

Dear Reader,

Texts are excellent tools to use to support the joy of who your students are in their classrooms, communities and the world. Books are also ways to disrupt negative stereotypes that perpetuate racism in students' classrooms, communities and the world. It is not enough to have books with black, brown and tan faces on the cover. You must do the work to know who those black, brown and tan faces are; their history, their joy, their wonder. You must also know who you are and how your identities influence your teaching and interact with students.

This document is designed to encourage you to think deeply about the purpose of reading these books with your students. When we say diverse books, we are not talking about books with more black, brown and tan faces; we are saying diversify the narratives of your book selection whether it has a black, brown, tan or white face on the cover.

Books that support positive conversations about race are placed into three categories:

- *Identity: Loving Who I Am*
- *The Community and Me: Understanding People in My Everyday Life*
- *The World and Me: Understanding People All Around the World*

Books that support having conversations about racial issues in the classroom.

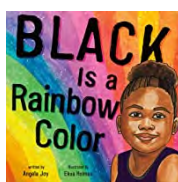
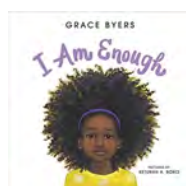
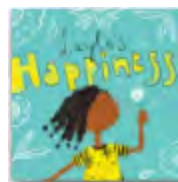
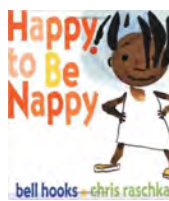
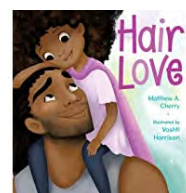
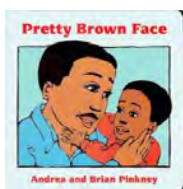
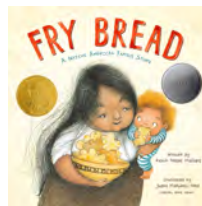
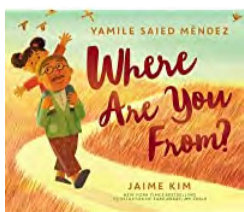
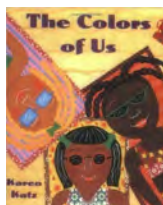
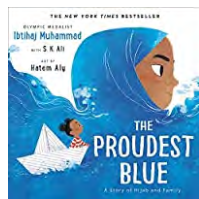
- *The History of Racism*
- *Standing up to Racism*
- *Dealing with Racism*

Books to Support Positive Conversations About Race

Identity: Loving Who I Am



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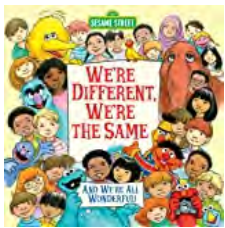
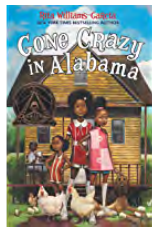
The Community and Me: Understanding People in My Everyday Life.

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**The World and Me:
Understanding People Around the World.**

				
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Books to Support **Courageous Conversations About Racial Issues.**

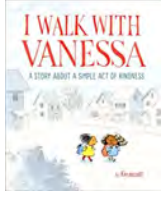
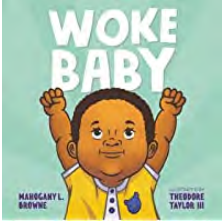
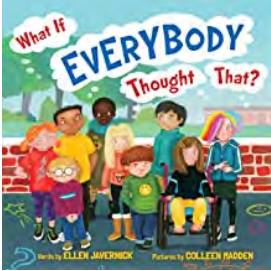

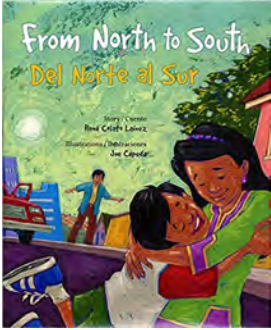
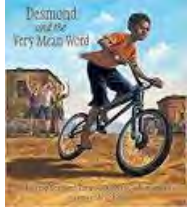
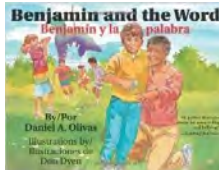
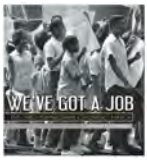
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Grades	How to deal with racism			
Kindergarten				
First Grade				
Second Grade				
Third Grade				
Fourth Grade			https://youtu.be/b5P3Y06co54 Brown Girl Dreaming	

Fifth Grade		https://youtu.be/zzCBbaRkpr8 Ghost by Jason Reynolds		
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BIPOC Authors:

Valerie Bolling

Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow

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Gloria Swindler Boutte works, *Educating African American Students: And How Are the Children?*

Work by Asao B. Inoue

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Websites

[The Brown Bookshelf](#)

Resource Links

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