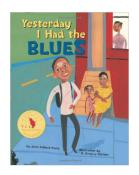


Children's Literature that Supports Social and Emotional Learning

Children's literature provides both mirrors and windows for readers. Some books are mirrors, reflecting children's experiences, feelings, and cultures. Other books are windows, giving children an opportunity to see the world through others' eyes. Reading books that reflect our diverse population enhances children's social and emotional development, especially the ability to take the perspective of and empathize with others.

SELF-AWARENESS

Recognizing & naming your emotions; having confidence and optimism



Ana Hibiscus' Song, by Atinuke
The Colors of Us, by Karen Katz
A Gift from Papá Diego/Un Regalo de
Papá Diego, by Benjamin Alire Saenez

How Are You Peeling? Foods with Moods, by Saxton Freymann

In My Family, by Carmen Lomas Garza

I Love My Hair, by Natasha Anatasia Tarpley

Looking Like Me, by Walter Dean Myers
Lots of Feelings, by Shelley Rotner
Mama's Sari's, by Pooja Makhijani
Marisol MacDonald Doesn't Match, by Monica Brown

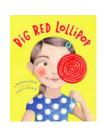
Meet Danitra Brown, by Nikki Grimes

My Cold Plum, Lemon Pie, Bluesy Mood, by Tameka Fryer Brown

Too Many Tamales, by Gary Soto
The Way I Feel, by Janan Cain
The Three Names of Me, by Mary Cummings
Yesterday I Had the Blues, by Jeron Ashford Frame

SELF-MANAGEMENT

Managing emotions and behaviors; working toward personal goals



Big Red Lollipop, by Rhuksana Khan **Brown Girl Dreaming**, by Jacqueline Woodson (Novel)

The Day of Ahmed's Secret, by Florence Parry Heide

Esperanza Rising, by Pam Munoz Ryan (Novel)

Grump, Groan, Growl, by Bell Hooks

The Heart of a Chief, by Joseph Bruchac (Novel)

Knock Knock: My Dad's Dream For Me, by Daniel Beaty

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse, by Kevin Henkes

Little Melba and her Trombone, by Katheryn Russell-Brown

Mouse Was Mad, by Linda Urban

My name is María Isabel, by Alma Flor Ada (Chapter book)

The Quiet Place, by Sarah Stewart

Rickshaw Girl, by Mitali Perkins (Chapter book)

Serafina's Promise, by Ann E. Burg (Novel in verse)

Sky Sisters, by Jan Boudreau Waboose

Sometimes I'm Bombaloo, by Rachel Vail

Twist: Yoqa Poems, by Janet Wong

Upside Down Boy, by Juan Felipe Herrara

SOCIAL AWARENESS

Ability to take perspective of and empathize with others



Amelia's Road, by Linda Jacob Altman

Back of the Bus, by Aaron Reynolds The Colour of Home, by Mary Hoffman

Deep in the Sahara, by Kelly Cunnane

Goin' Someplace Special, by Patricia McKissack

Halmoni's Picnic, by Sook Nyul Choi

Here I Am, by Patti Kim

I Lost My Tooth in Africa, by Penda Diakité

I Love Saturdays y Domingos, by Alma Flor Ada

Indian Shoes, by Cynthia Leitich Smith (Short Stories)

Inside Out and Back Again, by Thanhha Lai (Novel in verse)

Last Stop on Market Street, by Matt De La Pena

Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match; Marisol McDonald No Combina, by Monica Brown

Children's Literature that Supports Social and Emotional Learning (cont'd)

SOCIAL AWARENESS (cont'd)

Mirror, by Jeannie Baker

Muskrat will be Swimming, by Cheryl Savageau

My Name is Bilal, by Asama Mobin-Uddin

My Name is Yoon, by Helen Recorvits

Nadia's Hands, by Karen English

New Shoes, by Susan Myer

One Crazy Summer, Rita Williams Garcia (Novel)

Rain School, by James Rumford

Same, Same, But Different, by Jenny Sue Kostecki Shaw

Shades of People, by Shelly Rotner

Skin Again, by Bell Hooks

Suki's Kimono, by Chieri Uekagi

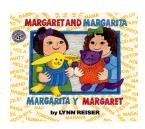
Take Me Out to the Yaku, by Aaron Meshon

The Ugly Vegetables, by Grace Lin

Wonder, by R.J. Palacio

RELATIONSHIP SKILLS

Building & maintaining positive relationships



Across the Alley, by Richard Michelson

Crossing Bok Chitto, by Tim Tingle Danitra Brown Leaves Town, by Nikki Grimes

Dear Whiskers, by Ann Whitehead Nagda (Chapter book)

Each Kindness, by Jacqueline Woodson

Extra Credit, by Andrew Clements (Novel)

Four Feet, Two Sandals, by Karen Williams

A Friendship for Today, by Patricia McKissack (Novel)

Grandfather Counts, by Andrea Cheng

Make Way for Dyamonde Daniel, by Nikki Grimes

Margaret and Margarita/Margarita y Margaret, by Lynn Reiser

Matthew and Tilly, by Rebecca Jones

My Name is Sangoel, by Karen Williams and Khadra Mohammed

My Name is Bilal, by Asma Mobin-Uddin

My Way: A Mi Manera, by Lynn Reiser

Name Jar, by Yangsook Choi

The Other Side, by Jacqueline Woodson

Pink and Say, by Patricia Polacco

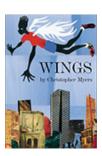
Sitti's Secret, by Naomi Shihab Nye

Sumi's First Day of School Ever, by Soyung Pak

Yo! Yes?, by Chris Raschka

RESPONSIBLE DECISION-MAKING

Making decisions considering the well-being of self and others



Baseball Saved Us, by Ken Mochizuki
A Chair for my Mother, by Vera B. Williams
Crow Boy, by Taro Yashima
First Day in Grapes, by L. King Perez

Freedom Summer, by Deborah Wiles Grandmama's Pride, by Becky Birtha

Harvesting Hope: The Story of Cesar

Chavez, by Kathleen Krull

King for a Day, by Rhuksana Khan

Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy, by Gary D. Schmidt (Novel)

A Long Walk to Water, by Linda Sue Park (Novel)

Mama Provi and the Pot of Rice, by Sylvia Rosa Casanova

My Heart Will Not Sit Down, by Mara Rockcliff

Nasreen's Secret School, by Jeannette Winter

New Shoes, by Susan Meyers

One, by Kathryn Otoshi

One Hen, by Katie Smith Milway

Rosa, by Nikki Giovanni

Sam and the Lucky Money, by Karen Chinn

Say Something, by Peggy Moss

Teammates, by Peter Golenbock

Unspoken, by Henry Cole

Wings, by Christopher Myers

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