

### [Full, Full of Love by Trish Cooke](#)

This is a sweet book about a little boy and his Grandma preparing and waiting for their Sunday family dinner. It's sweet and relatable and your kids are sure to love it. Ages: 2–5

### [Leo Can Swim By Anna McQuinn](#)

A book about little Leo and his dad as they go to swim class. Be sure to check out the many other books featuring Leo and his big sister Lola. Ages: 0–3

### [The Day You Begin by Jacqueline Woodson](#)

This book explores what it's like to feel different, and many ways in which we might feel different. It's one of the longer, more wordy books on this list, but it's gorgeous and explores our ability to share and bond over our differences. Ages: 3+

### [Be Kind by Pat Zietlow Miller](#)

Kindness and compassion are traits we all wish for our kids. *Be Kind* models ways children can use acts of kindness to make both big and small differences. Ages: 2–5

### [The Last Stop on Market Street by Matt De La Peña](#)

Kids ask questions, and parents (or, in this case, grandparents) do their best to answer. In this book, we see CJ question the differences between his experiences and those of the people around him, while his grandma offers insightful and encouraging responses. Ages: 2–5

### [Windows by Julia Denos](#)

A beautifully illustrated book about a boy walking his dog through his neighborhood, witnessing snippets of his neighbors' lives through windows as he passes. Ages: 2–5

### [Every Little Thing by Bob Marley](#)

This book brings to life Bob Marley's song "Three Little Birds", telling the story of a boy who won't let anything bring him down! Sweet and lyrical. Ages: 0+

### [Baby Loves Gravity by Ruth Spiro](#)

This is a great book to encourage those STEM topics. The whole *Baby Loves Science* series is fantastic and diverse. In this book, we watch and this baby and his pup explore gravity as it affects things as small as food falling from his high chair, to things as massive as the Earth and the moon. Ages: 0–3

### [Peekaboo Morning by Rachel Isadora](#)

Follow this baby as he searches for family, pets, and toys around his home. If you love this one, check out the book *Peekaboo Bedtime*, featuring the same happy toddler. Ages: 0–3

### [Max and the Tag-Along Moon by Floyd Cooper](#)

This book follows a boy, Max, as he watches the moon through the window on a drive home from his grandpa's house. When the moon disappears behind the clouds, Max begins to worry whether it had managed to follow him all of the way home as his grandpa had promised. This is a really warm, magical book with absolutely gorgeous illustrations. Ages: 2–5

### [Jabari Jumps by Gaia Cornwall](#)

Children are no stranger to nervous feelings. Cornwall shows an empathetic father embracing Jabari's anxiety and empowering him to make the decision to confront his fear of jumping off of the diving board.

This book has gotten us through a number of situations where my daughter was nervous to do something, but could reflect on Jabari's process and build up the confidence to take the leap! Ages: 2–5

[Ada Twist, Scientist by Andrea Beaty](#)

One of a number of wonderful books by this author that grow into early reader chapter books, Ada Twist is about a little girl with a head full of questions and an amazing capacity to uncover answers, even if it makes her parents a little nuts. This series is a bedtime hit. Ages: 2–5

[Little People, Big Dreams: Rosa Parks by Lisbeth Kaiser](#)

Another great series exploring historical figures, ranging from civil rights activists and scientists, to artists and athletes. This book is a great introduction to civil injustice and the complicated topic of black history. Ages: 3+

For more books in this series featuring black characters, check out: [Josephine Baker](#), [Martin Luther King Jr.](#), [Harriet Tubman](#), [Jesse Owens](#), and [Maya Angelou](#).

On the topic of black history, you should also check out [Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History by Vashti Harrison](#)

**More Titles To Consider:**

[Dancing in the Wings by Debbie Allen](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[I Can Do Hard Things by Gabi Garcia](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[Saturday and Thank You, Omu by Oge Mora](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[The Big Umbrella by Juniper Bates](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[Same, Same but Different by Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[The Best Part of Me by Wendy Ewald](#) (Ages: 0+)

[Lovely by Jess Hong](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[All Are Welcome by Alexandra Penfold](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[Please, Baby, Please by Spike Lee](#) (Ages: 0–3)

[One Love By Bob Marley](#) (Ages: 0+)

[Those Shoes by Maribeth Boelts](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[I Am Enough by Grace Byers](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[Hair Love by Matthew A Cherry](#) (Ages: 2–5)

[Tar Beach by Faith Ringgold](#) (Ages: 3+)

[The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats](#) (Ages 2–5)

[Baby's First Words by Barefoot Books](#) (Ages 0–2)

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**Children's books that address racism, promote diversity, etc. - available at Book People**

*The Undefeated*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9781328780966>

*Something Happened in Our Town: A Child's Story about Racial Injustice*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9781433828546>

*Not My Idea: A Book about Whiteness (Ordinary Terrible Things)*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9781948340007>

*Can I Touch Your Hair?: Poems of Race, Mistakes, and Friendship*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9781512404425>

*I Am Every Good Thing*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9780525518778>

*Ghost Boys*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9780316262262>

*A Good Kind of Trouble*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9780062836687>

*This Book Is Anti-Racist: 20 Lessons on How to Wake Up, Take Action, and Do The Work*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9780711245211>

*Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You: A Remix of the National Book Award-winning Stamped from the Beginning*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9780316453691>

*Mixed: A Colorful Story (Hardcover)*

<https://www.bookpeople.com/book/9781250142733>