

Social Justice in CanLit for Young People

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This is an abbreviated list of titles (organized into ten themes) that can be used to support Social Justice education and the ETFO (2011) document, *Social Justice Begins with Me*. Titles in italics are those already included in the document *Social Justice Begins with Me* (ETFO, 2011). Bolded titles were showcased during the workshop.



1. Self-Esteem
2. Sharing our Lives
3. Peace
4. Building Supportive Communities
5. Rights of the Child
6. Caring Hands
7. Untie the Knots of Prejudice
8. Local and Global Citizenship
9. True Worth and Beauty
10. Circles and Cycles

1. Self-Esteem

How we feel about ourselves

<i>Always Prayer Shawl, The</i>	<i>Sheldon Oberman, Illus. by Ted Lewin</i>	<i>Boyd Mills 1997</i>	<i>40 pp. Ages 7+</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Russia, America, immigration, Jews</i>
<i>Emma's story</i>	<i>Deborah Hodge, Illus. by Song nan Zhang</i>	<i>Tundra 2003</i>	<i>24 pp. Ages 3-6</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Adoption, self-esteem</i>
Miss Meow Pageant	Ricardo Keene Douglas, Illus. by Marie LaFrance	Annick 1998	32 pp. Ages 4-8	E	Prejudice, beauty pageant, cats

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<i>My rows and piles of coins</i>	<i>Tolloolwa Mollel, Illus. by E.B. Lewis</i>	<i>Clarion 1999</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 4-8</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Bicycles, saving money, helpfulness</i>
<i>Paper Bag Princess, The</i>	<i>Robert Munsch, Illus. by Michael Martchenko</i>	<i>Annick 1981</i>	<i>28 pp. Ages 4+</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Discrimination, gender issues, dragon, self-esteem</i>
Small Saul	Ashley Spires	Kids Can Press 2011	32 pp. Ages 3-7	E	Individuality, pirates, self-acceptance
Spork	Kyo Maclear, Illus. by Isabelle Arsenault	Kids Can Press 2010	32 pp. Ages 2-6	E	Individuality, tolerance, self-acceptance
Boy from Left Field, The	Tom Henighan	Dundurn 2012	209 pp. Ages 9-14	F	Mixed heritage, bullying, prejudice, poverty, self-esteem, self-reliance, gangs, baseball, half-Aboriginal heritage
Good-bye Marianne: A Story of Growing Up in Nazi Germany	Irene N. Watts, Illus. by Kathryn E. Shoemaker	Tundra 1998	105 pp. Ages 9-12	F	WWII, persecution, differences
Just Deserts	Eric Walters with Ray Zahab	Penguin 2011	280 pp. Ages 12-15	F	Survival, responsibility
Middle of Nowhere	Caroline Adderson	Groundwood 2012	214 pp. Ages 8-12	F	Abandonment, poverty, independence, resilience
<i>Napachee</i>	<i>Robert Feagan</i>	<i>Sandcastle Books 1999</i>	<i>128 pp. Ages 9-12</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>NWT, Edmonton, traditions, Inuit, running away</i>
New Life, A	Rukhsana Khan, Illus. by Nasrin Khosvari	Groundwood 2009	61 pp. Ages 8-10	F	Immigration, diversity,
No Ordinary Day	Deborah Ellis	Groundwood 2011	160 pp. Ages 9-12	F	Poverty, leprosy, hope, resilience
Wanting Mor	Rukhsana Khan	Groundwood 2009	192 pp. Ages 10-14	F	Resiliency, abandonment, safety, Afghan War, gender issues, orphanages

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Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War	Marsha Skrypuch	Pajama Press 2011	99 pp. Ages 10-15	NF	Adoption, survival, multiculturalism, hope, Vietnam War
<i>Remarkable Maria, The</i>	<i>Patti McIntosh Illus. by Tara Langlois</i>	<i>Maggie and Pierrot 2005</i>	<i>40 pp. Ages 8-12</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>AIDS, courage, resilience, fear, discrimination, ignorance, Suriname</i>
Running to Extremes: Ray Zahab's amazing ultra marathon journey	Steve Pitt with Ray Zahab	Puffin 2011	119 pp. Ages 11-14	NF	Marathon running, lifestyle choices
Terry Fox: A Story of Hope	Maxine Trottier	Scholastic 2005	32 pp. Ages 7-10	NF	Terry Fox, resilience, cancer, running
<i>Terry Fox: His Story</i>	<i>Leslie Scrivener</i>	<i>McClelland and Stewart 1981, 1983, 2000, 2009</i>	<i>234 pp. Ages 12+</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Courage, cancer, determination, Terry Fox, marathon, running</i>

