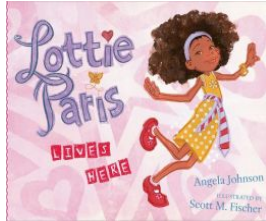
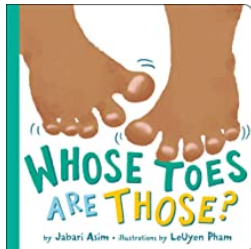


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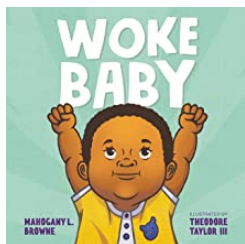
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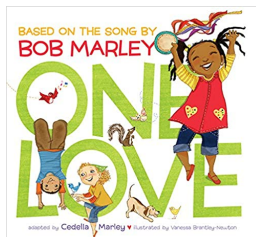
Johnson, Angela (2014), *Lottie Paris Lives Here* (Board Book edition), Little Simon. Ages 2-5



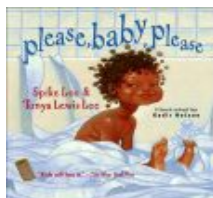
Asim, Jabari (2019), *Whose Toes Are Those?*, LB Kids; Reissue edition. Ages 0-4



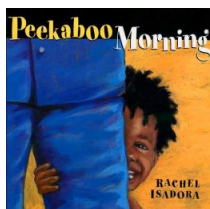
Browne, Mahogany L. (2018), *Woke Baby*, Roaring Brook Press. Ages 3-5



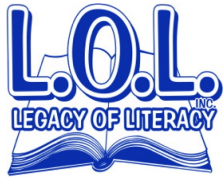
Marley, Cedella, (2014), *One Love* (Board Book edition), Chronicle Books. Ages 3-5



Lee, Spike & Tonya, (2007), *Please Baby Please!*, Little Simon. Ages 0-4



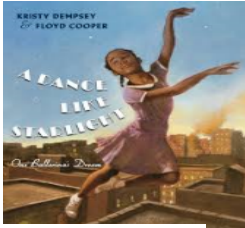
Isadora, Rachel, (2008), *Peekaboo Morning*, G. P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers. Ages 2-4



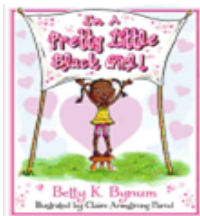
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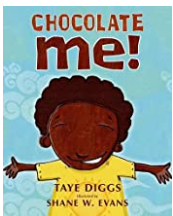
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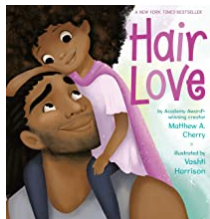
Dempsey, Kristy, (2014), *A Dance Like Starlight: Our Ballerina's Dream*, Philomel. This story centers on an African American girl who works hard to become a ballerina. Janet Collins, the first African American prima ballerina, inspired many other African American girls to reach for their dream of being a ballerina. Ages 4-8



Bynum, Betty K., (2013), *I'm a Pretty Little Black Girl*, Dreamtitle Publishing. This rhyming book about Mia, who loves the way she looks, reinforces the message that beauty comes in all sizes, shapes, and colors. This positive message is uplifting. From the "I'm A Girl!" Collection. Ages 4-8



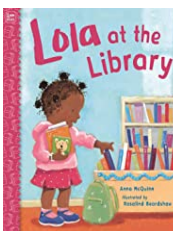
Diggs, Taye, (2015), *Chocolate Me!*, Square Fish. After a young boy is teased for looking different than the other children. His mother helps him see how beautiful his skin and hair really is. Ages 4-8



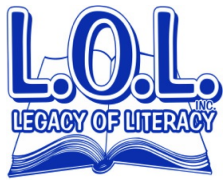
Cherry, Matthew A., (2019), *Hair Love*, Penguin Group, LLC. Since Zuri's hair has a mind of its own, daddy steps in to help style it for an extra special day. Ages 4-8



Wainwright, Kathleen M., (2014), *Ziggie's Tales: Ziggie's Big Adventure*, Willa's Tree Studios, LLC. Ziggy spends his time watching kids play in the park and wishing he could join them. One day Ziggy is able to get out, but is alone and worried that he will never make it back home. His adventure is not what he thought it would be. Ages 4-8

