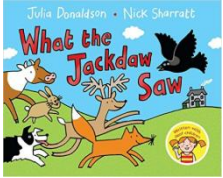




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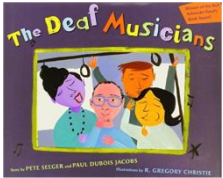
8 books featuring deaf characters in time for Christmas Shopping for your family and friends. Or just to read through cold winter days.



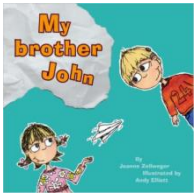
What the Jackdaw Saw
By Julia Donaldson & Nick Sharratt
A distracted jackdaw who wants to invite everyone to his party, learns how signs can help us all.



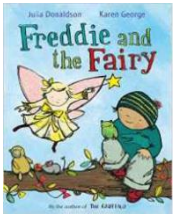
Moonbird
By Joyce Dunbar
Orla meets a mysterious moonbird and learns how to speak with his hands and listen with his eyes.



The Deaf Musicians
By Pete Seeger & Paul Dubois Jacobs
A pianist who loses his hearing and his job, only to start a popular new band of deaf musicians.



My Brother John
By Joanne Zellweger, Gerard Featherstone & Andy Elliott.
A girl describes the fun she has with her brother, who has a hearing aid and a cochlear implant.



Freddie and the Fairy
By Julia Donaldson & Karen George
Freddie learns the value of effective communication, when a hard-of-hearing fairy offers to grant his wishes.

Numbers by Years Ago... By Amy Willman

147 years ago... In 1869 the NSD was founded by a Deaf man named William DeCoursey French on 23 acres in North Omaha. NSD was a residential school for the Deaf students in kindergarten through Grade Twelve.

115 years ago... In 1901 NSDAA had their first reunion on September 4-6, at NSD. The first officers of the organization were Mrs. Estella Forbes (1895), president; Mr. Christian Jensen (1897), vice-president; Miss Ota Crawford (1891), secretary; Mrs. Ella Cornish Hunt (1891), treasurer.

105 years ago... In 1911 the school was the target of the Nebraska Legislature, which passed a bill that year that banned the use of American Sign Language at the school after intensive lobbying from the National Education Association..

85 years ago... In 1931 the NSD basketball team was the first deaf school to have won an all-classes state championship, defeating teams from hearing schools to win the title. The team was coached by Nick Petersen, a graduate of the school.

41 years ago... In 1975 Omaha was crippled by a blizzard, part of a larger storm that suffocated the Midwest in wind and snow and that hurled tornadoes across the southeast. Seventy people are known to have died, 58 because of the blizzard and 12 from the tornadoes.

18 years ago... In 1998 NSD closed for good. Several organizations, including the National Association of the Deaf and the Nebraska School for the Deaf Alumni Association were involved in protesting the closure



Christmas Trivia

1. What Christmas Ballet is the most famous of all?
2. Where was Mommy kissing Santa Claus?
3. What is Frosty the Snowman's nose made of?
4. Who is Ebenezer?
5. What color is the Grinch?
6. Which reindeer's name starts with a "B"?

Answers: 1. The Nutcracker, 2. Under the Mistletoe, 3. a button, 4. The Scrooge, 5. Green, and 6. Blitzen



The NSDAA Board of Directors wish you a very

Merry Christmas and a **Happy New Year!**

President Amy Willman, Vice President Rita Johnson, Secretary Lori Aquila, and Treasurer Diane Higgins