Adult Manual Resources

Books with the "+" sign are or will be available in alternative formats from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS). Books marked IN PROCESS are currently being worked on and may be available before the start of your summer program. More information on NLS can be found in the Appendix.

Print

Books—Nonfiction

- Alessio, Amy J., Katie Lamantia, and Emily Vinci. *A Year of Programs for Millenials and More*. American Library Association, 2015. 216 p. (978-0838913321, pap.). Millennials need their own programs. This guide specifically targets those on the cusp of the born-digital generation and their peers, offering up a year's worth of programming. Organized by monthly clubs or monthly themed events, a format that makes planning and execution simpler.
- The American Flag: A Handbook of History and Etiquette. Applewood, 2013. 40 p. (978-1557090713). This guide to the American flag is a concise collection of the history and etiquette of the U.S. flag. Includes details of the laws relating to the U.S. flag, as described in the United States Code; information about the Pledge of Allegiance and Flag Day; a guide to flag presentation and care; and a timeline of flags, noting the date each state was added to the union.
- American Library Association. Adult Programming: A Manual for Libraries. ALA/RUSA. 2005. (978-0838978917, pap.). Shows you the process from how to assess your community for program potential to how to do evaluation and follow-up, how to generate ideas for programs, how to determine what's hot and what's not, and how to determine the best formats for your programs. Also, there is help on how to find funding for programs, how to recruit participants, and how to publicize programs. Included are sample forms, checklists, and promotional materials that can be used.
- Asselin, Barb. *My First Scarf: A Visual, Step-by-Step Guide to Crocheting a Beautiful Scarf.* Asselin Group Online Publisher, 2016. 80 p. File Size: 4729 KB. (ASIN: B01BJ57390, epattern). Crochet a beautiful scarf today —even if you've never crocheted before.
- Atkinson, Patricia. *The Ripening Sun: One Woman and the Creation of a Vineyard*. Random House, 2007. 320 p. (978-0099443162, pap.). In 1990, Patricia Atkinson and her husband moved to the Dordogne, planning to earn their living as financial consultants, while an employee tended their small vineyard. Then disaster struck—the stock-market crashed and a debilitating illness sent her husband back to England—and Patricia was left to salvage their life savings from the vineyards. What follows is a remarkable tale of transformation and triumph.
- Bagley, Caitlin A. *Makerspaces: Top Trailblazing Projects*. American Library Association, 2014. 128 p. (978-1555709907, pap.). This defines the makerspace and describes why it fits perfectly into the library's role as community center. A sourcebook of ideas that readers can apply at their own institutions, this resource also demonstrates how makerspaces can be gathering places for people to learn how to create and build together as a community

- Baum, Rachel R. *Adult Programmer's Handbook*. New York Library Association. 2004. 124 p. (978-0931658761). This handbook, with its reproducible checklists, covers all aspects of library programming: planning, funding, working in partnerships, publicity, and evaluation. Get sample forms, letters and policies, and new ideas from the people who know—your colleagues. To order the Handbook, download the NYLA Publications Order Form: http://www.nyla.org/max/4DCGI/cms/print.html?Action=CMS_Document&DocID=220&MenuKey=rass
- + Beiderman, Charles and William Johnston. *The Beginner's Handbook of Woodcarving: With Project Patterns for Line Carving, Relief Carving, Carving in the Round, and Bird Carving.*Dover, 1988. 192 p. (978-0486256870, pap.). This well-organized and highly instructive guidebook tells you everything you need to know to create attractive woodcarvings. Especially written for the novice, it shows how to produce realistic animals, flowers, and humorous figures in a variety of forms: in the round, in relief, and as line carvings. A wide spectrum of more than 60 project patterns offers practical plans and ideas for carvers at all levels of expertise.

