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This is a selected list of resources for grades K – 12 about women who have made a difference throughout the centuries.

Women and the Arts

Biographical poem about the life and work of Mexican artist, Frida Kahlo.
**Call Number: jB Kahlo**

Coming of age memoir of the award-winning actress and writer who portrayed Maria on Sesame Street.
**Call Number: j791.4502 Man**

A look at the all-female jazz band that found its way to famous ballrooms in the country during the hard years of war.
**Call Number: j781.65 Nel**

A brief recounting of the career of this jazz musician in the voice of “Scat Cat Monroe.”
**Call Number: jB Fitzgerald**

Biography of the African American artist and children’s book author detailing her experiences, perspectives, and the inspiration for her art.
**Call Number: jB Rin**

Introduction to six women photographers, and how their lives, experiences, and imaginations influenced their work.
**Call Number: j770.92 Sil**
Elizabeth Cotton picked up her brother’s guitar as a little girl. Being left handed she turned the guitar upside down and taught herself how to play.

**Call Number: j782.421 Vei**

## Women and Government

A biography of Hillary Rodham Clinton, candidate for U.S. President.

**Call Number: jB Clinton**

Present the life of Eleanor Roosevelt who became a First Lady and a great humanitarian.

**Call Number: jB Roo**

Explore Michelle Obama’s childhood in Chicago, her education leading to Harvard Law School, and how she became the First Lady of the United States.

**Call Number: jB Obama**

Follow Sonia’s path to becoming the first Hispanic Supreme Court Justice and how breaking boundaries has changed the ambitions of women in law careers.

**Call Number: jB Sotomayor**

Activist Belva Lockwood had big dreams and let no one stand in her way as she fought for equality for women in the classroom, courtroom, and politics.

**Call Number: j340.082 Han**

This picture book biography traces Woodhull’s many careers and accomplishments, emphasizing her 1872 run for the presidency.

**Call Number: jB Woodhull**

Introduces the life of Abigail Adams a woman noted for her opinions on the equality of men and women, and the letters she wrote to her husband.

**Call Number: jB Adams**
Women and the Environment

Biography of Jane Goodall who started a six month project at the Gombe Stream Chimpanzee Reserve in Africa which became her life’s work.
Call Number: jB Goodall

Learn about Sylvia’s work to protect oceans and ocean life and its impact on conservation.
Call Number: jB Earle

Rachel Carson uncovered the dangers of pesticides. Discover her methods, findings, and the impact of her work on the environment movement.
Call Number: jB Carson

The empowering story of Wangari Maathai, the first African woman and environmentalist, to win the Nobel Peace Prize.
Call Number: j333.72 Joh

Plastic bags are cheap and easy to use, but when they break or are not needed what happens? The women in Gambia recycle them into useful things such as handbags.
Call Number: j363.72 Pau

A biography of Temple Grandin, who has autism. Her groundbreaking work encouraged the development of cruelty-free livestock facilities.
Call Number: j636.0092 Mon
Women and Science, Technology, and Mathematics

Doak, R. S. (2013). *Amelia Earhart*. Chicago, IL: Heinemann Library. (Grades 4-8).
Follow the life and career of the noted aviator who opened the skies to women.
**Call Number: jB Earhart**

A biography of the first licensed female African American pilot.
**Call Number: jB Col**

Barbara McClintock unlocked some of the deepest secrets about genes and DNA, but it took nearly twenty years for her work to be recognized.
**Call Number: jB McC**

Diane France has the science skills and know-how to examine bones for clues to a mystery.
**Call Number: j365.25 Hop**

Hypatia became an authority in the subjects of mathematics, astronomy, and philosophy. Scholars from all over the world sought her teachings.
**Call Number: jB Hypatia**

Caroline was the first woman to be paid for her scientific work in astronomy.
**Call Number: j520.92 McC**

Introduces the lives, sayings, and dreams of sixteen women over four centuries in the math and science fields.
**Call Number: j509.2 Noy**

A biography of the famous astronaut drawing on personal and family photographs from her childhood, school days, and life in the astronaut corps.
**Call Number: jB Ride**

**Call Number:** jB Cur


**Call Number:** j629.13 Smi

Stone, T. L. (2009). *Almost astronauts: 13 women who dared to dream.* Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press. (Grades 4-8). A tale of thirteen women who proved they were as tough as men and tough enough to face the government in a field of science dominated by men.

