

SRIRAM, MEERA

**A Garden in My Hands**

Illus. by Sandhya Prabhat  
KNOPF, 2023  
9780593427101

A young girl, filled with stories of her ancestors, waits with anticipation to see the henna designs on her hands.

TREJO, JESÚS

**Papá's Magical Water-Jug Clock**

Illus. by Eliza Kinkz  
MINERVA, 2023  
9781662651045

Jesús spends the day helping Papá with his landscaping business and monitoring the magical water-jug clock—which may not be so magical after all! *Also available in Spanish.*

WAI LIN, JOSEPHINE

**Whoever You Are: A Baby Book on Love & Gender**

Illus. by Sandy Lopez  
THE COLLECTIVE BOOK STUDIO, 2022  
9781951412944

Full of affirmations of unconditional love and acceptance, this brightly colored board book thoughtfully introduces the concepts of belonging and inclusivity.

WANG, ANDREA

**Luli and the Language of Tea**

Illus. by Hyewon Yum  
NEAL PORTER BOOKS, 2022  
9780823446148

When Luli realizes that no one can speak English in her ESL classroom, she decides to have a tea party to bring everyone together.

WEATHERFORD, CAROLE  
BOSTON**Me and the Family Tree**

Illus. by Ashleigh Corrin  
SOURCEBOOKS JABBERWOCKY, 2022  
9781728242491

A rollicking rhyming board book celebrating a young Black girl and the family members she can thank for each of her features.

WILES, DEBORAH

**We Are All under One Wide Sky**

Illus. by Andrea Stegmaier  
SOUNDS TRUE, 2021  
9781683646334

Using a combination of realistic and fantastical illustrations, this book counts up to ten and down again, depicting children around the world, alone or in groups, playing and exploring. Can you spy the little brown bird throughout?

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## BOOKLIST

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**ABU, FIFI**

### **Some Moms**

**Illus. by the author**  
PAW PRINTS, 2023  
9781223186788

A rhyming book showing all kinds of moms and the different things they do.

**ASHMAN, LINDA**

### **When the Storm Comes**

**Illus. by Taeun Yoo**  
NANCY PAULSEN BOOKS, 2020  
9780399546099

Rhyming picture book that highlights the stages of a New England thunderstorm as a community prepares to take shelter during its wrath.

**BOLLING, VALERIE**

### **Together We Swim**

**Illus. by Kaylani Juanita**  
CHRONICLE, 2023  
9781797212494

A young boy nervously learns to swim while spending the day at the pool with his supportive and encouraging family.

**CUMMINS, LUCY RUTH**

### **Our Pool**

**Illus. by the author**  
ATHENEUM, 2023  
9781534499232

A young child and her mother take a trip to the pool. Diverse characters share the fun and exuberance of splashing, swimming, and playing in the pool on a hot summer's day.

**DENISE, ANIKA  
ALDAMUY**

### **Gato Guapo**

**Illus. by Zara  
González Hoang**  
HARPER, 2023  
9780063062665

Gato Guapo is a handsome, stylish cat. When nine mischievous kittens follow Gato Guapo, he begins to lose things. This colorful counting book is a fun romp told in a blend of Spanish and English.

**DITERLIZZI, ANGELA**

### **The Magical Yet**

**Illus. by Lorena Alvarez  
Gómez**  
LITTLE, BROWN, 2020  
9781368025621

A story inspired by the possibilities of what happens when we learn new things.

**EJAITA, DIANA**

### **A Day in the Sun**

**Illus. by the author**  
RISE X PENGUIN  
WORKSHOP, 2023  
9780593659854

Children all around the world show what they do during the day and play in the sunshine.

**HARRISON, VASHTI**

### **Big**

**Illus. by the author**  
LITTLE, BROWN, 2023  
9780316353229

A story about acceptance and self-love.

**HO, JOANNA**

### **One Day**

**Illus. by Faith Pray**  
HARPER, 2023  
9780063056923

A message of hope and love from a mother to her son and the dreams she has for him to live a life of courage.

**HUGHES, EMILY**

### **The Snail**

**Illus. by the author**  
CHRONICLE, 2022  
9781797204673

Isamu Noguchi, a Japanese American artist, is spotlighted in this picture book that details his struggles with identity and his artwork that has captivated generations.

**JEFFERSON, ASHLEY  
RENEE**

### **All of Me Is Nature: Exploring My Five Senses Outside**

**Illus. by Kristiana Vellucci**  
LITTLE FEMINIST, 2023  
9798986704920

Shown in beautiful full-color photographs, children explore nature using all of their senses.

**LAM, MAPLE**

### **Dim Sum, Here We Come!**

**Illus. by the author**  
HARPER, 2023  
9780062396983

It's Sunday, which means it's time for the family tradition of enjoying dim sum together. Everyone orders different food so we can all share!

**MCGINTY, ALICE B.**

### **Bathe the Cat**

**Illus. by David Roberts**  
CHRONICLE, 2022  
9781452142708

Clean-up time becomes very hectic and hilarious as the cat mixes up the chores and the jobs become sillier and sillier.

**MORENO, HEIDI**

### **Luna Oscura**

**Illus. by the author**  
LIL' LIBROS, 2022  
9781948066389

This bilingual story about a black cat trying to find a home has many layers to explore—being judged by how you look, people being afraid of you because you are different, as well as friendship. *(Bilingual)*

**NORMAN, LISSETTE**

### **Plátanos Go with Everything**

**Illus. by Sara Palacios**  
HARPER, 2023  
9780063247789

A bilingual story where plátanos are the thread between the family's new life in New York and the Dominican Republic, where they are from. *(Bilingual)*

**PLISKA, ZEENA M.**

### **Egyptian Lullaby**

**Illus. by Hatem Aly**  
ROARING BROOK, 2023  
9781250222497

A cumulative tale sung to a young girl during her great-aunt's two-week visit "from the other side of the world." Text and illustrations convey the vibrancy of crowded, bustling Cairo. Glossary of Arabic terms included.

**PRAGER, SARAH**

### **Kind like Marsha: Learning from LGBTQ+ Leaders**

**Illus. by Cheryl Thuesday**  
RUNNING PRESS KIDS, 2022  
9780762475001

An overview of 14 inspirational LGBTQ+ figures throughout world history.

**RAÚL THE THIRD**

### **My Party / Mi fiesta**

**Illus. by the author**  
VERSIFF, 2022  
9780358394723

What do you need to throw a party? Coco Rocho and friends show it all to you in both English and Spanish. *(Bilingual)*

**ROGERS, KIM**

### **Just like Grandma**

**Illus. by Julie Flett**  
HEARTDRUM, 2023  
9780063049246

Becca and Grandma love to spend time together enjoying their favorite activities and learning new things from each other.

**SCHAEFER, CAROLE LEXA**

### **Chicken Talk around the World**

**Illus. by Pierr Morgan**  
LITTLE BIGFOOT, 2021  
9781632172914

Children in the United States, Mexico, Kenya, Japan, India, and France help their grandmothers tend the chickens. Includes basic chicken and human vocabulary native to each locale.

**SCOTT, JORDAN**

### **My Baba's Garden**

**Illus. by Sydney Smith**  
NEAL PORTER BOOKS, 2023  
9780823450831

Set in British Columbia, this picture book honors a boy's relationship with his grandmother who emigrated from Poland after WWII, as well as their conversations about food scarcity.

**SHUM, BENSON**

### **Anzu the Great Kaiju**

**Illus. by the author**  
ROARING BROOK, 2022  
9781250776129

Anzu, a small but mighty kaiju, learns to embrace his true self while living up to his family's legacy.

