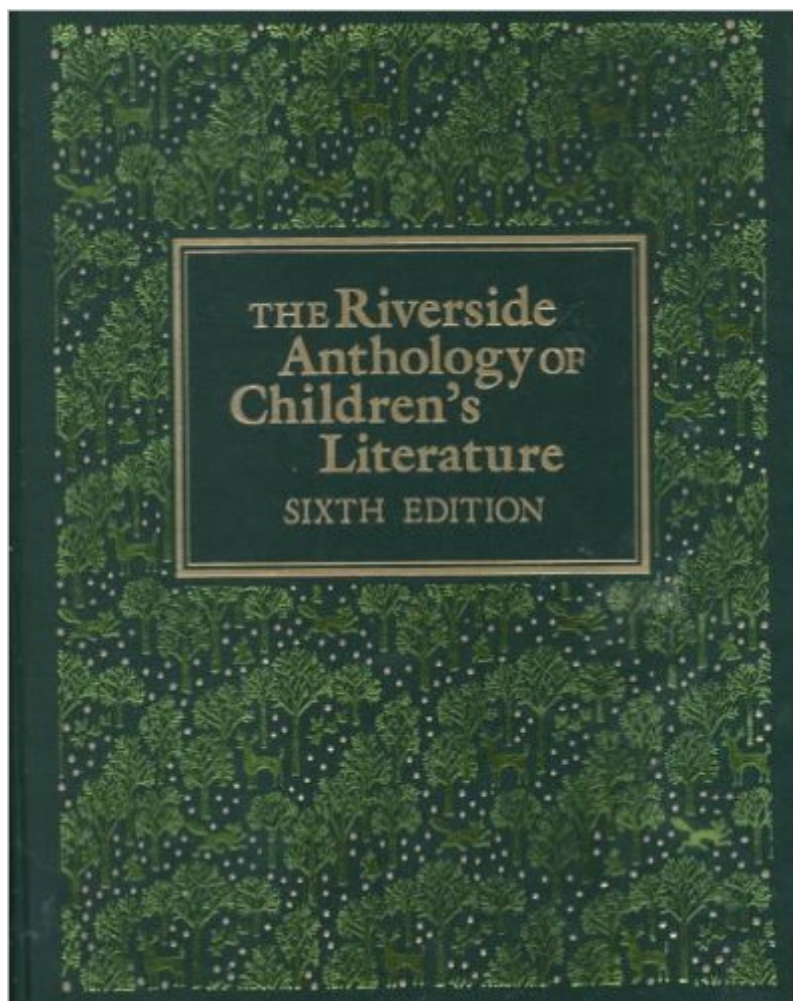


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# The Riverside Anthology Of Children's Literature



## Synopsis

An anthology of nursery tales and rhymes, nonsense verse, poetry, folklore, mythology epics, fiction, and non-fiction from a variety of sources.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This book is quite a treasure for any parent, but especially for teachers! Some of the material available include: Mother Goose Rhymes (104); Singing Games, Jingles and Chants (130); Riddles, Puzzles, Tongue Twisters (21); Lullabies and Folk Songs (29); all kinds of stories according to voice, fiction, nonfiction, or biography; and a treasure of poetry. Any teacher who needs good resource material will love this book! The price is high, but the material is priceless.

I purchased this book over two years ago, and find myself reading it again and again for it is such a useful compendium of children's literature. The book itself is beautifully bound and contains numerous black-and-white illustrations, as well as full color illustrations. It is divided into 6 parts,i. Children's poetry [Mother Goose, other nursery rhymes, singing games, jingles, chants, counting-out rhymes], riddles,puzzles, and tongue twisters, lullabies & folk songs, nonsense verse, the storytelling tradition [ballads, narrative poetry], poems of a child's world, poems of imagination, poems of nature, poems of reflection].ii. Picture books [text, selection & history]iii. The oral tradition [ fables, folktales from different countries around the world, myths, legends, and sacred

writings[Judeo-Christian, Islamic etc, epics and romances, story-telling]iv. Fiction [realistic & historical fiction, fantasy & science fiction]v. Nonfiction [ biography covering such famous people as Beatrix Potter, Gandhi, Anne Frank, also covering travel & history, and science]vi. Readings on children's literature [the creators, the critics]and finally it ends with a very useful selected bibliography of children's lit, and has an appendix, and subject index, as well as an author, illustrator, and title index.This is a truly valuable resource for parents, teachers, and anyone interested in children's literature.

When I was a young, my mom was taking college classes and got this book for her class on children's lit. When the class was over, we would sit around and flip through the 1000s of poems, fairy tales and story excerpts from ya novels.Now the book is on my shelf, and I pull it down to find poems to read to my daughter.Completely enjoyable book for those looking for tons of poems/stories from around the world for children, and for those who want to learn more about the poems/stories themselves.

The book itself is alright. I did not find it particularly insightful, but it wasn't particularly bad either.However, it was required for a class I was taking and I got it here for about \$14, which beats the \$140 I would have had to pay in the college store.Therefore, 5 Stars!

I was hoping that this book would be more of a collection with photos to read to my granddaughter. The pages are thin and there is publisher commentary throughout. (I bought it for a class and should have expected a textbook format). It's still a collection of awesome children's literature.

One would be hard-pressed to find a book with a larger selection of fundamental stories from across the world. This book includes so many quintessential stories, fables, and poems. It is my go-to resource for classroom stories.

Met my expectations very well. It is a comprehensive book of children's literature from nursery rhymes to young adult fiction, with commentary on the history and authors who had greatest influence in this area of literature.

Probably so. The 6th Edition, the "big green book" is a massive tome of some 1373 pages, including all indices and appendices. The "Selected Bibliography of Children's Literature" alone extends from

pages 1125-1322. The appendix on "Children's Book Awards" includes not only the American Newbery and Caldecott Awards, but all of the international ones as well. Of course, the lists end at 1983, prior to the book's publication in 1984. It also contains a Subject Index, as well as a Title, Author, and Illustrator Index. This rare and out of print classic is a must have for any serious student of children's literature. To even attempt a review or synopsis of the actual contents seems impossible. There are nursery rhymes, singing games, jingles, chants, riddles, puzzles, tongue twisters, traditional ballads, narrative poems, lyrical poems, fables, folktales, myths, legends, sacred writings, epics, romances, fiction and nonfiction pieces from all over the world. A crucial permanent addition to any personal library. Get it on or get it elsewhere, but get it.

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