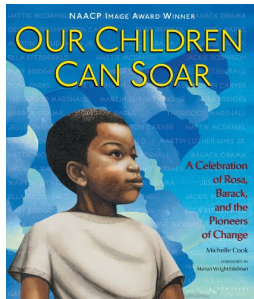


McQuinn, Anna, (2006), *Lola at the Library*, Charlesbridge. Lola and her mother visit the library every week to enjoy story time, check out books and meet up with friends. Ages 3-6

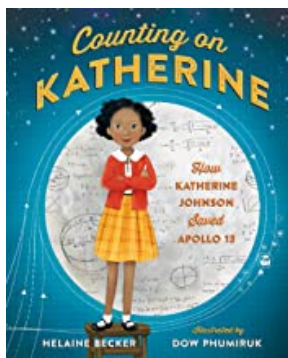


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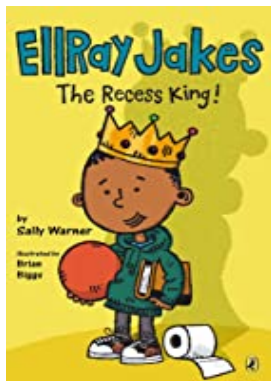
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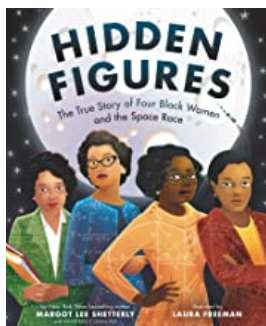
Cook, Michelle, (2009), *Our Children Can Soar: A Celebration of Rosa, Barack and the Pioneers of Change*. Bloomsbury USA Children. Inspirational picture book that highlights the pioneers of the civil rights movement that led to the historic election of the first black president. Ages 4-8



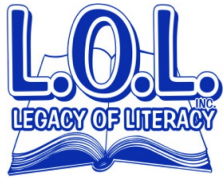
Becker, Helaine, (2018), *Counting on Katherine: How Katherine Johnson Saved Apollo 13*, Henry Holt and Co. This book tells the story of NASA mathematical genius Katherine Johnson who always loved to count and work with numbers. Ages 5-9



Warner, Sally, (2015), *Ellray Jakes the Recess King!*, Puffin Books. Eight-year-old Ellray comes up with a delightful plan to make more friends during recess. This book is part of a wonderful series. Ages 6-8



Shetterly, Margot Lee, (2018), *Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race*, HarperCollins. Beautiful picture book that tells the story of the four extraordinary African American mathematicians at NASA, who overcame racial barriers to provide the calculations for America's first journey into space. Ages 4-8



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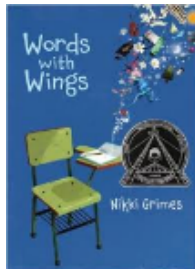
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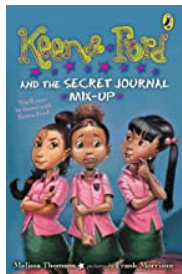
Barber, Tiki & Barber, Ronde, (2014), ***Extra Innings***, Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman Books. Retired NFL players Tiki and Ronde Barber now write children's books about football, basketball, and baseball. This children's story is a chapter book that follows the twins on their quest to form a baseball team. Ages 9-12



Spencer, Octavia, illustrator Vivienne To, (2013), ***Randi Rhodes Ninja Detective: The Case of the Time-Capsule Bandit***, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers. This mystery begins with twelve-year-old Randi reluctantly moving from New York to the small town of Deer Creek after her mother's death. Randi's first case involves the town's time capsule and includes lessons on friendship, loss, and being the new kid in town. Ages 9-12

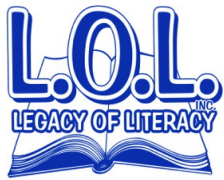


Grimes, Nikki, (2013), ***Words With Wings***, Wordsong. Written in verse, this book follows Gabby "the dreamer" on her quest to transfer her dreams to paper with the help of her teacher. This book is a tribute to all of the teachers who have made a difference in their students' lives. Ages 9-12



