Annotated Bibliography

All the Better to See You With
By: Margaret Wild (1992)
Publisher: Albert Whitman and Company.
Because Katie is the quiet one in her family, her parents are slow to realize she is
nearsighted.

Apt. 3
By: Ezra Jack Keats (1971)
Publisher: Macmillan Publishing Co.
Sam and Ben meet the resident of Apt. 3, who is blind.

Arthur’s Eyes
By: Marc Brown (1979)
Publisher: Avon Books.
Arthur’s friends tease him about his new glasses but he soon learns to wear them with
pride.

Brian’s Bird
By: Patricia Anne Davis (2000)
Publisher: Albert Whitman and Company.
Eight-year-old Brian, who is blind, learns to care for his new parakeet and to appreciate
his older brother.

Business Is Looking Up
By: Barbara Aiello and Jeffery Shulman (1988)
Publisher: Twenty-First Century Books.
Renaldo Rodriguez, an eleven-year-old child who is blind, sets up a greeting card
service for step-families.

Cakes and Miracles
By: Barbara Diamond Goldin (1991)
Publisher: Puffin Books (Published by the Penguin Group).
After an angel in a dream tells Hershel to make what he sees in his head, he uses his
hands and memories to make cookies for the Purim holiday.

A Cane in Her Hand
By: Ada Bassett Litchfield (1977)
Publisher: Albert Whitman and Co.
Valerie learns new skills and techniques from a vision specialist as her sight changes.

Cromwell’s Glasses
By: Holly Keller (1982)
Publisher: Greenwillow Books.
Cromwell’s new glasses make it easier for him to see, but his siblings tease him about
how they look.
The Fourth-Grade Four
By: Marilyn Levinson (1989)
Publisher: Henry Holt and Company.
Alex refuses to wear his glasses anywhere but home because he’s afraid of being teased by his friends.

The Gift
By: Helen Coutant (1983)
Publisher: Alfred A. Knopf.
A young girl searches for the perfect gift to give her elderly friend who has returned home from the hospital after losing her vision.

Glasses, Who Needs ‘Em?
By: Lane Smith (1991)
Publisher: Viking Penguin Books.
A boy is unhappy about having to wear glasses until his doctor provides an imaginative list of well-adjusted eyeglass wearers.

A Guide Dog Goes to School
By: Elizabeth Simpson Smith (1987)
Publisher: William Morrow and Co., Inc.
The story of a dog trained to lead the blind.

A Guide Dog Puppy Grows Up
By: Caroline Arnold (1991)
Publisher: Harcourt Brace and Company.
Follows a puppy through the training process to become a guide dog to placement with a person who is blind.

Happy Birthday, Grampie
By: Susan Pearson (1987)
Publisher: Dial Books for Young Readers.
Martha takes great care to make just the right gift for her grandfather who has lost his vision.

Jennifer Jean, the Cross-Eyed Queen
By: Phyllis Reynolds Naylor (1994)
Publisher: Carolrhoda Books.
Jennifer Jean likes her big green crossed eyes and doesn’t want to wear a patch.

Jenny’s Magic Wand
By: Helen Hermann and Bill Hermann (1988)
Publisher: Franklin Watts, Inc.
Jenny worries about going to a public school after attending a school for children who are blind.

Jeremy’s Dreidel
By: Ellie Gellman (1992)
Publisher: Kar-Ben Copies, Inc.
Jeremy signs up for a Hanukkah dreidel workshop and makes one with braille dots for his dad.
Knots on a Counting Rope
By: Bill Martin and John Archambault (1987)
Publisher: Henry Holt and Company.
A young Native American boy who is blind reminisces with his grandfather about the boy’s birth, his first horse and an exciting horse race.

Libby’s New Glasses
By: Tricia Tusa (1984)
Publisher: Holiday House.
Libby can’t accept the idea of wearing glasses until she meets a lively bird with the same problem.

Listen for the Bus: David’s Story
By: Patricia McMahon (1995)
Publisher: Boyds Mill Press.
A real life look at David, who is blind and hearing impaired, as he begins kindergarten.

Little Hippo Gets Glasses
By: Maryann MacDonald (1991)
Publisher: Dial Books for Young Readers.
Little Hippo is upset about having to wear glasses until a new friend helps him accept his new look.

Lucy’s Picture
By: Nicola Moon (1995)
Publisher: Dial Books for Young Readers.
Lucy creates a special picture for her grandfather who is blind.

Mandy Sue Day
By: Roberta Karim (1994)
Publisher: Clarion Books (a Houghton Mifflin Imprint).
A young girl who is blind spends her special day with her horse and together they drink in the sounds, smells, and feel of an autumn day.