**Call Number:** j629.45 Sto


**Call Number:** j510.92 Wal


**Call Number:** j004.092 Wal

**Women and Sports**


**Call Number:** jB Ede


**Call Number:** jB Gibson


**Call Number:** j796.334 Fis
This volume offers a survey of the history of women and sports, and addresses contemporary concerns.
*Call Number: j796.082 LaB*

Macy, S. (2011). *Wheels of change: How women rode the bicycle to freedom (with a few flat tires along the way)*. Washington, DC: National Geographic. (Grades 6-9).
Explores the role the bicycle played in the women’s suffrage movement.
*Call Number: j796.6 Mac*

Describes the activities of the members of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League that existed between 1943 and 1954.
*Call Number: j796.357 Mac*

Agnes Morley was sent to Stanford University to learn to be a lady. Instead she made history in the first intercollegiate women’s basketball game.
*Call Number: j796.323 Mac*

Examines the career of Mary Garber, first woman to receive the Associate Press Sports Editors Red Smith Award for her contributions in sports journalism.
*Call Number: j070.4 Mac*

In 1966 Bobbi Gibb proved that it was possible for a woman to run the Boston Marathon.
*Call Number: j796.42 Pol*

Presents the life and accomplishments of the female basketball player.
*Call Number: j796.323 Sav*

**Women Making a Difference**

Chronicles the life of Harriet Tubman, famous conductor of the “Underground Railroad.”
*Call Number: jB Tubman*
A biography of Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu, known as Mother Teresa, who spent most of her life serving the poorest people in Calcutta, India.
*Call Number: jB Ter*

Describes the life and work of Helen Keller, an activist for the blind.
*Call Number: jB Keller*

Daisy Bates was a journalist and civil rights leader who mentored the nine black students who integrated Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas.
*Call Number: j323.092 Fra*

Malala stood up to the Taliban and fights for the right for all girls to receive an education.
*Call Number: jB Yousafzai*

The story of Rosa Parks and her courageous act of defiance in Montgomery, Alabama.
*Call Number: jB Par*

Molly Williams, an African American cook for New York City’s Fire Company 11, jumped into action to stop a house fire in 1818 when the firefighters were sick.
*Call Number: j363.37 Och*

Presents a collage treasury of poems and spirituals inspired by the life and work of civil rights advocate, Fannie Lou Hamer.
*Call Number: jB Hamer*

Hildegard of Bingen became one of the greatest mystics and composers of the medieval age.
*Call Number: jB Hildegard*
Women’s Lives

Extensive research and detailed illustrations give insight into the women who helped in the fight for independence.
**Call Number: j973.082 And**

Title IX did not come without a fight, but now we have a law that ensures girls have the same opportunities as boys to participate in sports and classes.
**Call Number: j797.082 Blu**

Each letter of the alphabet is represented by an important woman in the history of the United States along with others in her field of accomplishment.
**Call Number: j973.09 Che**

Rosie represents many women, not just one, who became the American workforce during World War II.
**Call Number: j331.409 Col**

Discover the facts and legends of the exciting woman outlaw of the Wild West.
**Call Number: j978.02 Gre**

The autobiography of the First Lady’s dressmaker, a former slave, exposed the scandals during her White House years and afterward.
**Call Number: j973.7092 Jon**

Short biographies of Lucy Stone, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott, Susan B. Anthony, Sojourner Truth, Alice Paul, and Carrie Chapman Catt.
**Call Number: j324.6 Kam**
A brief biography in pictures and simple text of Alice Roosevelt, the daughter of Theodore Roosevelt and his first wife.
**Call Number:** jB Roosevelt

The story of a woman who brought water to the soldiers. When her husband was injured she took over firing the cannon during the battle of Monmouth in Freehold, NJ.
**Call Number:** jB Pitcher

Describes how clothing for girls in the United States has reflected society’s changing views on children from the seventeenth to the twenty-first century.
**Call Number:** j391.2 Sil

**Teaching Resources**

**Call Number:** Curr.Mats. HQ1412 .N39 2009

**Call Number:** Curr.Mats. HQ1412 .W36 2004

**Call Number:** Curr.Mats. HQ1410 .W56 2007

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