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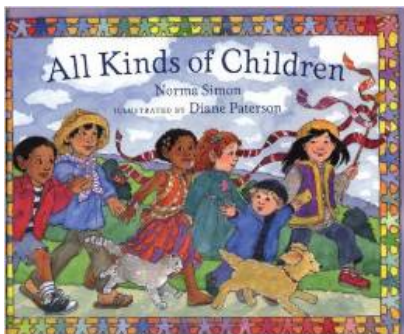
All Families Are Special

Author: Norma Simon

Illustrator: Teresa Flavin

Category: People, Identity and Culture

Students in Mrs. Mack's class describe their families--big or small, living together or apart, with two moms or none--and learn why every family is special and important.



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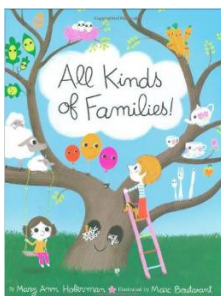
All Kinds of Children

Author: Norma Simon

Illustrator: Diane Paterson

Category: People, Identity and Culture

A story about the things that children all over the world have in common, including the need for food, clothes, people to love them and the opportunity to play.



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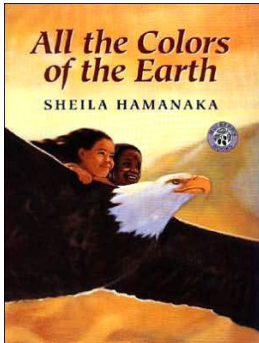
All Kinds of Families!

Author: Mary Ann Hoberman

Illustrator: Marc Boutavant

Category: People, Identity and Culture

A book that shows the many patterns of family life.



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All the Colors of the Earth

Author: Sheila Hamanaka

Category: People, Identity and Culture

This book shows that despite differences in hair, eye and skin color, all children are loveable.



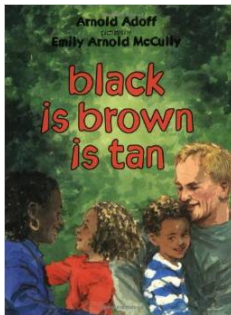
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All the Colors We Are/Todos los colores de nuestra piel

Author: Katie Kissinger

Category: People, Identity and Culture, Race and Racism

Photographs of diverse people illustrate the story of how humans get their skin color. This book is bilingual (English and Spanish).



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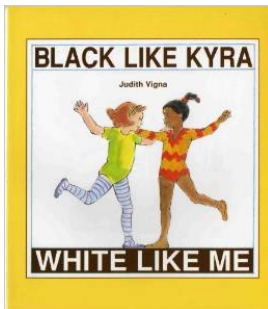
Black Is Brown Is Tan

Author: Arnold Adoff

Illustrator: Emily Arnold McCully

Category: People, Identity and Culture

The author uses lyrical text--an African American mother, "the skin color of chocolate," and a Caucasian father, "who's skin is not white, but light in color with tans and pinks and all the colors of the rainbow," --to paint a portrait of a loving and natural family setting.



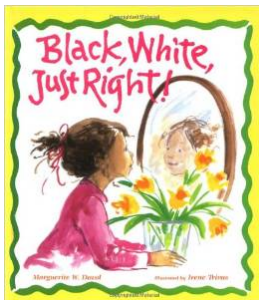
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Black Like Kyra, White Like Me

Author: Judith Vigna

Category: People, Identity and Culture, Race and Racism

Two young girls learn the sting of prejudice and how to work against it.



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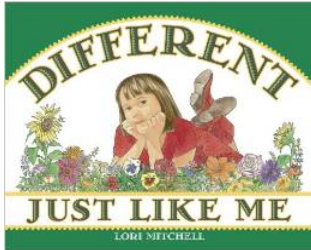
Black, White, Just Right!

Author: Marguerite Davol

Illustrator: Irene Trivas

Category: People, Identity and Culture

An African American mother and a white father are only one reason why this family is "just right."



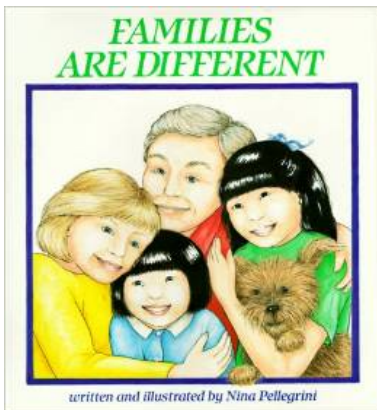
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Different Just Like Me

Author: Lori Mitchell

Category: Ability, Disability and Ableism, People, Identity and Culture

A young girl notices that everyone looks different from each other, and wonders how and why these people are different from her and learns how they are also very much alike.