2. Sharing Our Lives

How are our lives different and same to those of others

Dear Baobab	Cheryl Foggo, Illus. by Qin Leng	Second Story Press 2011	24 pp. Ages 6-8	E	Loneliness, relocation, trees
<i>Jeremiah learns to read</i>	<i>Jo Ellen Bogart, Illus. by Laura Fernandes and Rick Jacobson</i>	<i>North Winds Press 1997</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 6-8</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Elderly, literacy, farm life</i>
Legend of Ninja, Cowboy, Bear, The	David Bruins, Illus. by Hilary Leung	Kids Can Press, 2009	32 pp. Ages 3-7	E	Cooperation, resilience, friendship

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Migrant	Maxine Trottier, Illus. by Isabelle Arsenault	Groundwood 2011	40 pp. Ages 7-13	E	Mennonites, migrant workers, Mexicans, empathy
No Two Snowflakes	Sheree Fitch, Illus. by Janet Wilson	Orca 2001	32 pp. Ages 4-8	E	Ghana, Canada, similarities
Small Saul	Ashley Spires	Kids Can Press 2011	32 pp. Ages 3-7	E	Individuality, pirates, self-expression
Tadeo's Perfect Circle	Marion and Kyrsten Brooker	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 2011	32 pp. Ages 4-7	E	Circles, perfection, home, around the world, dreams
<i>Where did you get your moccasins?</i>	<i>Bernelda Wheeler, Illus. by Herman Bekkering</i>	<i>Pemmican Publications 1986</i>	<i>26 pp. Ages 6-9</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Multi-ethnic classes, show-and-tell, Native heritage</i>
Boy from Left Field, The	Tom Henighan	Dundurn 2012	209 pp. Ages 9-14	F	African-Canadian, bullying, prejudice, poverty, self-esteem, gangs, baseball, Aboriginal
Group of One, A	Rachna Gilmore	Henry Holt 2001	184 pp. Ages 13+	F	Prejudice, India, Quit India movement 1942, heritage, siblings,
Moon Children, The	Beverley Brenna	Red Deer Press 2007	140 pp. Ages 9-12	F	Fetal alcohol syndrome, friendship, compassion
If the World were a village: A Book about the World's Children	David J. Smith	Kids Can Press 2011	32 pp. Ages 8-13	NF	World cultures, populations, human geography, demographics
Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War	Marsha Skrypuch	Pajama Press 2011	99 pp. Ages 10-15	NF	Adoption, survival, hope, multiculturalism, Vietnam War
This Child, Every Child: A Book About the World's Children	David J. Smith	Kids Can Press 2011	36 pp. Ages 9-12	NF	Children's rights, world's children
<i>We Want You to Know: Kids Talk About Bullying</i>	<i>Deborah Ellis</i>	<i>Coteau 2010</i>	<i>120 pp. Ages 9-14</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Bullying, first-hand accounts, global voices</i>

3. Peace

Peace in the world and inner peace

Ned Mouse Breaks Away	Tim Wynne-Jones, Illus. by Dušan Petrišćic	Groundwood 2003	68 pp. Ages 8+	E	Persecution, freedom, resilience, imagination
Proud as a Peacock, Brave as a Lion	Jane Barclay, Illus. by Renne Benoit	Tundra 2009	24 pp. Ages 4-8	E	War, peace, remembrance
Red Parka Mary	Peter Eyvindson, Illus. by Rhian Brynjolson	Pemmican Publications 1996	44 pp. Ages 4-8	E	Intergenerations, friendship, love,
Roses in my Carpets, The	Rukhsana Khan, Illus. by Ronald Himler	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 2004	32 p. Ages 7-9	E	Afghanistan, war, refugees, carpet weaving, hope, resilience, imagination
Screaming Kind of Day, A	Rachna Gilmore, Illus. by Gordon Sauve	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 1999	38 pp. Ages 5-8	E	Siblings, hearing-impaired, brothers and sisters, mothers, family, peace, squabbling
Good-bye Marianne: A Story of Growing Up in Nazi Germany	Irene N. Watts, Illus. by Kathryn E. Shoemaker	Tundra 1998	105 pp. Ages 9-12	F	WWII, persecution, differences
Shepherd's Granddaughter, The	Anne Laurel Carter	Groundwood 2008	222 pp. Ages 11+	F	Palestine, wolves, family
Hana's Suitcase Anniversary Album	Karen Levine	Second Story Press 2012	176 pp. Ages 9-13	NF	WWII, Holocaust, Auschwitz, Jews, education
Hana's Suitcase	Karen Levine	Second Story Press 2002	120 pp. Ages 9-12	NF	WWII, Holocaust, Auschwitz, Jews, education
Hiding Edith	Kathy Kacer	Second Story Press 2006	151 pp. Ages 9-11	NF	Holocaust, Jews, children, France, escape, safety
If I Had a Million Onions	Sheree Fitch, Illus. by Yayo	Tradewind Books 2005	63 pp. Ages 5-9	NF	Poetry, global issues, peace, current events, war, compassion

