



Cultures Of The World - Fiction

Younger Readers

Barnes, Derrick

091584 I Am Every Good Thing. Illustrations and easy-to-read text pay homage to the strength, character, and worth of a child. il. James, Gordon C. [IL 3-7] 32 pages Nancy Paulsen 2020 E **21.58**

Camper, Cathy

185223 Ten Ways To Hear Snow. Walking to her grandmother's home to help make warak enab, Lina discovers many ways to hear snow, from the scrape of a shovel on a sidewalk to the quiet pats of snowman-building. il. Pak, Kenard. [IL 4-8] 32 pages Kokila 2020 E (AR) **21.58**

de la Pena, Matt

265892 Milo Imagines The World. While Milo and his sister travel to a detention center to visit their incarcerated mother, he observes strangers on the subway and draws what he imagines their lives to be. il. Robinson, Christian. [IL 4-8] 39 pages Putnam 2021 E (AR) **22.28**

Diaz, Junot

276582 Islandborn. Lola was just a baby when her family left the Island, so when she has to draw it for a school assignment, she asks her family, friends, and neighbors about their memories of her homeland ... and in the process, comes up with a new way of understanding her own heritage. il. Espinosa, Leo. [IL 5-8] 46 pages Dial 2018 E (AR/RC) **21.58**

Dominguez, Angela

285588 Stella Diaz Dreams Big. Stella has started fourth grade and things are going swimmingly! Suddenly, Stella is way too busy for everything on her schedule. With so much going on, can she achieve her goals without letting anyone down? il. [IL 7-10] 188 pages Roaring Brook 2021 Fic **20.88**

English, Karen

311527 Red Shoes. Malika loves her new red shoes and wears them everywhere, but eventually she outgrows them, and her grandmother takes them to a second-hand shop--where they will become a special present for Amina (who fasted half the month of Ramadan) in Africa, who will enjoy her special red shoes every bit as much as Malika did. il. Glenn, Ebony. [IL 3-5] 32 pages Scholastic 2020 E (AR) **21.58**

Ho, Joanna

447618 Eyes That Kiss In The Corners. A young Asian girl notices that her eyes look different from her

peers'. They have big, round eyes and long lashes. She realizes that her eyes are like her mother's, her grandmother's, and her little sister's. Drawing from the strength of the powerful women in her life, she recognizes her own beauty and discovers a path to self-love and empowerment. il. Ho, Dung. [IL 4-8] 34 pages Harper 2021 E (AR) **21.58**

Khan, Hena

516474 Under My Hijab. As a young girl observes that each of six women in her life wears her hijab and hair in a different way, she considers how to express her own style one day. il. Jaleel, Aaliya. [IL 4-8] 32 pages Lee & Low 2019 E (AR) **22.26**

Kim, Anna

517927 Danbi Leads The School Parade. Danbi is thrilled to start her new school in America. But a bit nervous too, for when she walks into the classroom, everything goes quiet. Everyone stares. Danbi wants to join in the dances and the games, but she doesn't know the rules and just can't get anything right. Luckily, she isn't one to give up. With a spark of imagination, she makes up a new game and leads her classmates on a parade to remember! il. [IL 3-7] 34 pages Viking 2020 E (AR) **21.58**

Lopez-Alt, J. Kenji

586604 Every Night Is Pizza Night. Convinced that pizza is the best food, Pipo will eat nothing else until her fed-up parents send her on a quest to prove that no dishes in their multicultural neighborhood are better. il. Ruggiero, Gianna. [IL 4-8] 42 pages Norton Young Readers 2020 E **21.56**

Maddox, Jake

875914 Strange Boarders. Recently resettled in America, Adnan Zakaria is a Syrian refugee whose skateboarding skills are the only thing that allows him to connect with the other kids in his neighborhood. But when his skateboard disappears and turns up in the hands of local troublemaker Mike Proctor, Adnan has to out-skate his foe to win it back. In graphic novel format. il. Muniz, Berenice. [IL 7-11] 65 pages Stone Arch 2019 741 (AR) **22.05**

Maillard, Kevin Noble

597281 Fry Bread: A Native American Family Story. A picture book about family, tradition, and a Native American staple. il. Martinez-Neal, Juana. [IL 4-7] 41 pages Roaring Brook 2019 E **22.28**



