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Museum of Science and Industry and American Library Association Offer Updated List of Children’s Science Books

An updated version of The Museum of Science and Industry Basic List of Children’s Science Books has recently been released and is now available to teachers across the country.

Published jointly by the Museum of Science and Industry and the American Library Association, the book is a supplement to the previously released 1973-1984 Basic List.

The 1987 edition contains approximately 530 recent science trade books for preschool through twelfth grade. It also contains a section including 40 resource books designed for use by parents and teachers to aid in interpreting science materials to children. Each of the student and adult resource books has been evaluated and rated on a five-level scale from “strongly recommended” to “not recommended.” A directory of publishers and a listing of science magazines and review journals is included.

The 1987 supplement is available at a cost of $8.95 per copy. The first supplement and original bibliography (1973-1984) may also be purchased at costs of $6.95 and $9.75 respectively. Ordering information may be obtained by writing the Museum of Science and Industry Museum Store, 57th Street and Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60637 or by phoning (312) 684-1414, Ext. 382.

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Teaching Aids Offered by American Cancer Society

The American Cancer Society, through its public education services, offers several teaching aids that may be of interest to Iowa science teachers. Films, videotapes, pamphlets, resource materials, posters and complete program packages are among the materials offered by the society, and some aids are available in Spanish as well as English.

One of the videotapes available is Taking Control. Designed for students in grades 7 through 12, the tape shows future scientists exploring how modern people have learned to lead healthier lives (i.e. eating well, not smoking, avoiding overexposure to the sun).

The Cancer Word Book is another of the service’s offerings. This 80-page dictionary of cancer-related terms is designed for use in grades 10 through 12.

A copy of Taking Control, The Cancer Word Book or a complete listing of resources offered by the American Cancer Society may be obtained by contacting your local American Cancer Society office.

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New Life for Bulletin Boards

Eastman Kodak is offering an idea booklet designed to perk up bulletin boards and other displays. Corkers is a 20-page, illustrated idea-enhancer that is free of charge to anyone interested. To obtain your copy, send a self-addressed adhesive label to Eastman Kodak Co., Dept. 841, 343 State Street, Rochester, NY 14650 and request the Corkers display guide.

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