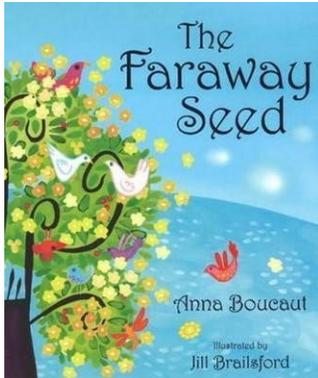


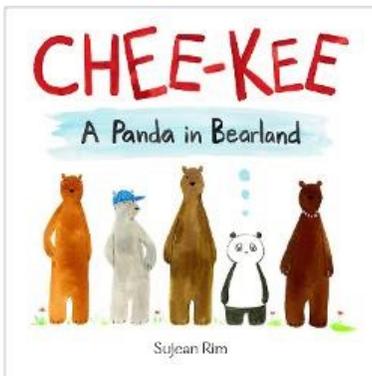
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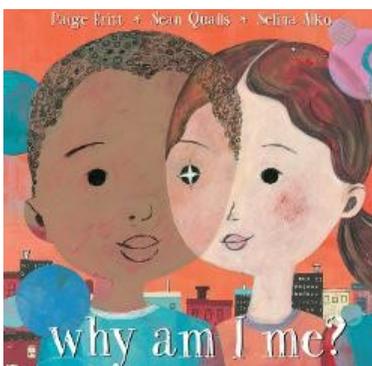
## **The Faraway Seed** by Anna Boucaut, c2009

"A seed from a faraway place is dropped into a perfect forest. The tree that grows from the seed is very different to the forest trees. The forest trees reject the strange tree until they discover that the new tree brings gifts that enhance their home." - *Pub.*



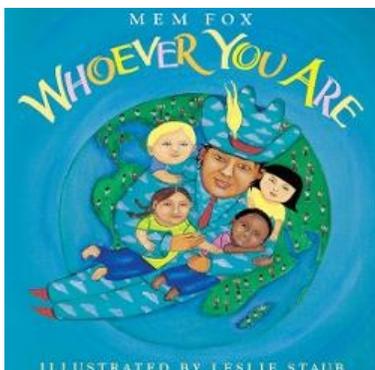
## **Chee-Kee A Panda in Bearland** by Sujean Rim, c2017 (IL: K-3)

"Chee-Kee, a young panda, moves with his parents to a new land of opportunity. Just when he's resigned to never fit in, Chee-Kee finds a way to use his own experience and ingenuity to save the day and show that he's one of a kind in all the best ways" - *Pub.*



## **Why Am I Me?** by Paige Britt, c2017 (IL: K-3, RL: 1.6)

"Have you ever wondered why you are you? Or who you would be if you were someone else? Someone taller, faster, smaller, smarter? Someone lighter, older, darker, bolder? This beautiful celebration of our humanity and diversity invites readers of all ages to imagine a world where there is no you or me, only we." - *Pub.*

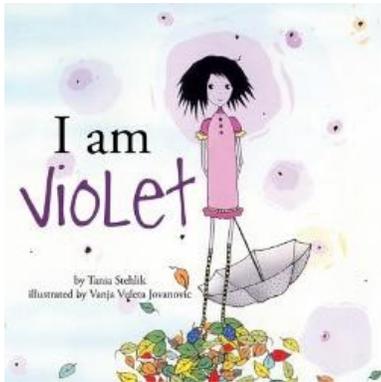


## **Whoever You Are** by Mem Fox, c1997 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.3)

"Despite the differences between people around the world, there are similarities that join us together, such as pain, joy, and love." - *Follett*

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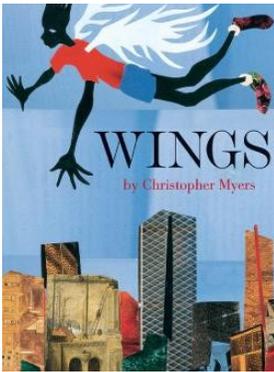
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## **I Am Violet**

by Tania Duprey Stehlik, c2020 (IL: K-3, RL: 1.4)

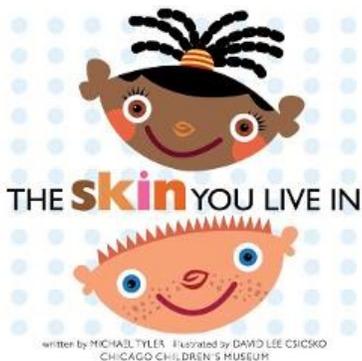
"Like many people in the world, Violet is a beautiful mix of colors. But color isn't really that important. After all, it is what's inside us that counts." - Pub.