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In Flanders Fields: The Story of the Poem by John McCrae	Linda Granfield, Illus. by Janet Wilson	Lester Publishing 1995	32 pp. Ages 9+	NF	War, remembrance
Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War	Marsha Skrypuch	Pajama Press 2011	99 pp. Ages 10-15	NF	Adoption, survival, multiculturalism, hope, Vietnam War
My Childhood Under Fire A Sarajevo Diary	Nadja Halilbegovich	Kids Can Press 2006	120 pp. Ages 10-12	NF	Yugoslav War (1991-1995), Muslims, genocide
One Peace: True Stories of Young Activists	Janet Wilson	Orca 2008	48 pp. Ages 8-12	NF	Peace, pacifism, war, activism
Yeny and the Children for Peace	Michelle Mulder	Second Story Press 2008	118 pp. Ages 9-13	NF	Peace, activism, Colombia, violence

4. Building Supportive Communities

How do people support others

Bagels from Benny	Aubrey Davis Illus. by Dušan Petrišcic	Kids Can Press 2003	32 pp. Ages 5-8	E	Tolerance, faith, bagels, Jews
<i>Boo Hoo Bird</i>	<i>Jeremy Tankard</i>	<i>Scholastic Canada 2009</i>	<i>28 pp. Ages 3-5</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Friendship, sharing, compassion</i>
Dear Baobab	Cheryl Foggo, Illus. by Qin Leng	Second Story Press 2011	24 pp. Ages 6-8	E	Loneliness, relocation, trees
<i>Gathering Tree, The</i>	<i>Larry Loyie and Constance Brissenden Illus. by Heather Holmlund</i>	<i>Theytus 2005</i>	<i>48 pp. Ages 9-13</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>AIDS, HIV, First Nations, prejudice</i>

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Grumpy Bird	Jeremy Tankard	Scholastic 2007	32 pp. Ages 3-5	E	Friendship, emotions, compassion
Lily and the Paper Man	Rebecca Upjohn, Illus. by Renné Benoit	Second Story Press 2007	24 pp. Ages 4-7	E	Fear, homelessness, prejudice, compassion
Mattland	Hazel Hutchins and Gail Herbert, Illus. by Dušan Petricic	Annick 2008	32 pp. Ages 4-7	E	Imagination, collaboration, building, construction
Rumor, The: A Jataka Tale from India	Anushka Ravishankar, Illus. by Kanyika Kini	Tundra 2012	32 pp. Ages 5-7	E	Gossip, telling tales
Sidewalk Rescue, The	Hazel Hutchins, Illus. by Ruth Ohi	Annick 2004	32 pp. Ages 3-6	E	Community, problem-solving, rescue
Small Saul	Ashley Spires	Kids Can Press 2011	32 pp. Ages 3-7	E	Individuality, pirates
Virginia Wolf	Kyo Maclear, Illus. by Isabelle Arsenault	Kids Can Press 2012	32 pp. Ages 5-10	E	Depression, compassion, art
<i>Weber Street Wonder Work Crew</i>	<i>Maxwell Newhouse</i>	<i>Tundra 2010</i>	<i>24 pp. Ages 4-7</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Community, environmentalism, helpfulness, community pride</i>
Crazy Man, The	Pamela Porter	Groundwood 2005	214 pp. Ages 8-12	F	Saskatchewan, farm life, accidents, mental health, prejudice
Crossing to Freedom	Virginia Frances Schwartz	Scholastic Canada 2010	231 pp. Ages 10+	F	Slavery, escape, racism
Good-bye Marianne: A Story of Growing Up in Nazi Germany	Irene N. Watts, Illus. by Kathryn E. Shoemaker	Tundra 1998	105 pp. Ages 9-12	NF	WWII, persecution, differences
Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War	Marsha Skrypuch	Pajama Press 2011	99 pp. Ages 10-15	NF	Adoption, survival, multiculturalism, hope, Vietnam War

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One Hen: How One Small Loan Made a Big Difference	Katie Smith Milway, Illus. by Eugenie Fernandes	Kids Can Press 2008	32 pp. Ages 7+	NF	Poverty, microfinance, community
<i>Watch This Space: Designing, Defending and Sharing Public Spaces</i>	<i>Hadley Dyer, Illus. by Marc Ngui</i>	<i>Kids Can Press 2010</i>	<i>80 pp. Ages 13-17</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Public spaces, urban design, homelessness, fear of youth, urban issues</i>

