
A child clamors to know the answer to the most important question of all in this cheerful celebration of self.


On a walk through the neighborhood, a child invites readers to imagine what might be happening behind the windows he passes every day.


In this wordless picture book, a girl and a wolf pup, both lost in a snowstorm, need help from each other to find their way home. (Caldecott Medal Book)

**The Wolf, the Duck, & the Mouse.** By Mac Barnett. Illus. by Jon Klassen. Candlewick (9780763677541).

A mouse and duck discover that there are upsides to being swallowed by a wolf.


Cause and effect is explored in this imaginative and unexpected tale of a rose, a cat, a gardener, and a broken heart. (Batchelder Honor Book)


The 1963 Birmingham protest was successfully accomplished by youth. The youngest, nine-year-old Audrey Faye Hendricks, proved that even the smallest voice makes a difference.

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**MIDDLE**

**All’s Faire in Middle School.** By Victoria Jamieson. Illus. by the author. Dial (9780525429999).

Witness Imogene’s growth and pride in her family and in herself as she quests for connection and identity in this graphic novel.

**Bronze and Sunflower.** By Cao Wenxuan. Illus. by Meilo So. Tr. by Helen Wang. Candlewick (9780763688165).

While navigating the challenges of poverty in rural China in the 1970s, a mute boy named Bronze and an orphan named Sunflower develop a powerful friendship.

**Chef Roy Choi and the Street Food Remix.** By Jacqueline Briggs Martin and June Jo Lee. Illus. by Man One. Readers to Eaters (9780983661597).

Graffiti-inspired illustrations bring to life the story of food-truck and fresh-food-movement pioneer Chef Roy Choi. (Sibert Honor Book)


Clayton idolizes his grandfather and mentor, blues legend Cool Papa Byrd. When Cool Papa dies, Clayton adventures underground and emerges with a true blues voice.

In this gentle, honest tale of immigrant survival, a young Vietnamese American boy and his father go on an early morning fishing trip. (Caldecott Honor Book)


Expressive and immersive illustrations invite readers to witness the miracle of a newborn elephant learning how to walk, smell, communicate, and eat.


Readers meet the scientists who study asteroids past and present and work to protect our planet in the future.


Readers discover Malala Yousafzai’s early family life in Pakistan and how she became a global advocate for social justice.


The inspiring life story of Miriam Makeba, an activist and singer best known as Mama Africa, is illustrated with art as vibrant as the woman herself.


Packed with 14 billion years of history, this slim and entertaining science comic explains the formation of our planet, from the big bang to the present day.


A princess’ wish gone wrong leads to cream-puff-loving, wig-wearing, chandelier-swinging, king-chasing Crocodile and, in the end, a happier royal family.


The woman who would go on to become America’s second female Supreme Court Justice faced and conquered injustice through her young life.


Newman invites readers into a modern science mystery: an amazing discovery about sea otters that gave scientists insight into the delicate balance of ecosystems. (Sibert Honor Book)

This stunning picture-book biography follows Gertrude Ederle on the record-breaking swim that cemented her place in the history of women’s sports.


Red, a quiet wishing tree, is the recipient of neighborhood hopes and dreams. When an immigrant family is harassed in the community, Red is motivated to act.

**OLDER**

**Amina’s Voice.** By Hena Khan. Simon & Schuster/Salaam Reads (9781481492065).

A Pakistani American Muslim middle-school girl attempts to blend her family’s traditions and her experience in school to be accepted.

**Armstrong and Charlie.** By Steven B. Frank. HMH (9780544826083).

A strong friendship develops between two boys from different economic and racial environments.

**Ashes to Asheville.** By Sarah Dooley. Putnam (9780399165047).

Two sisters set off without adults on an impromptu road trip to scatter their mother’s ashes in this moving, sensitive novel.

**Beyond the Bright Sea.** By Lauren Wolk. Dutton (9781101994856).

In a stunningly beautiful novel, orphan Crow decides to investigate her own past and in doing so uncovers the complicated history of a nearby former leper colony.


**The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora.** By Pablo Cartaya. Viking (9781101997239).

Arturo struggles to keep the family business, a Cuban restaurant, alive in the face of the gentrification of his Florida neighborhood in a fresh, often very funny novel. (Belpré Author Honor Book)

**A Face Like Glass.** By Frances Hardinge. Abrams/Amulet (9781419724848).

Restless, impulsive Neverfell, with no memory of her past, finds herself in the underground city of Caverna, where faces are expressionless and her life is in incredible danger.


This thought-provoking examination of the history of the U.S. Constitution gives careful consideration to how it functions today.

**The First Rule of Punk.** By Celia C. Pérez. Viking (9780425290408).

Malu and her “SuperMexican” mother move across the country, leaving behind the father who gets her punk identity. Through new friends and zines, she connects to her roots in an authentic way. (Belpré Author Honor Book)

**Flying Lessons & Other Stories.** Ed. by Ellen Oh. Crown (9781101934593).