiction

My Friend Mei Jing
(My Friend)
Written by Anna McQuinn
Illustrated by Ben Frey
Photography by Irvin Cheung
Annick Press, 2009
ISBN 978-1554511525
Grades 1-2 / Ages 4-7
Category: Picture Book

Mystic of the Mad Science Teacher
(Marty Chan Mystery)
Written by Marty Chan
Thistledown Press, 2008
ISBN 978-1897235386
Grade 4 / Ages 10-12
Category: Junior Fiction

Next-Door Neighbours
Written by Sarah Ellis
Groundwood Books, 1989
ISBN 978-0888990846
Grade 5 / Ages 10-12
Category: Junior Fiction

An Ocean Apart: The Gold Mountain Diary of Chin Mei-Ling
(Dear Canada)
Written by Gillian Chan
Scholastic Canada, 2004
ISBN 978-0779113538
Grades 5-7 / Ages 8-12
Category: Junior Fiction

Grading System:
Reading Levels are listed by Grade. Interest Levels are listed by Age.
Once Upon a Full Moon
Written and illustrated by Elizabeth Quan
Tundra Books, 2007
ISBN 978-0887768132
Grades 3-4 / Ages 8-11
Category: Non-Fiction

Red Land, Yellow River: A Story From the Cultural Revolution
Written and illustrated by Ange Zhang
Groundwood Books, 2004
ISBN 978-0888994899
Grades 4-6 / Ages 10 and up
Category: Non-Fiction

Roses Sing on New Snow: A Delicious Tale
Written by Paul Yee
Illustrated by Harvey Chan
ISBN 978-0888992178
Grade 3 / Ages 6-10
Category: Picture Book

Share the Sky
Written by Ting-xing Ye
Illustrated by Suzane Langlois
Annick Press, 1999
ISBN 978-1550375787
Grades 2-3 / Ages 5-9
Category: Picture Book

Shen and the Treasure Fleet
Written by Ray Conlogue
Annick Press, 2007
ISBN 978-1554511044
Grade 7 / Ages 12 and up
Category: Young Adult Fiction

Shu-Li and Tamara
Written by Paul Yee
Illustrated by Shaoli Wang
Tradewind Books, 2007
ISBN 978-1896580937
Grades 2-4 / Ages 7-9
Category: Early Chapter Book

A Song for Ba
Written by Paul Yee
Illustrated by Jan Peng Wang
Groundwood Books, 2004
ISBN 978-0888994929
Grades 2-3 / Ages 5-8
Category: Picture Book

Tales from Gold Mountain: Stories of the Chinese in the New World
Written by Paul Yee
Illustrated by Simon Ng
Groundwood Books, 1989
ISBN 978-0888990983
Grade 5 / Ages 9-14
Category: Folk tale

Three Monks, No Water
Written by Ting-xing Ye
Illustrated by Harvey Chan
Annick Press, 1997
ISBN 978-1550374421
Grade 3 / Ages 4-8
Category: Picture Book

Throwaway Daughter
Written by Ting-xing Ye
Doubleday Canada, 2003
ISBN 978-0385659529
Grades 7-9 / Ages 12-17
Category: Young Adult Fiction

To Share One Moon
Written by Ruowen Wang
Illustrated by Wei Xu and Xiaoyan Zheng
Kevin & Robin Books, 2008
ISBN 978-1897458013
Grades 2-4 / Ages 5-10
Category: Picture Book

Tunnels of Treachery (Moose Jaw Adventure)
Written by Mary Harelkin Bishop
Coteau Books, 2003
ISBN 978-1550502701
Grades 4-6 / Ages 9-14
Category: Junior Fiction

Warriors and Wailers:
One Hundred Ancient Chinese Jobs You Might Have Relished on Reviled
(Job in History)
Written by Sarah Tsang
Illustrated by Martha Newbigging
Annick Press, 2012
ISBN 978-1554513901
Grades 4-5 / Ages 9-12
Category: Non-Fiction

Weighing the Elephant
Written by Ting-xing Ye
Illustrated by Suzane Langlois
Annick Press, 1998
ISBN 978-1550375275
Grade 3 / Ages 4-7
Category: Picture Book

West Coast Chinese Boy
Written and illustrated by Sing Lim
ISBN 978-0887762703
Grades 4-5 / Ages 10 and up
Category: Non-Fiction

What Happened This Summer
Written by Paul Yee
Tradewind Books, 2006
ISBN 978-1896580883
Grades 8-9 / Ages 14 and up
Category: Young Adult Fiction

White Jade Tiger
Written by Julie Lawson
ISBN 978-1550026535
Grade 6 / Ages 10 and up
Category: Junior Fiction

White Lily
Written by Ting-xing Ye
Illustrated by Bernadette Lau
Doubleday Canada, 2000
ISBN 978-0385258968
Grades 4-6 / Ages 8-12
Category: Junior Fiction

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