## **Wings**

by Christopher Myers, c2000 (IL: 3-6, RL: 4.3)

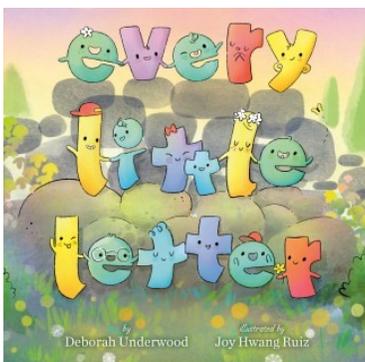
"Ikarus Jackson, the new boy in school, is outcast because he has wings, but his resilient spirit inspires one girl to speak up for him and recognize his individuality." - Follett



## **The Skin You Live In**

by Michael Tyler, c2005 (IL: K-3, RL: 4.4)

"With the ease and simplicity of a nursery rhyme, this lively story delivers an important message of social acceptance to young readers ." - Pub.



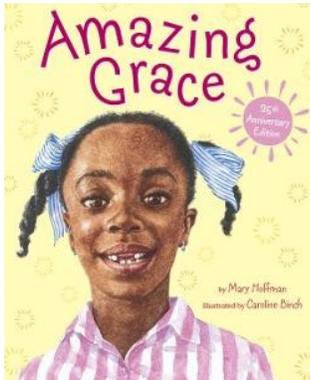
## **Every Little Letter**

by Deborah Underwood, c2020 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.0)

"Small h has always lived with the other H's in a city surrounded by walls that keep them safe. At least, that's what the big H's say. But one day, a hole in the wall reveals someone new on the other side. When little h and little i meet, they make a small word with big meaning: "hi " The other H's find out, though. They fill the hole. But it won't be enough to keep these little letters apart--or twenty-four of their newest friends. *Every Little Letter* shows how even the smallest among us can make a big impact, and how a single act of friendship can inspire whole communities to ..." - Pub.

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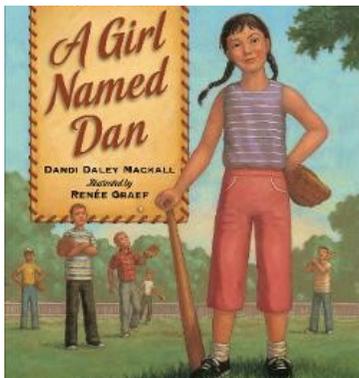


## Amazing Grace

by Mary Hoffman, c1991 (IL: K-3, RL: 4.1)

Sequel: *Boundless Grace*.

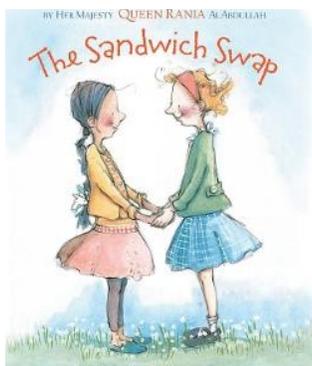
"Although a classmate says that she cannot play Peter Pan in the school play because she is African-American, Grace discovers that she can do anything she sets her mind to do." - *Follett*



## A Girl Named Dan

by Dandi Daley Mackall, c2008 (IL: 3-6, RL: 3.6)

