

Text Messages Episode 15

An Introduction to Graphic Novels

Tune in to hear podcast host Jennifer Buehler talk about these great books for teens and preteens on iTunes or at <http://www.readwritethink.org/beyondtheclassroom/>.

Background on Graphic Novels



Maus: A Survivor's Tale by Art Spiegelman
Pantheon Books, 1986
Winner of a special Pulitzer Prize



American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang
First Second, 2006
Winner of the Michael L. Printz Award



Swallow Me Whole by Nate Powell
Top Shelf Productions, 2008
Nominated for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize in YA Literature

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Blankets: An Illustrated Novel by Craig Thompson
Top Shelf Productions, 2003
Weighs in at almost 600 pages



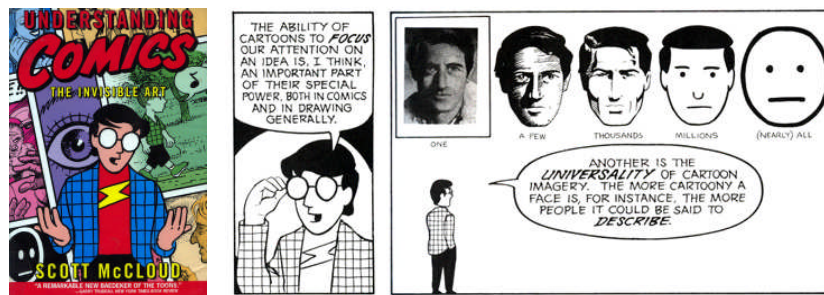
Bone: One Volume Edition by Jeff Smith
Cartoon Books, 2004

Individual comic books reassembled in a complete graphic novel format

Resources to Consult in Reading Graphic Novels

Great Graphic Novels for Teens, a list produced by the American Library Association
<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/booklistsawards/greatgraphicnovelsforteens/gn.cfm>

No Flying No Tights, a graphic novel website by Robin Brenner
<http://www.noflyingnotights.com/>



Understanding Comics: The Invisible Art by Scott McCloud
HarperPerennial, 2004

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