 DB070055
- Bolton, Robert. *People Skills: How to Assert Yourself, Listen to Others, and Resolve Conflicts.* Touchstone, 1986. (978-0671622480, pap.). Improve your personal and professional relationships instantly with this timeless guide to communication, listening skills, body language, and conflict resolution.
- + Brown, Meredith Mason. *Frontiersman: Daniel Boone and the Making of America*. LSU Press, 2008. 424 p. (978-0807133569). Brown traces Boone's life from his Pennsylvania childhood to his experiences in the militia and his rise as a woodsman, explorer, and backcountry leader. In the process, we meet the authentic Boone: he didn't wear coonskin caps; he read and wrote better than many frontiersmen; he was not the first to settle Kentucky. At once a loner and a leader, as well as a Quaker who became a skilled frontier fighter, Boone was a study in contradictions. Supported with copious maps, illustrations, endnotes, and a detailed chronology of Boone's life. DBC03682
- Callard, K. Fun with Frosting: A Beginner's Guide to Decorating Creative, Fondant-Free Cakes. Skyhorse, 2016. 224 p. (978-1510707634, pap.). This guide features everything you need to know about baking, leveling, filling, and assembling cakes, cupcakes, and cakeballs. Also includes a rundown of must-have tools (and some clever substitutions) as well as flat-icing and piping techniques. More than 40 designs to learn including shell borders, basket weaving patterns, butter cream roses, and decorating accents using various candies, sugars, melts, and more.
- Caspersen, Dana. *Changing the Conversation: The 17 Principles of Conflict Resolution*. Penguin, 2015. 272 p. (978-0143126867, pap.). This manual teaches 17 fundamentals for turning any conflict into an opportunity for growth. Filled with real-life examples, spot-on advice, and easy-to-grasp exercises that demonstrate transformative ways to break out of destructive patterns, create useful dialogue in difficult situations, and find long-lasting solutions for conflicts.

- Cassell, Kay Ann and Uma Hiremath. *Reference and Information Services: An Introduction*. 3rd edition. ALA Neal-Schuman, 2012. 528 p. (978-1555708597 pap.). Designed to complement every introductory library reference course, this is the perfect text for students and librarians looking to expand their personal reference knowledge, teaching fail-safe methods for identifying important materials by matching specific types of questions to the best available sources, regardless of format.
- + Chernow, Ron. *Titan: The Life of John D. Rockefeller, Sr.* 2nd ed. Vintage, 2004. 832 p. (978-1400077304, pap.). John D. Rockefeller's story captures a pivotal moment in American history, documenting the dramatic post-Civil War shift from small business to the rise of giant corporations that irrevocably transformed the nation. With cameos by Joseph Pulitzer, William Randolph Hearst, Jay Gould, William Vanderbilt, Ida Tarbell, Andrew Carnegie, Carl Jung, J. Pierpont Morgan, William James, Henry Clay Frick, Mark Twain, and Will Rogers, Titan turns Rockefeller's life into a vivid tapestry of American society in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. DB046355
- Clarke, Oz. *The History of Wine in 100 Bottles: From Bacchus to Bordeaux and Beyond.* Sterling Epicure, 2015. 224 p. (978-1454915614). Winemaking is as old as civilization itself, and this volume takes a unique approach to that history: by exploring 100 bottles that have had the biggest impact on the evolution of wine. This comprehensive book examines the introduction of the cylindrical wine bottle in the 1780s, the first estate to bottle and label its own wine (formerly sold in casks to merchants only), the most expensive bottle sold at auction and the oldest unopened bottle, changes in classifications, and the creation of numerous famous vintages. Fully illustrated with photographs of bottles, labels, and other images.
- Clinton, Hillary Rodham. *It Takes a Village*. Simon & Schuster, 2006. Reissue. 352 p. (978-1416540649). In her new introduction, Clinton reflects on the ways our village has changed—from the impact of the Internet to new research in early child development and education. She discusses issues of increasing concern—security, the environment, the national debt—and looks at where we have made progress and where there is still work to be done. As relevant as ever, this anniversary edition makes it abundantly clear that the choices we make today about how we raise our children and how we support families will determine how our nation will face the challenges of this century.
- Dana, Daniel. *Conflict Resolution*. McGraw-Hill, 2001. 192 p. (978-0071364317, pap.). Includes hands-on information for effectively communicating with employees, disciplining and even terminating employees, understanding and using organizational politics, and more.
- DK Publishing. *DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Vietnam and Angkor Wat*. DK Eyewitness Travel, 2014. 304 p. (978-1465412102, pap.). The fully updated guide includes unique cutaways, floor plans, and reconstructions of the must-see sites, plus street-by-street maps of all the fascinating cities and towns. The new-look guide is also packed with photographs and illustrations leading you straight to the best attractions, from the floating markets of the Mekong Delta in the south to the hill towns in the north, and all the best beaches to be found in between.

