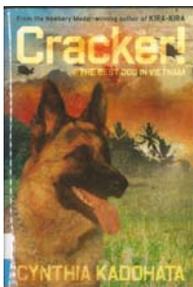




Cynthia Kadohata is a Japanese-American author of books both for adults and children, including *Kira-Kira*, winner of Newbery Medal; *The Thing about Luck*, winner of the National Book Award; *Weedflower*, winner of the Jane Addams Peace Award; *Cracker : the Best Dog in Vietnam*, winner of six state awards as voted on by kids; and *A Place to Belong*, longlisted for the National Book Award. Several of her books are coming of age stories about Asian-American girls. Her hobbies are adopting and loving Dobermans.

Award-winning Books (Library collection - Secondary Section)

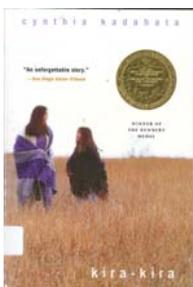


Cracker : The Best Dog In Vietnam

2011 California Young Reader Medal
2010 William Allen White Children’s Book Award

Told in part through the unusual point of view of a German shepherd, this book is an action-packed glimpse into the Vietnam War as seen through the eyes of a dog and her handler.

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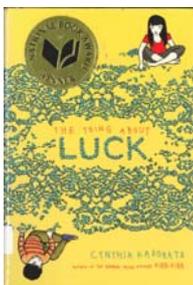


Kira-Kira

2005 Newbery Medal

Chronicles the close friendship between two Japanese-American sisters growing up in rural Georgia during the late 1950s and early 1960s, and the despair when one sister becomes terminally ill.

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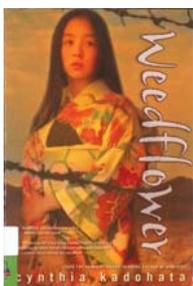


The Thing About Luck

2013 National Book Award

Just when twelve-year-old Summer thinks nothing else can possibly go wrong in a year of bad luck, an emergency takes her parents to Japan, leaving Summer to care for her little brother while helping her grandmother cook and do laundry for harvest workers.

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Weedflower

2007 Jane Addams Peace Award

After twelve-year-old Sumiko and her Japanese-American family are relocated from their flower farm in southern California to an internment camp on a Mojave Indian reservation in Arizona, she helps her family and neighbors, becomes friends with a local Indian boy, and tries to hold on to her dream of owning a flower shop.

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