



CHILDREN'S BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

When building and using a children's book collection, it is critical to:

- **Seek out diversity and intersectional representation in the characters, storylines, setting, etc.**
- **Purposefully look for books that center people of color and their authentic stories. Purchase books written or illustrated by people of color.**
- **Refer to book lists from the following resources: Cooperative Children's Book Center, the Brown Bookshelf, We Need Diverse Books, and the Diverse Book Finder Search Tool**
- **Analyze books for implicit or explicit racist imagery, language, or whitewashed narratives.**
- **Provide necessary context to the story being told. Be prepared to host conversations about the storyline, conflicts, characteristics, etc. with students.**