5. Rights of the Child

What are the rights of children

Flute, The	Rachna Gilmore, Illus. by Pulak Biswas	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 2011	32 pp. Ages 3-7	E	Resiliency, hope, safety, folktale, magic, hunger, adoption, monsoon floods
Little Yellow Bottle, The	Angèle Delaunois, Illus. by Christie De lezzen	Second Story 2011	24 pp. Ages 6-10	E	War, hope, bombs, survival
<i>Roses in my Carpets, The</i>	<i>Rukhsana Khan, Illus. by Ronald Himler</i>	<i>Fitzhenry & Whiteside 2004</i>	<i>32 p. Ages 7-9</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Afghanistan, war, refugees, carpet weaving, hope, resilience, imagination</i>
<i>Factory Girl</i>	<i>Barbara Greenwood</i>	<i>Kids Can Press 2007</i>	<i>136 pp. Ages 9-14</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>Child labour</i>
Tiffin, The	Mahtab Narsimhan	Dancing Cat Books 2011	190 pp. Ages 9-12	F	India, poverty, orphans, compassion, tiffins, dabbawallas, abuse
Wanting Mor	Rukhsana Khan	Groundwood 2009	192 pp. Ages 10-14	F	Resiliency, abandonment, safety, Afghanistan, orphanages

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I Have The Right To Be A Child	Alain Serres, Illus. by Aurelia Fronty, Transl. by Helen Mixer	Groundwood April 2012	48 pp. Ages 4-7	NF	Children's rights
<i>If you could wear my sneakers! : A Book about Children's rights</i>	<i>Sheree Fitch, Illus. by Darcia Labrosse</i>	<i>Doubleday Canada 1997</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 8-11</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Poetry, children's rights</i>
Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War	Marsha Skrypuch	Pajama Press 2011	99 pp. Ages 10-15	NF	Adoption, survival, hope, multiculturalism, Vietnam War
Shannen and the Dream for a School	Janet Wilson	Second Story Press 2011	206 pp. Ages 10-13	NF	Attawapiskat, Cree, activism, children's rights, education
This Child, Every Child: A Book About the World's Children	David J. Smith	Kids Can Press 2011	36 pp. Ages 9-12	NF	Children's rights, world's children
When Children Play: The Story of Right to Play	Gina McMurchy-Barber	Fitzhenry and Whiteside 2011	48 pp. Ages 10+	NF	Uganda, refuge camps, children's rights, Right to Play organization, child soldiers

6. Caring Hands

How can we help the world become more caring and loving

<i>As Long as the Rivers Flow</i>	<i>Larry Loyie with Constance Brissenden, Illus. by Heather Holmlund</i>	<i>Groundwood 2002</i>	<i>48 pp. Ages 8-11</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Cree, residential schools, family, traditions, earth</i>
<i>King of the Skies</i>	<i>Rukhsana Khan, Illus. by Laura Fernandez and Rick Jacobson</i>	<i>Scholastic Canada 2003</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 4-8</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Kites, Pakistan, sharing, disability, joy</i>

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Man Who Walked the Earth, The	Ian Wallace	Groundwood 2003	38 pp. Ages 6-8	E	Christmas, magic, compassion, the Depression, hunger, unemployment
<i>Nokum is my teacher</i>	<i>David Bouchard, Paintings by Allen Sapp, Music by Northern Cree</i>	<i>Red Deer Press 2007</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 6-9</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Education, schools vs. traditional learning, survival, Cree</i>
Sack full of feathers, A	Debby Waldman, Illus. by Cindy Revell	Orca 2006	32 pp. Ages 4-7	E	Gossip
Small Saul	Ashley Spires	Kids Can Press 2011	32 pp. Ages 3-7	E	Individuality, pirates
<i>Tiny Kite of Eddie Wing</i>	<i>Maxine Trottier, Illus. by Al Van Mil</i>	<i>Stoddart 1995</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 4+</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Imagination, Chinese American children, kits, poverty, poetry</i>
Good-Bye Marianne: The Graphic Novel.	Irene N. Watts, Illus. by Kathryn E. Shoemaker.	Tundra 2008	124 pp. Ages 11-15	F	WWII, Nazism, Kindertransport, Jews, prejudice, intolerance
Home Truths	Jill MacLean	Dancing Cat Books 2010	282 pp. Ages 11-14	F	Child abuse, bullying, compassion, brothers-and-sisters
I'll Be Watching	Pamela Porter	Groundwood 2011	280 pp. Ages 12+	F	Death, family, self-reliance, support, compassion, war, hardships
Watching Jimmy	Nancy Hartry	Tundra 2008	144 pp. Ages 11-13	F	Violence, secrets, compassion, brain-damage, 1950's
Bite of the Mango, The	Mariatu Kumara, with Susan McClelland	Annick 2008	216 pp. Ages 14+	NF	Sierra Leone, war, victims, amputees
<i>Crowfoot</i>	<i>Carlotta Hacker</i>	<i>Fitzhenry & Whiteside 1977, 1999</i>	<i>64 pp. Ages 10-13</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Crowfoot, Blackfoot, Treaty No. 7, peace, negotiations, history</i>