Manushkin, Fran

602117 Best Baker. Katie and her friend Haley visit a bakery and learn how to bake yummy treats. il. Zarrin, Laura. [IL 5-8] 25 pages Picture Window 2020 E (AR) **19.43**

602115 Best Pet? Pedro and his dog, Peppy, are ready for the pet show. Peppy can sit and fetch on command. And he's freshly washed and ready to shine. But when they get to the pet show Peppy gets upset and ends up in the mud. Is there any way for him to become the best pet? il. Lyon, Tammie. [IL 5-8] 24 pages Picture Window 2021 E (AR) **19.43**

602193 Open Wide, Katie! After a trip to the zoo Katie is curious about how animals keep their teeth clean--and she uses her own trip to the dentist's office to ask questions. il. Zarrin, Laura. [IL 5-8] 25 pages Picture Window 2020 E (AR) **19.43**

602194 Pedro Goes To Mars. Pedro would love to take a trip to planet Mars! Are his climbing skills good enough for the planet's rocky surface? Can he pack enough sandwiches to keep himself fed? Will Pedro's big imagination lead him to Mars, or will he decide that Earth is the planet for him? il. Lyon, Tammie. [IL 5-8] 24 pages Picture Window 2021 E (AR) **19.43**

Martinez-Neal, Juana

594357 Alma And How She Got Her Name. Alma Sofia Esperanza Jose Pura Candela has way too many names: six! As she hears the story of her name, Alma starts to think it might be a perfect fit after all. il. [IL 4-8] 32 pages Candlewick 2018 E (AR/RC) **21.58**

Medina, Meg

635007 Evelyn Del Rey Is Moving Away. The bittersweet story of two girls who will always be each other's numero uno, even though one is moving away. il. [IL 5-7] 32 pages Candlewick 2020 E (AR) **21.58**

Muhammad, Ibtihaj

663225 Proudest Blue: A Story Of Hijab And Family. Faizah relates how she feels on the first day her sister, sixth-grader Asiya, wears a hijab to school. il. Aly, Hatem. [IL 4-8] 34 pages Little 2019 E (AR) **21.58**

Penfold, Alexandra

709121 Big Feelings. A group of kids express a multitude of feelings and discover they are not alone. il. Kaufman, Suzanne. [IL 4-8] 33 pages Knopf 2021 E **22.28**

Ramadan, Danny

738189 Salma The Syrian Chef. A little girl's quest to make a traditional Syrian meal for her Mama. il. Bron, Anna. [IL 4-7] 40 pages Annick Press 2020 E (AR) **22.26**

Thompkins-Bigelow, Jamilah

879846 Your Name Is A Song. Frustrated by a day full of teachers and classmates mispronouncing her beautiful name, a little girl tells her mother she never

wants to come back to school. In response, the girl's mother teaches her about the musicality of African, Asian, Black-American, Latinx, and Middle Eastern names on their lyrical walk home through the city. Empowered by this newfound understanding, the young girl is ready to return the next day to share her knowledge with her class. il. Uribe, Luisa. [IL 5-8] 41 pages Innovation Press 2020 E (AR) **20.88**

Umrigar, Thrity N.

897754 Binny's Diwali. Binny's class is learning about different holiday traditions, and today it is time for Binny to share the story of her favorite holiday, Diwali, the Festival of Lights--and she even has some special treats to give her classmates. Includes information on the five days of Diwali, what it commemorates, and its special traditions. il. Chanani, Nidhi. [IL 4-8] 32 pages Scholastic 2020 E (AR) **21.58**

Woodson, Jacqueline

964789 Day You Begin. Other students laugh when Rigoberto, an immigrant from Venezuela, introduces himself but later, he meets Angelina and discovers that he is not the only one who feels like an outsider. il. Lopez, Rafael. [IL 5-8] 32 pages Nancy Paulsen 2018 E (AR) **22.28**

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Older Readers

Bajaj, Varsha

081984 Count Me In. Told from two viewpoints, sixth-graders Karina and Chris use social media to stand up to racism in Houston, Texas, after an attack puts Karina's Indian American grandfather in the hospital. [IL 10-14] 175 pages Nancy Paulsen 2020 Fic (AR) **20.88**

