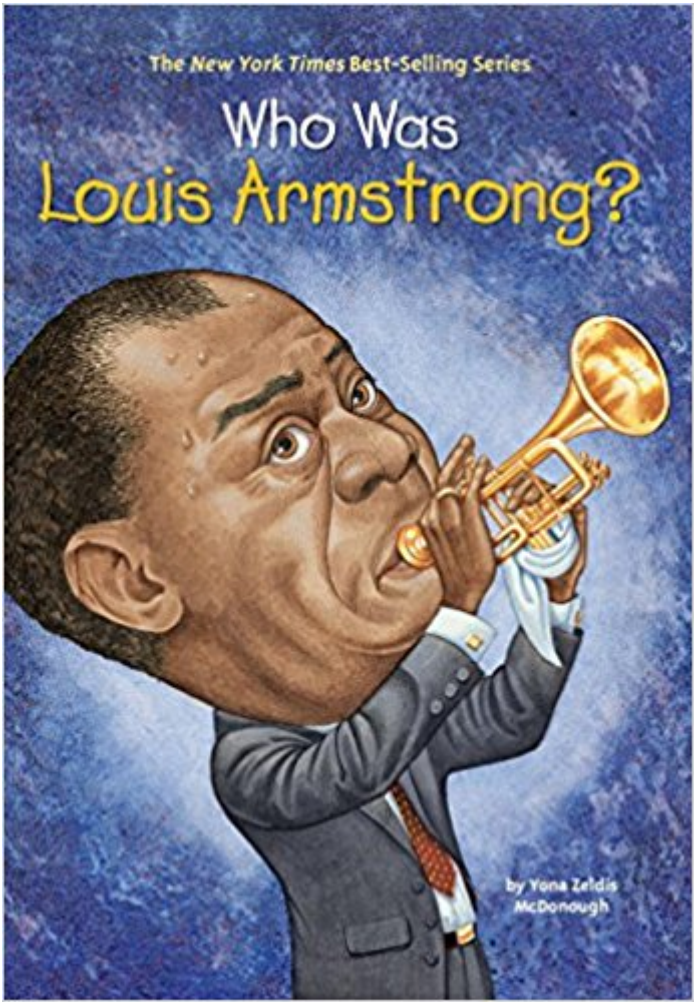
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If not for a stint in reform school, young Louis Armstrong might never have become a musician. It was a teacher at the Colored Waifs? Home who gave him a cornet, promoted him to band leader, and saw talent in the tough kid from the even tougher New Orleans neighborhood called Storyville. But it was Louis Armstrong?s own passion and genius that pushed jazz into new and exciting realms with his amazing, improvisational trumpet playing. His seventy-year life spanned a critical time in American music as well as black history.

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My second grade son LOVES these books. We have him write us book reports after reading them.

My 7 year old doesn't like to read much but he loved this book!

My daughter chose to do a report on Louis Armstrong because she just started playing trumpet. She really enjoyed this biography and learned a lot about Louis Armstrong. Her report and project turned out so nicely that her teacher kept it. Not sure yet if it will be on display for Open House or if she'll use it to illustrate what projects can look like to future classes but her project was inspired by one of the chapters in the book where Louis Armstrong plays at the (Rose?) Ballroom. We recreated the venue, with stage, brick wall, curtain, and a photo of his band, complete with concert posters on the outside brick wall! The book was easy to read and age appropriate, as I am sure it glossed over many, many things in Armstrong's life. Inspiring story and great book!

love the book. I purchased it for a child who loves to read. they found the book to be fun and informative and thoroughly enjoyed it. I myself did not read it so i can not comment on the content.

Kids love these bobble-head books! Louis Armstrong, what a man! Inspiring story for 2nd grade classroom.

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Highly recommend for young readers! We have a nice collection I cannot help but add more to.

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