

ROUMANI, RHONDA,  
AND NADIA ROUMANI

**Insha'Allah,  
No, Maybe So**

Illus. by Olivia Aserr  
HOLIDAY HOUSE, 2024  
9780823454419

A picture book about an Arabic phrase used to talk about hopes, dreams, and the future.

SEVIGNY, ALISHA

**Give Me a  
Snickle!**

ORCA, 2022  
9781459828704

Get ready to giggle, tickle, tuggle, and snickle with this silly book celebrating affection and laughter.

SORELL, TRACI

**Being Home**

Illus. by Michaela Goade  
KOKILA, 2024  
9781984816030

An Indigenous family moves from the city to

a Native reservation to reconnect with their community.

SORELL, TRACI

**On Powwow Day**

Illus. by Madelyn Goodnight  
CHARLESBRIDGE, 2024  
9781623545765

This board book adaptation of *Powwow Day* engages the youngest readers in a count to ten as they explore the colors, sights, and people they would encounter at a powwow.

SOUNDAR, CHITRA

**It's Time to  
Hush and Say  
Good Night**

Illus. by Sandhya Prabhat  
CANDLEWICK, 2024  
9781536235531

Time to put your little one to bed and ensure sweet dreams with these gentle

rhymes and beautiful, colorful illustrations.

TONATIUH, DUNCAN

**¡Fiesta! A  
Festival of Colors**

Illus. by the author  
ABRAMS APPLESEED, 2024  
9781419773303

A Spanish-English bilingual introduction to colors and items seen at a Mexican street festival. An author's note describes the nature and significance of the joyful fiestas. *(Bilingual)*

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El día de los libros  
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## BOOKLIST

# Birth–PreK

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**MATTERS**  
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**ABU, FIFI**

### Some Kids

Illus. by the author  
PAW PRINTS, 2024  
9781223188522

A fun, rhyming story with all kinds of kids doing all kinds of things!

**BAPTIST, KELLY J.**

### The Band in Our Basement

Illus. by Jenin Mohammed  
ABRAMS, 2024  
9781419769078

Siblings sneak downstairs after bedtime to hear their parents' band rehearsal and ultimately join in the late-night jam session in an exuberant and rhyming read-aloud.

**CATCHPOLE, JAMES, AND LUCY CATCHPOLE**

### You're So Amazing!

Illus. by Karen George  
LITTLE, BROWN, 2024  
9780316506571

Joe tires of adults drawing attention to his disability. With candor and heart, this picture book explores the possible impact of even the most well-meaning remarks.

**CORTEZ, RIO**

### The River Is My Ocean

Illus. by Ashleigh Corrin  
SIMON & SCHUSTER, 2024  
97816665912570

A young girl walks with her grandmother along the Hudson River. The grandmother talks about how much she misses the ocean from her childhood.

To the young girl, the river feels like her ocean. *Also available in Spanish.*

**DETRICK-JULES, ST. CLAIR**

### My Hair Is like the Sun

Illus. by Tabitha Brown  
CHRONICLE, 2023  
9781797221793

Each spread joyfully declares, "My hair is like . . ." Photographs of smiling Black children sporting natural hair alternate with graphics illustrating the similes.

**DUMOND-DESIR, SAMANKA**

### Best Friends

Illus. by Christina Oyebade  
PAW PRINTS, 2023  
9781223187778

Liline, a young Haitian American girl, finds a new friend in a lost little cat. Join her in this early beginning reader on the quest to find the perfect name for her new kitty friend! *Also available in Spanish and Haitian Creole.*

**EADY, ANTWAN**

### The Last Stand

Illus. by Jerome Pumphrey and Jarrett Pumphrey  
KNOPF, 2024  
9780593480571

A community rallies around the narrator's grandfather, who

provides food and support to his neighbors.

**FORMAN, RUTH**

### Light

Illus. by Katura Gaines  
LITTLE SIMON, 2024  
97816665939386

A boy explores a planetarium with his family and is shown the wonders of the universe around us.

**FORMAN, RUTH**

### One

Illus. by Katura Gaines  
LITTLE SIMON, 2023  
97816665939362

A counting book celebrating friendship and community.

**HARPER, JANELLE**

### My Block Looks Like

Illus. by Frank Morrison  
VIKING, 2024  
9780593526309

A celebration of city life, perfect for reading aloud.

**LIN, GRACE**

### Una hermosa casa para pájaros / A Beautiful House for Birds

Illus. by the author  
CHARLESBRIDGE, 2024  
9781623544058

A girl explores patterns as she paints a birdhouse in this story, part of the Storytelling Math series

of board books with beautiful illustrations and simple, fun stories told in parallel Spanish and English texts. *(Bilingual)*

**LIN, JIEMEI**

### Good Night, Zodiac Animals

Illus. by the author  
CANDLEWICK, 2024  
9781536232356

Say good night to twelve animals in this simple introduction to the lunar zodiac. Illustrations include the Chinese characters for each animal.

**MACK, JEFF**

### Time to Make Art

Illus. by the author  
HENRY HOLT, 2024  
9781250864666

When a little girl wants to know how art is created, artists from different places and times answer her questions. This inspiring picture book shows young readers that they can be artists, too.

**MARTINEZ-NEAL, JUANA**

### Alma, Where Is Pajarito? / Alma, ¿Dónde está Pajarito?

Illus. by the author  
CANDLEWICK, 2024  
9781536232349

This board book with both English and Spanish

on every page uses simple language to highlight prepositions as Alma searches for her mischievous pet bird. *(Bilingual)*

**PARAPPUKKARAN, SANDHYA**

### Amma's Sari

Illus. by Michelle Pereira  
ABRAMS, 2024  
9781419767685

Shreya loves her mother's saris but also notices they attract stares. When Shreya finds a sari that leads her back to her mom, she realizes it is more than just clothing. It is tradition and family connection.

**PENFOLD, ALEXANDRA**

### Wherever You Go

Illus. by Suzanne Kaufman  
KNOPF, 2024  
9780593430019

This beautiful rhyming book tells children they are loved through many experiences and milestones. The illustrations include all kinds of families and children.

