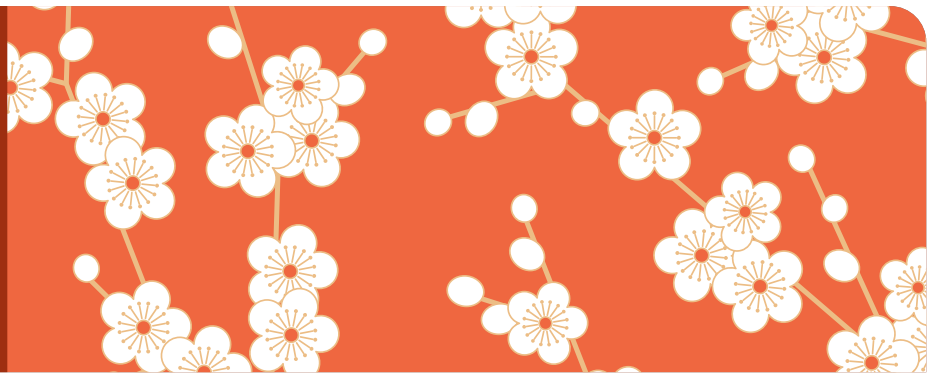


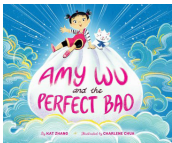
Asian American and Pacific Islander Experiences



This list explores Asian and Asian American voices, including experiences from the Far East, Southeast Asia, and South Asia.

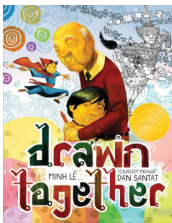


PICTURE BOOKS AND YOUNGER ELEMENTARY



Amy Wu and the Perfect Bao by Kat Zhang (Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Zha)

Amy is determined to make a perfect dumpling like her parents and grandmother do, but hers are always too empty, too full, or not pinched together properly.



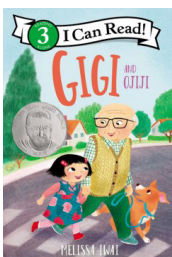
Drawn Together by Minh Lê (Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Le)

A boy and his grandfather cross a language and cultural barrier using their shared love of art, storytelling, and fantasy.



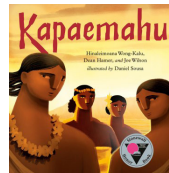
Eyes That Kiss in the Corners by Joanna Ho (Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Ho)

Despite her eyes looking different from those of her classmates, a young girl embraces the shape and color of her eyes. Rather than focusing on her differences from others, the girl sees how her eyes are a beautiful part of her that she shares with her family. A beautiful message of acceptance and loving yourself.



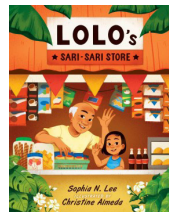
Gigi and Ojiji by Melissa Iwai (Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Iwa)

Gigi is excited to learn that her Japanese grandfather will be coming to visit her family in the U.S. Once he arrives, though, Gigi struggles to connect with him. Can Gigi and her grandfather learn to understand one another? A sweet story about managing big emotions, navigating Asian American identities, and overcoming cross-cultural barriers to connect with family.



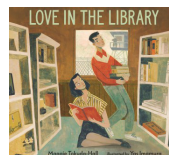
Kapaemahu by Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu, Dean Hamer, and Joe Wilson (Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Won)

Four individuals bring their healing arts from Tahiti to Hawaii, where they are beloved for their gentle ways and miraculous cures and where they imbue four giant boulders with their powers.



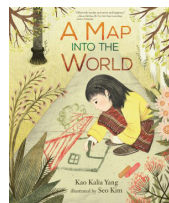
Lolo's Sari-Sari Store by Sophia N. Lee (Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Lee)

For most of her life, one young girl would spend her summers making connections with the folks who stopped by her grandfather's sari-sari store in the Philippines. After moving to the U.S., the girl is determined to find new ways to be active in her new community.



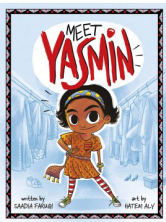
Love in the Library by Maggie Tokuda-Hall (Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Tok)

Like most Japanese Americans during World War II, Tama and George were imprisoned in an American incarceration camp. Will Tama and George find joy and love, even within the confines of the Minidoko incarceration camp?



