

Open minded

They respect the views, values and traditions of other individuals and cultures, and are accustomed to seeking and considering a range of points of view.

Rose Meets Mr Wintergarten by Bob Graham (E Gr)

Rose is a little frightened of fierce old Mr Wintergarten but she overcomes her fears and her delightful spontaneity and the fairy cakes baked by her mother have a surprising effect on the grumpy old man.

risk takers, open-minded, principled

Watch Out for the Chicken feet in Your Soup by Tomie dePaola (ER De)

Joey is a little embarrassed about his very Italian grandmother. However when he takes his friend Eugene to meet his grandma, Eugene responds with great enthusiasm to her warmth and her wonderful food (including the chicken soup which contains chicken feet).

Open-minded, risk takers

Old Henry by Blos, Joan (E Bl)

When an unusual man named Henry moves into a vacant house, the people in the

Community criticize him for his untidy house and yard. They make several attempts to

change him, but Henry will have none of it. Finally he gets fed up with the neighbors, packs up and moves away. Henry and the community end up being unhappy with this outcome. (5-9yrs.)

Stellaluna by Cannon, Janell (ER Ca)

When a baby bat is knocked out of her mother's safe arms, she lands in a bird's nest. Stellaluna must learn to adapt to the lifestyle of a bird, even though she finds their habits very peculiar. She discovers that even though they are very different, they are very much alike. (5 - 8yrs.)

Snow in Jerusalem by Da Costa, Deborah (E Da)

Two boys, one Muslim and one Jewish, living in different quarters of Jerusalem, discover that they have been caring for the same white cat. At first they are angry at each other, and jealous of the cat's attention. Eventually they work out a compromise which suits all three of them. (6-9yrs.)

Oliver Button is a Sissy by De Paola, Tomie (E De)

Oliver Button is teased and ostracized because he prefers to dance and read and paint rather than play sports. When he participates in a contest and loses, he is disappointed until his classmates recognize him. (5-8yrs.)

Feathers and Fools by Fox, Mem (E Fo)

This is a contemporary fable about a flock of peacocks and a flock of swans who fear each other because of their perceived differences. Over time their fears escalate and the flocks begin to fight; killing until every bird is dead. There is hope for peace in the future when two surviving eggs hatch and the baby birds notice how very much alike they are. (6-Syrs.)

How My Parents Learned to Eat by Friedman, Ina (E Fr)

An American soldier meets and falls in love with a Japanese woman, and she with him. They are self conscious because he can't use chop sticks, and she has no idea how to use a knife and fork. They refuse to eat with each other until it is time for the soldier's ship to leave, and he wants to ask her to marry him. In the end they both try to learn the other's way of eating. (7-10yrs.)

Amazing Grace by Hoffman, Mary (Er Ho)

Although a classmate says that Grace can not play the part of Peter Pan in the school play because she is black and a girl, Grace decides, that she will try. Grace discovers, with the help and support of her family that she can do anything she sets her mind to do. (6-9yrs.)

Hooway for Wodney Wat by Lester, Helen 2002 (E Le)

Rodney is the object of constant teasing from his classmates because he has a speech impediment. When a new student arrives at school who bullies the entire class, Rodney rises to the occasion and drives her away. (5-8yrs.)

Ish by Reynolds, Peter (E Re)

Ramon is devastated one day when his older brother laughs at his drawings. He is frustrated by trying to make them look just right until his little sister's enthusiasm allows him to look at his art in a new way. (5-9yrs.)

The Other Side by Woodson, Jacqueline (E Wo)

Two girls, one white and one black gradually come to know each other by sitting together on the fence that is meant to divide them. At the end of the summer, Clover and Annie jump off the fence to play together with the other girls, who earlier, would have nothing to do with Annie. (6-9yrs.)

Family Pictures by Garza, C. Lomas. Children's Book Press (306.85 Ga)

The author describes, in bilingual text and illustrations, her experiences growing up in a Hispanic community in Texas.

All the Colors of the Earth by Hamanka, Sheila. (E Ha)

Reveals that despite outward differences children everywhere are essentially the same and all are lovable.

The Widow's Broom by Van Allsburg, Chris. (E Va)

A witch's worn-out broom serves a widow well, until her neighbors decide the thing is wicked and dangerous.

Tango Makes Three by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell. (E Ri)

At New York City's Central Park Zoo, two male penguins fall in love and start a family by taking turns sitting on an abandoned egg until it hatches.