Behar, Ruth

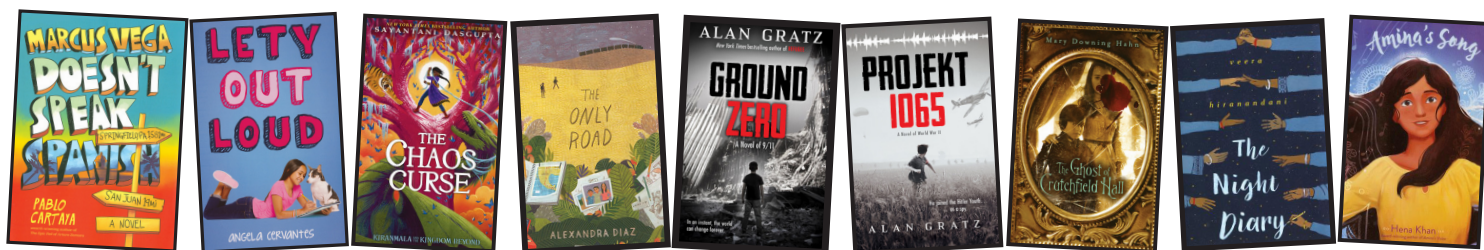
102016 Lucky Broken Girl. In 1960s New York, fifth-grader Ruthie, a Cuban-Jewish immigrant, must rely on books, art, her family, and friends in her multicultural neighborhood when an accident puts her in a body cast. [IL 10-14] 243 pages Nancy Paulsen 2017 Fic (AR/RC) **21.58**

Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker

144281 War I Finally Won. As the frightening impact of World War II creeps closer and closer to her door, eleven-year-old Ada learns to manage life on the home front. [IL 9-12] 385 pages Dial 2017 Fic (AR/RC) **21.58**

Cartaya, Pablo

196168 Each Tiny Spark. Sixth-grader Emilia Torres struggles with ADHD, her controlling abuela, her mother's work commitments, her father's distance after returning from deployment, evolving friendships, and a conflict over school redistricting. [IL 10-14] 315 pages Kokila 2019 Fic (AR/RC) **21.58**



196186 Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish.

After a fight at school leaves Marcus facing suspension, Marcus's mother takes him and his younger brother, who has Down syndrome, to Puerto Rico to visit relatives they do not remember or have never met, and while there Marcus starts searching for his father, who left their family ten years ago and is somewhere on the island. [IL 10-14] 249 pages Puffin 2019 Fic (AR/RC) **21.58**

Cervantes, Angela

203940 Lety Out Loud. Lety Andrade's first language is Spanish and she loves volunteering at the Furry Friends Animal Shelter because the dogs and cats there don't care if she can't find the right word. But she fears her position there may be in jeopardy when the volunteers agree to an unapproved secret competition among themselves. [IL 8-12] 197 pages Scholastic 2020 Fic (AR/RC) **20.88**

Chase, Paula

208407 Turning Point. Best friends Rasheeda and Monique navigate the ups and downs of a teenagers' summer, Mo at home in the Cove; Sheeda at a sleepaway ballet intensive. [IL 8-12] 370 pages Greenwillow 2020 Fic (AR) **20.88**

DasGupta, Sayantani

258836 Chaos Curse. Prince Lal has been spirited away to, of all places, Parsippany, so Kiranmala must leave the Kingdom Beyond and return home to rescue him; but reality seems to be wavering around her because something is causing a dangerous disruption in the multiverse, and she must face the disturbing prophecy about her own role in the approaching conflict between good and evil--not to mention her own growing feelings for Prince Neel. il. To, Vivienne. [IL 8-12] 370 pages Scholastic 2020 Fic (AR) **21.58**

Diaz, Alexandra

276585 Only Road. Twelve-year-old Jaime makes the treacherous journey from his home in Guatemala to his older brother in New Mexico after his cousin is murdered by a drug cartel. [IL 8-12] 308 pages Simon 2016 Fic (AR/RC) **22.28**