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It Takes A Child	Craig Kielburger	Greystone Books 2008	46 pp. Ages 7-12	NF	Craig Kielburger, poverty, child labour
Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War	Marsha Skrypuch	Pajama Press 2011	99 pp. Ages 10-15	NF	Adoption, survival, multiculturalism, hope, Vietnam War

7. Untie the Knots of Prejudice

How can we help to eliminate the isms by celebrating diversity

Alien in my House, An	Shenaaz Nanji, Illus. by Chum McLeod	Second Story Press 2003	24 pp. Ages 4-6	E	Grandfathers, tolerance
Francie and the Basket Women	Donald Gale	Breakwater Books 2002	29 pp. Ages 6-8	E	Mi'kmaq, toothache, fear, prejudice,
Giant named Azalea, A	Vinita Srivastava, Illus. by Kyo Maclear	Sister Vision Press 1991	32 pp. Ages 5-10	E	Prejudice, racism, peace, tolerance, tolerance
Migrant	Maxine Trottier, Illus. by Isabelle Arsenault	Groundwood 2011	40 pp. Ages 7-13	E	Mennonites, migrant workers, Mexicans, empathy
Miss Meow Pageant	Ricardo Keene Douglas, Illus. by Marie LaFrance	Annick 1998	32 pp. Ages 4-8	E	Prejudice, beauty pageant, cats
One-Eye! Two-Eyes! Three Eyes! A Very Grimm Fairy Tale	Aaron Shepard, Illus. by Gary Clement	Simon & Schuster Canada 2007	32 pp. Ages 8-12	E	Fairy tales, prejudice, greed, magic, Cinderella
<i>Secret of your name, The: Proud to be Métis</i>	<i>David Bouchard, Illus. by Dennis Weber, Music by John Arcand</i>	<i>Red Deer Press 2009</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 10-13</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Michif language, Métis heritage, pride, history</i>

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Spork	Kyo Maclear, Illus. by Isabelle Arsenault	Kids Can Press 2010	32 pp.	E	Tolerance, individuality
Treasure for Lunch	Shenaaz Nanji, Illus. by Yvonne Cathcart	Second Story Press 2000	28 pp. Ages 4-8	E	Multiculturalism, Indian food, friendship
<i>Turtle called Friendly, A</i>	<i>Jean Sangwine, Illus. by Bernadette Lau</i>	<i>Rubicon 1997</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 5-9</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Friendship, relocation, language, China</i>
Violet	Tania Duprey Stehlik, Illus. by Vanja Vuleta Jovanovic	Second Story Press 2010	23 pp. Ages 5-8	E	Prejudice, tolerance, self-acceptance, colour
Bifocal	Deborah Ellis and Eric Walters	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 2007	280 pp. Ages 12-15	F	Racism, terrorism, prejudice, tolerance, Muslims, fear
Friend like Zilla, A	Rachna Gilmore	Second Story Press 1995	113 pp. Ages 9-11	F	Differences, learning disabilities,
Mina's Spring of Colours	Rachna Gilmore	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 2000	143 pp. Ages 8-11	F	Racism, Holi, Hinduism, revenge, prejudice
No Ordinary Day	Deborah Ellis	Groundwood 2011	160 pp. Ages 9-12	F	Poverty, leprosy, hope
Puppet	Eva Wiseman	Tundra 2009	243 pp. Ages 11-14	F	Murder, persecutions, Jews, Europe, prejudice
Secret Signs	Jacqueline Guest	Orca 2006	140 pp. Ages 9-12	F	The Depression, runaway, hoboes, poverty, compassion
Stitches	Glen Huser	Groundwood 2003	198 pp. Ages 11-14	F	Bullying, sewing, gender, self-acceptance, differences
Zack	William Bell	Doubleday Canada 1998	170 pp. Ages 12+	F	Mixed race children, racism, slavery, history, family,

