

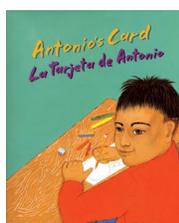
Question 1: What is bias and bullying?



Sparkle Boy • Written by Lesléa Newman, illustrated by Maria Mola

GRADES PreK-2

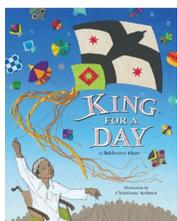
Young Casey loves sparkly things, but his older sister Jessie does not approve of his interest until an encounter with bullies helps her learn to accept and respect Casey for who he is.



Antonio's Card/La tarjeta de Antonio • Written by Rigoberto González, illustrated by Cecilia Álvarez

GRADES PreK-2 BILINGUAL ENGLISH/SPANISH

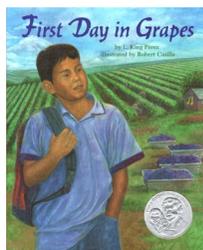
Antonio's classmates make fun of Leslie, Antonio's mother's partner because of her paint-splattered overalls. Antonio decides to make a Mother's Day card for both his mother and her partner.



King for a Day • Written by Rukhsana Khan, illustrated by Christiane Kroemer

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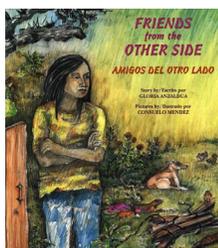
This lovely, contemporary story introduces readers to the annual spring kite-flying festival of Basant, and to a spirited, determined young boy who masters kite fighting while finding his own way to face and overcome life's challenges.



First Day in Grapes • Written by L. King Perez, illustrated by Robert Casilla

GRADES 3-5 ALSO AVAILABLE IN SPANISH

All year long Chico and his family move up and down the state of California picking fruits and vegetables. Every September they pick grapes and Chico starts at a new school again. When fourth-grade bullies confront Chico in the lunchroom, he responds wisely with strengths of his own.



Friends from the Other Side/Amigos del otro lado • Written by Gloria Anzaldúa, illustrated by Consuelo Méndez

GRADES 3-5 BILINGUAL ENGLISH/SPANISH

This poignant immigration story captures not only the hardship of daily life on the border, but also the beauty of the landscape and the dignity and generosity of spirit that Mexican Americans and Mexican Immigrants share.

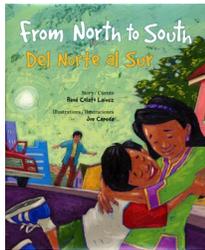


Chess Rumble • Written by G. Neri, illustrated by Jesse Joshua Watson

GRADES 6-8

In this longer story told in free verse, a troubled boy learns to use his mind instead of his fists through the guidance of an unconventional mentor and the game of chess.

Question 2: What is happening in the news?

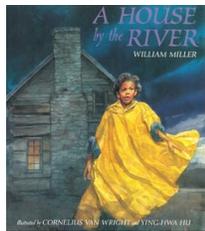


From North to South/Del Norte Al Sur • Written by René Colato Laínez, illustrated by Joe Cepeda

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BILINGUAL ENGLISH/SPANISH

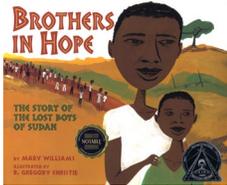
José loves helping Mamá, but when Mamá is sent back to Mexico for not having proper papers, José and his Papa face an uncertain future. Author René Colato Laínez tackles the difficult and timely subject of family separation with exquisite tenderness.



A House by the River • Written by William Miller, illustrated by Cornelius Van Wright and Ying-Hwa Hu

GRADES PreK-2

The story of a young girl who learns her rickety, old house by the river is stronger than the fiercest storm because it is fortified by love and family.



Brothers in Hope • Written by Mary Williams, illustrated by R. Gregory Christie

GRADES 3-5

A young boy unites with thousands of other orphaned boys to walk to safety in a refugee camp in another country, after war destroys their villages in southern Sudan. Based on true events.



Sharing Our Homeland • Written by Trish Marx, illustrated by Cindy Karp

GRADES 3-5

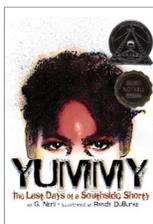
A photo-essay focusing on two children living in Israel—one Palestinian and one Jewish—who, in spite of the longstanding conflicts in the region, learn to overcome differences in their backgrounds and cultures to build a connection at summer camp.



I Am Alfonso Jones • Written by Tony Medina, illustrated by Stacey Robinson and John Jennings

GRADES 6-8

The Hate U Give meets The Lovely Bones in this unflinching graphic novel about the afterlife of a young man killed by an off-duty police officer, co-illustrated by New York Times bestselling artist John Jennings.

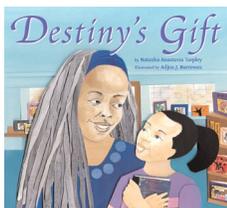


Yummy • Written by G. Neri, illustrated by Randy DuBurke

GRADES 6-8

This graphic novel is based on the true story of Robert 'Yummy' Sandifer, an eleven-year-old boy from Chicago's South Side who was killed by his own gang members.

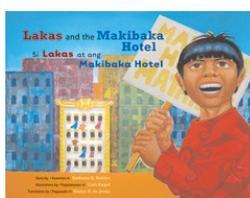
Question 3: How can we help young people take action?



Destiny's Gift • Written by Natasha Anastasia Tarpley, illustrated by Adjoa J. Burrowes

GRADES PreK-2

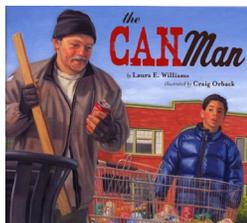
Destiny tries to keep her friend's neighborhood bookstore from going out of business by using her resourcefulness and creativity.



Lakas and the Makibaka Hotel/Si Lakas at ang Makibaka Hotel • Written by Anthony Robles, illustrated by Carl Angel

GRADES PreK-2 **BILINGUAL ENGLISH/TAGALOG**

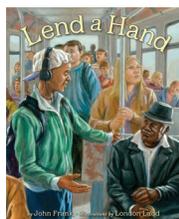
When Lakas discovers that the Makibaka Hotel is about to be sold, he leads a protest with his friends who are facing eviction.



The Can Man • Written by Laura E. Williams, illustrated by Craig Orback

GRADES 3-5

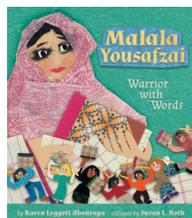
To earn money, a young boy decides to collect and redeem empty cans but ends up giving his money away to a homeless man.



Lend a Hand • Written by John Frank, illustrated by London Ladd

GRADES 3-5

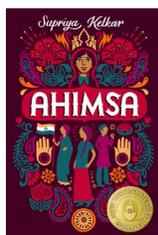
Poems about sharing and making a small difference in someone's life.



Malala Yousafzai • Written by Karen Leggett Abouraya, illustrated by Susan L. Roth

GRADES 3-5 **ALSO AVAILABLE IN SPANISH**

The inspiring true story of Malala Yousafzai, the Pakistani girl who has become an international activist for universal education, with beautiful collage illustrations by award-winning artist Susan L. Roth



Ahimsa • Written by Supriya Kelkar

GRADES 6-8

In this historical novel, Gandhi asks for one member of each family to join the fight for independence from the British, and when Anjali's mother is jailed for doing so, Anjali's mother must step out of her comfort zone to take over her mother's work.



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