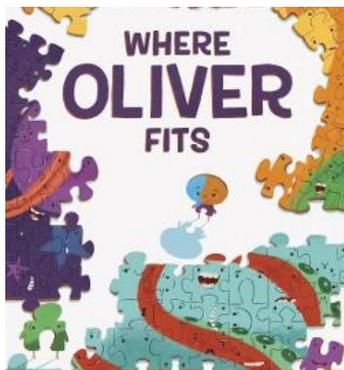
"Dandi enjoys nothing more than baseball, and so after the boys at school tell her their lunchtime game is now boys only, she enters an essay contest hoping to become a bat boy for the Kansas City A's, not realizing the contest is for boys only." - *Follett*



## The Sandwich Swap

by Queen Rania Al Abdullah, c2010 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.3)

"Lily and Salma are best friends. They like doing all the same things, and they always eat lunch together. Lily eats peanut butter and Salma eats hummus-but what's that between friends? It turns out, a lot. Before they know it, a food fight breaks out. Can Lily and Salma put aside their differences? Or will a sandwich come between them?" - *Pub.*



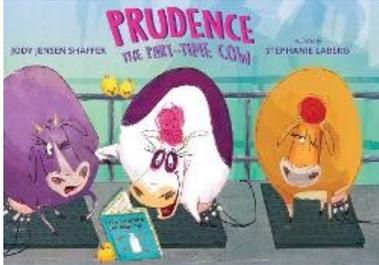
## Where Oliver Fits

by Cale Atkinson, c2017 (IL: K-3, RL: 1.5)

"Oliver is a little puzzle piece who is excited to find out where he fits. Will he be... in the mane of a unicorn? On the tentacle of a pirate squid? Part of a beautiful sunset or a fiery volcano? A member of a monster rock band? But when he goes in search of his perfect place, Oliver discovers that finding where he belongs is harder than he thought..." - *Follett*

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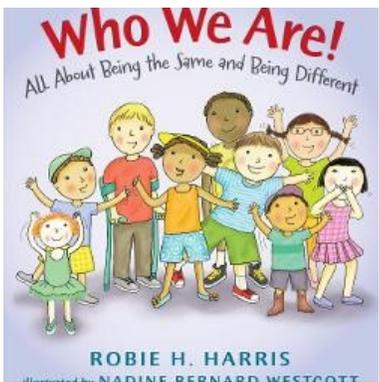
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## **Prudence the Part-time Cow**

by Jody Jensen Shaffer, c2017 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.2)

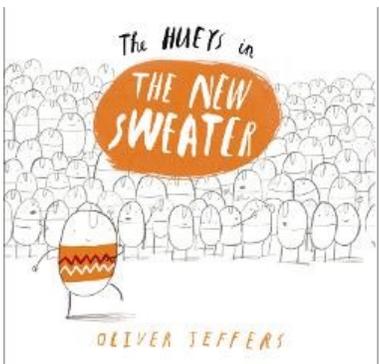
"At first Prudence tries to fit in with the other cows in the herd, suppressing all her scientific smarts and imaginative inventing, but in a moment of inspiration, she realizes how to show the others that she can be a part-time cow and a full-time member of the herd."  
- Follett



## **Who We Are!: All About Being the Same and Being Different**

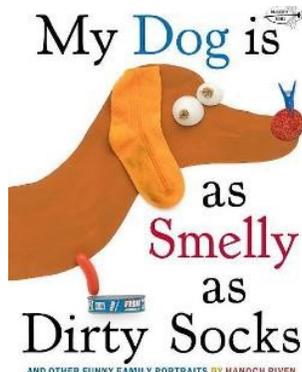
by Robie H. Harris, c2016 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.9)

"Join Nellie, Gus, baby Jake, and their parents at Funland as they go on rides, watch performers, and play games along with many other children and grown-ups. As they enjoy their excursion, they notice that people are the same as one another in lots of ways, and different in lots of ways too." - Pub.



## **The Hueys in The New Sweater** (Hueys, Book 1) by Oliver Jeffers, c2015 (IL: K-3, RL: 1.9)

"The Hueys are small and mischievous, unique compared to the world's other creatures—but hardly unique to one another. You see, each Huey looks the same, thinks the same, and does the same exact things. So you can imagine the chaos when one of them has the idea of knitting a sweater!" - Pub.



