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The Notable Books for a Global Society (NBGS) Committee, part of the IRA CL/R SIG, selects each year a list of outstanding trade books for enhancing student understanding of people and cultures throughout the world. Winning titles include fiction, nonfiction, and poetry written for students in grades K-12.

Menzel, P. & D'Aluisio, F. (2008). *What the world eats*. Berkeley: Tricycle Press.

Bellward, S. & Berge, E. (2008). *Ethiopian voices: Tsion's life*. Brooklyn Park, MN: Amharic Kids.

Fox, M & Oxenbury, H. (2008). *Ten little fingers and ten little toes*. Orlando: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

Rumford, J. (2008). *Silent music: A story of Baghdad*. New York: Roaring Press.

Reibstein, M. & Young, E. (2008). *Wabi sabi*. New York: Little, Brown and Company.

Greenberg, J. (Ed.). (2008). *Side by side: New poems inspired by art from around the world*. New York: Abrams Books.

Alarcón, F. X. & Gonzalez, M. C. (2008). *Animal poems of the Iquazú*. San Francisco: Children's Book Press.

Milway, K. S. & Fernandes, E. (2008). *One hen: How one small loan made a big difference*. Toronto: Kids Can Press.

Nivola, C. A. (2008). *Planting the trees of Kenya: The story of Wangari Maathai*. New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux.

- Myers, W. D. (2008). *Sunrise over Fallujah*. New York: Scholastic.
- Nanji, S. (2008). *Child of dandelions*. Asheville, NC: Boyds Mills Press.
- White, R. (2008). *Little Audrey*. New York: Farr, Straus and Giroux.
- Halse, L. (2008). *Chains*. New York: Simon and Schuster.
- Erdrich, L. (2008). *The porcupine year*. New York: HarperCollins.
- Bartoletti, S. C. (2008). *The boy who dared*. New York: Scholastic.
- LeZotte, A. C. (2008). *T4*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin.
- Gifaldi, D. (2008). *Listening for crickets*. New York: Henry Holt.
- de la Peña, M. (2008). *Mexican whiteboy*. New York: Delacort Press.
- Schmidt, G. D. (2008). *Trouble*. New York: Clarion Books.
- Carter, A. L. (2008). *The shepherd's granddaughter*. Toronto: Groundwood Books.
- Zenatti, V. (2008). *A bottle in the Gaza sea* (A. Hunter, Trans.). New York: Bloomsbury. (Original work published 2005)
- Barker, M. P. (2008). *A difficult boy*. New York: Holiday House.
- Kulkin, S. (2008). *No choirboy: Murder, violence, and teenagers on death row*. New York: Henry Holt.
- Bolden, T. (2008). *George Washington Carver*. New York: Abrams Books
- Nelson, Kadir. (2008). *We are the ship: The story of Negro League baseball*. New York: Jump at the Sun/Hyperion.