1340L Silent Spring (CARSON)
The basic element, carbon, is one whose atoms have an almost infinite capacity for uniting with each other in chains and rings and various other configurations, and for becoming linked with atoms of other substances. Indeed, the incredible diversity of living creatures from bacteria to the great blue whale is largely due to this capacity of carbon. The complex protein molecule has the carbon atom as its basis, have molecules of fat, carbohydrates, enzymes, and vitamins. So, too, have enormous numbers of nonliving things, for carbon is not necessarily a symbol of life.

900L We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball (NELSON)
Rube ran his ball club like it was a major league team. Most Negro teams back then weren’t very well organized. Didn’t always have enough equipment or even matching uniforms. Most times they went from game to game scattered among different cars, or sometimes they’d even have to “hobo”—which means hitch a ride on the back of someone’s truck to get to the next town for a game. But not Rube’s team. They were always well equipped, with clean, new uniforms, bats, and balls. They rode to the games in fancy Pullman cars Rube rented and hitched to the back of the train. It was something to see that group of Negroes stepping out of the train, dressed in suits and hats. They were beaigleurs.

330L Seals (ARNOLD)
Earless seals live in oceans. Thick blubber keeps seals warm. A seal’s back flippers help it swim fast. Thick blubber keeps seals warm.

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