

COMPASSION GOOD READS

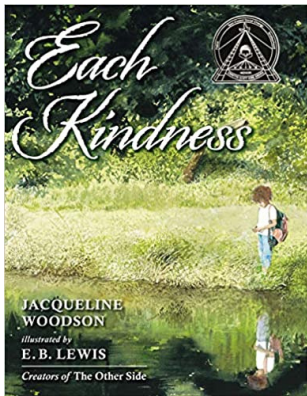
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BE KIND BY PAT ZIETLOW MILLER

From asking the new girl to play to standing up for someone being bullied, this moving story explores what kindness is, and how any act, big or small, can make a difference—or at least help a friend.

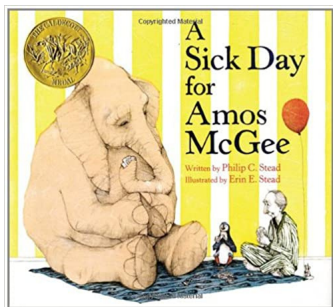
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EACH KINDNESS BY JACQUELINE WOODSON

When her teacher gives a lesson about how small acts of kindness can change the world, Chloe is stung by the lost opportunity for friendship with the new girl, Maya, and thinks about how much better it could have been if she'd shown a little kindness toward Maya.

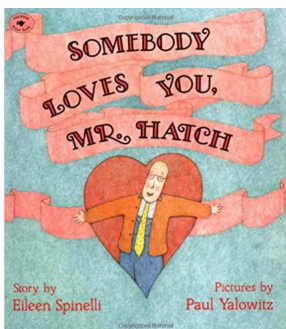
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A SICK DAY FOR AMOS MCGEE BY PHILIP STEAD

Every day Amos spends a bit of time with each of his friends at the zoo, keeping the shy penguin company, and even reading bedtime stories to the owl. When Amos is too sick to make it to the zoo, his animal friends decide it's time they returned the favor.

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SOMEBODY LOVES YOU, MR. HATCH BY EILEEN SPINELLI

One wintry day, a postman delivers a mysterious package with a big pink bow to a lonely man named Mr. Hatch. After some time, Mr. Hatch discovers just who his secret admirer is and, in doing so, enjoys the biggest surprise of his life!

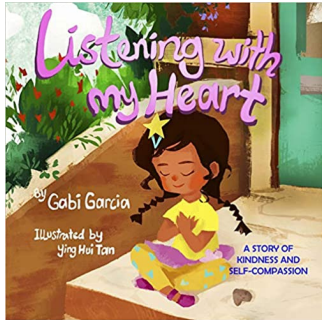
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LISTENING WITH MY HEART BY GABI GARCIA

This story reminds us of the importance of being friends to ourselves. It also touches on the universal themes of friendship, empathy and kindness. Includes mindfulness and self-compassion activities.

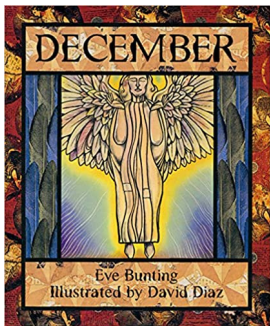
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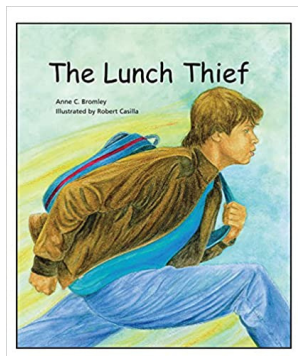


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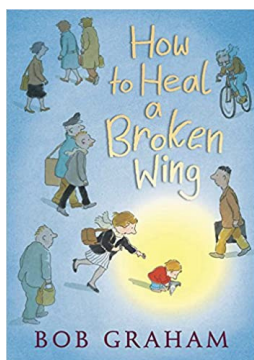
DECEMBER BY EVE BUNTING

On Christmas Eve, Simon and his mom take in an old woman who needs a place to keep warm, and the next morning, Simon wakes early to find that the old woman has vanished. Instead, he sees December, a Christmas angel, with her wings fanned out over their cardboard house. Could she be real?



THE LUNCH THIEF BY ANNE BROMLEY

A story that teaches children understanding and sympathy.



HOW TO HEAL A BROKEN WING BY BOB GRAHAM

In an urban fable, Bob Graham brings us one small boy, one loving family, and one miraculous story of hope and healing.

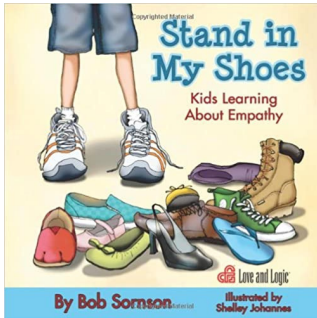


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STAND IN MY SHOES BY BOB SOMSON

When Emily asks her big sister what the word empathy means, Emily has no idea that knowing the answer will change how she looks at people. This book teaches children the value of noticing how other people feel.

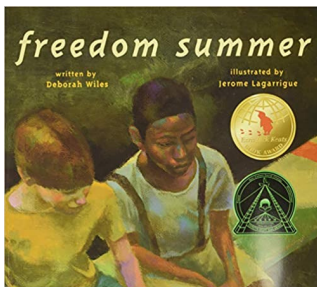
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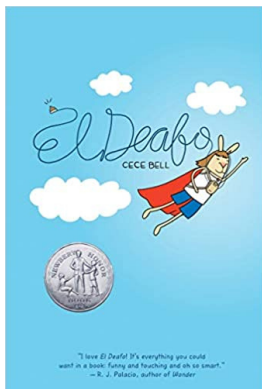


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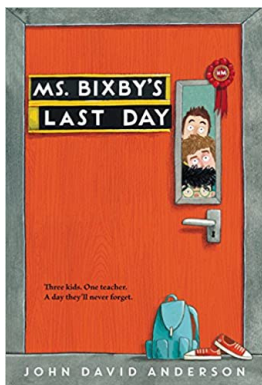
FREEDOM SUMMER BY DEBORAH WILES

This stirring account of the "Freedom Summer" that followed the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 powerfully and poignantly captures two boys' experience with racism and their friendship that defies it.



EL DEAFO BY CECE BELL

Cece is on her way to becoming El Deafo, Listener for All. But the funny thing about being a superhero is that it's just another way of feeling different . . . and lonely. Can Cece channel her powers into finding the thing she wants most, a true friend?



MS. BIXBY'S LAST DAY BY JOHN DAVID ANDERSON

Ms. Bixby is the sort of teacher who makes you feel like school is somehow worthwhile. Who recognizes something in you that sometimes you don't even see in yourself. This story is a touching, often hilarious story of endings, beginnings, and self-discovery.

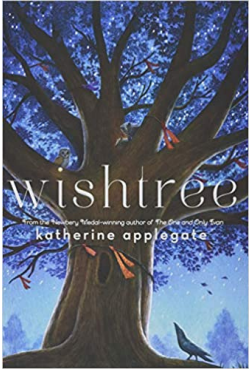


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WISHTREE **BY KATHERINE APPEGATE**

Funny, deep, warm, and nuanced, this book tells the a story of kindness, friendship, and hope.

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