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Marking the Invisible

This book addresses the influence of race and racism in social studies education. It features contributions exposing whiteness and disrupting white supremacy. The book promotes reshaping social studies to support Students and Teachers of Color, challenge colonialism, develop racial literacy, and promote justice-oriented teaching.

Outpost of Empires

Describes a French acrobat's seemingly suicidal stunts on a tightrope over Niagara Falls.

Blondin

Prepare for a heart-stopping adventure. Niagara Falls historian Paul Gromosiak introduces readers to daredevils who barreled, boated and even bicycled to fame by tempting the Mighty Niagara. Meet, for example, Anna Edson Taylor. This widowed school teacher became the first person ever to go over the Falls and live to tell about it. Then there is John Paul Munday, a former skydiving instructor who conquered Niagara Falls despite his intense fear of water! Daring Niagara treats readers to a nail-biting look at the men and women who brazenly thumbed their noses at nature. Filled with dozens of vintage pictures.

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