Mom’s Best Friend
By: Sally Hobart Alexander and George Ancona (1992)
Publisher: Macmillan.
Describes how a blind mother adjusts to getting a new guide dog for the blind.

Mom Can’t See Me
By: Sally Hobart Alexander (1990)
Publisher: Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers.
A nine-year-old girl tells about life with her mother who is blind.

My Friend Leslie: The Story of a Handicapped Child
By: Maxine Rosenberg (1983)
Publisher: Lothrop, Lee and Shepard Books.
Details the adventures of Leslie, a kindergarten student who is deaf-blind.
My Mother Is Blind
By: Margaret Reuter (1979)
Publisher: Children’s Press.
A young boy describes how everyone comes to terms with his mother’s blindness.

Naomi Knows It’s Springtime
By: Virginia Kroll (1992)
Publisher: Boyds Mill Press.
A young girl who is blind experiences the first signs of spring.

The New Boy Is Blind
By: William Thomas (1980)
Publisher: Julian Messner Books.
Ricky and his sighted classmates adjust to his blindness when he becomes the new student in their fourth grade classroom.

One of Us
By: Neil Amdur (1981)
Publisher: The Dial Press.
When Nora moves to a new town she becomes friends with Jerry, who is blind.

A Picture Book of Helen Keller
By: David Adler (1990)
Publisher: Holiday House.
A brief picture book biography of Helen Keller.

The Rose Colored Glasses: Melanie Adjusts to Poor Vision
By: Linda Leggett and William Andrews (1979)
Publisher: Human Sciences Press.
A young girl adjusts to wearing glasses and helps her classmates understand what it means to have low vision.

Sally Can’t See
By: Palle Petersen (1974)
Publisher: John Day Company.
Describes the life of a twelve-year-old girl who is blind as she learns to read, swim and ride a horse.

Sarah’s Sleepover
By: Bobbie Rodriguez and Mark Graham (2000)
Publisher: Viking Press.
A young girl who is blind shows her cousins what to do in the dark when the lights go out during a sleepover weekend.

The Seal Oil Lamp
By: Dale DeArmond (1988)
Publisher: Sierra Club Books.
A retelling of an Eskimo tale about a seven-year-old boy who is blind and left to die by the people of his village.
The Secret Code
By: Dana Meachen Rau (1998)
Publisher: Children's Press (a division of Grolier Publishing).
Oscar, who is blind, teaches Lucy how to read his braille book.

Seeing in Special Ways: Children Living With Blindness (Don't Turn Away)
By: Thomas Bergman (1989)
Publisher: Garth Stevens Children's Books.
Interviews with a group of children at the Tomteboda School in Sweden.

The Seeing Stick
By: Jane Yolen and Daniela Terrazzini (1997)
Publisher: Thomas Cromwell Co.
The emperor's daughter is blind and a mysterious old man with a "seeing stick" teaches her to see with her fingers, her mind, and her heart.

See the Ocean
By: Estelle Condra (1994)
Publisher: Ideal's Children's Books.
One foggy day Nellie is the first in her family to know when they reach their ocean vacation destination.

See You Tomorrow, Charles
By: Miriam Cohen (1983)
Publisher: Greenwillow Books.
First graders learn to accept Charles, a new classmate who is blind.

Seven Blind Mice
By: Ed Young (1982)
Publisher: Philomel Books (a division of the Putnam & Grosset Group).
Seven blind mice explore and discover different parts of an elephant.

Sing to the Stars
By: Mary Brigid Barrett (1994)
Publisher: Little, Brown, and Co.
Ephram makes friends with Mr. Washington and his guide dog Shilo.

Sound of Sunshine, Sound of Rain
By: Florence Parry Heide (1970)
Publisher: Parents Magazine Press.
A young boy listens carefully to the world around him as he makes his way through his day.

Spectacles
By: Ellen Raskin (1980)
Publisher: Anteheneum.
Iris sees things that aren't really what they seem to be until an optometrist gives her glasses.
Through Grandpa’s Eyes
By: Patricia MacLachlan (1980)
Publisher: Harper Collins Publishers.
A young boy learns a different way of seeing from his grandfather, who is blind.

Timothy of the Cay
By: Theodore Taylor (1994)
Publisher: Harcourt Brace.
Story of a shipwreck and a blind man.

Tom & Bear: The Training of a Guide Dog Team
By: Richard McPhee (1981)
Publisher: Thomas Y. Crowell.
The author tells in diary format of his twenty-six days observing a young blind man with a guide dog at Guiding Eyes for the Blind, a guide dog school in New York state.

Watch Out, Ronald Morgan!
By: Patricia Reilly Giff (1987)
Publisher: Viking Press.
Ronald Morgan has an array of humorous mishaps until he gets his glasses.