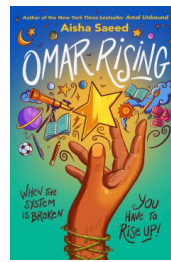
A Map into the World by Kao Kalia Yang (Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Yan)

As the seasons change, Paj Ntaub finds that life is changing for her and her Hmong American family, too. Paj experiences the joys of connecting with her new twin siblings while helping her elderly neighbor manage the grief of loss.



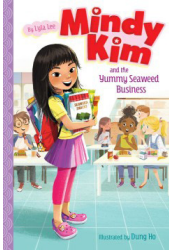
Meet Yasmin! by Saadia Faruqi
(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Far)

Homer and his little sister Ada flee in the night in search of freedom, leaving behind their beloved mother behind on the plantation. They find refuge in a hidden community deep in the swamp with others who have escaped slavery.



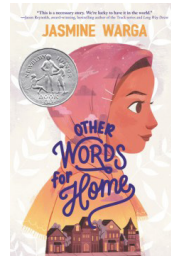
Omar Rising by Aisha Saeed
(Juvenile Fiction - J Saeed)

Omar is initially excited to receive a scholarship to Ghalib Academy, an elite boarding school. However, he soon realizes that his new school is not what he expected, as the students from disadvantaged families like himself are forced to fight an impossible battle.



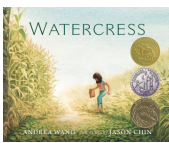
Mindy Kim and the Yummy Seaweed Business by Lyla Lee
(Juvenile First Chapter Books - J Lee)

Mindy Kim wants to fit in at her new school, but her favorite lunch leads to scorn, then a thriving business, and finally big trouble.



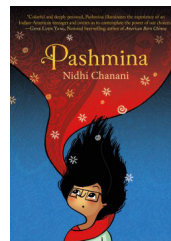
Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga
(Juvenile Fiction - J Warga)

Sent with her mother to the safety of a relative's home in Cincinnati when her Syrian hometown is overshadowed by violence, Jude worries for the family members who were left behind as she adjusts to a new life with unexpected surprises.



Watercress by Andrea Wang
(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Wan)

While on a road trip, a young girl's family pulls over to collect watercress from a ditch. The girl feels embarrassed about eating food collected from the side of the road, but comes to learn the significance of watercress to her family.



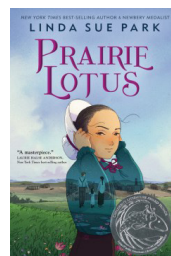
Pashmina by Nidhi Chanani
(Juvenile Graphic Novels- J-GN Chanani Pashmina)

An Indian-American teen, Priyanka "Pri" Das, attempts to discover her past and reconnect with her mother's homeland through a magical pashmina shawl.



Wishes by Mụợn Thị Văn
(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Van)

Through the use of striking imagery and simple prose, this story provides a powerful glimpse into the sacrifices, fears, and hopes that many families face when immigrating to a new home.



Prairie Lotus by Linda Sue Park
(Juvenile Fiction - J Park)

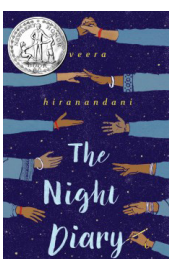
Hanna lives in a small town in America's heartland. In Dakota Territory in the 1880s, half-Chinese Hanna and her white father face racism and resistance to change as they try to make a home for themselves.

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Green Lantern: Legacy by Minh Lê
(Juvenile Graphic Novels- J-GN Green Lantern Legacy)

When thirteen-year-old Tai Pham inherits his grandmother's jade ring, he soon finds out he has been inducted into a group of space cops known as the Green Lanterns.



The Night Diary by Veera Hiranandani
(Juvenile Fiction - J Hir)

After the 1947 partition of India, 12-year-old Nisha and her family were forced to leave their home in the newly-formed nation of Pakistan. Follow Nisha as she chronicles her family's journey to their new home in India.

