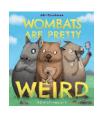




Children's Booklist 2023: The Best Books of 2022-2023

Grades K-1



Wombats are Pretty Weird: a [not so] serious guide

by Abi Cushman

This fun, fact-filled guide to the elusive, burrowing marsupials offers an entertaining combination of narration, sidebars, speech balloons and dialogue between Snake and

the wombats he meets in the wild.



The World's Best Class Plant

by Liz Garton Scanlon

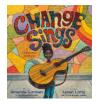
Deciding to name the class plant Jerry, Arlo and his classmates learn to take of care Jerry and it soon becomes apparent that something amazing has taken root in their classroom.



A Library

by Nikki Giovanni

In this ode to libraries where everyone who loves stories is welcome, a world-renowned poet captures the magic of these places for imagination, exploration and escape.



Change Sings : A Children's Anthem

by Amanda Gorman

This lyrical picture book debut from the presidential inaugural poet and activist shows that anything is possible when our voices join together as a young girl leads a

cast of characters on a musical journey.



Remember

by Joy Harjo

The poignant picture book adaptation of the U.S. Poet Laureate's iconic poem urges readers to pay close attention to who they are, the world they were born into and how everyone on Earth is connected.



Eyes That Speak to the Stars

by Joanna Ho

A young Asian boy, who notices that his eyes look different from his friends', realizes that his eyes—like his father's, grandfather's, and younger brother's—rise to the skies, speak to the stars and are visionary.



Be Wild. Little One

by Olivia Hope

Celebrating the magic in our world and the wildness in each of us, this inspiring picture book takes readers on a joyful journey through the wonders of nature, from sparkling seas to starry skies and everything

in between.



Extra Ezra Makes an Extra-Special Friend

by Kara LaReau

After several failed attempts to win over the new girl in school, Ezra, who is always a bit extra, realizes he must ask himself what it

truly means to be a good friend.

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Awake, Asleep

by Kyle Lukoff

From sunup to sundown, a young child's day is bursting with discovery and wonder-filled moments. Follow a day in the life of three diverse families and their little ones, as

everyday moments like sharing breakfast and exploring the park are rendered full of love, exploration, joy, and wonder.



My Mind Is A Mountain = Mi mente es una montaäna

by Cindy Montenegro Delgado A little boy goes on a journey to discover a full range of emotions, from feelings of great enthusiasm and happiness to those of

sorrow and anger. My mind is a mountain if a metaphor for the heights a mind can reach in powerfully handling all emotions from the lowest of the lows to the highest of the highs -- and everything in between.



What's Your Name

by Bethanie Deeney Murguia
This visual narrative shows how names
connect us to others and help create who
we are and what makes us uniquely special,
in this affirming story that will have readers

reflecting on their names and sharing them proudly.

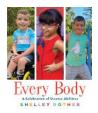


Hidden Creature Features

by Jane Park

Animals have adaptations to help them survive. But some of those traits can be hard to spot. Rhyming text and eye-catching photos introduce eight creatures with

hidden features.



Every Body : A Celebration of Diverse Abilities

by Shelley Rotner

This photo picture book looks at differences in bodies, with photos of children with many different challenges including various physical disparities, learning differences, and

medical conditions.



Hot Dog

by Doug Salati

Tired of the city's sizzling sidewalks, wailing sirens and people's feet in his face, a daschund finds inner peace and calm when his owner takes him to the beach, where he happily cools off.



How to Count to One: (and don't even think about bigger numbers!)

by Caspar Salmon

In this interactive, laugh-out-loud story where readers must only ever count to one, children can find ways to outsmart the

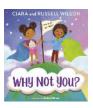
book... and count all the way up to 100!



Together With You

by Patricia Toht

This love letter from a young child to a grandparent takes readers through the seasons as a grandmother and grandchild delight in each other's company, no matter the weather or whatever they do.



Why Not You?

by Ciara Wilson

Superstars Ciara and Russell Wilson inspire young readers to go after their biggest dreams, in this debut picture book celebrating self-esteem, perseverance and daring to shoot for the stars.



The Year We Learned to Fly

by Jacqueline Woodson

By heeding their wise grandmother's advice, a brother and sister discover the ability to lift themselves up and imagine a better world.



Tofu Takes Time

by Helen H. Wu

Lin makes tofu with her grandma and discovers that patience brings a whole universe together in a simple dish made by a modern Chinese American family.



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