Gibbs, Stuart

376501 Spy Ski School. Twelve-year-old Ben's unexpected success outside the classroom causes the CIA to activate him for a mission to become friends with Jessica Shang, daughter of a suspected Chinese crime boss. [IL 8-12] 350 pages Simon 2017 Fic (AR/RC) **22.28**

Gratz, Alan

393477 Grenade. On April 1, 1945 with the battle of Okinawa beginning, fourteen-year-old native Okinawan Hideki, drafted into the Blood and Iron Student Corps, is handed two grenades and told to go kill American soldiers; small for his age Hideki does

not really want to kill anyone, he just wants to find his family, and his struggle across the island will finally bring him face-to-face with Ray, a marine in his very first battle--and the choice he makes then will change his life forever. [IL 11-14] 270 pages Scholastic 2018 Fic (AR/RC) **21.58**

393479 Ground Zero. Brandon is visiting his dad on the 107th floor of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001 when the attack comes; Reshmina is a girl in Afghanistan who has grown up in the aftermath of that attack but dreams of peace, becoming a teacher and escaping her village and the narrow role that the Taliban believes is appropriate for women--both are struggling to survive, both changed forever by the events of 9/11. il. [IL 9-12] 304 pages Scholastic 2021 Fic (AR) **21.58**

393483 Projekt 1065. It is 1943, and thirteen-year-old Michael O'Shaunessey, son of the Irish ambassador to Nazi Germany in Berlin, is also a spy for the British Secret Service, so he has joined the Hitler Youth, and pretending that he agrees with their violence and book-burning is hard enough--but when he is asked to find out more about "Projekt 1065" both his and his parents' lives get a lot more dangerous. [IL 9-12] 309 pages Scholastic 2016 Fic (AR/RC) **21.58**

Hahn, Mary Downing

410560 Ghost Of Crutchfield Hall. In the 19th century, Florence leaves a London orphanage to live with her great-uncle, great-aunt, and sickly cousin James, but a ghost in the house means to do her and James harm. [IL 9-12] 153 pages Clarion 2010 Fic (AR/RC) **14.89**

Hiranandani, Veera

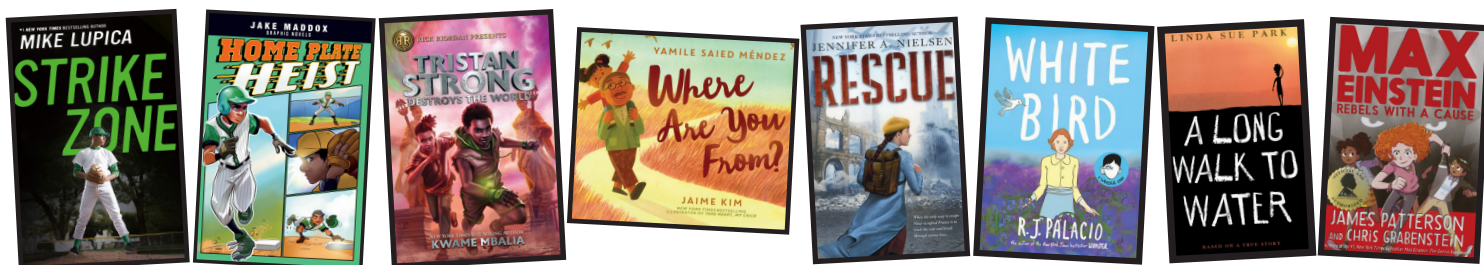
446558 Night Diary. Shy twelve-year-old Nisha, forced to flee her home with her Hindu family during the 1947 partition of India, tries to find her voice and make sense of the world falling apart around her by writing to her deceased Muslim mother in the pages of her diary. [IL 8-12] 264 pages Puffin 2019 Fic (AR/RC) **20.88**

Khan, Hena

516477 Amina's Song. Feeling pulled between two cultures after a month with family in Pakistan, Amina shares her experiences with Wisconsin classmates through a class assignment and a songwriting project with new student Nico. [IL 8-12] 280 pages Salaam Reads 2021 Fic (AR) **21.58**

LaMotte, Lily

540028 Measuring Up. Twelve-year-old Cici has just moved to Seattle from Taiwan, and the only thing she wants more than to fit in is to celebrate Amah's 70th birthday together. Since she can't go to Amah, Cici cooks up a plan to bring Amah to her and surprise her



parents-by winning the grand prize in a kids' cooking contest to pay for Amah's ticket. In graphic novel format. il. Xu, Ann. [IL 8-12] 205 pages Harper 2020 741 (AR) **18.08**

