

Non-Fiction and Learning Books

Famous Spies, by Honor Head, Smart Apple Media, 2010 –

This focuses on the history of spying (looking at Mongol spies, escaped slave Harriet Tubman, master of disguise Sydney Reilly etc.) but without much detail making it a good early reader book with a sweeping overview of the subject. (Other books in this series include: *Wartime Spies*, *How Spies Work*, *Spy Technology*, *Codes and Code breaking* and *Secret Services*.)

Science on the Edge: Forensics, by Joanne Mattern, Blackbirch Press, 2004 – This book would appeal to older students who are interested in forensic science to solve crimes.

Spy School, by Adrian Gilbert, QEB Publishing, 2008 – This is a good book for this Theme Day as it has bigger text and lots of photos and isn't too big.

Top Secret: A Handbook of Codes, Ciphers, and Secret Writing, by Paul B. Janecko and illustrated by Jenna LaReau, Candlewick Press, 2004 – There is a lot in this book but grade school puzzlers will love this book of different codes and how to write and break them..

The Real Spy's Guide to Becoming a Spy, by Peter Earnest with Suzanne Harper (in association with the International Spy Museum), Abrams Books For Young Readers, 2009 – A larger book full of much spy info like “why spy?”, “What do spies do?”, and “How do you become a spy?” etc..

Spies: The Undercover World of Secrets, Gadgets and Lies, by David Owen (with a forward by Antonio J. Mendez, former CIA Agent), Firefly Books, 2004 – This is a better book for older siblings as it has small print and a lot of detail.

Secrets, Lies, Gizmos and Spies: A History of Spies and Espionage, by Janet Wyman Coleman with the international spy museum, Abrams Books For Young Readers, 2006 – This is a bigger book full of a lot of information about the history of spies.