Books on the Armenian Genocide

Non- Fiction:

Survivors: An Oral History of the Armenian Genocide by Laura Touryan Miller, Donald **Eugene (1999)**

Grade 11+

Survivors is a compilation of interviews with survivors of the Armenian Genocide who recount their experiences during the tragic event.

- Teacher Resources:
 - o https://www.armeniangenocide.org/Education.19/current_category.122/resourceguide_detail.html



To the Desert: Pages from my Diary by Vahram Dadrian (2003)

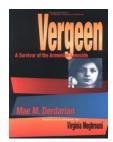
Grade 11+

The diary of a child in the Armenian Genocide. An unusual narrative, it describes the fate of thousands of Armenians who were sent not to Der Zor in 1915, but to the wastelands south of Aleppo, as far as Maan and Es Salt in Jordan.

- Teacher Resources:
 - https://www.leeandlow.com/uploads/loaded document/37/My Diary from Here to Ther e TG.pdf

Vergeen: A Survivor of the Armenian Genocide by Mae Derdanan (1997) Grade 11+

This is a true story of a girl's undefeatable will to survive the Armenian genocide. Through her recollections, the brutalities endured by two million Armenians during World War I come to a reality.

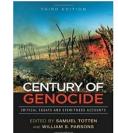


A Century of Genocide: Critical Essays and Eyewitness Accounts by Samuel Totten, William S. Parsons, and Israel W. Charney (1995)

Grade 10+

This first-hand account details the causes and ramifications of the genocides perpetrated in the twentieth century and into the twenty-first. Historical context provides the necessary background on the actors and victims to help us better understand these atrocious of political violence.

- Teacher Resources:
 - https://genocideeducation.org/resources/teaching-guides/
 - https://sfi.usc.edu/blog/lesly-culp/10-resources-teaching-about-genocide
 - http://www.teachhumanrights.com/genocide.html



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United States Official Documents on the Armenian Genocide (Archival Collections of the Armenian Genocide) by Ara Sarafian (1915)

Grade 11+

A compilation of official documents used to inform the United States of the Armenian Genocide in the 20th century.

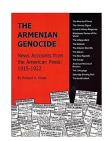


The Armenian Genocide: News Accounts from the American Press, 1915-1922 by Richard D. Kloian (editor)

Grades 9-12

A compilation of articles published in the New York Times reporting the Armenian Genocide.

- Teacher Resources:
 - https://learning.blogs.nytimes.com/2015/04/16/teaching-the-armenian-genocidewith-primary-sources-from-the-new-york-times



The Case of Soghomon Tehlirian, Armenian Political Trials translated by Vartkes Yeghiayan

Grade 11+

The detailed description of a court case of a survivor of the Armenian Genocide.

- Teacher Resources:
 - https://conservancy.umn.edu/bitstream/handle/11299/191528/Lesson%20Plan-Armenian%20Genocide.pdf?sequence=1&isAllowed=y

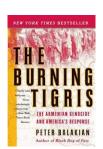
THE CASE OF SOGHOMON TEHLIRIAN

The Burning Tigris: The Armenian Genocide and America's Response by Peter Balakin (2003)

Grade 11+

A study of the roots of the Armenian Genocide, including Pan – Turkish nationalism and the Young Turks movement.

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Ambassador Morgenthau's Story by Henry Morgenthau by Peter Balakain (Editor) (1918)

Grades 10 12

Accounts of the Armenian Genocide as told by Ambassador Morgenthau.

- Teacher Resources: (\$25 to download)
 - o https://genocideeducation.org/teaching_guides/the-new-york-times-and-the-armenian-genocide-a-lesson-plan-for-high-school-students/

Some of Us Survived by Kerop Bedoukian, (1979)

Grades 7-9

Details of the forced deportation and annihilation of three million Armenians and the stories of few survivors.



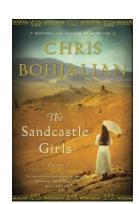
Fiction:

Sandcastle Girls by Chris Bohjalian (2012)

Grade 10+

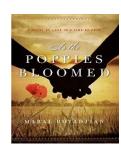
A novel about Syrian families during the Armenian Genocide.

- Teacher Resources:
 - o http://knopfdoubleday.com/guide/9780307743916/the-sandcastle-girls/?ref=sandcastle...
 - o http://bigbrainbookgroup.blogspot.com/2012/12/the-sandcastle-girls-by-chris-bohjalian.html
 - o https://www.readinggroupguides.com/reviews/the-sandcastle-girls/guide



As Poppies Bloomed: A Novel of Love in a Time of Fear by Maral Boyadjian (2015) Grade 9+

The story of young lovers living in the Ottoman Empire whose futures are threatened by the rise of Turkish Nationalism.



Like Water on Stone by Dana Walrath (2014)

Grade 8±

The story of three Armenian children as they flee to America to escape The Armenian Genocide.

- Teacher Resources:
 - https://genocideeducation.org/wpcontent/uploads/2016/03/SLM_LikeWateronStone_EducatorsGuide_WEB.pdf
 - https://genocideeducation.org/teaching_guides/like-water-for-stone-educatorsguide/ -- register to download



Forgotten Fire by Adam Bagdasarian (2000)

Grade 9+

A story based on the experiences of Bagdasarian great uncle during the Armenian Genocide.

- Teacher Resources:
 - o https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Browse/Search:forgotten%20fire
 - o https://www.penguinrandomhouse.com/books/7149/forgotten-fire-by-adam-bagdasarian/9780440229179/readers-guide/

Three Apples Fell From Heaven by Micheline Aharonian Marcom (2001)

Grade 11+

The story of five different people and how their lives were affected by the Armenian Genocide.



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Zabelle by Nancy Kricorian (1998)

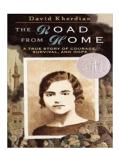
Grade 11+

The story of a family's discovery of their late grandmother's past and journey during the Armenian Genocide.

The Road From Home: The Story of an Armenian Girl by David Kherdian, (1979) Grade 8+

The story of David Kherdian's mother, through her voice.

- Teacher Resources:
 - o https://www.teachingbooks.net/tb.cgi?tid=11389



The Greedy Sparrow: An Armenian Tale by Lucine Kasabarian (2011)

Grades Pre K - 3

A picture book of an Armenian folk tale.

- Teacher Resources:
 - o http://www.lucinekasbarian.com/files/GreedySparrowStudyGuide.pdf



Call me Aram by Marsha Forchuk Skrypuch (2008)

Grades 3-6

The story of an Armenian refugee who escaped the genocide as a child.

- Teacher Resources:
 - o https://www.teachingbooks.net/tb.cgi?tid=17598

Nobody's Child by Marsha F. Skrypuch (2003)

Grades 6 - 9

Mariam is rescued by Turkish friends when her father is taken by the Turkish government.

- Teacher's Resources:
 - o http://www.calla.com/wordpress/nobodys-child-teachers-guide/

Autobiographies:

Passage to Ararat by Michael J. Arlen and Clark Blaise (1975)

Grade 9+

The story of Arlen's discovery of his family's past during the Armenian Genocide.

Black Dog of Fate by Peter Balakian (1997)

Grade 11+

A collection of poems describing families during the Armenian Genocide.

- Teacher Resources:
 - http://www.bookrags.com/lessonplan/black-dog-of-fate/characters.html#gsc.tab=0
 - https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Product/Black-Dog-of-Fate-A-Memoir-Lesson-Plans-851356

