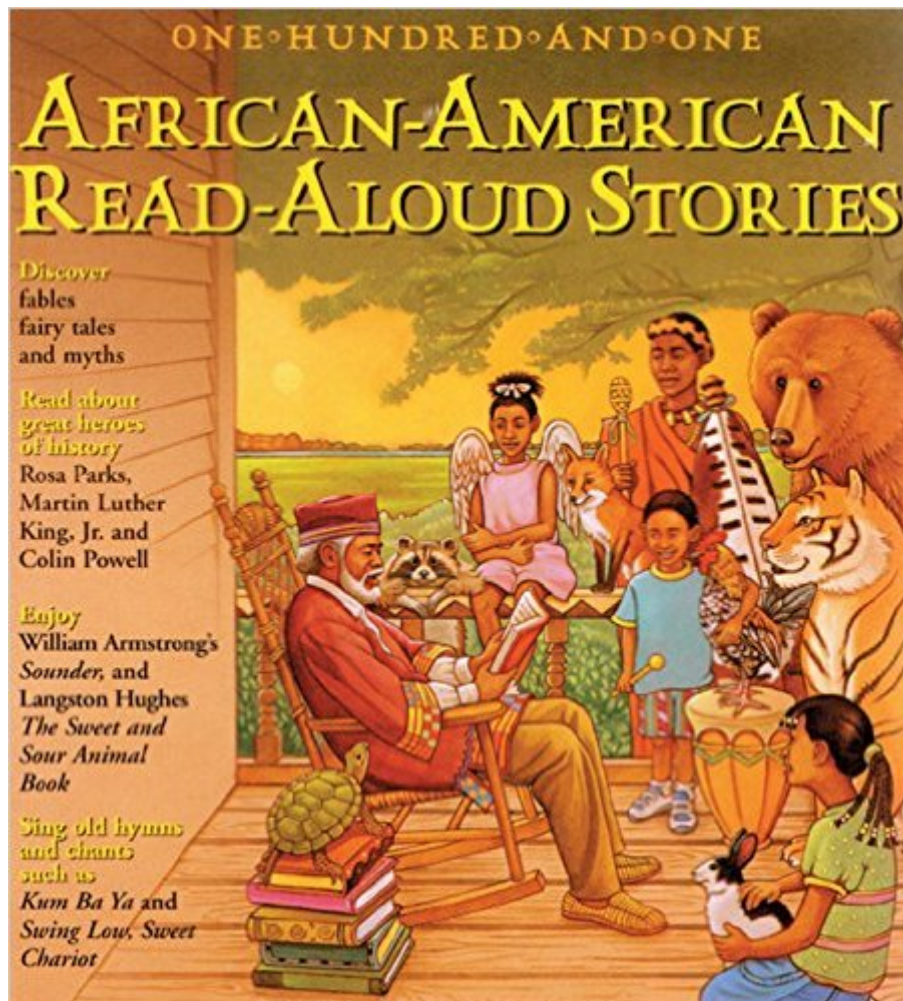


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# One-Hundred-and-One African-American Read-Aloud Stories



## Synopsis

The newest volume in the popular Read-Aloud series, this engaging collection features the best African-American short stories and excerpts to read to children in under ten minutes. The diverse tales, selected for their rich histories, spiritual writings and adventurous characters, offer the perfect bed-time--or any other time--activities for parents, grandparents, siblings or babysitters. The book includes 50 beautiful drawings that capture the spirit of these tales, legends, lore and fables. The narratives are faithful adaptations of the oral and written stories passed down through the centuries. They include Langston Hughes, Frederick Douglass, Booker T. Washington and Paula Fox.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 9 and up

Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

I found a great many of the stories not appropriate for children. They either ended in some horrific way, that would scare the average child, (my children are 3, 6 & 8) or they were disjointed, the beginning and the end, did not even seem to match. I found myself having to re-write the endings in telling the stories. The Biography, Slavery and History chapters were informative, but still did not compensate for the other stories. I would not purchase this book again.

This is a good, read aloud book, but do use discretion. I agree that some of the stories are a bit

older for the younger set. Also, some endings may not be the traditional happy ending. This can be surprising if you haven't read the story beforehand, so be aware. I like how this book is divided. There are sections on slave history, fables, biographical information on African-Americans, gospel/spirituals, etc. But, there are no illustrations. I think this could be a collection for the whole family that everyone can enjoy from time to time.

One Hundred and One African-American Read-Aloud Stories is a wonderful book that has a little something for everyone. Its selection of myths and fables will entertain while teaching moral lessons. Fairy tales, folk tales, and liar, fool and tall tales will encourage children to use their imaginations, while the stories on slavery, history and biography will educate. My only criticism is that the book is a little advanced for its targeted age range. There are no illustrations and young readers may have difficulty attempting to read the stories with no adult assistance. This is an excellent book that would complement any family library. Reviewed by Latoya Carter-QawiyyThe  
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Author: Susan Kantor  
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4  
Review: "One-Hundred-and-One African-American Read-Aloud Stories" by Susan Kantor was quite an interesting read. The first thing I will say is that I did not feel like all of these short stories were for young children. Some I would not care to read to a child. So, what I am saying is that an adult needs to have read it and decide for yourself if you think this particular one is for your child. I found most of them most interesting. This author did a wonderful job with the colorful descriptions...Wow! OK, with that being said you will be presented with "folktales, biographies, history books: songs, poetry and chants." There are some very informative information such as 'Biography, Slavery, and History' that will keep you interested in the read. I think in the end this could be a very good collection for a family at some set time. You will find many myths and fables that will entertain in its teachings. I wish there would have been some illustrations but on a whole I thought this novel was a good read that could go into a family library. However, as I said earlier beware that some of this is not for the younger children...parent please read and see for yourself if it would be for your child....mainly speaking of those younger than 9-10. Now, with that being said yes, I would recommend this read to you.

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