Kid-Friendly YouTube Clips:

What is the Caribbean? [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jGR2B2JUPbl](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jGR2B2JUPbl)

The History of the Caribbean Islands for Kids: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rw9SfJUkX4A](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rw9SfJUkX4A)

History of the Caribbean Islands, Parts 1, 2, 3 History, Music, Geography: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0gms3_CQ2sU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0gms3_CQ2sU)

Indigenous Names of the Caribbean Islands and their Meanings: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g6iFR_DNfjs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g6iFR_DNfjs)

What on Earth happened to the Taino? The Indigenous People of the Caribbean: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EZ7hTT9aoaQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EZ7hTT9aoaQ)

The Arawak Tribe: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g_CzfvBM5A8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g_CzfvBM5A8)

The Caribs Tribe: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M39cbfaMQNw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M39cbfaMQNw)

Teaching the Caribbean, Caribbean “Identities”: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0qfmum1-DQY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0qfmum1-DQY)

When Sugar Ruled the World, Plantation Slavery in 18th Century Caribbean: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wj_MMmq9cb0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wj_MMmq9cb0)

Sugar Plantations of British Barbados: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U32Zp4u_pNs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U32Zp4u_pNs)

Caribbean Culture Explained with Food: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d-p6iQRN2HQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d-p6iQRN2HQ)

Caribbean Island Folk Dance: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TiYIYMQMHo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TiYIYMQMHo)

African Caribbean Folk Dance: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a6JEyAyb8us](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a6JEyAyb8us)

Intro to Caribbean Drumming: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lWE3aaMUpj0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lWE3aaMUpj0)
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Steel Pan Drum History: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FZ1xkfTRf_k

How it’s Made, Steel Drums: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3CON6J1HBq0

History of Reggae Music: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mrOsYISfoJ0

Caribbean Art Festival in the British Virgin Islands: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0qfmum1-DQY

“Cariso” Folktales at Sunset: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9LJuBOLmvFs

Papa Bois and the Duennes, a Folktale from Trinidad & Tobago: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8HhQipESd0U

10 Scary Jamaican Folklore, Jamaican Things: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yh2I_a0h92w

Following is a sampling of island nations in 4 Caribbean and one Atlantic Region.

**Greater Antilles Islands**

7 Facts about **Puerto Rico**: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pl-sYxXe_iw

The Maroons, Jamaica’s Forgotten Nation: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LJfVfH09SK8

Rastafari Village Food, Jamaican Herb Tour: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hla-Uyb61TM

**Lesser Antilles Islands**

The Island of **Barbados**, History & Ecology: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=24ImcQBFy6M

A Brief History of **Trinidad & Tobago**: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aAZp3nMcwaE

**A Leeward Island**

7 facts about **Montserrat**: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Da_dU1KikNc

**A Windward Island**

**Martinique**, France in the Caribbean: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VKr4PecjkEw

**A Lucayan Archipelago Country**

Country of the **Bahamas**, History and Facts: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvpl6N283W0
Websites:

Caribbean: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Caribbean
Greater Antilles Islands: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greater_Antilles#:~:text=The
Lesser Antilles Islands: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lesser_Antilles
Leeward Islands: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leeward_Islands
Windward Islands: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Windward_Islands
The Lucayan or Bahama Archipelago: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lucayan_Archipelago
Bahama Islands: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Bahamas
Afro-Caribbean People: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Afro-Caribbean_people
Carnival Celebrations in the Caribbean: https://www.sandals.com/blog/caribbean-carnival-calendar/
Caribbean Religions: http://hirr.hartsem.edu/ency/caribbean.htm
8 Caribbean Music Festivals that Rightly Depict the Cultures: https://traveltriangle.com/blog/caribbean-festivals/
14 Examples of Beautiful Caribbean Architecture: https://www.architecturaldigest.com/gallery/beautiful-caribbean-architecture
Caribbean Architecture: https://www.pinterest.com/travelmedia/caribbean-architecture/
Languages of the Caribbean: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Languages_of_the_Caribbean
Lesson Plans:

Caribbean, Kids Discover: https://kidsdiscover.com/free-lesson-plans/tg-caribbean/


Caribbean Life: https://www.elephango.com/index.cfm/pg/k12learning/lcid/12542/Caribbean_Life