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Fatty Legs: A True Story	Christy Jordan-Fenton & Margaret Pokiak-Fenton, Illus. by Liz Amini-Holmes	Annick 2010	104 pp. Ages 7-11	NF	Inuit, residential schools, abuse, heritage, language, bullying
Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War	Marsha Skrypuch	Pajama Press 2011	99 pp. Ages 10-15	NF	Adoption, survival, multiculturalism, hope, Vietnam War

8. Local and Global Citizenship

How do different people and cultures show good citizenship towards the Earth and towards other people

Children of China, The: An Artist's Journey	Song Nan Zhang	Tundra 1995	32 pp. Ages 8-12	E	China, minorities, nomadic people, repression
<i>Morning on the Lake</i>	<i>Jan Bourdeau Waboose, Illus. by Karen Reczuch</i>	<i>Kids Can Press 1997</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 6-9</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Stories, grandfathers, Ojibway, nature, traditions, respect</i>
<i>Taking care of Mother Earth</i>	<i>Leanne Flett Kruger, Illus. by Marie-Micheline Hamelin</i>	<i>Theytus 2009</i>	<i>20 pp. Ages 3-5</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Environmental protection, composting, recycling, reusing</i>
Wolf Island	Celia Godkin	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 1989, 2006	32 pp. Ages 5-11	E	Wolves, populations, balance of nature, ecological awareness
Big Bear Hug	Nicholas Oldland	Kids Can Press 209	32 pp.	E	Forests, beauty, conservation

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<i>Composition, The</i>	<i>Antonio Skarmeta, Illus. by Alfonso Ruano</i>	<i>Groundwood 2003</i>	<i>36 pp. Ages 8+</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Violence, multiculturalism, dictatorship</i>
Gummytoes	Sean Cassidy	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 2004	32 pp. Ages 4-8	E	Tree frogs, capture, camouflage
<i>Promise is a Promise, A</i>	<i>Robert Munsch and Michael Kusugak, Illus. by Vladyana Krykorka</i>	<i>Annick 1992</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 4-6</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Promises, Inuit, disobedience, family, support, sea creatures</i>
Weber Street Wonder Work Crew	Maxwell Newhouse	Tundra 2010	24 pp. Ages 4-7	E	Community, environmentalism, helpfulness, community pride
Luz Sees the Light	Claudia Davila	Kids Can Press 2011	96 pp.	G RF	Sustainability, community, fossil fuels
Zack	William Bell	Doubleday Canada 1998	170 pp. Ages 12+	F	Mixed race children, racism, slavery, history, family,
<i>A is for Algonquin: An Ontario Alphabet</i>	<i>Lovenia Gorman, Illus. by Melanie Rose</i>	<i>Sleeping Bear 2005</i>	<i>40 pp. Ages 8-13</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Landscape, Ontario, diversity, culture</i>
Good Garden, The: How One Family Went from Hunger to Having Enough	Katie Smith Milway, Illus. by Sylvie Daigneault	Kids Can Press 2010	32 pp. Ages 8-10	NF	Poverty, food, farming, ecological footprint
Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War	Marsha Skrypuch	Pajama Press 2011	99 pp. Ages 10-15	NF	Adoption, survival, multiculturalism, hope, Vietnam War
<i>Little Hummingbird, The</i>	<i>Michael Yahgulanaas</i>	<i>Greystone Books 2010</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 5+</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Responsibility, environmentalism, folklore,</i>
Ollie's Field Journal: A 9/10ths Happy Story from Africa	Patti McIntosh, Illus. by Tara Langois	Maggie & Pierrot 2008	40 pp. Ages 8-10	NF	Niger, malnutrition, compassion, activism

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One Peace: True Stories of Young Activists	Janet Wilson	Orca 2008	48 pp. Ages 8-12	NF	Peace, pacifism, war, activism
<i>One Well: The Story of Water on Earth</i>	<i>Rochelle Strauss, Illus. by Rosemary Woods</i>	<i>Kids Can Press 2007</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 8-13</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Water conservation, water cycle, water demand, sustainability</i>
Other Goose: Recycled Rhymes for our Fragile Times	Barbara Klunder	Groundwood 2007	48 pp. Ages 8-12	NF	Conservation, environmentalism, poetry, degradation, protection, rewritten Mother Goose
Our Earth: How Kids are Saving the Planet	Janet Wilson	Second Story Press 2010	32 pp. Ages 8-11	NF	Environmentalism, activism,
Sandy's Incredible Shrinking Footprint	Femida Handy and Carole Carpenter, Illus. by Adrianna Steele-Card	Second Story Press 2010	24 pp. Ages 5-7	NF	Environmentalism, responsibility, recycling, ecological footprints, activism
Shannen and the Dream for a School	Janet Wilson	Second Story Press 2011	206 pp. Ages 10-13	NF	Attawapiskat, Cree, activism, children's rights