- DK Publishing. *DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Great Britain*. DK Travel, 2014. 672 p. (978-1465411488 pap.). This fully updated guide includes unique cutaways, floor plans, and reconstructions of the must-see sights, such as Stonehenge and Big Ben. This guide will help you to discover Great Britain region by region—whether you are most interested in local festivals and markets or day trips around the countryside. Street-by-street maps of key cities and towns will help you get the most out of your trip, and insider tips and essential local information showcases the best of Great Britain's restaurants, pubs, shops, hotels, and more.
- + Faber, Adele and Elaine Mazlish. *Siblings Without Rivalry: How to Help Your Children Live Together So You Can Live Too.* W. W. Norton & Company, 2012. 288 p. (978-0393342215, pap.). This groundbreaking book gives parents the practical tools they need to cope with conflict, encourage cooperation, reduce competition, and make it possible for children to experience the joys of their special relationship. With humor and understanding—much gained from raising their own children, the authors explain how and when to intervene in fights, provide suggestions on how to help children channel their hostility into creative outlets, and demonstrate how to treat children unequally and still be fair. Updated to incorporate fresh thoughts after years of conducting workshops for parents and professionals, this edition also includes a new afterword.
- Fodor's Montreal and Quebec City. Fodor's, 2016. 368 p. (978-1101878606, pap.). This guide, with rich color photographs throughout, captures the French-speaking cities' universal appeal, from sidewalk cafés to winter sports and traditional French cuisine.
- Gilbert, James. *Storm Chaser: The Terry Law Story*. CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 2015. 254 p. (978-1505713992, pap.). This book captures the remarkable life of a daredevil minister whose 50-year career in Christian missions and humanitarian work has taken him from Soviet KGB interrogations to Moscow's evening news, and from Vatican concerts with Pope John Paul II to secret diplomatic missions in Iraq. More than a riveting adventure, *Storm Chaser* includes key principles to help readers go beyond surviving life's storms.
- + Goodwin, Doris Kearns. *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln*. Simon & Schuster, 2006. 944 p. (978-0743270755, pap.). This fascinating book explores the long, horrifying struggle from the vantage of the White House as Lincoln copes with incompetent generals, hostile congressmen, and his raucous cabinet. He overcomes these obstacles by winning the respect of his former competitors and finds a loyal and crucial friend, William H. Seward, to see him through. This brilliant multiple biography is centered on Lincoln's mastery of men and how it shaped the most significant presidency in the nation's history. DB061162
- King, Robyn. *Cake Decorating Made Easy*. New Holland Australia, 2016. 176 p. (978-1742577289, pap.). Easy step-by-step instructions are accompanied by photographs to allow you to master decorating techniques such as piping, flood work, lettering, figurines, and flowers. The book also provides recipes for the cakes themselves—including chocolate mud cakes, fruit cakes, and gluten-free cakes—and instructions on how to make the different forms of icing. Covers preparation, tools, and up-to-date decorating trends, such as brush embroidery, sequins, and cake lace.

