Books that take place in 1888:

**PICTURE BOOKS**

**City of Snow** by Linda Oatman High (32 pages)
A fictionalized account, told in free-verse poems, of a young girl’s experience living through the 1888 “Great Blizzard” in New York City. [New York, New York, 1888]

**Terrible Storm** by Carol Otis Hurst (32 pages)
A child's two grandfathers relate their boyhood experiences of the "terrible blizzard of 1888," during which each was stuck for three days doing what he disliked the most. [Massachusetts, 1888]
★Booklist - 11/15/06 - G ; RBCCB - 2/07 - A5-8 ; Horn Book Guide - Fall 07 - . ; +Kirkus* - 12/15/06 - A5-8 ; ★PubWkly - 1/15/07 - A ; +SLJ - 1/07 - K-3. RL: 1.7.

**A Small Dog's Big Life** by Irene Kelly (32 pages)
★Booklist - 7/1/05 - P-2 ; +Horn Book Guide - Fall 05 - . ; +Kirkus - 6/1/05 - A6-8 ; RLMC - 2/06 - G ; NSLJ - 8/05 - K-4. RL: 4.2, AR: 5.7.

**Owney, the Mail Pouch Pooch** by Mona Kerby (40 pages)
In 1888, Owney, a stray terrier puppy, finds a home in the Albany, New York, post office and becomes its official mascot as he rides the mail train through the Adirondacks and beyond, criss-crossing the United States, into Canada and Mexico, and eventually traveling around the world by mail boat in 132 days. Owney (Dog). Terriers. Dogs. Mascots. Postal services. Voyages and travels. [Albany, New York, 1888]
Booklist - 4/1/08 - K-3 ; RBCCB - 6/08 - G2-4 ; Horn Book - 7/08 - A ; Kirkus - 4/1/08 - A7-9 ; ★SLJ - 4/08 - G1-4. RL: 2.8, AR: 4.8.
Books that take place in 1888:

**ELEMENTARY GRADE CHAPTER BOOKS**

**The Schoolchildren's Blizzard** by Marty Figley (48 pages)
In 1888, Sarah, her younger sister Annie, and their classmates survive a sudden Nebraska blizzard because of the actions of their schoolteacher. Based on the true story of schoolteacher Minnie Freeman. Blizzards. Sisters. Teachers. [Nebraska, 1888]


**Anna's Blizzard** by Alison Hart (141 pages)
Having never excelled at schoolwork, twelve-year-old Anna discovers that she may know a few things about survival when the 1888 Children's Blizzard traps her and her classmates in their Nebraska schoolhouse. Survival. Blizzards. Schools. [Nebraska, 1888]

Horn Book Guide - G4-6 ; Kirkus - 9/15/05 - A8-10 ; SLJ - 10/05 - G3-5. RL: 4.0, AR: 4.0, rC: 2.9, Lexile: 570

**Anna, Grandpa, and the Big Storm** by Carla Stevens (59 pages)
Anna’s grandfather is bored with city life until he and Anna are stranded on the Third Avenue El during the blizzard of 1888. Grandfathers. Blizzards. [New York, New York, 1888]
Books that take place in 1888:

**MIDDLE SCHOOL BOOKS**

**Before the Lark** by Irene Bennett Brown (191 pages)
In 1888, hard-working twelve-year-old Jocey Royal, tormented because of a disfiguring harelip, takes her invalid grandmother to live on the Kansas farm that her drifter father has abandoned. Farm life. Cleft lip. People with disabilities. Grandmothers. [Kansas, 1888]

**Much Ado About Grubstake** by Jean Ferris (265 pages)
When two city folks arrive in the depressed mining town of Grubstake, Colorado in 1888, sixteen-year-old orphaned Arley tries to discover why they want to buy the supposedly worthless mines in the area. [Grubstake, Colorado, 1888]

**The Banjo Player** by Elizabeth Starr Hill (197 pages)
In 1888, adopted by a farming couple outside of New Orleans, twelve-year-old orphan Jonathan must choose between security and the excitement of performing as a musician along the river. Orphans. Musicians. [New Orleans, Louisiana, 1888]

**Day of the Blizzard** by Marietta D. Moskin (79 pages)
Eager to accomplish an errand for her sick mother, Katie braves one of New York City’s severest snowstorms in history, the blizzard of 1888. Blizzards. [New York, New York, 1888]
Voices After Midnight by Richard Peck (181 pages)
Living with their sister and parents in a rented house in New York City during the
summer, Chad and Luke uncover a mystery involving the former tenants of the house
when the two brothers slip back in time to 1888. Brothers and sisters. [Time Travel]
[New York, New York, 1888 and present]
Books that take place in 1888:

**NONFICTION**

**The Yellow House** by Susan Goldman Rubin (32 pages)
The story of the two-month period in 1888 when Paul Gauguin moved into Vincent van Gogh’s Yellow House so that the two artists could paint side by side. [Arles, France, 1888]

+Booklist - 11/15/01 - A5-8 ; +Horn Book Guide - Spr 02 - ; +Kirkus - 9/15/01 - A8-11 ; +PubWkly - 9/3/01 - A5-9 ; +SLJ - 1/02 - G2-5. RL: 5.1, AR: 4.9, RC: 3.9, Lexile: 810.

**Blizzard! : the 1888 whiteout** by Jacqueline A. Ball (32 pages)
Readers will witness one of history’s most ferocious blizzards through the compelling story of Meta, a young girl from New York who survived this deadly winter storm. This title chronicles advances in blizzard research and safety, as well. (BWI) Blizzards. [New York, New York, 1888]

NSLJ - 11/05 - G2-4. RL: 4.5, AR: 4.1

**Casey at the Bat : A Ballad of the Republic Sung in the Year 1888** by Ernest L. Thayer (32 pages)

+Booklist - 2/1/03 - G4-8 ; RBCCB - 2/03 - G4-8 ; +Horn Book Guide - Fall 03 - K-3 ; +PubWkly - 1/6/03 - A ; +SLJ - 3/03 - K-5. RL: 5.1, AR: 5.3

**The Blizzard of 1888** by Tracee De Hahn (104 pages)
Great disasters, reforms and ramifications .

Presents a history, based on personal accounts and newspaper articles, of the massive snow storm that hit the Northeast in 1888, focusing on the events in New York City. Blizzards. [New York, New York, 1888]

Booklist - 4/15/01 - G ; SB&F - 7/01 - G ; SLJ - 6/01 - G5-9