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Anna's Goat	Janice Kulyk Keefer, Illus. by Janet Wilson	Orca 2000	32 pp. Ages 6-9	E	War, refugees, compassion
Big Bear Hug	Nicholas Oldland	Kids Can Press 209	32 pp. Ages 5-7	E	Forests, beauty, conservation, anger, compassion,

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Dear Baobab	Cheryl Foggo, Illus. by Qin Leng	Second Story Press 2011	24 pp. Ages 5-8	E	Loneliness, relocation
Gifts	Jo Ellen Bogart, Illus. by Barbara Reid	Scholastic Canada 1994	32 pp. Ages 3-7	E	Grandmothers, travel, world, gifts, cycle of life
Gray Wolf's Search	Bruce Swanson, Illus. by Gary Peterson	Second Story Press 2007	24 pp. Ages 7-11	E	Searching, self-discovery, value, importance, cultural diversity
Make the Moose out of life	Nicholas Oldland	Kids Can Press 2010	32 pp. Ages 5-7	E	Resilience, individuality, resourcefulness, risk-taking
Miss Meow Pageant	Ricardo Keene Douglas, Illus. by Marie LaFrance	Annick 1998	32 pp. Ages 4-8	E	Prejudice, beauty pageant, cats
Red is Best	Kathy Stinson, Illus. by Robin Baird Lewis	Annick 1992	32 pp. Ages 2-5	E	Appreciation, persuasion
Selina and the Bear Paw Quilt	Barbara Smucker, Illus. by Janet Wilson	Lester Publishing 1995	32 pp. Ages 5-8	E	Beauty, love, family, moving
Solomon's Tree	Andrea Spalding, Illus. by Janet Wilson	Orca 2002	32 pp. Ages 6-9	E	Trees, Tsimshian masks, cycles
<i>Suki's Kimono</i>	<i>Chieri Uegaki, Illus. by Stéphane Jorisch</i>	<i>Kids Can Press 2003</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 4-8</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Heritage, clothing, pride, individuality, multiculturalism</i>
Tadeo's Perfect Circle	Marion and Kyrsten Brooker	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 2011	32 pp. Ages 4-7	E	Circles, perfection, home, around the world, dreams
What's the most beautiful thing you know about horses	Richard Van Camp, Illus. by George Littlechild	Fitzhenry & Whiteside 1998	32 pp.	E	Horses, beauty, homeland
No Ordinary Day	Deborah Ellis	Groundwood 2011	160 pp. Ages 9-12	F	Poverty, leprosy, hope
Very Serious children	Caroline Adderson	Scholastic Canada, 2008	145 pp. Ages 8-12	F	Circus, clowns, traditional family, school, running away

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<i>Birdman, The</i>	<i>Veronika Martenova Charles, Illus. by Annouchka Gravel Galouchko & Stéphan Daigle.</i>	<i>Tundra 2006</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 4-8</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Wild bird trade, India, compassion, poverty, grief, hope, renewal</i>
<i>Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War</i>	<i>Marsha Skrypuch</i>	<i>Pajama Press 2011</i>	<i>99 pp. Ages 10-15</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Adoption, survival, multiculturalism, hope, Vietnam War</i>

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<i>Castle on Viola Street, A</i>	<i>DyAnne DiSalvo-Ryan</i>	<i>HarperCollins Canada 2001</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 5-8</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Community, cooperation, house building, Habitat for Humanity</i>
<i>From far away</i>	<i>Robert Munsch, Illus. by Michael Martchenko</i>	<i>Annick 1995</i>	<i>24 pp. Ages 4+</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Lebanon, immigration, language, war</i>
<i>Ghost train</i>	<i>Paul Yee, Illus. by Harvey Chan</i>	<i>Groundwood 1996</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 8-12</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Ghosts, Chinese-Canadians, artists, railway building, fathers-daughters</i>
Gifts	Jo Ellen Bogart, Illus. by Barbara Reid	Scholastic Canada 1994	32 pp. Ages 3-7	E	Grandmothers, travel, world, gifts, cycle of life
<i>Hen for Izzy Pippik, A</i>	<i>Aubrey Davis, Illus. by Marie LaFrance</i>	<i>Kids Can Press 2012</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 5-8</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Courage, integrity, folklore, poverty, altruism</i>
<i>Jack the Bear</i>	<i>Christina Leist</i>	<i>Simply Read Books, 2009</i>	<i>40 pp. Ages 3-7</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Compassion, benevolence,</i>