- Kondo, Marie. *The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up: The Japanese Art of Decluttering and Organizing*. Ten Speed, 2014. 224 p. (978-1607747307). With detailed guidance for determining which items in your house "spark joy" (and which don't), this international bestseller featuring Tokyo's newest lifestyle phenomenon will help you clear your clutter and enjoy the unique magic of a tidy home—and the calm, motivated mindset it can inspire.
- + Larson, Erik. *The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair That Changed America*. Vintage, 2004. 447 p. (978-0375725609, pap.). Erik Larson intertwines the true tale of the 1893 World's Fair and the cunning serial killer who used the fair to lure his victims to their death. Combining meticulous research with nail-biting storytelling, Larson has crafted a narrative with all the wonder of newly discovered history and the thrills of the best fiction. DB055748
- Lear, Brett W. *Adult Programs in the Library*. American Library Association, 2013. 280 p. (978-0838911402, pap.). Updated and expanded content and new ideas for programs in the 21st century. This edition includes basics such as funding, crafting guidelines, topic selection, publicity, post-program evaluations, technology, and online book discussions; methods for tailoring programs for specific groups, such as men, baby boomers, and seniors; and a collection of "five-star" programs from libraries around the country that can be easily adapted.
- *Lonely Planet Japan.* 14th ed. Lonely Planet, 2015. 904 p. (978-1743216743, pap.). Includes color maps, itineraries, insider tips, and cultural insights,
- Mates, Barbara T. *Five-Star Programming and Services for Your 55+ Library Customers*. American Library Association, 2003. 154 p. (978-0838908433, pap.). Mates demonstrates how libraries can benefit from providing top-notch programs and services for older adults. Packed with ideas for films and music, computers and the Web, genealogy, reading, using adaptive and assistive devices, and more, this is the one-stop guide for serving the needs of library customers as they move into the second half of life.
- MacNeil, Karen. *The Wine Bible*. 2nd ed. Workman, 2015. 1008 p. (978-0761180838, pap.). Like a lively course from an expert teacher, *The Wine Bible* grounds the reader deeply in the fundamentals while layering on informative asides, tips, amusing anecdotes, definitions, glossaries, photos (all new for this edition), maps, labels, and recommended bottles. MacNeil's information comes directly through primary research; for this second edition, she has tasted more than 10,000 wines and visited dozens of wine regions around the world. New to the book are wines of China, Japan, Mexico, and Slovenia.
- + McCullough, David. *Mornings on Horseback: The Story of an Extraordinary Family, a Vanished Way of Life and the Unique Child Who Became Theodore Roosevelt.* Simon & Schuster, 1982. 480 p. (978-0671447540, pap.). The National Book Award-winning biography of Theodore Roosevelt is now illustrated with more than 150 photos, providing readers a glimpse into the early and inspirational life of the nation's 26th president. BR004961, DB016977
- Monroe, Tyler. *The American Flag*. Capstone, 2013. 24 p. (978-1476535340, pap.). Gr. K–2. While this is a children's book, it contains easy-to-understand history of the U.S. flag that is also useful for adults.

- Nolting, Mark W. Africa's Top Wildlife Countries: Botswana, Kenya, Namibia, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe, 8th ed. Global Travel, 2012. 640 p. (978-0939895151, pap.). This highlights and compares wildlife reserves and other major attractions in the continent's best countries for game viewing—making the planning of the journey of a lifetime simpler. Using the easy-to-read "When's the Best Time to Go for Game Viewing" chart, readers can conveniently choose the specific reserves and country(ies) that are best to visit during their vacation period. Color photographs, maps, and charts.
- Old, Marnie. *Wine: A Tasting Course*. DK, 2013. 256 p. (978-1465405883). Offering a visual tour of wine styles, explaining the big-picture concepts, and encouraging readers to recognize the connections between wines, author Old, a sommelier, teaches that the best way to learn is through tasting. Provides a fresh take on the world of wine, showing you what you need to know and debunking wine-snob myths.
- Reed, Jim. Storm Chaser: A Photographer's Journey. Harry N. Abrams, 2007. 192 p. (978-0810993921). Jim Reed is one of America's most successful and award-winning storm chasers in an era when global climate is changing. His 15 years of photography documents this change. As the years go by, he sees spring come earlier, summers get hotter, and tornadoes and hurricanes increase in frequency and intensity. In Storm Chaser, a beautiful picture book about some of the most powerful—and sometimes deadly—phenomena in our world, Reed shares his best images and his experiences as he tracks these storms throughout the country.
- + Righetti, Maggie. *Knitting in Plain English: The Only Book Any Knitter Will Ever Need.* St. Martin's, 2007. 304 p. (9780312353537, pap.). In this updated and revised version, Righetti gives readers advice on making all different garments, working with new patterns and different kinds of yarn. Neither aggressively hip nor bafflingly encyclopedic, this basic principles that will make any project—from a basic blanket to an intricate sweater—rewarding. BR014167, BR007253, DB053868
- Smallwood, Carol, ed. *Bringing the Arts into the Library*. ALA, 2014. 248 p. (978-0838911754, pap.). Using a library's facilities to bring arts to the community is a valuable service and a marketing and outreach opportunity, showing value and providing grassroots support. Examples of programs implemented by a variety of different types of libraries from around the country model enrichment, education, and entertainment for patrons using the arts.
- Stewart, Martha. *Martha Stewart's Encyclopedia of Crafts: An A-to-Z Guide with Detailed Instructions and Endless Inspiration*. Potter Craft, 2009. 416 p. (978-0307450579). The best of the Martha Stewart Living projects, including step-by-step instructions and full-color photographs, have been collected into a single encyclopedia. Organized by topic from A to Z, this contains complete instructions and brief histories for more than 30 techniques, detailed descriptions of the necessary tools and materials, and easy-to-copy templates. Full of tips and advice. Handy glossaries in the entries. The Tools and Materials section outlines the best essential supplies, and the Sources pages list vendors and suppliers.

