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# October: Real Life Heroes

**September 30 – October 7, 2007**

**Roberto Clemente: Pride of the Pittsburgh Pirates**  
by **Jonah Winter**

Roberto is a poor boy from Puerto Rico with a bat made from a tree branch, a mitt made from a coffee sack and a dream to play baseball. He works hard and becomes a great athlete and an even greater man who helps other poor Puerto Rican boys reach for their dreams.

**October 7 – 14**

**Rosa** by **Nikki Giovanni**

Rosa was a seamstress, a mother and a wife. An everyday person who got tired of having to go in separate "colored" entrances, drink from separate fountains and give up her bus seat to a white person if they wanted it. Listen to learn what happened when Rosa said "no".

**October 14 – 21**

**The Story of Ruby Bridges** by **Robert Coles**

First grader Ruby continues the heroic fight that Rosa Parks fought in. Ruby is the first black child to attend William Frantz Elementary School in New Orleans. Every day she bravely walks past a group of angry white people to attend school.

**October 21 – 28**

**Seven Brave Women** by **Betsy Hearne**

A young girl tells about her women ancestors—everyday women who do heroic things in their everyday lives. She starts with her great-great-great-grandmother who came to America on a wooden sailboat.

**October 28 – November 4**

**Teammates** by **Peter Golenbock**

At one time black and white baseball players never played on the same team. Then three brave men (black and white) worked to change that—Branch Rickey, the Brooklyn Dodgers manager; Jackie Robinson, the first black player to play on a major league team; and Pee Wee Reese, Jackie's teammate who faced the angry crowds and stood up for him.

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