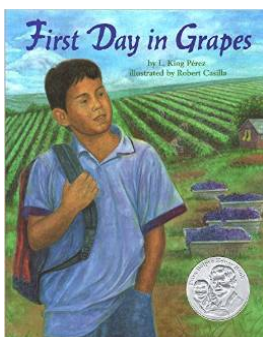
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Families Are Different

Author: Nina Pellegrini

Category: People, Identity and Culture

An adopted Korean girl discovers that her classmates have different types of families.



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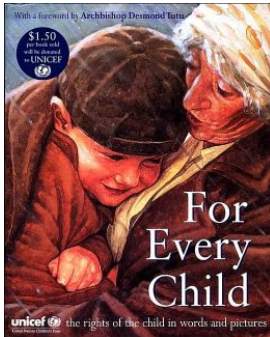
First Day in Grapes

Author: L. King Pérez

Illustrator: Robert Casilla

Category: Bullying Awareness and Prevention, People, Identity and Culture, Race and Racism, General Anti-Bias

Chico learns to stand up for himself when some other students bully him and make fun of his heritage.



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For Every Child

Author: Caroline Castle

Illustrator: John Burningham

Category: People, Identity and Culture, Social Justice

This book highlights the United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child, detailing 54 principle rights for children worldwide.



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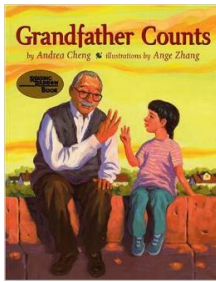
Golden Domes and Silver Lanterns: A Muslim Book of Colors

Author: Hena Khan

Illustrator: Mehrdokht Amini

Category: Religion and Religious Bigotry, People, Identity and Culture

Capturing the colorful world of Islam, this informative picture book celebrates Islam's beauty and traditions.



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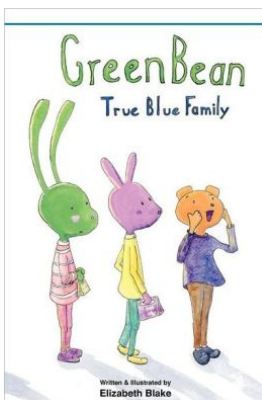
Grandfather Counts

Author: Andrea Cheng

Illustrator: Ange Zheng

Category: People, Identity and Culture

When her maternal grandfather comes from China, Helen, who is biracial, initially upset at having to give up her room, develops a special bond with him despite their age and language differences.



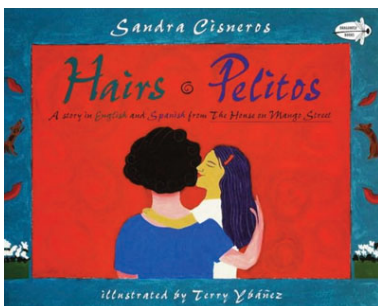
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GreenBean: True Blue Family

Author: Elizabeth Blake

Category: Ability, Disability and Ableism, People, Identity and Culture

GreenBean is worried that she does not belong in her family because she is different but discovers that belonging is about something else.



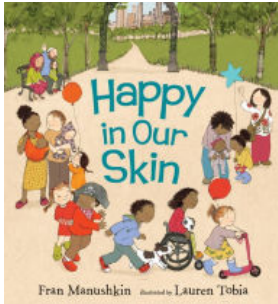
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Hairs / Pelitos

Author: Sandra Cisneros

Category: People, Identity and Culture

In this bilingual picture book, a girl describes how each person in her family has a different hair type.



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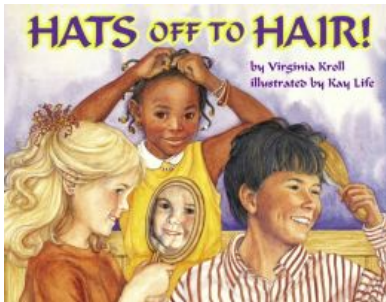
Happy In Our Skin

Author: Fran Manushkin

Illustrator: Lauren Tobia

Category: People, Identity and Culture

More than skin deep, this rhyming triumph to diversity offers readers an array of families of all colors and orientations, living and loving one another in a vibrant city setting.



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Hats Off To Hair!

Author: Virginia Kroll

Illustrator: Kay Life

Category: People, Identity and Culture

Rhyming text and full color illustrations show different kinds of hairstyles for all different kinds of children.



