



The New York State Library, in partnership with the New York Library Association's Youth Services Section and Section of School Librarians, presents selected reading lists that celebrate the history, culture, and diversity of New York State.

## Explore New York

### *New York State History, Culture, and Diversity*

Librarians who work with children and teens in both public libraries and school libraries across the State have collaborated to select age-appropriate titles for recreational reading. The four lists were created to spark an interest in the rich history of New York State.

Each of the four lists covers one reader age group and features the age-appropriate *Summer Reading at New York Libraries* Slogan, **"Build a Better World"**

These recreational reading lists were first created in 2009, prompted by the Quadricentennial of Henry Hudson and Samuel de Champlain's voyages along the river and lake that bear their names.

Books marked "Braille format" and "Downloadable Format" are noted for use by students who have a disability that affects their use of print materials. The books with these notations are available for loan to eligible students and schools. For information on the two libraries in New York State which lend books in these formats through the National Library Service for the Blind & Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress program, see Attachment A.



Titles that are available in commercial audio formats are noted when available. A list of commercial audio vendors is provided in Attachment B.

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## Attachment A

**Libraries in New York State which lend recorded and Braille books through the National Library Service for the Blind & Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress program:**

### **Upstate New York**

#### **New York State Library**

#### **New York State Talking Book and Braille Library (full service to 55 upstate counties)**

Cultural Education Center / Empire State Plaza

222 Madison Ave.

Albany, NY 12230

Telephone: (518) 474-5935

Toll-free (In-state): (800) 342-3688

Fax: (518) 486-7041

Email: [tbbl@nysed.gov](mailto:tbbl@nysed.gov)

Website: <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/tbbl/>

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### **New York City**

#### **The New York Public Library**

#### **Andrew Heiskell Braille and Talking Book Library**

40 West 20th Street

New York, NY 10011-4211

Telephone: (212) 206-5400

24/7 Voicemail: (212) 206-5425

TDD: (212) 206-5458

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Website: <http://www.nypl.org/locations/heiskell>

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## Attachment B

### Audio Vendors Contact Information

Audible, Inc.: <http://www.audible.com/>

Audio Book Contractors: <http://www.audiobookcontractors.com/>

Audio GO Library -- <http://www.audiogo-library.com/library/client/>

Books on Tape - <http://www.booksontape.com/listening-library/>

Brilliance Audio: <http://www.brillianceaudio.com/>

Full Cast Audio - <http://www.fullcastaudio.com/>

Graphic Audio: <https://www.graphicaudio.net/>

Harper Children's Audio: <http://corporate.harpercollins.com/us/harpercollins-imprints/childrens>

Listening Library: <http://www.randomhouse.com/audio/listeninglibrary/>

Live Oak Media: <http://www.liveoakmedia.com/>

Overdrive: <http://www.overdrive.com/>

Recorded Books: <http://www.recordedbooks.com/>

Scholastic:

<http://shop.scholastic.com/shop/en/teacherstore/nav/shop/Scholastic%20Audio/4294607368>

