

# CCBC CHOICES 2009

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Frost, Helen. *Monarch and Milkweed*. Illustrated by Leonid Gore. Atheneum, 2008. 32 pages (trade 978-1-4169-0085-6, \$17.99)

Gillum, Sandy. *Loon Summer*. Field Notes, 2008. 48 pages (trade 978-0-9801201-0-3, \$15.75)

Jackson, Ellen. *The Mysterious Universe: Supernovae, Dark Energy, and Black Holes*. (Scientists in the Field) Houghton Mifflin, 2008. 60 pages (trade 978-0-618-56325-8, \$18.00)

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