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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**


Presents 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**
Thimmesh, C., & Jones, D. B. (2004). *Madam President*. Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin. (Grades 4-8). Demonstrates how far women have come and reveals the many unsung roles women have played in political history.  
*Call Number: j320.082 Thi*

**Women and the Environment**

*Call Number: jB Goodall*

*Call Number: jB Earle*

*Call Number: jB Carson*

*Call Number: j333.72 Joh*

Paul, M., & Zunon, E. (2015). *One plastic bag: Isatou Ceesay and the recycling women of the Gambia*. Minneapolis, MN: Millbrook Press. (Grades K-5). 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*

*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
Traces the life and work of the Polish-born scientist whose study of radioactivity lead to her receiving two Nobel Prizes.
**Call Number:** jB Cur

Shares the life of the first female to work as a professional balloonist.
**Call Number:** j629.13 Smi

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

How Ada Byron Lovelace’s fascination with mathematics and science lead her to develop a groundbreaking algorithm for Charles Babbage’s analytical engine.
**Call Number:** j510.92 Wal

The story of Grace Hopper who played a prominent role in the early days of computers.
**Call Number:** j004.092 Wal

### Women and Sports

Describes the life and accomplishments of Gertrude Ederle, the first woman to swim the English Channel.
**Call Number:** jB Ede

Althea Gibson became the first African American woman to be ranked as the number one tennis player in the world.
**Call Number:** jB Gibson

Profiles the life and career of the international soccer star’s early life, college career, and playing for the US women’s national team.
**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

Poletti, F., Chapman, S., & Yee, K. (2017). *The girl who ran: Bobbi Gibb, the first woman to
run the Boston Marathon*. Seattle, WA: Compendium, Inc. (Grades K-3).
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**

NY: PowerKids Press. (Grades 3-5).
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


**Call Number:** j973.082 And

Blumenthal, K. (2005). *Let me play: The story of Title IX: The law that changed the future of girls in America.* New York, NY: Atheneum Books for Young Readers. (Grades 4-12). 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


**Call Number:** j973.09 Che


**Call Number:** j331.409 Col


**Call Number:** j978.02 Gre


**Call Number:** j973.7092 Jon


**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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