

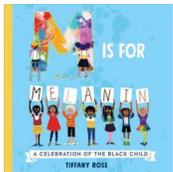
READ WOKE

reading challenge



African American Voices | Picture books available thru York Public Library

Read Woke is a movement. It is a feeling. It is a style. It is a form of education. It is a call to action; it is our right as lifelong learners. It means arming yourself with knowledge in order to better protect your rights. Knowledge is power and no one can take it away. It means learning about others so that you can treat people with the respect and dignity that they deserve no matter their religion, race, creed, or color.



M is for melanin : a celebration of the black child

by Tiffany A. Rose

An empowering alphabet book celebration of diversity combines striking multicolored artwork, skill-reinforcing word examples and affirming, culturally positive messages, from “A is for Afro” and “F is for Fresh” to “V is for Voice”.



The king of kindergarten

by Derrick D. Barnes

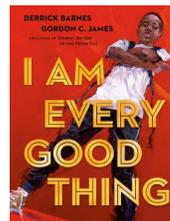
Offers an empowering story about a confident little boy who takes pride in his first day of kindergarten, encouraging new students with a reassuring message about this exciting milestone.



Goin' someplace special

by Pat McKissack

In segregated 1950s Nashville, a young African American girl braves a series of indignities and obstacles to get to one of the few integrated places in town: the public library



I am every good thing

by Derrick D. Barnes

Proud of everything that makes him who he is, a young Black narrator celebrates the creativity, adventurous spirit, humor and loyalty that shape his undeterred spirit, even when people who do not understand try to limit his potential.



We march

by Shane Evans

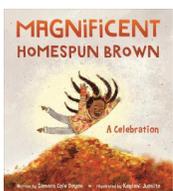
Illustrations and brief text portray the events of the 1963 march in Washington, D.C., where the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his historic "I Have a Dream" speech, advocating racial harmony.



Sulwe

by Lupita Nyong'o

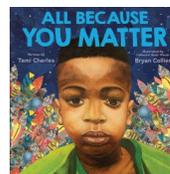
When Sulwe's classmates make fun of her dark skin, she tries lightening herself to no avail, but her encounter with a shooting star helps her understand there is beauty in every shade



Magnificent homespun brown : a celebration

by Samara Cole Doyon

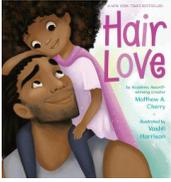
Presents a celebration of the love of family and oneself



All because you matter

by Tami Charles

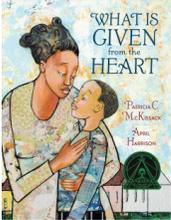
A heart-lifting love letter to Black and Brown children everywhere reminds them how much they matter, that they have always mattered and they always will.



Hair love : a celebration of daddies and daughters everywhere

by Matthew A Cherry

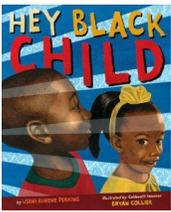
An ode to self-confidence and the love between fathers and daughters by the former NFL wide receiver depicts an exuberant little girl whose dad helps her arrange her curly, coiling, wild hair into styles that allow her to be her natural, beautiful self.



What is given from the heart

by Pat McKissack

Despite their own poverty since Daddy died, Mama tells nine-year-old James Otis they need to help Sarah, seven, whose family lost everything in a fire



Hey black child

by Useni Eugene Perkins

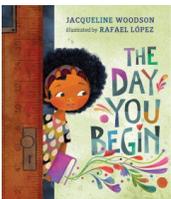
Presents a celebration of the wonder and potential of black children, applying his signature evocative cultural imagery to Perkins' inspirational poem.



Saturday

by Oge Mora

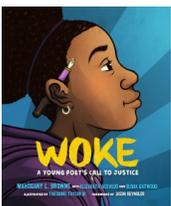
A follow-up to the Caldecott Honor-winning Thank You, Omu! finds a specially planned mother-and-daughter Saturday upended by a series of disappointments that end in the daughter comforting her mother by saying that being together was the most important thing.



The day you begin

by Jacqueline Woodson

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



Woke : A Young Poet's Call to Justice

by Mahogany L. Browne

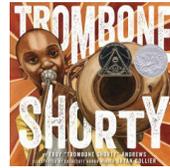
A collection of poems by women of color, written for today's generation of young activists, reflects the passion of the fight for social justice while tackling subjects ranging from discrimination and empathy to acceptance and speaking out.



Let the children march

by Monica Clark-Robinson

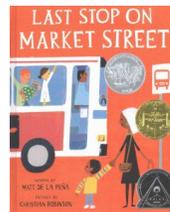
Documents the inspirational peaceful protests in 1963 Birmingham, Alabama, combining poetic text and poignant illustrations that celebrate the powerful words of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the resolve of thousands of African-American children to march for their civil rights.



Trombone Shorty

by Troy Andrews

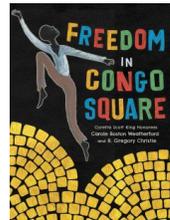
A Grammy-nominated headliner for the New Orleans Jazz Fest describes his childhood in Tremé and how he came to be a bandleader by age six



Last stop on Market Street

by Matt de la Peña

A young boy rides the bus across town with his grandmother and learns to appreciate the beauty in everyday things.



Freedom in Congo Square

by Carole Boston Weatherford

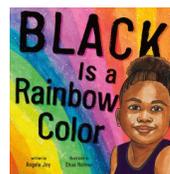
A poetic tribute to a lesser-known part of African-American history describes how after working relentlessly for more than six days, slaves in nineteenth-century New Orleans were permitted to congregate in Congo Square



Before she was Harriet

by Lesa Cline-Ransome

A lyrical biography of Harriet Tubman honors the woman of humble origins whose courage and compassion make her larger than life, discussing her roles as a slave, a conductor on the Underground Railroad, a nurse, a Union spy, and a suffragist



Black is a rainbow color

by Angela Joy

A child reflects on the meaning of being Black in this moving and powerful anthem about a people, a culture, a history and a legacy that lives on.