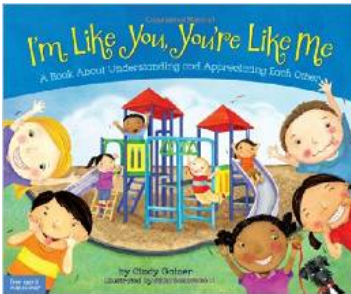
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I Am the World

Author: Charles R. Smith Jr.

Category: People, Identity and Culture

Celebrate the vibrancy and ingredients that define the unique nature of cultural heritages across the globe and the universal truths that unite each and every one of us in this rich verse paired with diverse images.



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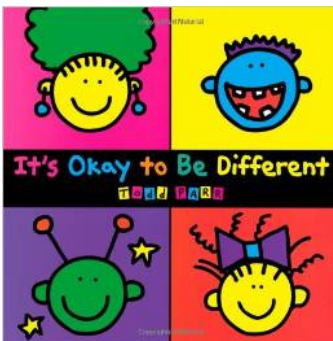
I'm Like You, You're Like Me

Author: Cindy Gainer

Illustrator: Miki Sakamoto

Category: People, Identity and Culture

With its wide-ranging examples and detailed art, this helps children appreciate the ways they are alike and affirm their individual differences.



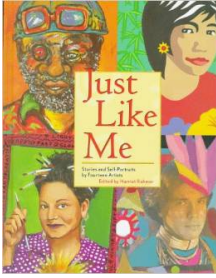
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It's Okay To Be Different

Author: Todd Parr

Category: People, Identity and Culture

This book cleverly delivers the important messages of acceptance, understanding, and confidence in an accessible, child-friendly format with bold, bright colors and silly scenes.



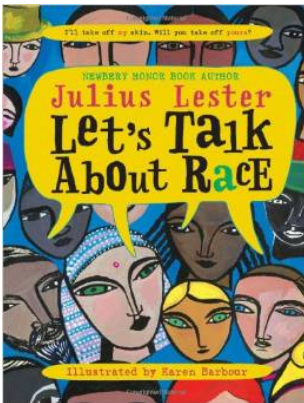
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Just Like Me: Stories and Self-Portraits by Fourteen Artists

Author: Harriet Rohmer

Category: People, Identity and Culture

This book highlights 14 artists who illustrate books for children to present themselves through both art and words.



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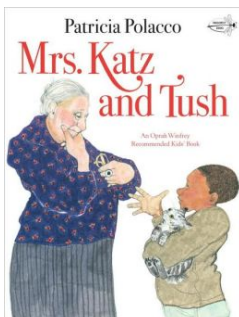
Let's Talk About Race

Author: Julius Lester

Illustrator: Karen Barbour

Category: People, Identity and Culture, Race and Racism

This book introduces the concept of race as only one component in an individual's or nation's "story."



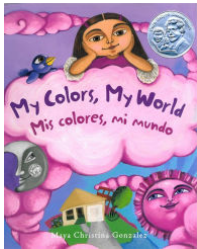
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Mrs. Katz and Tush

Author: Patricia Polacco

Category: Jewish Culture and Anti-Semitism, Religion and Religious Bigotry, People, Identity and Culture, Race and Racism, General Anti-Bias

The story of a friendship that bridges generations and cultures.



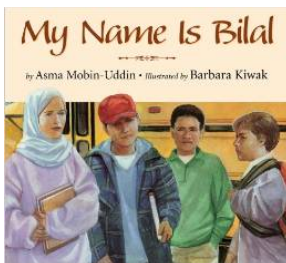
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My Colors, My World / Mis Colores, Mi Mundo

Author: May Christina Gonzalez

Category: People, Identity and Culture

Maya longs to find brilliant, beautiful color in her world but when the wind blows, desert sand covers everything, and turns her whole neighborhood the color of dust.



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My Name Is Bilal

Author: Asma Mobin-Uddin

Illustrator: Barbara Kiwak

Category: Religion and Religious Bigotry, People, Identity and Culture

Bilal worries about being teased by his classmates for being Muslim and he thinks maybe it would be better if people don't know he is Muslim.



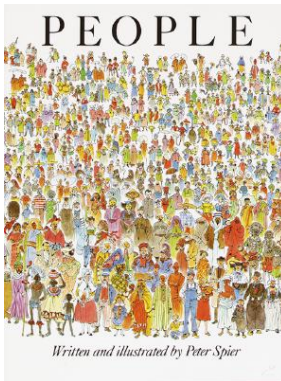
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One

Author: Kathryn Otoshi

Category: Bullying Awareness and Prevention, People, Identity and Culture

This book promotes accepting each other's differences and shows how it sometimes just takes one voice to make everyone count.