- Tucker, Michael. Living in a Foreign Language: A Memoir of Food, Wine, and Love in Italy. Grove, 2008. 272 p. (978-0802143624). Actor Michael Tucker and his wife, actress Jill Eikenberry, having sent their last child off to college, were vacationing in Italy when they happened upon a small cottage nestled in the Umbrian countryside. The 350-year-old rustico sat perched on a hill in the verdant Spoleto valley amid an olive grove and fruit trees of every kind. For the Tuckers, it was literally love at first sight, and the couple purchased the house without testing the water pressure or checking for signs of termites. Shedding the vestiges of their American life, Michael and Jill endeavored to learn the language, understand the nuances of Italian culture, and build a home in this new chapter of their lives.
- Vasquez, Tim. *Storm Chasing Handbook*. 2nd ed. Weather Graphics Technologies, 2002. 298 p. (978-0970684035, pap.). This book examines the hobby of storm chasing—the people, the philosophy, and the equipment. Using key findings from the past four decades of scientific literature, readers learn the inner workings of severe weather and dabble with the fundamentals of forecasting techniques, blended with wisdom from the author's own experiences. A large appendix features a Great Plains travel guide covering local history, culture, meteorology, and geology for nearly 100 chase routes, dining recommendations, broadcast radio and NOAA weather maps, an almanac of past chase seasons, special telephone numbers for reporting severe weather, and a list of recommended videos, books, websites, and references.

Books—Fiction

- + Crosby, Ellen. Wine Country Mysteries Series. Multiple titles. Gallery, 2006–2015. 309–326 p. (ISBNs vary. pap.). The series begins with Lucie returning home to her family's vineyard after her father is killed in a hunting accident. Her family's once elegant home and winery are now shabby and run-down, thanks to her father's penchant for fringy business deals. Her brother Eli, also cash-strapped and desperate to support his new wife's extravagant lifestyle, has already convinced their rebellious younger sister, Mia, to sell the debt-ridden estate and reap the profits from the valuable land it sits on, overruling Lucie's protests. When Lucie's godfather, Fitz, tells her that her father was murdered, and Fitz is the next to die mysteriously, Lucie realizes she must solve the murders before she is next—and all of the suspects are close to home. DB084060 (Books 1–3), DB084100 (Books 4–6)
- Fluke, Joanne. Hannah Swensen Mysteries. Multiple titles. Kensington, 2001–2016. 296–368 p. (ISBNs vary, pap.). This entertaining mystery series is centered on Hannah Swensen, a small-town baker who has a knack for solving murder mysteries. Books include delicious dessert recipes. DB054603 (Book 1), DB053725 (Book 2), DB055213 (Book 3), DB057480 (Book 4), DB058266 (Book 5), DB059854 (Book 6), DB061409 (Book 7), DB06220 (Book 8), DB065255 (Book 9), DB073341 (Book 9.5), DB068803 (Book 10), DB068778 (Book 11), DB070865 (Book 12), DB070782 (Book 13), DB072497 (Book 13.5), DB73015 (Book 14), DB077406 (Book 15), DB076255 (Book 16), DB078348 (Book 17), DB080863 (Book 18), DB084402 (Book 19)
- + Horan, Nancy. *Loving Frank*. Ballantine, 2008. 377 p. (978-0345495006, pap.). In this ambitious debut novel, fact and fiction blend together brilliantly. In 1903, Mamah Borthwick Cheney and her husband, Edwin, commissioned renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright to design their new home. During the construction of the house, a powerful attraction developed

between Mamah and Frank, and in time the lovers, each married with children, embarked on a course that would shock Chicago society and forever change their lives. While scholars have largely relegated Mamah to a footnote in the life of America's greatest architect, author Nancy Horan gives full weight to their dramatic love story and illuminates her profound influence on Wright. DB065372