## **My dDg is as Smelly as Dirty Socks: and Other Funny Family Portraits**

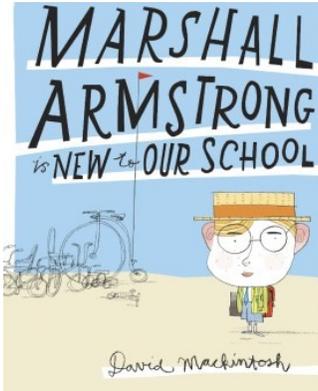
by Hanoch Piven, c2007 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.4)

"A young girl draws a family portrait, then makes it more accurate by adding common objects to show aspects of each member's personality, such as her father's playfulness, her mother's sweetness, and her brother's strength." - Follett

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## Picture Book Format



### Marshall Armstrong Is New to Our School

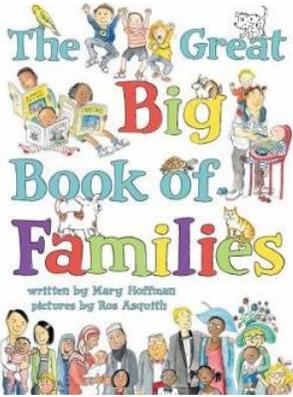
by David Mackintosh

"Quirky, witty and brilliant, Marshall Armstrong is new to school and he definitely stands out from the crowd; but will he find it easy to make friends? A highly original take on a perennially popular theme from an exciting talent." - *Pub.*

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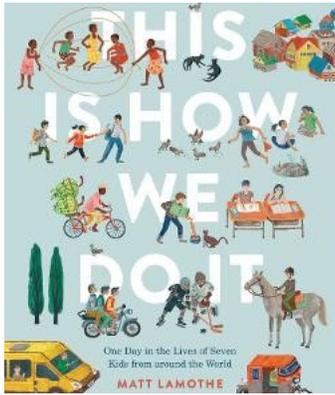
## Non-fiction Format



### The Great Big Book of Families

by Mary Hoffman, c2010 (IL: K-3, RL:2.8 )

"This fun and fascinating treasury features all kinds of families and their lives together. Each spread showcases one aspect of home life—from houses and holidays, to schools and pets, to feelings and family trees." - Pub.



### This is How We Do It: One Day in the Lives of Seven Kids from Around the World

by Matt Lamothe, c2017 (IL: 3-6, RL: 3.8)

"In Japan, Kei plays Freeze Tag, while in Uganda, Daphine likes to jump rope. While the way they play may differ, the shared rhythm of their days—and this one world we all share—unites them." - Pub.



### All the Colors We Are: The Story of How We Get Our Skin Color

by Katie Kissinger, c2014 (IL: K-3, RL: 4.8)

"Explains, in simple terms, the reasons for skin color, how it is determined by heredity, and how various environmental factors affect it." - Follett



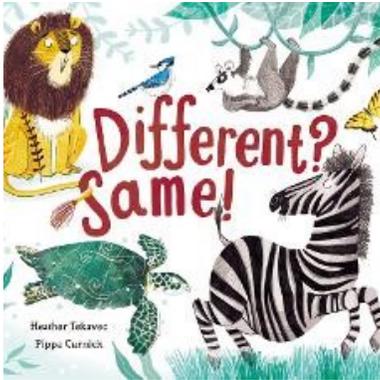
### Rare is Everywhere

by Deborah Katz, c2020

"Takes readers on a journey through the animal kingdom, revealing that grasshoppers can be pink, tigers can be white, and lobsters can be blue. Showcasing eleven incredible animals through vibrant illustrations and playful poetry, the book skillfully blends science with art and encourages children to celebrate differences." - Amazon.ca

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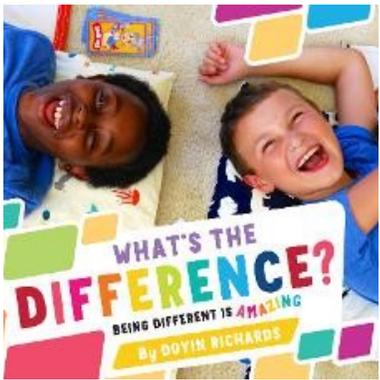
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## Different? Same!

