Book Backdrops: Connecting Literature and Primary SourcesBook Title: *Twenty-One Elephants* by Phil Bildner

Cover Image	Bibliographic Information: Bildner, Phil. Twenty-One Elephants. Illustrated by LeUyen Pham. NY: Simon and Schuster, 2004. Summary: Eight-year-old Hannah, upon completion of the Brooklyn Bridge, enlists the help of P.T. Barnum and his twenty-one elephants to prove to her father and all of Brooklyn that the bridge is safe.	Book Type: Picture book, historical fiction Setting and Time Period: Brooklyn, NY, 1883 Subjects: Brooklyn Bridge, P.T.Barnum, Jumbo
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