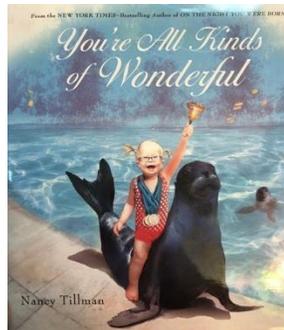


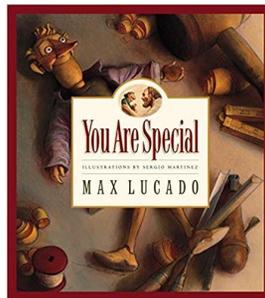


Maine Resilience Building Network
Cultivating Youth Mattering Children's Book List

1. ***You're All Kinds of Wonderful*** by: Nancy Tillman
“From different abilities to different personalities, we are all wonderfully made with our own bells and whistles.” -Amazon Description



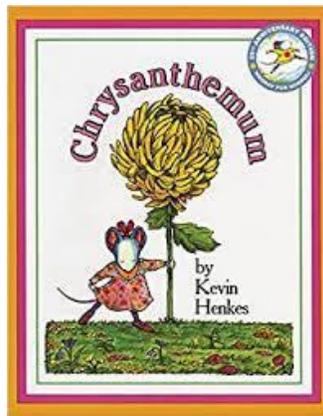
2. ***You are Special*** by: Max Lucado
“In the town of Wemmickville there lives a Wemmick named Punchinello. Each day the residents award stickers—gold stars for the talented, smart, and attractive Wemmicks, and gray dots for those who make mistakes or are just plain ordinary. Punchinello, covered in gray dots, begins to feel worthless. Then one day he visits Eli the woodcarver, his creator, and he learns that his worth comes from a different source.” -Amazon Description



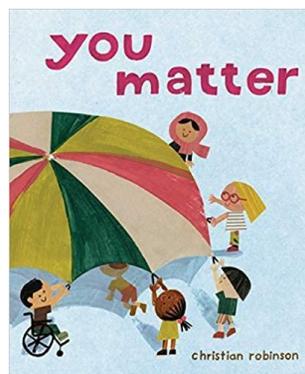
3. ***What's my Superpower?*** By: Aviaq Johnston & Tim Mack
“Nalvana thinks she must be the only kid in town without a superpower. But then her mom shows Nalvana that she is unique and special, and that her superpower was right in front of her all along.” Amazon Description



4. ***Chrysanthemum*** by: Kevin Henkes
“*Chrysanthemum* is a funny and honest school story about teasing, self-esteem, and acceptance to share all year round.” Amazon Description

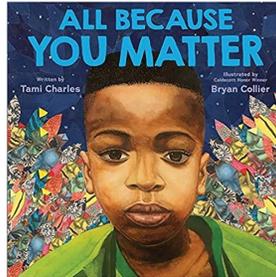


5. ***You Matter*** by: Christian Robinson
This book shares that you matter even in tough situations, like when you feel everyone is too busy to pay attention. You matter! -Description by Amazon



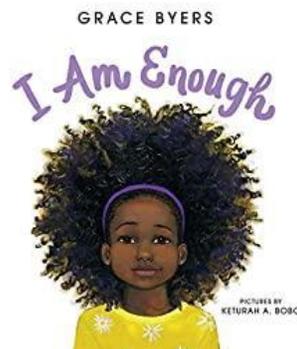
6. ***All Because You Matter*** by: Tami Charles

“A lyrical, heart-lifting love letter to Black and brown children everywhere: reminding them how much they matter, that they have always mattered, and they always will, from powerhouse rising star author Tami Charles and esteemed, award-winning illustrator Bryan Collier.” -Description by Amazon



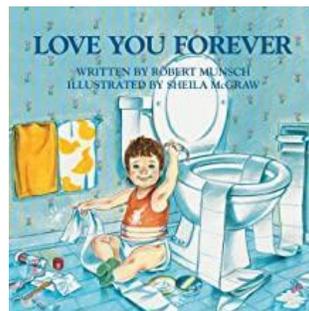
7. ***I Am Enough*** by: Grace Byers

“*We are all here for a purpose. We are more than enough. We just need to believe it.*”
Amazon Description



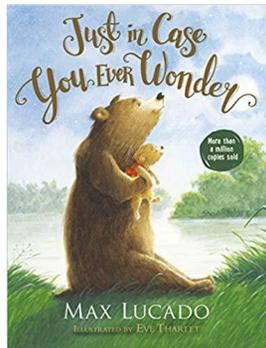
8. ***I'll Love You Forever*** by: Robert Munsch and Sheila McGraw

This book is about a parent's love for their child.