Diversity in the Caribbean: https://lacc.fiu.edu/outreach/k-12/lesson-plans-resources/diversity_in_caribbean.pdf


The Caribbean Islands, Teachers Pay Teachers: https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Browse/Search:the%20caribbean%20islands

Caribbean Teacher Resource: https://www.lessonplanet.com/lesson-plans/caribbean/all
## Children’s Books

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<td>Fran’e Lessac</td>
<td>K-3</td>
<td>Macmillian, London</td>
<td>9780230731271</td>
<td>This book presents an alphabet of images from the Caribbean, such as hibiscus, mangoes, and reggae. Illustrations and vocabulary encourage a sense of place and there is plenty to look at on each scenic page. The selections combine known and perhaps unfamiliar words with a glossary specific to the Caribbean.</td>
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<td>Rachel Isadora</td>
<td>K-4</td>
<td>Thrift Books</td>
<td>0399232303</td>
<td>Here is a place where children run, splash and sing, on an island in the Caribbean, in a world that is nothing short of magical. Rachel Isadora’s glowing watercolors and lyrical, evocative text celebrate the things that make the Caribbean a very special home.</td>
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<td>Phillis and David Gershator</td>
<td>K-5</td>
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<td>Can a shell really make soup? It might, if it’s a brown-and-white Caribbean shell, fresh from the sea, if it needs is a master soupmaker, like Granny, to stir the lot - and a little help from the folks in Market Square. Who Would’nt be willing to lend a hand to cook up some Kallaloo, soup famous from Jamaica to Trinidad? But there’s one final ingredient missing and even the magic shell forgot to mention it!</td>
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Title: Down By the River  
Author: Grace Hallworth  
Grade: 3-6  
Publisher: Frances Lincoln Children’s Books  
ISBN-10: 9781847800824  
Summary: A distinctive Caribbean flavor pulses through twenty-seven rhymes, songs, chants, and included in a lively tribute to sunny African-Caribbean customs.

Title: Tales from the Caribbean  
Author: Trish Cooke  
Grade: 2-8  
Publisher: Amazon  
ISBN: 978014137089  
Summary: A collection of favorite tales gathered from the many different islands of the Caribbean, one of the world's richest sources of traditional storytelling. From the very first Kingfisher to Anansi the Spider Man, these lively retellings full of humor and pathos, are beautifully retold by Trish Cooke. The book includes endnotes with a glossary, additional information as well as ideas for activities that children can do to explore the stories further.
Title: Hurricane Child  
Author: Kheryn Callender  
Grade: 2-6  
Publisher: Scholastic Publishing  
ISBN: 9781338129304  
Summary: Born during a storm, Caroline Murphy, a 12-year-old black girl, is convinced that she has been cursed with bad luck. The old ladies around her way say this is the fate of any child born during a hurricane. Recent events in her life seem to confirm this. Feeling unwanted by everyone, especially since the abrupt departure of her mom, Caroline leads a difficult life. She is bullied by those at her school in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, including her teacher, for her skin, which is darker than theirs. She is also followed around by a spirit—the woman in black—that she is sure only she can see. Her journey to the answers to her most burning questions finds her discovering much about herself and those around her. Writing in Caroline’s present-tense voice, Callender draws readers in and makes them identify with Caroline’s angst and sorrow and joy and pain.

Title: Cendrillon  
Author: Robert D. San Souci  
Grade: 2-6  
Publisher: Simon & Schuster Publishing  
ISBN: 9780689806681  
Summary: You may think you already know this story about a beautiful servant girl, a cruel stepmother, a magnificent ball, and a lost slipper. Now you can hear the tale from someone who was there: a poor washerwoman from the island of Martinique. She has just one thing in the world to love, her goddaughter Cendrillon. When she finds Cendrillon heartsick over a rich man’s son, at first she doesn’t know what to do. But she has sharp wits, a strong will, and the magic wand her mother left her—and soon she has a plan to give her dear Cendrillon the gift of a love that will change her life. Adapted from a traditional Creole story, this fresh retelling captures all the magic of Cinderella, melding it with the vivid beauty of the Caribbean and the musical language of the islands.
Summary: This interesting title describes the festivals and holidays celebrated in the island nation of Jamaica.