Lupica, Mike

590885 Strike Zone. Twelve-year-old Nick Garcia dreams of winning MVP of his summer baseball league, of finding a cure for his sister, of meeting his hero, Yankee pitcher Michael Arroyo, and of no longer living in fear of the government and ICE agents. [IL 10-14] 249 pages Philomel 2019 Fic (AR) **21.58**

Maddox, Jake

596282 Home Plate Heist. Fernando Higuera loves playing baseball. The game is in his blood. He comes from a family of skilled baseball players. However, during one game Fernando's coach tells him to try a new move and steal second base. But he's never tried that before. Fernando hesitates and ends up getting bagged out. He feels he let his team and family down. Luckily, his family has his back and teaches him everything they know about stealing bases. Will their advice help Fernando lead his team to victory at the next big game? In graphic novel format. il. Vitrano, Erika. [IL 8-12] 67 pages Stone Arch 2021 741 (AR) **22.05**

Marsh, Katherine

604967 Nowhere Boy. Fourteen-year-old Ahmed lost everything and everyone in Syria's war. Now he struggles on his own in Brussels as a young Syrian refugee. Then he meets Max, an American boy who is lonely and homesick and a friendship begins to grow. [IL 10-14] 362 pages Roaring Brook 2018 Fic (AR/RC) **20.88**

Mbalia, Kwame

604568 Tristan Strong Destroys The World. Seventh-grader Tristan must return to Alke and enlist the help of African gods and black folktale heroes when Nana is abducted from the Strong family farm in Alabama. [IL 8-12] 390 pages Disney/Hyperion 2020 Fic (AR) **21.58**

604572 Tristan Strong Punches A Hole In The Sky. Seventh-grader Tristan Strong tumbles into the MidPass and, with allies John Henry and Brer Rabbit, must entice the god Anansi to come out of hiding and seal the hole Tristan accidentally ripped in the sky. [IL 8-12] 482 pages Disney/Hyperion 2019 Fic (AR/RC) **21.58**

Mendez, Yamile Saied

637196 Where Are You From? When a little girl is asked where she's from she's no longer as sure as she was about her reply. She turns to her abuelo for the real answer. However, he doesn't quite give her the response she expects. il. Kim, Jaime. [IL 4-8] 33 pages Harper 2019 E **21.58**

Nielsen, Jennifer A.

676485 Night Divided. When the Berlin Wall went up, Gerta, her mother, and her brother Fritz were trapped on the eastern side where they were living, while her father, and her other brother Dominic are in the West--four years later, now twelve, Gerta sees her father on a viewing platform on the western side and realizes he wants her to risk her life trying to tunnel to freedom. il. [IL 8-12] 317 pages Scholastic 2015 Fic (AR/RC) **20.88**

676469 Rescue. 657 days ago Meg's British father left their home in France to fight the Nazis, leaving some codes in a jar for her to decipher, and Meg and her French mother moved to the Perche, a region in France near Normandy known for its forests; now Meg watches the German soldiers in town, and sometimes carries messages for the French resistance--but suddenly things have gotten much more dangerous with fugitives hiding on their property and Nazis on their doorstep hunting the fugitives. [IL 9-13] 387 pages Scholastic 2021 Fic (AR) **21.58**

676475 Resistance. In 1942 sixteen-year-old Chaya Lindner is a Jewish girl living in Nazi-occupied Poland, a courier who smuggles food and documents to the isolated Jewish ghettos in southern Poland, depending on her forged papers and "Aryan" features--but when a mission goes wrong and many of her colleagues are arrested she finds herself on a journey to Warsaw, where an uprising is in the works. [IL 8-12] 385 pages Scholastic 2018 Fic (AR/RC) **21.58**

Palacio, R. J.

