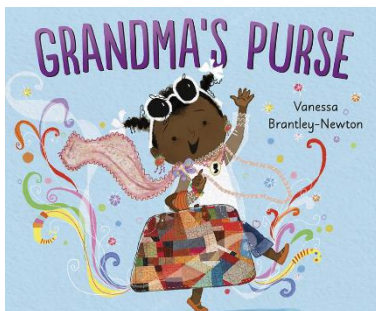


Racism

In 2017, 9115 children's books were published in the UK. Of which, only 4% featured BAME (black or ethnic minority) characters and 1% had a BAME main character. To quote the Guardian, "When you're figuring out the world, being able to see yourself in books, as well as people who don't look like you, is really important. It means you see your story as valid, and it can contribute to who you imagine yourself to be – and a kid should be able to imagine themselves as anyone in the world. These mirrors are so important."

Some example books and authors you may like to read into are on the following pages. When reading them, consider the message within the story. Do you believe the story? How they want to live their life? What is right/wrong and why? How do they treat others? How do they like to be treated?

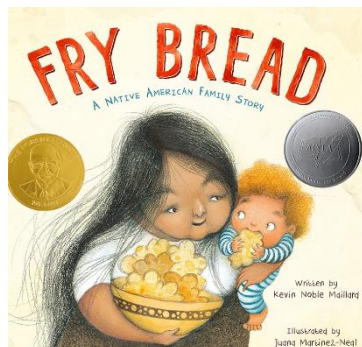
Research into Black children's authors. Read some of their work then write an opening of your own short story. Consider having a diverse range of characters.



Grandma's purse

Author: Vanessa Brantley-Newton

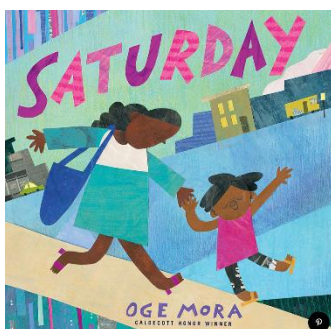
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Fry Bread

Author: Kevin Nobel Maillard

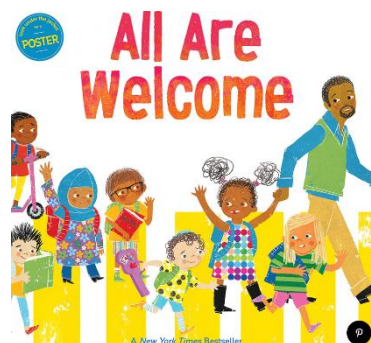
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Saturday

Author: Oge Mora

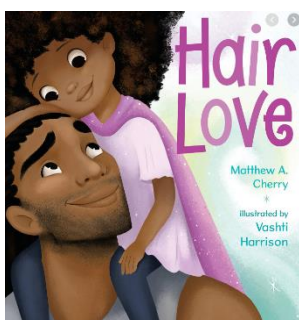
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All are welcome

Author: Alexandra Penfold

Age: 4-8

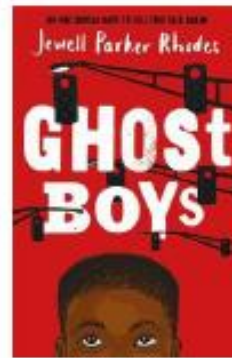


Mathew A. Cherry- Hair Love

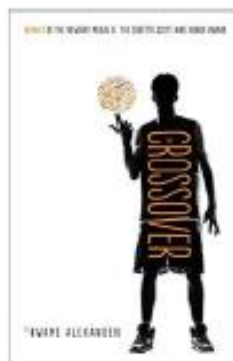
This book was converted to a short film which recently won an Oscar. This short film is available via this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?V=knw8v_Fkw28



This Book is Anti-Racist
Author: Tiffany Jewell
Illustrator: Aurelia Durand
Publisher: White Lion Publishing
Age: 9+
Also available as an ebook



Ghost Boys
Author: Jewell Parker Rhodes
Publisher: Orion Children's Books
Age: 9+
Also available as an ebook



The Crossover
Author: Kwame Alexander
Publisher: Andersen Press
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Also available as an ebook and audiobook



Clean Getaway
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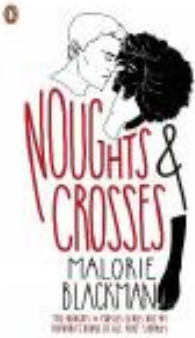
The Faraway Truth
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Publisher: Chicken House
Age: 9+
Also available as an ebook



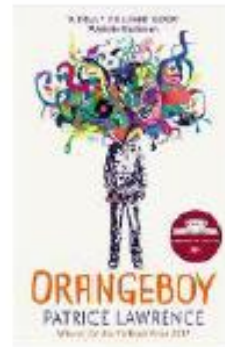
Crongton Knights
Author: Alex Wheatle
Publisher: Little Brown Books
Age: 11+
Also available as an ebook



Children of Blood And Bone
Author: Tomi Adeyemi
Publisher: Pan Macmillan
Age: 11+
Also available as an ebook, Audio CD and audiobook



Noughts & Crosses
Author: Malorie Blackman
Publisher: Penguin
Age: 13+
Also available as an eBook, Audio CV and audiobook



Orangeboy
Author: Patrice Lawrence
Publisher: Hachette
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