HISTORICAL FICTION: OTHER COUNTRIES

The following titles are found in the **J Fiction** area.

Aiken, J. **WOLVES OF WILLOUGHBY CHASE** (1962) Two clever little girls outwit their evil governess in 19th century England.

Avi CRISPIN THE CROSS OF LEAD (2003) Falsely accused of theft and murder, an orphaned peasant boy in 14th century England flees his village and meets a larger-than-life juggler who holds a dangerous secret.

Bower, T. HOW THE AMAZON QUEEN FOUGHT THE KING OF EGYPT (2005)
Serpot, ruler of a land where women live free without men, leads her Amazon warriors in battle against Prince Pedikhons of Egypt.

Burnett, F. **THE SECRET GARDEN** (1938) Mary comes to live in a lonely house on the Yorkshire moors and discovers an invalid cousin and the mysteries of a locked room.

Cushman, K. MIDWIFE'S APPRENTICE (1995) In Medieval England, a nameless, homeless girl is taken by a sharp-tempered midwife and in spite of obstacles and hardship, eventually gains the three things she wants most: a full belly, a contented heart, and a place in this world.

DeAngeli, M. **DOOR IN THE WALL** (1949) A crippled boy in 14th century England proves his courage and earns recognition from the King in this Newbery Award winner.

DeJong, M. **THE WHEEL ON THE SCHOOL** (1954) Six Dutch schoolchildren overcome many obstacles to bring storks back to their village.

Denzel, J. **BOY OF THE PAINTED CAVE** (1988) Tao, living in prehistoric times and shunned by most of his clan because of a bad foot, secretly records the images of animals even though he is forbidden to do so.

Fritz, J. **HOMESICK: MY OWN STORY** (1982) Gives the author's interesting account of her childhood in 1920's China.

Giff, P. NORY RYAN'S SONG (2001) When a terrible blight attacks Ireland's potato crop, twelve-year-old Nory Ryon's courage and ingenuity help her family and neighbors survive.

Hilgartner, B. **MURDER FOR HER MAJESTY** (1986) Alice hides in a Yorkshire cathedral disguised as a choirboy after witnessing her father's murder.

Ho, M. CLAY MARBLE (1991) In the late 1970s, twelve-year-old Dara joins a Cambodian refugee camp on the border of Thailand and becomes separated from her family.

- Lasky, K. LAST GIRLS OF POMPEH (2007) Twelve-year-old Julia knows her physical deformity will keep her from a normal life but counts on the continuing friendship of her life-long slave, Mitka, until they learn that their futures in 1st century Pompeii are about to change for the worse.
- Lasky, K **BROKEN SONG** (2005) In 1897, a Russian Jew must set aside his dream of playing the violin to save himself and his baby sister after their family is murdered.
- Lasky, K **NIGHT JOURNEY** (1986) A young girl listens to her great-grandmother recount the story of her daring escape from czarist Russia.
- Lottridge, C WINGS TO FLY (1997) A young girl in 1918 Canada learns about her heroine, a female aviator, and discovers a mysterious, abandoned silver house.
- Montgomery, L **ANNE OF GREEN GABLES** (1908) Anne is sent by mistake to live with a middle-aged brother and sister on their farm in Prince Edward Island, Canada and proceeds to a make an indelible impression on everyone around her.
- Newton, R. **RUNNER** (2007) In Australia, in 1919, Charlie becomes an errand boy for a notorious mobster, hoping his ability to run will help him, his mother and baby brother escape poverty.
- O'Dell, S THE CAPTIVE (1979) When a Jesuit seminarian goes to Mexico as part of the Spanish expedition, he witnesses the enslavement and exploitation of the Mayas and is seduced by his own greed and ambition.
- Paterson, K **THE MASTER PUPPETEER** (1975) A 13-year-old boy lives in the poverty and discontent of 18th century Osaka, Japan and encounters the world of puppeteers.
- Park, L. **KITE FIGHTERS** (2002) In 1473 Korea, Young-sup has a special talent for flying kites and is determined to win the New Year kite fighting competition.
- Park, L. **A SINGLE SHARD** (2003) In 12th century Korea, a young orphan accidentally destroys a piece of pottery and becomes an apprentice to one of the finest craftsmen.
- Sutcliff, R. **EAGLE OF THE NINTH** (1993) A young centurion ventures among the hostile tribes beyond the Roman Wall to recover the eagle standard of the Ninth, a legion which mysteriously disappeared under his father's command.
- Sutcliff, R. SWORD SONG (1998) At sixteen, Bjnari is cast out of the Norse settlement in the Angles' land for an act of oath breaking and spends five years sailing the west coast of Scotland and witnessing the feuds of the clan chiefs living there.
- Weil, S MY GUARDIAN ANGEL (2004) In 11th century France, the granddaughter of renowned rabbi Solomon ben Isaac takes a great risk by helping a young boy who has run away from a group of Christian Crusaders.
- Woodruff, E. **RAVENMASTER'S SECRET** (2003) The eleven-year-old son of the Ravenmaster of the Tower of London befriends a Jacobite rebel.
- Whelan, G. **LISTENING FOR LIONS** (2005) Left as an orphan in East British Africa in 1918, Rachel is tricked into going to England and posing as someone else. But her only dream is to return to Africa and rebuild her parent's mission hospital.