695488 White Bird: A Wonder Story. Classroom bully Julian learns about how his grandmother, as a young Jewish girl, survived the Nazis in occupied France during World War II. In graphic novel format. il. [IL 8-12] 220 pages Knopf 2019 741 (AR/RC) **26.48**

Park, Linda Sue

700190 Long Walk To Water: Based On A True Story. Eleven-year-old Salva becomes separated from his family during Sudan's civil war and must walk with other Dinka tribe members in search of a safe haven. [IL 10-14] 121 pages Clarion 2010 Fic (AR/RC) **22.28**

Patterson, James

703882 Max Einstein: Rebels With A Cause. When twelve-year-old Max's friend Vihaan asks her help for a village in India with a water crisis, Max risks her safety to try to save the day. il. Johnson, Beverly. [IL 8-12] 308 pages Little 2019 Fic (AR/RC) **19.48**
703828 Middle School: From Hero To Zero. Rafe Khatchadorian takes his troublemaking ways across the pond and gets lost in London! il. Park, Laura. [IL 8-12] 268 pages Little 2018 Fic (AR) **18.78**



Rauf, Onjali Q.

740514 Boy At The Back Of The Class. When quiet, nine-year-old Ahmet arrives in their classroom, a boy and his friends fail to draw him out but try a new plan after learning he is a Syrian refugee. il. Curnick, Pippa. [IL 8-12] 290 pages Yearling 2020 Fic (AR/RC) **14.89**

Saeed, Aisha

774514 Amal Unbound. In Pakistan, Amal holds on to her dream of being a teacher even after becoming an indentured servant to pay off her family's debt to the wealthy and corrupt Khan family. [IL 10-13] 226 pages Puffin 2020 Fic (AR/RC) **21.58**

Salazar, Aida

774628 Land Of The Cranes. Nine-year-old Betita and her parents fled Mexico after her uncle was killed by the cartels, and settled in Los Angeles seeking political asylum in what her father calls Aztlan, the land of the cranes; but now they have been swept up by Immigration and Customs Enforcement, her father deported back to Mexico, and Betita and her mother confined in a family detention camp. il. Quang & Lien. [IL 8-12] 243 pages Scholastic 2020 Fic (AR) **21.58**

Selznick, Brian

799215 Invention Of Hugo Cabret: A Novel In Words And Pictures. When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan in 1931, meets a mysterious toymaker and his goddaughter his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized. il. [IL 9-12] 533 pages Scholastic 2007 Fic (AR/RC) **26.48**

Thompson, Lisa (Lisa Anne)

855968 Goldfish Boy. Emotionally crippled by his obsessive-compulsive disorder, teenager Matthew Corbin rarely leaves his room on a cul-de-sac in London, and he passes the day observing and writing down his neighbors doings from his window--but when a toddler staying next door disappears Matt is the key to solving a mystery and possibly saving a child's life ... if he can manage to expose himself, and his secret guilt to the outside world. [IL 8-12] 313 pages Scholastic 2018 Fic (AR/RC) **14.65**

Venkatraman, Padma

907367 Bridge Home. Four determined homeless children make a life for themselves in Chennai, India. [IL 10-14] 194 pages Nancy Paulsen 2019 Fic (AR/RC) **20.88**

Wang, Jen

919494 Stargazing. When two girls with two totally different personalities become neighbors, then best friends who share secrets, things take a heart-wrenching turn when one of them lands in the hospital, fighting for her life. il. Pien, Lark. [IL 8-12] 208 pages First Second 2019 741 (AR/RC) **18.08**

Warga, Jasmine

920454 Other Words For Home. Sent with her mother to the safety of a relative's home in Cincinnati when her Syrian hometown is overshadowed by violence, Jude worries for the family members who were left behind as she adjusts to a new life with unexpected surprises. [IL 8-12] 342 pages Harper 2021 Fic (AR/RC) **20.88**

Yang, Kelly

971310 Front Desk. Recent immigrants from China and desperate for work and money, ten-year-old Mia Tang's parents take a job managing a rundown motel in Southern California, even though the owner, Mr. Yao is a nasty skinflint who exploits them; while her mother (who was an engineer in China) does the cleaning, Mia works the front desk and tries to cope with demanding customers and other recent immigrants--not to mention being only one of two Chinese in her fifth grade class, the other being Mr. Yao's son, Jason. [IL 8-12] 286 pages Scholastic 2018 Fic (AR/RC) **20.88**

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