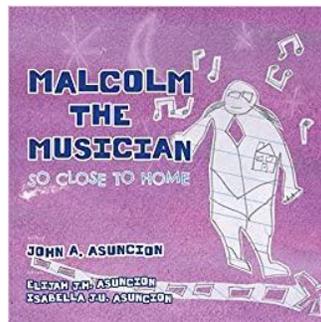
9. ***In Case You Ever Wonder*** by: Max Lucado

“This book assures children of God’s love through all their experiences—including during hard times such as being afraid of the dark or being bullied—and gives assurance that the parent was there when they were first born and will be with them even in heaven.” Description by Amazon



10. ***Malcolm the Musician: So Close to Home*** by: John A. Asuncion

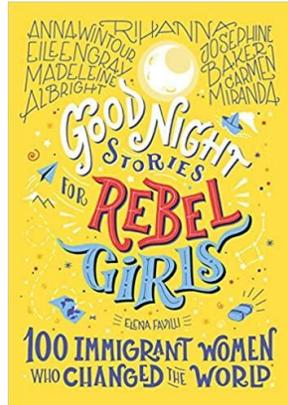
“*Malcolm the Musician: So Close to Home* examines the harmful effects of the phenomenon: gaslighting, considers the healing power of encouragement, and demonstrates the capacity of the human spirit to rise through adversity while transforming hate into love.” Description by Amazon



11. ***Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls: 100 Immigrant Women Who Changed the World***

By: Rebel Girls and Elena Favilli

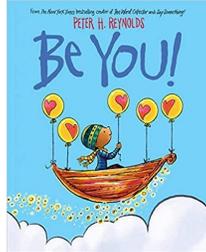
“The latest installment in the *New York Times* bestselling Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls series, featuring 100 immigrant women who have shaped, and will continue to shape, our world.” Amazon Description



12. ***Be You*** By: Peter Reynolds

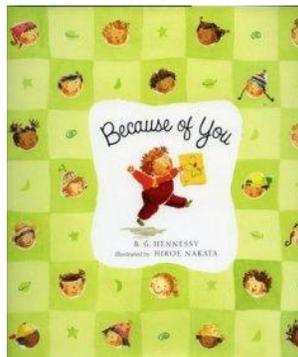
“Reynolds creates a joyful celebration of individuality--and staying true to Y-O-U!”

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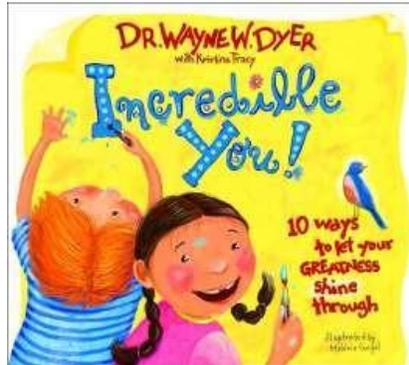


13. ***Because of You*** by: B.G Hennessy

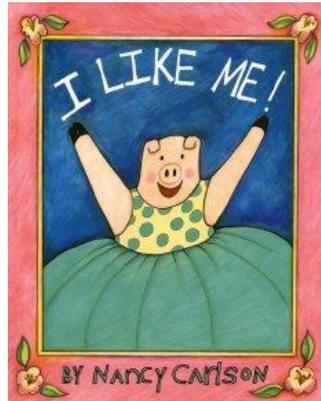
“Each time a child is born, the world changes” -livlane.com



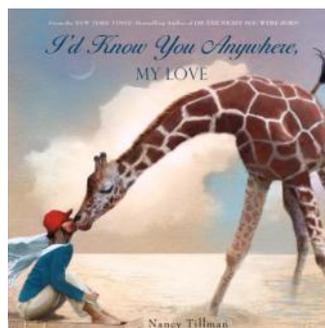
14. ***Incredible You*** by: Dr. Wyne Dyer & Kristina Tracy
“The sing-sng rhyming offers 10 simple ways to shine.” -livelane.com



15. ***I Like Me*** by: Nancy Carlson
This little pig realizes that she is her own best friend.

