

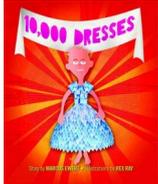
? More Children Staff Picks



LGBTQ-Positive Picture Books

These LGBTQ-positive picture books are appropriate for young children, but their message of being true to oneself is meaningful for readers of all ages!

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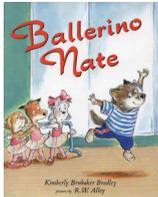


10,000 dresses

Marcus Ewert

Ej - Ewe

Every night, Bailey dreams about magical dresses: dresses made of crystals and rainbows, dresses made of flowers, dresses made of windows. Unfortunately, when Bailey's awake, no one wants to hear about these beautiful dreams. Then Bailey meets Laurel, an older girl who is touched and inspired by Bailey's imagination and courage. In friendship, the two of them begin making dresses together. And Bailey's dreams come true! This gorgeous picture book—a modern fairy tale about becoming the person you feel you are inside—will delight people of all ages. provided by publisher

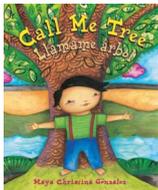


Ballerino Nate

Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Bra

After seeing a ballet performance, Nate decides he wants to learn ballet but he has doubts when his brother Ben tells him that only girls can be ballerinas.

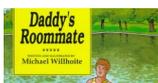


Call Me Tree

Maya Christina Gonzalez

Español Juvenil - Ej Gon

Call Me Tree/Llámame árbol, written and illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez, is a beautiful book that manages the unique achievement of being gender neutral. The poetry carries the reader through the child's imagination, from growing into a tree to the discovery of other diverse children-trees, and includes a metaphorical message that suggests all trees, like all people, belong in the world. Publisher



Daddy's Roommate

Michael Willhoite

Juvenile Nonfiction - J 306.76 Wi

A young boy discusses his divorced father's new living situation, in which the father and his gay roommate share eating, doing chores, playing, loving, and living.



The Great Big Book of Families

Mary Hoffman

Juvenile Nonfiction - J 306.85 Hof

This fun and fascinating treasury features all kinds of families and their lives together. Each spread showcases one aspect of home life—from houses and holidays, to schools and pets, to feelings and family trees. Ros Asquith's humorous illustrations perfectly complement a charming text from the acclaimed Mary Hoffman; kids will love poring over these pages again and again. A celebration of the diverse fabric of kith and kin the world over, *The Great Big Book of Families* is a great big treat for every family to share. ?Publisher



Heather Has Two Mommies

Lesle?a Newman

J - 306.76 New

?Heather's favorite number is two. She has two arms, two legs, and two pets. And she also has two mommies. When Heather goes to school for the first time, someone asks her about her daddy, but Heather doesn't have a daddy. Then something interesting happens. When Heather and her classmates all draw pictures of their families, not one drawing is the same. It doesn't matter who makes up a family, the teacher says, because ?the most important thing about a family is that all the people in it love one another?? ? provided by publisher.

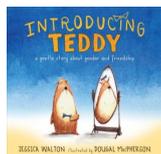


I Am Jazz!

Jessica Herthel

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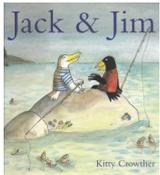
?From the time she was two years old, Jazz knew that she had a girl's brain in a boy's body. She loved pink and dressing up as a mermaid and didn't feel like herself in boys' clothing.? *I Am Jazz!* tells the true story of Jazz Jennings's childhood in an clear and honest voice that will easily engage picture book readers.



Introducing Teddy : A Gentle Story About Gender and Friendship

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Wal

Errol's best friend and teddy, Thomas, is sad because he wishes he were a girl, not a boy teddy, but what only matters to both of them is that they are friends.



Jack and Jim

Kitty Crowther

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Cr

Longing for adventure, Jack the blackbird decides one day to venture out from his forest home to seek the excitement of the sea. There he encounters a dashing seagull named Jim, who welcomes Jack into his life and shows him the wonders of his seaside village. Unfortunately, the other (white) gulls aren't so hospitable. "Who's that funny bird," old Captain Seagull asks. In spite of Jim's efforts to defend his friend, the villagers can't seem to get beyond Jack's differences. Until, that is, they learn that he has a skill none of them do. Jack's ability to read funny stories from an old washed-up box of books wins the friendship of the crusty gulls, and interspecies harmony abounds at last. ?Amazon Review



King and King

Linda de Haan

Juvenile Nonfiction - J 306.76 Ha

When the queen insists that the prince get married and take over as king, the search for a suitable mate does not turn out as expected.

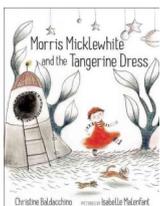


Monday is One Day

Arthur Levine

Children's Fiction ? Ej Lev

A rhyming countdown of the days of the week as a father and child wait for the weekend together.



