

O'NEILL, RICHARD**The Can Caravan**

Illus. by Cindy Kang
CHILD'S PLAY, 2022
9781786286154

Janie is a girl who loves design and technology. When her elderly neighbor Mrs. Tolén breaks her hip and is told that she can no longer live in her caravan and needs to move into a house, Janie starts collecting cans to renovate the caravan and help her neighbor.

QUIGLEY, DAWN**Jo Jo Makoons: Fancy Pants**

Illus. by Tara Aubert
HEARTDRUM, 2022
9780063015401

First-grader Jo Jo is excited for her aunt Annie's wedding but struggles to figure out how to be fancy enough. Luckily, she can see lots of examples in her Ojibwe community.

REID, C. L.**Dog Watch (Emma Every Day)**

Illus. by Elena Aiello
PICTURE WINDOW, 2022
9781666338768

In this installment of an early reader series, Emma is excited to take care of a neighbor's dog, but it is harder than she expected. Emma is Deaf, and each book of the series shows ASL signs for parts of the story, while the included fingerspelling alphabet and numbers charts enable readers to learn a little ASL themselves.

THOMPSON-BIGELOW, JAMILAH**Abdul's Story**

Illus. by Tiffany Rose
SALAAM READS, 2022
9781534462984

Abdul loves to tell stories but struggles with writing them out on paper, until an author visit to his class shows him that anyone can be a writer.

TOKUDA-HALL, MAGGIE**Love in the Library**

Illus. by Yas Imamura
CANDLEWICK, 2022
9781536204308

This picture book is based on the story of Tokuda-Hall's grandparents meeting and falling in love in an internment prison during World War II. A great book to start a discussion about discrimination and a part of our history that is seldom discussed.

VO, YOUNG**Gibberish**

Illus. by the author
LEVINE QUERIDO, 2022
9781646141104

A young boy starts a new school, unable to speak or understand the native language. Everything sounds like gibberish. He makes friends with a classmate who takes the time to teach him common words with drawings.

WILSON-TRUDEAU, MARTY, AND PHOENIX WILSON**Phoenix Gets Greater**

Illus. by Megan Kyak-Monteith
SECOND STORY, 2022
9781772602531

Phoenix loves to play with dolls and loves to dance. When Phoenix is bullied at school, his mom teaches him about Niizh Manidoowag (Two-Spirit) people and their role in Anishinaabe culture, accepting and celebrating him.

WONG-KALU, HINALEIMOANA, DEAN HAMER, AND JOE WILSON**Kapaemahu**

Illus. by Daniel Sousa
KOKILA, 2022
9780593530061

A retelling of the Indigenous legend about the Mahu who

sailed to Hawaii and shared their knowledge and gifts with the Hawaiian people. The four large boulders at Waikiki Beach are in honor of these visitors and can still be seen today.

YANG, KELLY**Yes We Will: Asian Americans Who Shaped This Country**

Illus. by Nabi H. Ali and others
DIAL, 2022
9780593463055

An inspiring collection of short biographies of Asian American trailblazers—with each profile illustrated by a different artist to match their achievements—that encourages young readers to dream big.

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ARGUETA, JORGE TETL

Viento, Vientito / Wind, Little Wind

Illus. by Felipe Ugalde
Alcántara

PIÑATA BOOKS, 2022
9781558859456

Repetition and rhythm evoke the varying sounds and power of the wind in this bilingual picture book ideal for a nature storytime or a poetry lesson. *In Spanish and English with a Nahuatl translation at the end.*

BAPTISTE, TRACEY

Because Claudette

Illus. by Tonya Engel
DIAL, 2022
9780593326404

A picture-book biography about Claudette Colvin, a teenager who refused to give up her seat to a white person on a segregated bus, which in turn helped launch the Montgomery bus boycott.

BINGHAM, WINSOME

Soul Food Sunday

Illus. by C. G. Esperanza
ABRAMS, 2021
9781419747717

A multigenerational Black family gathers together and prepares a feast for Sunday dinner. Rhythmic text and bold illustrations make it perfect for an interactive read-aloud.

CAMPER, CATHY

Arab Arab All Year Long!

Illus. by Sawsan Chalabi
CANDLEWICK, 2022
9781536213959

Arab kids make food, celebrate with family, and play with friends in this celebration of the

variety of the Arab diaspora, blending old and new cultural traditions.

CEPEDA, JOE

Rafa Counts on Papá

Illus. by the author
LITTLE, BROWN, 2022
9780316540896

Rafa and his father have fun measuring all sorts of things—from the height their dog can jump to the songs of the birds. Their shared curiosity and love for one another make this quality time extra special.

CHANG, MAGGIE P.

Geraldine Pu and Her Lucky Pencil, Too!