by Heather Tekavec, c2017 (IL: K-3)

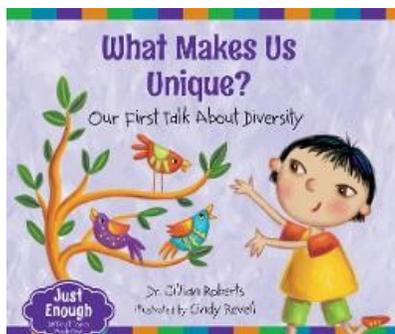
"Again and again, readers will be surprised to find that a group of four seemingly different animals all have one trait in common whiskers, horns, shells and the like for a total of thirteen traits in all." - Pub.



## What's the Difference

by Doyin Richards, c2017 (IL: K-3, RL: 2.8)

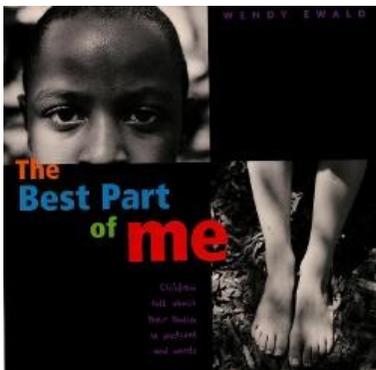
"In a conspicuous departure from the melting-pot multicultural books of the recent past, Richards' photo-rich picture book highlights the differences between people and affirms them as assets to be valued, not ignored." - Booklist



## What Makes Us Unique? Our First Talk About Diversity

by Dr. Jillian Roberts, c2016 ((IL: K-3, RL: 4.2)

"When it comes to explaining physical, cultural and religious differences to children, it can be difficult to know where to begin. *What Makes Us Unique?* provides an accessible introduction to the concept of diversity, teaching children how to respect and celebrate people's differences and that ultimately, we are all much more alike than we are different." - Pub.



## The Best Part of Me

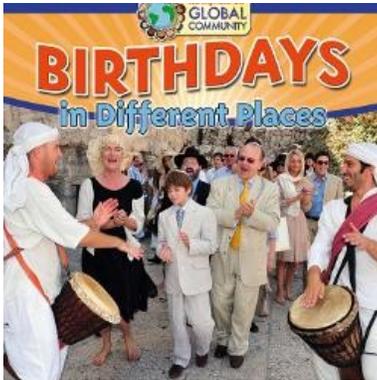
by Wendy Ewald, c2002 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.1)

"An award-winning photographer asked several children "What is the best part of you?", and presents their answers in this sometimes funny, sometimes moving, deeply personal book that includes striking black-and-white photographs taken by the author." - Pub.

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*Non-fiction*



## **Series: Learning About Our Global Community**

pub. by Crabtree Publishing,  
c2016 (IL: K-3, RL: 4.1-4.5)

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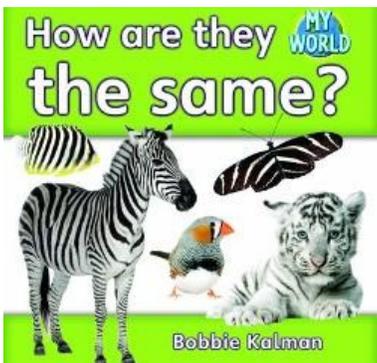
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*Clothing in Different Places*  
*Foods in Different Places*  
*Homes in Different Places*  
*Schools in Different Places*  
*Transportation in Different Places*  
*Art in Different Places*



## **The Way to School**

by Rosemary McCarney, c2015 (IL: K-3, RL: 3.5)

"Describes the remarkable, often dangerous journeys children make every day on their way to and from school. No simple school bus picks them up each day, but rather children travel through disaster zones, cross rapids, climb mountains, and maneuver on ziplines daily to get to the classroom." - Pub.



## **How Are They the Same?**

(My World: Reading Level D) by Bobbie Kalman,  
c2011 (IL: K-3, RL: 1.4)

"This fascinating book challenges children to identify similarities and differences in the patterns, textures, and body parts of animals, as well as in the way certain animals begin life, such as hatching from eggs." - Pub.