• Shelton, Connie. Samantha Sweet Mystery Series. Multiple titles. CreateSpace Independent Publishing, 2004–2015. 246–328 p. (ISBNs vary, pap.). When she's not baking her delectable pastries, Samantha Sweet legally breaks into houses for a living, and sometimes the things she discovers lead to trouble. The series begins with Samantha finding an unmarked grave on a property in a remote spot in Taos County, New Mexico. A small mural painted inside a closet in the abandoned house provides clues and Sam is caught up in an investigation with the good-looking Deputy Beau Cardwell. A fortune in artwork, a bogus will, and a wooden box that seems to give Sam powers she never dreamed she possessed— it all adds up to a dynamic paranormal romantic mystery.

Map

• United States Explorer Wall Map. National Geographic Maps, 2015. (978-1597750219)

Non-Print

Movies

- Benjamin, Richard, director. *Money Pit*. Amblin, 1986, 1 hr 35 min. (PG). A young couple sinks their life savings into a house that is falling apart to the extent that it no longer has a main stairway or water. Every home owner will recognize some of the situations they encounter.
- Johnston, Joe, director. *Jumanji*. TriStar Pictures, 1995, 1 hr 44 min. (PG). When two children find and play a magical board game, they release a man trapped for decades in it and a host of dangers that can only be stopped by finishing the game.
- Lynn, Jonathan, director. *Clue*. Paramount, 1985, 1 hr 34 min. (PG). Six guests are invited to a dinner party at a mysterious house where they soon find themselves in the middle of a murder mystery.
- Payne, Alexander, director. *Sideways*. Fox Searchlight, 2004, 2 hr 6 min. (R). Two men reaching middle age with not much to show but disappointment embark on a week-long road trip through California's wine country, just as one is about to take a trip down the aisle.
- Wells, Audrey, director. *Under the Tuscan Sun*. Touchstone, 2003, 1 hr 53 mn. (PG-13). Frances decides to get away from her divorce and her writer's block by taking a vacation in Italy, where she ends up buying a villa in the beautiful Tuscan countryside. Restoring her new home, she eventually finds the fulfillment she was searching for.

Web Resources

- 10 Pressing Life Problems. www.myrkothum.com/life-problems. Discussion list subscribers were asked what one single problem they would want help with. Examples range from finding inner peace to improving their money situation.
- American Red Cross. www.redcross.org/mo2.
- Cleaning With Household Products. www.allyou.com/budget-home/organizing-cleaning/household-products. Save money with this easy guide to cleaning your home using household products you already own
- Bob Vila YouTube videos. www.youtube.com/user/bobvila. Whether you need help installing French doors or finding the right tool, there are many Vila videos to choose from.
- Cake Central. www.cakecentral.com. Color photographs and cake decorating tips from professionals and everyday people.
- Chemo Caps. www.chemocaps.com/home.html. Hand knitting caps for cancer patients since 2001. Provides patterns, how to get involved and where to send caps locally.
- Beginner Wood Carving. www.chippingaway.com/BeginnersHowToGet StartedWoodcarving.htm. Beginner wood carving or whittling and woodcarving tools explained. Videos, basic information and detailed concepts for any stage carver.
- CreativeBug: Cake Photos and Recipes. www.creativebug.com/classes/food-and-home/baking-and-cake-decorating?gclid=CLun56O-_coCFQetaQodxgcGbQ. Classes, tips, suggestions, full-color photographs, and sharing ideas with like-minded creators.
- Collaborative Summer Library Program. www.cslpreads.org/programs/adult-program/yearly-program/. CSLP artwork along with programming ideas and merchandise.
- Conflict Resolution. www.skillsyouneed.com/ips/conflict-resolution.html. Tips for conflict resolution at home and at work.
- Conflict Resolution Skills. www.helpguide.org/articles/relationships/conflict-resolution-skills.htm. Discover and build the skills that can turn conflicts into opportunities.
- Disaster Relief Volunteer Abroad Programs. www.gooverseas.com/volunteer-abroad/disaster-relief.
- Fire Prevention and Preparedness Tips. www.ergeeks.org/fire-prevention-preparedness-tips/. Fire safety tips for personal and family safety.
- Fire Safety For Children: The Friendly Fireman. www.youtube.com/watch?v=ovWF4MU25Z8. Fire safety tips for children from the Friendly Fireman who explains important fire safety rules such as smoke detector safety, avoiding smoke inhalation, firefighter equipment, and much more.
- Fire Safety for Children: SteveSongs & Sparky the Fire Dog. www.youtube.com/watch?v=80VHhkqpZf8. PBS star SteveSongs, with the help of Sparky the Fire Dog, helps kids and their families stay safe by leading them through the four key steps for fire safety with this sing-along video.