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Last Piece of Sky, The	Tim Wynne-Jones, Illus. by Marie-Louise Gay	Groundwood 1993	32 pp. Ages 4-8	E	Puzzles, integrity, responsibility, anger, peace
<i>Lights for Gita</i>	<i>Rachna Gilmore, Illus. by Alice Priestley</i>	<i>Second Story Press 1994</i>	<i>24 pp. Ages 4-7</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Diwali, homesickness, relocation</i>
Man Called Raven, A	Richard Van Camp	Children's Book Press 1997	32 pp. Ages 6-9	E	Cruelty, compassion, legend, ravens, Aboriginal culture
Migrant	Maxine Trottier, Illus. by Isabelle Arsenault	Groundwood 2011	40 pp. Ages 7-13	E	Mennonites, migrant workers, Mexicans, empathy
Miss Meow Pageant	Ricardo Keene Douglas, Illus. by Marie LaFrance	Annick 1998	32 pp. Ages 4-8	E	Prejudice, beauty pageant, cats
<i>Nanabosho dances</i>	<i>Joseph McLellan, Illus. by Rhian Brynjolson</i>	<i>Pemmican Publications, 1991</i>	<i>52 pp. Ages 5-8</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>Appreciation, respect, Kitchi Manitou</i>
Small Saul	Ashley Spires	Kids Can Press 2011	32 pp. Ages 3-7	E	Individuality, pirates
Many Windows: Six Kids, Five Faiths, One Community	Rukhsana Khan with Elisa Carbone and Uma Krishnaswami, Illus. by Patty Gallinger	Napoleon and Co. 2008	84 pp. Ages 8-10	F	Short stories, cultural celebrations, Buddhism, Islam, Christianity, Hinduism, Judaism
Tiffin, The	Mahtab Narsimhan	Dancing Cat Books 2011	190 pp. Ages 9-12	F	India, poverty, orphans, abuse, compassion, tiffins, dabbawallas
Good Garden, The: How One Family Went from Hunger to Having Enough	Katie Smith Milway, Illus. by Sylvie Daigneault	Kids Can Press 2010	32 pp. Ages 8-10	NF	Poverty, food, farming, ecological footprint
<i>Imagine That!</i>	<i>Janet Wilson</i>	<i>Stoddart Kids 1999</i>	<i>32 pp. Ages 5+</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Twentieth century, achievements</i>

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Lacey and the African Grandmothers	Sue Farrell Holler	Second Story Press 2009	164 pp. Ages 9-13	NF	Siksika First Nation, Grandmothers-to-Grandmothers Campaign, sewing, activism, compassion, AIDS, orphans
Last Airlift: A Vietnamese Orphan's Rescue from War	Marsha Skrypuch	Pajama Press 2011	99 pp. Ages 10-15	NF	Adoption, survival, hope, multiculturalism, Vietnam War
One Hen: How One Small Loan Made a Big Difference	Katie Smith Milway, Illus. by Eugenie Fernandes	Kids Can Press 2008	32 pp. Ages 7+	NF	Poverty, microfinance, community
<i>Our New Home: Immigrant Children Speak</i>	<i>Emily Hearn and Marywinn Milne, editors</i>	<i>Second Story Press 2007</i>	<i>129 pp. Ages 8-11</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Immigrant children, leaving, differences, adjusting, feelings, problems</i>
<i>Quilt of Belonging, The: Stitching Together the Stories of a Nation</i>	<i>Janice Weaver</i>	<i>Maple Tree Press 2006</i>	<i>64 pp. Ages 9-12</i>	<i>NF</i>	<i>Immigration, quilts, quilting, cultural diversity, artistic diversity</i>
Ryan and Jimmy and the Well in Africa that Brought Them Together	Herb Shoveller	Kids Can Press 2006	56 pp. Ages 10-14	NF	Fundraising, activism, cooperation, compassion, wells, water, Uganda, relocation, courage, war
Shannen and the Dream for a School	Janet Wilson	Second Story Press 2011	206 pp. Ages 10-13	NF	Attawapiskat, Cree, activism, children's rights
Tell Me Why: How Young People Can Change the World	Eric Walters, editor	Doubleday Canada 2009	214 pp. Ages 10+	NF	Activism, personal narratives, AIDS/HIV, homelessness, cancer, war, poverty
Viola Desmond Won't Be Budged!	Jody Nyasha Warner, Illus. by Richard Rudnicki	Groundwood 2010	32 pp. Ages 6-9	NF	Racism, self-esteem
Yeny and the Children for Peace	Michelle Mulder	Second Story Press 2008	118 pp. Ages 9-13	NF	Peace, activism, Colombia, violence

