

Children

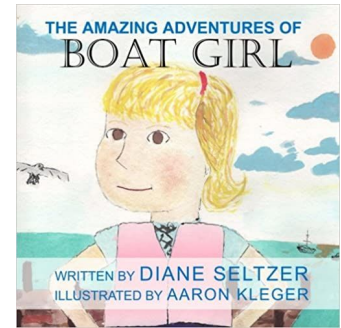
The Amazing Adventures of Boat Girl

Author: Diane Seltzer, Aaron Kleger

Genre: Educational, Fictional

Pages: 52 pgs

Summary: It's about a girl who gets on a boat for the first time, and wears a "magical jacket" to make sure she stays safe on her boating adventures. This book introduces children to life jackets and safe boat practices. It reinforces the idea of safety, and even though it may not explicitly talk about maritime technology, it is still a good introduction to that field.



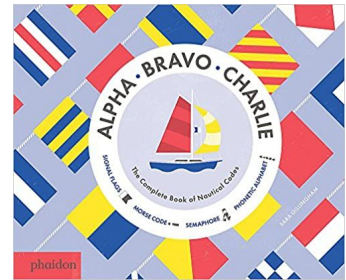
Alpha, Bravo, Charlie: The Complete Book of Nautical Codes

Author: Sara Gillingham

Genre: Educational

Pages: 120 pgs

Summary: It is an introduction to maritime communication through nautical flags, along with morse code, the phonetic alphabet, and semaphore signaling. The book is very educational, teaching children about different forms of maritime communication. It connects with the morse code program at the museum and gives a good look into the maritime industry in the way they communicate.



Adolescent

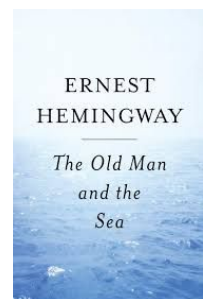
The Old Man and the Sea

Author: Ernest Hemingway

Genre: Fiction

Pages: 128 pgs

Summary: The book is about Santiago, an old fisherman, who has not had any luck in catching any fish for 84 days. He goes out in the Gulf of Mexico where he is able to hook a giant marlin. He struggles to reel in the fish for three days, but all his efforts were for naught as sharks are drawn to the marlin and eat the fish. He returns to the harbor discouraged. It is a story of determination, hope, and life. It emphasizes the message: "A man can be destroyed but not defeated." Many reviews say this is an interesting read and is a good classic.



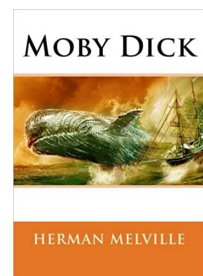
Moby Dick

Author: Herman Melville

Genre: Adventure, Fictional

Pages: 284 pgs

Summary: It is a story about how Captain Ahab seeks vengeance on a giant white whale who was responsible for taking his leg. He sets out on a voyage with a crew to hunt down the whale, leading them on his obsessive and dangerous quest. Reviews like this book for its symbolism and characterization. It shows how dangerous obsession and desire can be.



Adult

The North Water A Novel

Author: Ian McGuire

Genre: Action, Fictional

Pages: 270 pgs

Summary: It is a story about a group of men aboard a whaling ship and set sail for the Arctic. Patrick Sumner joins as a surgeon on the whaling ship only to meet evil and unfortunate people. It brings the reality of whaling and provides an informative perspective. It leaves readers with a huge effect as this book is said to leave a "heart-pounding" response.