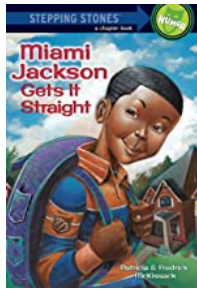
Thomson, Melissa, (2011), ***Keena Ford and the Secret Journal Mix-Up***, Puffin Books. The third book of a series featuring Keena Ford, a spunky second-grader who enjoys writing secrets in her journal until she accidentally leaves it at Tiffany's apartment. Ages 6-8



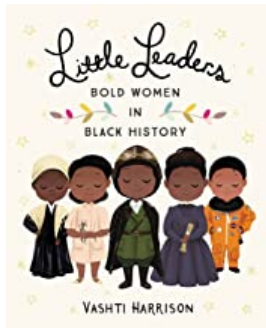


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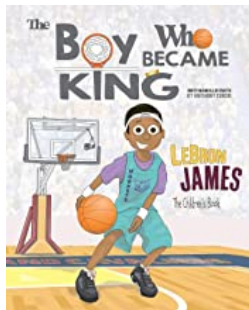
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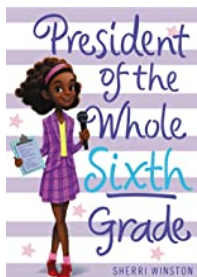
McKissack, Patricia, (1999), ***Miami Gets It Straight***, Random House Books for Young Readers. The last five days of school turns into quite the adventure for Miami Jackson who can't wait for summer vacation. Ages 6-9



Harrison, Vashti, (2017), ***Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History***, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. Readers will be introduced to 40 trailblazing black women who changed the world. Ages 8-12



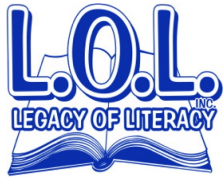
Curcio, Anthony, (2016), ***LeBron James: The Boy Who Became King***, CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform. Inspiring biography of NBA superstar LeBron James and his loving mother's struggle to raise him in Akron, Ohio. Ages 8-12



Winston, Sherri, (2015), ***President of the Whole Sixth Grade***, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. Brianna has her hands full as she navigates the ins and outs of middle school. Ages 9-12



Craft, Jerry, (2019), ***New Kid***, Quill Tree Books. Award winning graphic novel about seventh grader Jordan's experience going between the two worlds of an upscale private school and his neighborhood in Washington Heights. Not really fitting into either of these environments. Ages 9-12



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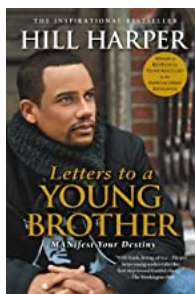
Alexander, Kwame, (2014), *The Crossover*, HMH Books for Young Readers. Twelve-year-old Josh Bell and his twin brother Jordan, are unbelievable on the court. While the relationship between the brothers becomes strained at times because of what is going on outside of the court, they figure out what is most important. The story is told in hip-hop rhyme. Ages 13 and up



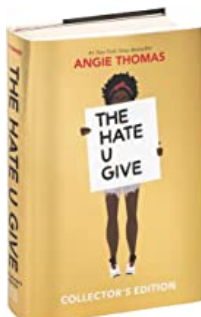
Woodson, Jacqueline, (2014), *Brown Girl Dreaming*, Nancy Paulsen Books. Jacqueline Woodson's childhood memoir captures elements of the Civil Rights Movement told in poetic voice, invites the reader to share her life experiences growing up in South Carolina and New York. Ages 13 and up



Shetterly, Margot Lee, (2016), *Hidden Figures: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race*, William Morrow. The true story of four exceptionally talented African American women who overcame numerous challenges, forged alliances and used their intellect to support some of NASA's greatest missions. Ages 13 and up



Harper, Hill, (2007), *Letters to a Young Brother*, Avery Publisher. Harper offers his wisdom, guidance, and heartfelt insight to young men to help them chart their own paths to success. Ages 13 and up



Thomas, Angie, (2018), *The Hate U Give*, Balzer & Bray. Sixteen-year-old Starr must balance the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. Her life is further complicated when she witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood friend by a police officer. Ages 13 and up