Illus. by the author
SIMON SPOTLIGHT, 2022
9781534484757

Geraldine struggles with writing a story about her family until she receives help from her grandmother in this early reader graphic novel.

DE LA PEÑA, MATT

Patchwork

Illus. by Corinna Luyken
PUTNAM, 2022
9781984813961

In moving verse, this celebration of growth, self-discovery, and being true to yourself inspires readers to reflect on the changes that are possible within each of us.

FARUQI, REEM

Amira's Picture Day

Illus. by Fahmida Azim
HOLIDAY HOUSE, 2021
9780823440191

Amira is excited to celebrate the Muslim holiday Eid, until she finds out she will have to

miss picture day at school. Luckily, she is able to make it to school for the class picture and teach her class about Eid. We learn about celebrating Eid and what it feels like to balance two cultures as a child.

FERNEYHOUGH, LIZA

Nana, Nenek & Nina

Illus. by the author
DIAL, 2022
9780593353943

Nina visits her grandmas in England (Nana) and in Malaysia (Nenek). In those places, she plays games, eats local food, and celebrates the different cultures to which she belongs.

FORD, BERNETTE G.

Uncle John's City Garden

Illus. by Frank Morrison
HOLIDAY HOUSE, 2022
9780823447862

Three siblings spend a summer tending to their uncle John's garden in the middle of the city. After a lot of hard work, they share their bounty with friends and family.

FORSYTHE, MATTHEW

Mina

Illus. by the author
PAULA WISEMAN BOOKS, 2022
9781481480413

Mina is a little mouse whose quiet days are sometimes interrupted by the "surprises" her father brings home. One day her father brings home an unusual surprise: a cat. As the cat grows, Mina becomes unsettled. How can she live with a cat that is taking up every inch of their home?

**FRITSCH, KELLY, AND
ANNE MCGUIRE**

We Move Together

Illus. by Eduardo Trejos
AK PRESS, 2021
9781849354042

A group of mixed-ability kids come together in community. Celebrating disability culture and focusing on disability justice, this sparks conversations and imaginations to create a better world together. A variety of access tools are available at wemovetogether.ca.

GEHL, LAURA

Apple and Magnolia

Illus. by Patricia Metola
FLYAWAY BOOKS, 2022
9781947888357

Britta loves visiting her favorite trees—Apple and Magnolia. When Magnolia's branches begin to sag, Britta wonders what she—and Apple—might do to help. Britta devises a plan to help Magnolia, and wondrous connections within the natural world are revealed.

**GREENDEER, DANIELLE,
ANTHONY PERRY, AND
ALEXIS BUNTEN**

Keepunumuk: Weeâchumun's Thanksgiving Story

Illus. by Garry Meeches Sr.
CHARLESBRIDGE, 2022
9781623542900

The story of Keepunumuk, the "time of harvest," told by a contemporary Wampanoag grandmother. The book transitions from storytelling to history when telling the story of the first Thanksgiving. A "Before You Begin" and

"Important Words to Know" put the story in perspective for young readers.

HO, JOANNA

Eyes That Speak to the Stars

Illus. by Dung Ho
HARPER, 2022
9780063057753

A young boy's father and grandfather help him learn that his eye shape is an important feature passed down from generation to generation.

IWAI, MELISSA

Gigi and Ojiji

Illus. by the author
HARPER, 2022
9780063208063

Gigi is excited for Ojiji (Japanese for grandpa) to move to America and live in their family home. However, her expectations of playing with Ojiji make for a rough transition until they find a hobby to enjoy together.

**JENNINGS, TERRY
CATASÚS**

The Little House of Hope

Illus. by Raúl Colón
NEAL PORTER BOOKS, 2022
9780823447169

When Esperanza and her family arrive in the U.S. from Cuba, their little house provides a welcome place for them to establish their new lives. Over the years, the casita becomes a refuge for other immigrant families as well. *Also available in Spanish.*

**KOWAL, MARY
ROBINETTE**

Molly on the Moon

Illus. by Diana Mayo
ROARING BROOK, 2022
9781250259615

Molly, her younger brother, and their mother move to the moon, and the children are only allowed to take one object each with them from Earth. Throughout the book, they learn how to repurpose items so toys are more abundant.

LYONS, KELLY STARLING

Ty's Travels: All Aboard!

Illus. by Nina Mata
HARPER, 2020
9780062951120

When Ty's family is too busy to play with him, he finds fun using an empty box and his imagination to create a train and sets out on an adventure—and draws in his family along the way.

MILLER, PAT ZIETLOW

In Our Garden

Illus. by Melissa Crowton
PUTNAM, 2022
9781984812100

A casually diverse class works together to plant a garden on their school's roof. As produce grows and becomes abundant, the class is met with support from parents and the community.