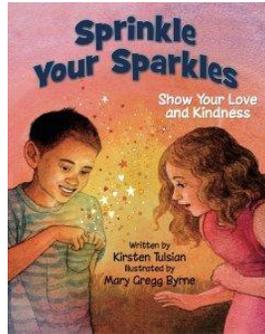


16. ***I'd Know You Anywhere My Love*** by: Nancy Tillman
This story shares that everyone is unique and identifiable in their own way.



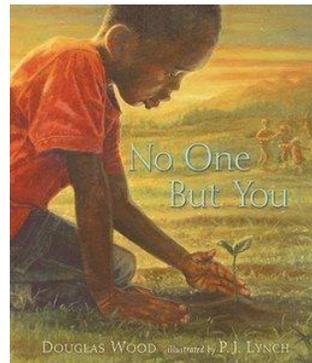
17. ***Sprinkle Your Sparkles*** By: Kirsten Tulsian

The author “encourages readers to imagine they’re spreading sparkles every time they open their heart to someone else.” -livlane.com



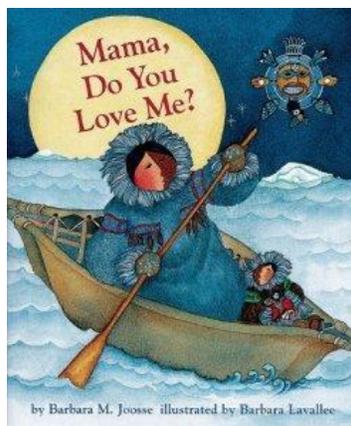
18. ***No One But You*** By: Douglass Wood

This story teaches children that no one can see the world the way that they do.



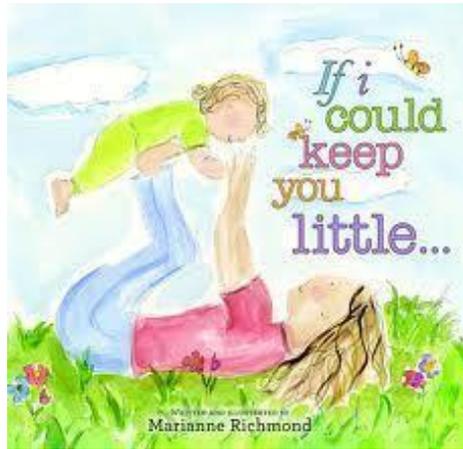
19. ***Mama, Do You Love Me*** by: Barbara M. Josse

This story is about a little girl and her mother. The child frequently asks her mother if she would love her through many different scenarios and her mother explains that she would love her through all of the hard time.



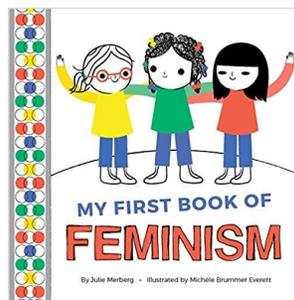
20. ***If I Could Keep You Little*** by: Marianne Richmond

This book is more for the parents in remembering the special moments of watching their children grow up.



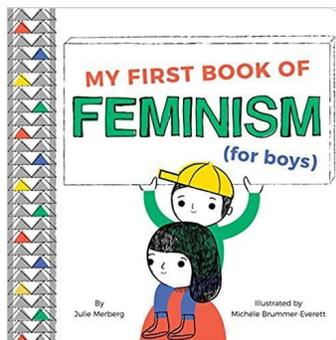
21. ***My First Book of Feminism*** by: Julie Merberg

This story helps girls see that they are equal to boys.