Morris Micklewhite and the Tangerine Dress

Christine Baldacchino

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Bal

Morris is a little boy who loves using his imagination. But most of all, Morris loves wearing the tangerine dress in his classroom's dress-up center. The children in Morris's class don't understand. Dresses, they say, are for girls. And Morris certainly isn't welcome in the spaceship some of his classmates are building. Astronauts, they say, don't wear dresses. One day when Morris feels all alone

and sick from their taunts, his mother lets him stay home from school. Morris dreams of a fantastic space adventure with his cat, Moo. Inspired by his dream, Morris paints the incredible scene he saw and brings it with him to school. He builds his own spaceship, hangs his painting on the front of it and takes two of his classmates on an outer space adventure. With warm, dreamy illustrations, Isabelle Malenfant perfectly captures Morris's vulnerability and the vibrancy of his imagination. Amazon

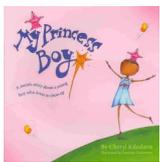


Mr. Satie and the Great Art Contest

Tomie dePaola

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej De

Rosalie and Conrad have been waiting for the arrival of their favourite uncle, Mr Satie. As soon as he arrives he starts one of his stories and describes the sights and sounds of Paris and the paintings of Picasso and Matisse. Amazon

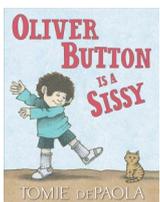


My princess boy : a mom's story about a young boy who loves to dress up

Cheryl Kilodavis

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Jacob loves playing dress-up, when he can be anything he wants to be. Some kids at school say he can't wear girl clothes, but Jacob wants to wear a dress to school. Can he convince his parents to let him wear what he wants? This heartwarming story speaks to the unique challenges faced by boys who don't identify with traditional gender roles. provided by publisher



Oliver Button is a Sissy

Tomie DePaola

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej De

Taunted by his schoolmates because he doesn't like to play sports, Little Oliver prefers to sing and dance. He persists in his passions and one day gets to show what he can do. Scholastic



Paper Bag Princess

Robert Munsch

Children's Fiction ? Ej Mun

The Princess Elizabeth is slated to marry Prince Ronald when a dragon attacks the castle and kidnaps Ronald. In resourceful and humorous fashion, Elizabeth finds the dragon, outsmarts him, and rescues Ronald who is less than pleased at her un-princess-like appearance. Barnes and Noble



Red: A Crayon's Story

Michael Hall

Ej - Hal

Red's factory-applied label clearly says that he is red, but despite the best efforts of his teacher, fellow crayons and art supplies, and family members, he cannot seem to do anything right until a new friend offers a fresh perspective.



Sparkle Boy

Leslie Newman

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej New

Three-year-old Casey wants what his older sister, Jessie, has: a shimmery skirt, glittery painted nails, and a sparkly bracelet—but Jessie does not approve. After two boys tease Casey about his appearance, Jessie evolves to a place of acceptance and celebration of her gender creative younger brother.

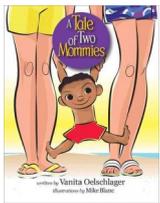


Stella Brings the Family

Miriam B. Schiffer

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Sch

Stella's class is having a Mother's Day celebration, but what's a girl with two daddies to do? It's not that she doesn't have someone who helps her with her homework, or tucks her in at night. Stella has her Papa and Daddy who take care of her, and a whole gaggle of other loved ones who make her feel special and supported every day. She just doesn't have a *mom* to invite to the party. Fortunately, Stella finds a unique solution to her party problem in this sweet story about love, acceptance, and the true meaning of family.

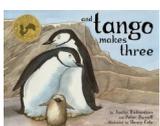


A Tale of Two Mommies

Vanita Oelschlager

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Oel

A young boy describes to two other children how his two mommies help him with all his needs.



And Tango Makes Three

Justin Richardson

Ej - Ri

?At New York City's Central Park Zoo, two male penguins fall in love and start a family by taking turns sitting on an abandoned egg until it hatches.?

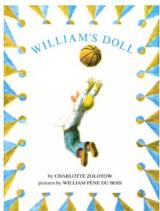


This Day in June

Gayle Pitman

Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Pit

In a wildly whimsical, validating, and exuberant reflection of the LGBT community, *This Day In June* welcomes readers to experience a pride celebration and share in a day when we are all united. This Day In June is an excellent tool for teaching respect, acceptance, and understanding of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people. ?Amazon



William's Doll

Charlotte Zolotow

Children's Fiction ? Ej Zol

William's father gives him a basketball and a train?but these do not make him want a doll any less.



Worm Loves Worm

J.J. Austrian

Ej - Aus

Two worms in love decide to get married, and with help from Cricket, Beetle, Spider, and the Bees they have everything they need and more, but which one will be the bride and which the groom?

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