

Books to Reflect Diversity, Inclusion & Equality

Cultural Diversity	
3-5 years	
Fruits	Valerie Bloom
Where's Lenny?	Ken Wilson-Max
Handa's Surprise	Eileen Browne
Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain	Verna Aardema
So Much	Trish Cooke and Helen Oxenbury
Baby Goes to Market	Atinuke
Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes	Mem Fox and Helen Oxenbury
Meet Mya and Family	Jeannelle Brew
Freddie and the Fairy	Julia Donaldson and Karen George

5-7 years	
Beegu	Alexis Deacon
Billy and the Beast	Nadia Shireen
If all the World were	Joseph Coelho and Allison Colpoys
Islandborn	Juno Díaz and Leo Espinosa
Ada Twist, Scientist	Andrea Beaty and David Roberts
Ramadan Moon	Na'ima B.Robert
The Goggle-Eyed Goats	Stephen Davies
Hue Boy	Rita Phillips Mitchell
The Day War Came	Nicola Davies
The Colour of Home	Mary Hoffman
Fly, Eagle, Fly!	Christopher Gregorowski, Archbishop Desmond Tutu
Amazing Grace	Mary Hoffman
Leon and Bob	Simon James
The Silence Seeker	Ben Morely
The Girls	Lauren Ace
The Drum	Kevin Wilson-Max

7-9 years	
Cinnamon	Neil Gaiman and Divya Srinivasan
Tar Beach	Faith Ringgold
Aunt Harriet's Undergreound Railroad in the Sky	Faith Ringgold
Azzi in Between	Sarah Garland
Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters	John Steptoe
Mirror	Jeannie Baker
Ali's Story	Andy Glynne
Dancing in the Wings	Debbie Allen
Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History	Vashti Harrison
Cinderella of the Nile	Beverly Naidoo and Marjan Vafaeian
Young Heroes	Lula Bridgeport
The Proudest Blue: A Story of Hijab and Family	Ibtihaj Muhammad and S.K. Ali
Freedom We Sing	Amyra Leon

9-11 years	
Journey to Jo'burg	Beverly Naidoo
The Arrival	Shaun Tan
Little Leap Forward	Guo Yue, Clare Farrow
Too Much Trouble	Tom Avery
Talking Turkeys	Benjamin Zephaniah
The Unforgotten Coat	Frank Cottrell Boyce
Tall Story	Candy Gourlay
Oranges in No Man's Land	Elizabeth Laird
Trash	Andy Mulligan
The Breadwinner	Deborah Ellis
The Island	Armin Greder



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Show Way	Jacqueline Woodson
Freedom Bird	Jerdine Nolen
Young, Gifted and Black: Meet 52 Black Heroes from	Jamia Wilson
Past and Present	

LGBTQ+ Many of the picture books could be used with any age. These books have been chosen as they feature characters who deserve representation, validation and visibility. 3+	
And Tango Makes Three	Justin Richardson
King and King	Linda de Haan
Julian is a Mermaid	Jessica Love
Jerome by Heart	Thomas Scotto
Hello Sailor	Ingrid Godon
The Different Dragon	Jennifer Bryan
Introducing Teddy	Jessica Walton
This Day in June	Gayle E. Pitman

7+	
George	Alex Gino
Two Weeks with the Queen	Morris Gleitzman
The Secrets of Billie Bright	Susie Day
Totally Joe	James Howe
Drama	Raina Telgemeir
PRIDE: The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow	Rob Sanders
Flag	
Stonewall: A Building. An Uprising. A Revolution	Rob Sanders
The Stonewall Riots: Coming Out in the Streets	Gayle Pitman

Books featuring Characters with a Disability

We've chosen books where the story isn't always about the disability – there are plenty of books that do this, so we listed these titles on the strength of the narrative and where the disability is featured.

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3+	
Perfect	Nicola Davies
Our Stripy Baby	Gillian Shields
Just Because	Rebecca Elliott
Seal Surfer	Michael Foreman
Ringo the Flamingo	Neil Griffiths
The Five of Us	Quentin Blake

7+	
Wonder	R.J Palacio
I Have No Secrets	Penny Joelson
Lion Boy	Zizou Corder
Speechless	Kate Darbishare
The London Eye Mystery	Siobhan O' Dowd