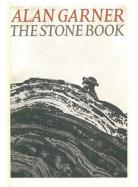
1996 Phoenix Award Winner

The Stone Book by **Alan Garner** (Collins, 1976, 1978, 1983; Dell, 1988)



Young Mary's views of life in her mid-nineteenth-century English village and of her heritage vastly expand when she accompanies her stonemason father up the steeple of the church he has built and later into a subterranean cavern. The first of a series of four powerfully realized books that take Mary's family into World War II, *The Stone Book* is exemplary for its sharp characterizations, vivid sense of time and place, celebration of pride in craft, exquisitely honed style, and delicately balanced emotional intensity.

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Abel's Island by William Steig (Farrar, 1976)