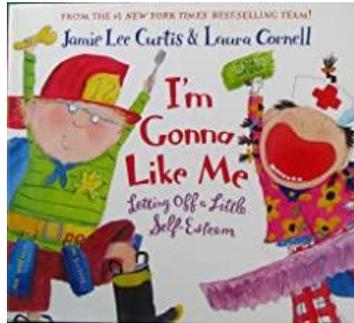


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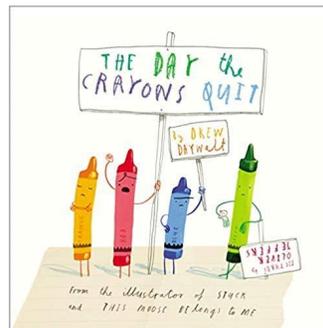
This story helps boys see that girls and boys are equal.



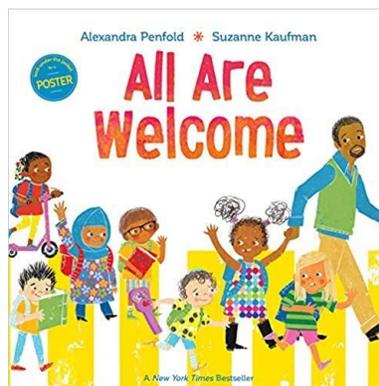
23. *I'm Gonna Like Me: Letting Off a Little Self Esteem* by: Jaime Lee Curtis
“Feeling good is liking yourself for you”- Description by Amazon



24. *The Day the Crayons Quit* by: Drew Daywalt & Oliver Jeffers
“Poor Duncan just wants to color. But when he opens his box of crayons, he finds only letters, all saying the same thing: His crayons have had enough! They quit! Blue crayon needs a break from coloring all those bodies of water. Black crayon wants to be used for more than just outlining. And Orange and Yellow are no longer speaking—each believes he is the true color of the sun. What can Duncan possibly do to appease all of the crayons and get them back to doing what they do best?” -Description by Amazon

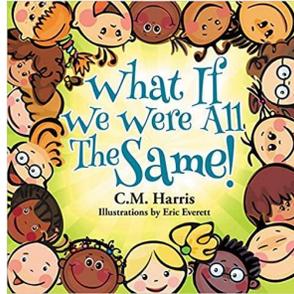


25. *All are Welcome* by: Alexandra Penfold
“Discover a school where—no matter what—young children have a place, have a space, and are loved and appreciated.”



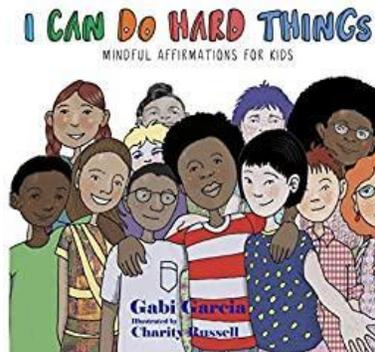
26. ***What if We Were All the Same!: A Children's Book About Ethnic Diversity and Inclusion*** by: C.M Harris

"What If We Were All The Same! is an inspirational and warm celebration of the differences in all living things... highly recommended" *Featured on BBC CBeebies Lunchtime Stories (2020)*



27. ***I Can Do hard Things: Mindful Affirmations for Kids*** by: Gabi Garcia & Charity Russell

Kids learn to use positive self-talk in challenging situations.



28. ***Welcome*** by: Mo Willems

"Welcome playfully interacts with the reader with its meta-humor, while addressing such topics such as injustice, cats, friendship, and family."



29. ***The Boy with Big Big Feelings*** by: Britney Winn Lee

“*The Boy with Big, Big Feelings* is relatable for any child, but especially for children experiencing anxiety and extreme emotions, or who have been diagnosed with autism or as a Highly Sensitive Person.”



30. ***The World Needs More Purple People*** by: Kristen Bell & Benjamin Hart

“A purple person is an everyday superhero! How do you become one? That’s the fun part! Penny Purple will lead you through the steps. Get ready to be silly, exercise your curiosity, use your voice, and be inspired.” -Description from Amazon

