

New Immigrants, New Approaches

Serving Your Community's Deep Diversity
with Programming and Acquisition

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RESOURCES

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Welcoming Immigrants & Refugees

Welcoming America

Welcoming America helps communities across the country achieve prosperity by becoming more welcoming toward immigrants and all residents.

<http://www.welcomingamerica.org>

Resource: Office of Refugee Resettlement: Find State Support Programs

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr/state-programs-annual-overview>

Online Articles: "Changing Demographics, Changing Identity, Changing Attitudes" from *Teaching Tolerance*

<http://www.tolerance.org/lesson/changing-demographics-changing-identity-changing-attitudes>

Books as Bridges

Article: How Cross-Racial Scenes in Picture Books Build Acceptance" by Krista Aronson & Anne Sibley O'Brien, *School Library Journal*, 2014 Diversity issue

<http://www.slj.com/2014/05/diversity/how-cross-racial-scenes-in-picture-books-build-acceptance/>

Blog: Coloring Between the Line: reflections on race, culture and children's books

<http://coloringbetween.blogspot.com>

Article: "Ten Quick Ways to Analyze Children's Books for Racism and Sexism"

http://www.teachingforchange.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/ec_tenquickways_english.pdf



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New Arrival Children's Literature

**I'm Your Neighbor: Children's Books & Reading Projects Building
Bridges Between "New Arrivals" and Long-term" Communities**

Discover "new arrival" children's literature by setting, region, groups represented and theme. Download a growing collection of community and classroom engagement projects.

<http://www.imyourneighborbooks.org>

Article & Booklist: "Crossing Borders with Books" by Angela Leeper, *Book Links*, 01/15

Article & Booklist: "Andrea Davis Pinkney's 'Red Pencil,' and More" by Monica Edinger, *New York Times Book Review*, 11/6/14

Article & Booklist: "Children of War: Tales of Child Refugees and Safe Havens" by Kathleen T. Isaacs, *School Library Journal*, 9/26/13

Article & Booklist: "Islam in the Classroom" by Lauren Barack, *School Library Journal*, 5/28/13

Blog Post: "Finding Terms to Describe Authors Writing Cross Culturally" by Lanie Honda, I'm Your Neighbor, <http://www.imyourneighborbooks.org/2012/07/05/711/>

New Arrivals Children's Literature & Libraries

Website: I'm Your Neighbor, Portland

A 2013 Portland, Maine community-wide read and series of public library events designed to promote a sense of community among the diverse people who have made the New England city their home.

<http://www.imyourneighborportland.org>

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Multicultural

I'm New Here

Picture Book

by Anne Sibley O'Brien

Published by Charlesbridge Publishing

Here I Am

Picture Book / Graphic Novel

By Patti Kim

Illustrated by Sonia Sanchez

Published by Capstone Young Readers

"Sánchez has captured a kaleidoscope of emotion and powerful sensations in a way children will grasp completely. It's The Arrival for younger readers." —*Kirkus Reviews*

Outcasts United: The Story of a Refugee Soccer Team that Changed a Town

By Warren St. John

Published by Delacorte Books for Young Readers

"Not merely about soccer, St. John's book teaches readers about the social and economic difficulties of adapting to a new culture and the challenges facing a town with a new and disparate population"

—*School Library Journal*

Yes! We Are Latinos

By Alma Flor Ada and F. Isabel Campoy

Illustrated by David Diaz

Published by Charlesbridge Publishers

First Crossing: Stories About Teen Immigrants

Anthology

Edited by Donald R. Gallo

Published by Candlewick Press

Afghani

Four Feet, Two Sandals

Picture Book

By Karen Lynn Williams and Khadra Mohammed

Illustrated by Doug Chayka

Published by Eerdmans Books

"By keeping the focus squarely on their child characters, Williams and Mohammed illuminate the plight of refugee children"
—*Kirkus Reviews*

Shooting Kabul

Novel

By N.H. Senzai

Published by Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers

"For all of Fadi's differences from his Fremont, California classmates, he will still seem very familiar to many middle schoolers. The novel allows readers a view of a different culture and provides background for events that still plague us today."—Steven Kral, VOYA

There are beautiful new editions of the ***Breadwinner*** trilogy set in Afghanistan by Deborah Ellis (Groundwood Books). Reorder!

"All girls [should read] ***The Breadwinner*** by Deborah Ellis."

