

20 Multicultural Books Every Child Should Know

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Grandmother's Nursery Rhymes/Las Nanas de Abuelita by Nelly Palacio. Holt, 1994 (Latino)
CL 398.2 Gra53 1996.

Margaret and Margarita/Margarita y Margaret by Lynn Reiser. Greenwillow, 1993 (Latino) CL
Pic Rei74m 1993.

Baby Says by John Steptoe. Lothrop, 1988 (African American). CL Pic Ste68b 1988.

I Love My Hair! by Natasha Anastasia Tarpley. Little Brown, 1998 (African American) CL Pic
Tar75i 1998.

Baby Rattlesnake by Te Alta, illustrated by Mira Reisberg. Children's Book Press, 1989
(American Indian) CL 398.2 Ata12b 1989.

Round is a Mooncake: A Book of Shapes by Rosanne Thong. Chronicle, 2000 (Asian Pacific
American) CL Pic Tho54r 2000.

Where Did You Get Your Moccasins? By Bernelda Wheeler. Peguis, 1986 (American Indian) CL
Pic Whe45w 1992.

More, More, More, Said the Baby: Three Love Stories by Vera B. Greenwillow, 1990 (Multi-
ethnic) CL Pic Wil61m 1990.

Drumbeat... Heartbeat: A Celebration of the Powwow by Susan Braine. Lerner, 1995 (American
Indian) CL 394 Bra56d 1995.

Grandfather Counts by Andrea Cheng. Lee & Low, 2000 (Asian Pacific American) CL Pic
Che54g 2000.

Halmoni and the Picnic by Sook Nyul Choi. Houghton Mifflin, 1993 (Asian Pacific American)
CL Pic Cho50h 1993.

Hairs/Pelitos by Sandra Cisneros, illustrated by Terry Ybanez Knopf, 1994 (Latino) CL Pic

Cis54h 1994 Curr. Lib.

Abuela by Arthur Corros, illustrated by Elisa Kleven. Dutton, 1991 (Latino) CL 468.6 Dor76a 1995.

Honey, I Love, and Other Poems by Eloise Greenfield, illustrated by Leo and Diane Dillon. Harper, 1978 (African American) CL 811 Gre46h 1986.

The Good Luck Cat by Joy Harjo. Harcourt, 2000 (American Indian). CL Pic Har56g 2000.

Mirandy and Brother Wind by Patricia McKissack illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. Knopf, 1988 (African American) CL Pic Mck57m 1988.

Giving Thanks: A Native American Good Morning Message by Jake Swamp illustrated by Erwin Printup, Jr. Lee & Low, 1995 (American Indian) CL 299.74 Swa67g 1995.

My Name is Maria Isabel by Alma Flor Ada. Atheneum, 1993 (Latino) CL Fic Ada0m 1995

From the Bellybutton of the Moon, and Other Summer Poems/Del Ombligo de la Luna, y Otros Poemas de Verano by Francisco X. Alarcon, illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez. Children's Book Press, 1998 (Latino) CL 811.54 Ala73f 1998.

Golden Tales: Mythes, Legends and Folktales from Latin America by Lulu Delacre. Scholastic, 1996 (Latino) CL 398.2 Del33g 2001.

The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales by Virginia Hamilton, illustrated by Leo and Diane Dillon. Knopf, 1985 (African American) CL 398.2 Ham55p 1985.

John Henry by Julius Lester, illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. Dial, 1994 (African American) CL 398.21 Les74j 1994.

Baseball Saved Us by Ken Mochizuki, illustrated by Dom Lee. Lee & Low, 1993 (Asian Pacific American) CL Pic Moc45b 1993.

The People Shall Continue by Simon Ortiz. Children's Book Press, 1988 (American Indian) CL 970.004 Ort59p 1988.

Tar Beach by Faith Ringgold. Crown, 1991 (African American) CL Pic Rin45t 1991.

What's the Most Beautiful Thing You Know about Horses? by Richard Van Camp. Children's Book Press, 1998 (American Indian) CL Pic Van33w 1998.

Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World by Mildred Pitts Walter. Lothrop, 1998 (African American) CL Fic Wal84j 1986.

Through My Eyes by Ruby Bridges. Scholastic, 1999 (African American) CL Biog Bri34t 1999.

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis. Delacorte, 1999 (African American) CL Fic Cur85b 1999.

The Birchbark House by Louise Erdrich. Hyperion, 1999 (American Indian) CL Fic Erd 75b 1999.

The Journey: Japanese Americans, Racism and Renewal by Sheila Hamanaka. Orchard, 1990 (Asian Pacific American) CL 973 Ham30j 1990.

Family Pictures/Cuadros de Familia by Carmen Lomas Garza. Children's Book Press, 1990 (Latino) CL 306.85 Lom31f 1990.

Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan. Scholastic, 2000 (Latino) CL PS 3565 .Y3926 E87 2000.

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor. Dial, 1976 (African American) CL PS 3539 .A9 K78r 1989.

The Friends by Kazumi Yumoto. Farrar Straus Giroux, 1996 (Asian Pacific) CL Fic Yum68f 2005.

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