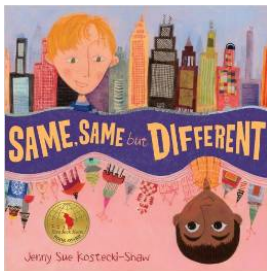
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People

Author: Peter Spier

Category: People, Identity and Culture

A story that emphasizes the similarities and differences among the billions of people on earth.



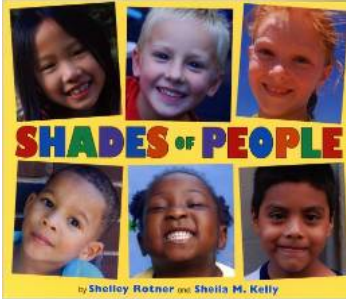
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Same, Same But Different

Author: Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw

Category: People, Identity and Culture

Elliot lives in America and Kailash lives in India—even though their worlds might look different, they are actually similar. Same, same. But different!



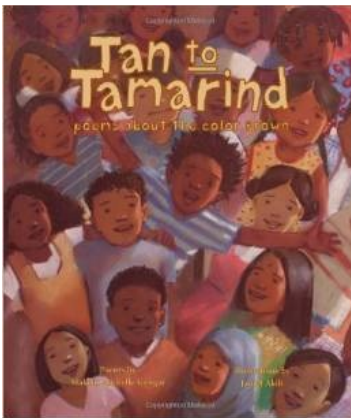
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Shades of People

Author: Shelley Rotner and Sheila M. Kelly

Category: People, Identity and Culture, Race and Racism

Cocoa, tan, rose, and almond-people come in lots of shades, even in the same family.



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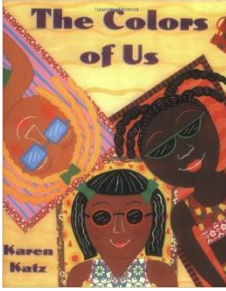
Tan to Tamarind: Poems About the Color Brown

Author: Malathi Michelle Iyengar

Illustrator: Jamel Akib

Category: People, Identity and Culture, Race and Racism

This collection of poetry, along with the pastel illustrations, encourages young ones to embrace each other's differences while building self-esteem and a healthy self-image.



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The Colors of Us

Author: Karen Katz

Category: People, Identity and Culture

Through the eyes of a little girl who begins to see her familiar world in a new way, this book celebrates the differences and similarities that connect all people.



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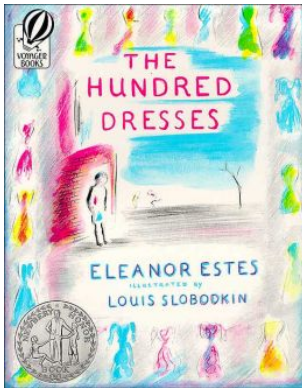
The Crayon Box that Talked

Author: Shane Derolf

Illustrator: Michael Letzig

Category: People, Identity and Culture, General Anti-Bias

Although they are many different colors, the crayons in a box discover that when they get together they can appreciate each other and make a complete picture.



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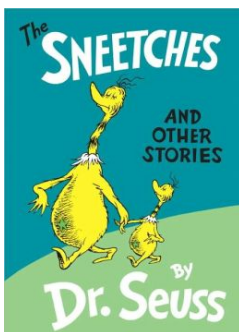
The Hundred Dresses

Author: Eleanor Estes

Illustrator: Louis Slobodkin

Category: Bullying Awareness and Prevention, People, Identity and Culture, General Anti-Bias

A young girl learns the realities of prejudice and classism while her classmates learn that hurting others is not ultimately satisfying.



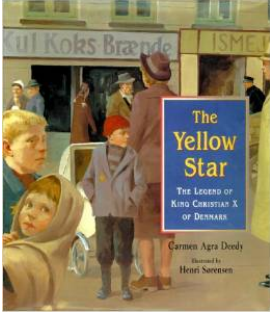
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The Sneetches and Other Stories

Author: Dr. Seuss

Category: People, Identity and Culture, General Anti-Bias

Four rhyming stories address the social issues of prejudice, conflict, similarities and differences, and the fear of the unknown.



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The Yellow Star: The Legend of King Christian X of Denmark

Author: Carmen Agra Deedy

Illustrator: Henri Sorensen

Category: Jewish Culture and Anti-Semitism, Hate, Genocide and Holocaust, Religion and Religious Bigotry, People, Identity and Culture, Social Justice

Retells the story of King Christian X of Denmark and Danish resistance to Nazis during WW II.



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Two

Author: Kathryn Otoshi

Category: Bullying Awareness and Prevention, People, Identity and Culture

Two feels left out. But what can she do? This is a powerful story of friendship, loss, letting go and self-discovery.