— Malala Yousafzai,
New York Times

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Burmese (Myanmar)

Azzi In Between

Picture Book

By Sarah Garland

Illustrated by Sarah Garland

Published by Frances Lincoln Children's
Books

(Setting not named, but based on the author's
experience with refugees of Burma)

"...every school should have this book readily
to hand for every child to read."

—Marjorie Coughlan, *Paper Tigers*

Bamboo People

Novel

By Mitali Perkins

Published by Charlesbridge

"...a story that invites discussion of the
realities of warfare rooted in long-standing
antagonism and unreasoning hatred of "the
other." —Michael Cart, *Booklist*

Cambodian

A Path of Stars

Picture Book

By Anne Sibley O'Brien

Illustrated by Anne Sibley O'Brien

Published by Charlesbridge

"A loving, intergenerational story about loss
and perseverance that feels honest,
empowering, and—best of all—hopeful."

—*Booklist*

***Either the Beginning or the End of the
World***

By Terry Farish

Published by Carolrhoda Lab

Congolese

Blue Gold

Novel

By Elizabeth Stewart

Published by Annick Press

"Artfully blending psychological insights with
global politics and business ethics, Stewart
demonstrates the interconnectedness of the
global economy with elegant prose and page-
turning cliffhangers." —Karen Doerksen
Readerly, National Reading Campaign

Ethiopian

Faraway Home

Picture Book

By Jane Kurtz

Illustrated by E.B. Lewis

Published by Harcourt Books

"Like Allen Say's *Grandfather's Journey*
(1993), this picture book captures the
immigrant experience when generations live
far apart and even happy family life is mixed
with longing for "back home." —*Booklist*

***Of Beetles and Angels: A Boy's Remarkable
Journey from a Refugee Camp to Harvard***
Memoir

By Mawi Asgedom

Published by Little, Brown and Company

"Asgedom's story is compelling; after three
years in a refugee camp in the Sudan, his
family—mother, father, brother, and sisters—
made their way to the Chicago area where,
thanks to their own faith and grit and the
everyday generosity of their community, they
managed to establish a life for themselves."
—*Kirkus Review*

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Guatemalan

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Picture Book

by Anne Sibley O'Brien

Published by Charlesbridge Publishing

Journey of Dreams

By Marge Pellegrino

Published by Frances Lincoln Children's
Books

"This novel will captivate both Latin American
survivors of civil war and their peers.
Outstanding." –*Kirkus Reviews*

Iraqi

Silent Music: a Story of Baghdad

Picture Book

By James Rumford

Published by Roaring Brook Press

"Told plainly and without bathos, this is one
story of how people use art to find
understanding." –*The Horn Book Magazine*

The White Zone

Novel

By Carolyn Marsden

Published by Carolrhoda Books

"Marsden's detailed descriptions of everyday
life make this culture come alive." –**School
Library Journal**

"Marsden tells a story that resonates highly in
today's society where there are many different
types of chaos disrupting lives and homes
worldwide." –*VOYA*

Mexican

Pancho Rabbit and the Coyote

Picture Book

By Duncan Tonatiuh

Published by Abrams Books for Young Readers

"Accessible for young readers, who may be
drawn to it as they would a classic fable;
perfect for mature readers and the classroom,
where its layers of truth and meaning can be
peeled back to be examined and discussed. An
incandescent, humane and terribly necessary
addition to the immigrant-story shelf."
–*Kirkus Reviews*

Tell Us We're Home

By Marina Budhos

Published by Atheneum Books for Young
Readers

These fully realized heroines are full of heart,
and their passionate struggles against
systemic injustice only make them more
inspiring. Keenly necessary." –*Kirkus Reviews*

Muslim

The Garden of my Imaan

Novel

By Farhana Zia

Published by Peachtree Publishers

"...Zia's gentle message—that Muslims come
from many cultures whose observances differ,
while the long shadow of 9/11 hovers over all—
is timely and beautifully conveyed."
–*Kirkus Reviews*

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Muslim

My Sister Lives on the Mantlepiece

By Annabel Pitcher

Published by Little Brown Books for Young
Readers

“This book is a great catalyst for opening
conversations about death and loss as well as
difficult discussions about hatred and
prejudice.” —*Children's Literature*

Does My Head Look Big In This?