- The Flag of the United States of America. www.usflag.org/flagetiquette.html. Documents flag etiquette, history of the flag, and a variety of information on flag- inspired writings.
- Free Donation Pickup. http://donationtown.org/news/donate-toys.html. Find out how to schedule a free toy-donation pickup.
- Green Cleaning with Household Items. www.mnn.com/your-home/at-home/stories/green-cleaning-with-household-items. Creative ways to clean in an eco-friendly way with Coke, foil, and other common goods.
- Green Cleaning Products. www.realsimple.com/home-organizing/green-living/green-cleaning-products.
- How to Make a Super Easy Pillowcase Dress. www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZQtt5kOjcXM. A twelve-minute tutorial on how to make a pillowcase dress, deftly explained and shown.
- Knitting Help. www.knittinghelp.com. Learn how to knit with free knitting videos, tips, forums, and knitting patterns.
- Little Dresses for Africa. www.littledressesforafrica.org/blog. A non-profit organization committed to helping make a better world for the youngest and most vulnerable. Sewing tips, patterns, etc.
- Little Free Libraries. *http://littlefreelibrary.org*. Small free-standing structures help promote literacy throughout the neighborhood and world.
- Little Free Libraries Building Day. http://littlefreelibrary.org/build/builders-day. This is where you can come to share ideas, get advice and be inspired by Little Free Library experts posting on a broad range of literary topics.
- Movie Licensing USA. http://library.movlic.com.
- Motion Picture Licensing Corporation. http://library.mplc.org.
- Nancy's Notions Patterns and Instructions. www.nancysnotions.com/text/pdf/LittleDressesforAfrica_pattern.pdf. Patterns and instructions for making pillowcase dresses.
- National Weather Service SkyWarn. www.nws.noaa.gov/skywarn/. Information on becoming a SyWarn spotter for the National Weather Service.
- Operation Gratitude. www.operationgratitude.com/. Explains the mission of Operation Gratitude. One of the projects is Scarves and Hats for former and current military personal. Patterns and information may be found at https://opgrat.wordpress.com/2010/08/05/scarf-hat-cool-tie-project-details-materials-size-patterns/.
- Severe Weather Preparedness. *https://weather.com/safety*. Tips on what to do when severe weather hits.
- The Star-Spangled Banner Preservation Project. http://amhistory.si.edu/starspangledbanner/preservation-project.aspx. Photos and information from the conservation of the flag at the Smithsonian Institute.
- Storm Chaser Center. www.stormchase.us/Articles/WhoCanChase.html. Not everyone should attempt to be a storm chaser. Who should, what is the purpose, training and weather conditions are discussed.

- TedX Talks Local. www.ted.com/participate/organize-a-local-tedx-event. Information on how to organize a local TedX Talk, topics, application tips, and much more.
- Adult Reading Program at the New Milford Public Library.

 www.webjunction.org/documents/webjunction/Adult_Reading_Program_at_the_New_Milford_

 Public_Library.html. This paper describes an adult reading program similar to summer reading programs for children developed in the New Milford Public Library. The program's main objective was for the adults to enjoy themselves in the library as much as the children do.