

Triple Crown Awards

2010-2011

**LAMPLIGHTER AWARD**

1. *Brooklyn Bridge*, by Karen Hesse and illustrated by Chris Sheban, RL 4. In 1903 Brooklyn, Joseph Michtom's life changes when his parents, Russian immigrants, invent the teddy bear and turn their apartment into a factory, while nearby the glitter of Coney Island contrasts with the dismal lives of children dwelling under the Brooklyn Bridge.
2. *The Deep Freeze of Bartholomew Tullock*, by Alex Williams, RL 5. The Breeze family is going into debt trying to sell furs even though their village is covered in snow. Greedy Tullock is trying to take their house while Madeline and her father set off to sell furs in a warmer region.
3. *The Golden Bull*, by Marjorie Cowley, RL 5. During a severe drought in Mesopotamia in 2600 B.C., Jomar and his sister Zefa are sent to the city of Ur, where Jomar is apprenticed to a goldsmith and Zefa must try to find a way to keep from becoming a slave.
4. *Radiant Girl*, by Andrea White, RL 6. In the aftermath of the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear power plant disaster, Katya comes to understand the things most important about her homeland and fulfills a promise she made to herself many years before.
5. *Savvy*, by Ingrid Law, RL 6. The story recounts the adventures of Mibs Beaumont, whose thirteenth birthday has revealed her "savvy"-a magical power unique to each member of her family-just as her father is injured in a terrible accident.
6. *Snow Falling In Spring*, by Moying Li, RL 7. Moying Li is twelve years old when the Cultural Revolution begins. While her world is crumbling around her, she finds sanctuary in literature even though many schools shut down and most books are forbidden.
7. *A Thousand Never Evers*, by Shana Burg, RL 5. As the civil rights movement in the South gains momentum in 1963, the black residents, including Addie Ann Pickett, in the small town of Kuckachoo, Mississippi, begin their own courageous struggle for racial justice.
8. *The Underneath*, by Kathi Appelt, RL 5. An old hound that has been chained up at his hateful owner's run-down shack, and two kittens born underneath the house, endure separation, danger, and many other tribulations.
9. *Under Siege!*, by Andrea Warren, RL 7. On the confederate side, Lucy McRae and Willie Lord have taken shelter in caves enduring heat, snakes, dirt, and exploding shells during the Civil War

Battle for Vicksburg. Frederick Grant has come to visit his father, Ulysses S. Grant and Union soldier, and is experiencing the horrors of battle firsthand.

10. *We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball*, by Kadir Nelson, RL 5. This is the story of Negro League baseball with its gifted athletes and determined owners; of racial discrimination and international sportsmanship; of fortunes won and lost; of triumphs and defeats on and off the field.