Novel

By Randa Abdel-Fattah

Published by Orchard Books

“...the book is wonderful at showing the
diversity within Muslim communities and in
explaining why so many women choose to
wear the hijab.” —*School Library Journal*

Palestinian

A Stone in my Hand

Novel

By Cathryn Clinton

Published by Candlewick Press

“With a sharp eye for nuances of culture and
the political situation in the Middle East,
Clinton has created a rich, colorful cast of
characters and created an emotionally
charged novel.” —*School Library Journal*

Where the Streets Had a Name

By Randa Abdel-Fattah

Published by Scholastic Press

“Abdel-Fattah introduces a bright, articulate
Muslim heroine coping with contemporary
life...” —*Kirkus Reviews*

Rwandan

Armel's Revenge

Picture Book

By Nicki Cornwell

Illustrated by Erika Pal

Published by Frances Lincoln Children's Books

“A brave story that highlights how prejudices
and hatred can influence the same families for
generations.” —*IBBY Link*

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Christophe's Story

Picture Book

By Nicki Cornwell

Illustrated by Karin Littlewood

Published by Frances Lincoln Children's Books

“...Cornwell is able to convey the horror
without the distance of an outside voice. It's a
powerful indictment of the savagery of war and
its effect on those caught in its path.”

—*Kirkus Reviews*

Somali

My Friend Jamal

Picture Book

By Anna McQuinn

Illustrated by Ben Frey

Published by Annick Press

“Joseph's notes on what he has learned about
his friend's culture add to the usefulness of
this matter-of-fact picture of mutual respect
and cross-culture harmony.”

—*Children's Literature*

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The Color of Home

Picture Book

By Mary Hoffman

Illustrated by Karin Littlewood

Published by Penguin Group

Out of Nowhere

By Maria Padian

Published by Random House Children's Books

"The author gracefully explores the intersections between culture and religion, as well as suspicion and prejudice in a post-9/11 world." —*Publisher's Weekly*

Sudanese

My Name is Sangoel

Picture Book

By Karen Lynn Williams and Khadra Mohammed

Illustrated by Catherine Stock

Published by Eerdmans Books

"...This simple story puts a child-friendly spin on a common immigrant experience as the child's classmates respond with similar puzzle pictures of their own names." —*School Library Journal*

Sudanese

The Good Braider

Novel

By Terry Farish

Published by Amazon Children's Publishing

"Refreshing and moving: avoids easy answers and saviors from the outside."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

The Red Pencil

By Andrea Davis Pinkney

Illustrated by Shane Evans

Published by Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

"A soulful story that captures the magic of possibility, even in difficult times."

—*Kirkus Reviews (Starred Review)*

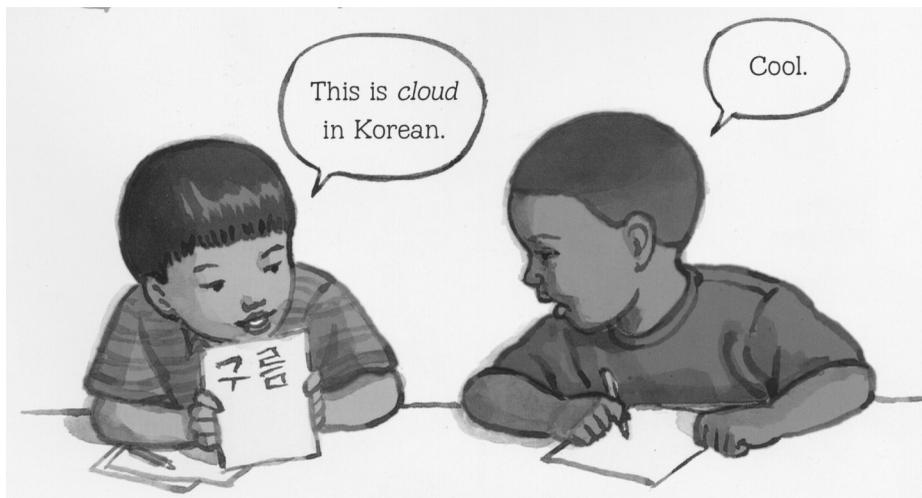
Vietnamese

Inside Out and Back Again

By Thanhha Lai

Published by HarperCollins Publishing

"... speak to any sensitive child wrestling with the necessity to compromise with wrenching, world-shifting transitions." —Claudia Mills, Children's Literature



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