

PICTURE BOOKS

Baldacchino, Christine. *Morris Micklewhite and the Tangerine Dress*.

A boy faces adversity when he wears an orange dress at school.

Brannen, Sarah. *Uncle Bobby's Wedding (Topics to Talk About)*.

Chloë is jealous and sad when her favorite uncle announces that he will be getting married, but she discovers that she will always be special to him.

Carr, Jennifer. *Be Who You Are (Topics to Talk About)*.

Nick was born in a boy's body, but has always felt like a girl inside. Nick's family supports him when he says he no longer wants to be called a boy or dress like a boy and find a group for families like theirs.

Ewert, Marcus. *10,000 Dresses (Topics to Talk About)*.

Bailey longs to wear the beautiful dresses of her dreams, but is ridiculed by her unsympathetic family, which rejects her true perception of herself.

Genhart, Michael. *Ouch! Moments: When Words Are Used in Hurtful Ways (Topics to Talk About)*. The reader is encouraged to be caring and to take a stand when someone uses hurtful words.

Gonzalez, Rigoberto. *Antonio's Card/La Tarjeta de Antonio (Picture Books En Español)*. With Mother's Day coming, Antonio finds he has to decide about what is important to him when his classmates make fun of his mother's partner.

Hall, Michael. *Red: A Crayon's Story*.

Red's factory-applied label clearly says that he is red, but he cannot seem to do anything right until a new friend offers a fresh perspective.

Herthel, Jessica. *I Am Jazz (Topics to Talk About)*.

The story of a transgender child who traces her early awareness that she is a girl in spite of male anatomy and the acceptance she finds through a wise doctor who explains her natural transgender status.

Newman, Lesléa. *Daddy, Papa, and Me and Mommy, Mama, and Me (Topics to Talk About)*. Rhythmic text and illustrations with universal appeal show children spending the day with their parents. From hide-and-seek to dress-up, then bath time and a kiss goodnight, there's no limit to what a loving family can do together.

Newman, Lesléa. *Donovan's Big Day (Topics to Talk About)*. From the moment Donovan wakes in the morning, he painstakingly prepares for his special role in the wedding ceremony of his two mothers.

Newman, Lesléa. *Heather Has Two Mommies. (Topics to Talk About)*.

Heather goes to school for the first time and someone asks her about her daddy, but Heather doesn't have a daddy. When the class draws pictures of their families, they see not one drawing is the same.

Pitman, Gayle E. *This Day in June*.

A picture book illustrating a Pride parade. The endmatter serves as a primer on LGBT history and culture and explains the references made in the story.

Polacco, Patricia. *In Our Mothers' House (Topics to Talk About)*.

Children experience the joys and challenges of being raised by two mothers.

Richardson, Justin. *And Tango Makes Three*.

At New York City's Central Park Zoo, two male penguins fall in love and start a family by taking turns sitting on an abandoned egg until it hatches.

Schiffer, Miriam. *Stella Brings the Family (Topics to Talk About)*.

Stella brings her two fathers to school to celebrate Mother's Day.

Tyner, Christy. *Zak's Safari (Topics to Talk About)*.

When Zak's outdoor "safari" gets cancelled because of the rain, he leads his stuffed animal tourists on an adventure through the story of his family and the sperm donation that made it possible.



GRAPHIC NOVELS

Stevenson, Noelle. *Lumberjanes*.

Friendship to the max! At Miss Quinzella Thiskwin Penniquiquil Thistle Crumpet's camp for hardcore lady-types, things are not what they seem.

Stevenson, Noelle. *Nimona*.

Nimona is an impulsive young shapeshifter with a knack for villainy. Lord Ballister Blackheart is a villain with a vendetta. As sidekick and supervillain, Nimona and Lord Blackheart are about to wreak some serious havoc.

Telgemeier, Raina. *Drama*.

Callie loves theater and she's the set designer for the stage crew. This year she's determined to create a set worthy of Broadway on a middle-school budget. But there's onstage AND offstage drama that occurs once the actors are chosen, and when two cute brothers enter the picture, things get even crazier!

Takako, Shimura. *Wandering Son (Tween)*.

The fifth grade: the threshold to puberty and the beginning of the end of childhood innocence. Shuichi Nitori and his new friend Yoshino Takatsuki have happy homes, loving families and are well-liked by their classmates. But they share a secret that further complicates a time of life that is awkward for anyone: Shuichi is a boy who wants to be a girl and Yoshino is a girl who wants to be a boy.

FICTION

Agell, Charlotte. *The Accidental Adventures of India McAllister*.

India, an unusual nine-and-a-half-year-old living in small-town Maine, has a series of adventures which bring her closer to her artist-mother, strengthen her friendship with a neighbor boy, and help her to accept the man for whom her father moved away.

Babcock, Joe. *The Boys and the Bees (Tween)*.

A gay 12 year-old boy begins his first year of junior high with the vow that this will be the year that he kisses a boy.

Bauer, A.C.E. *No Castles Here (Tween)*.

Eleven-year-old Augie Boretzki dreams of escaping his run-down Camden, New Jersey, neighborhood, but things start to turn around with help from a Big Brother, a music teacher, and a mysterious bookstore owner.

Burch, Christian. *The Manny Files (Tween)*.

A shy young boy learns how to be more outgoing and self-confident from his male nanny.

Coville, Bruce. *The Skull of Truth*.

Charlie, a sixth-grader with a compulsion to tell lies, acquires a mysterious skull that forces its owner to tell only the truth, causing some awkward moments before he understands its power.

Federle, Tim. *Better Nate than Ever (series)*.

An eighth-grader who dreams of performing in a Broadway musical concocts a plan to run away to New York and audition for the role of Elliot in the musical version of "E.T."

Gennari, Jennifer. *My Mixed-up Berry Blue Summer (Tween)*.

Twelve-year-old June Farrell spends the summer at her Vermont home getting used to the woman her mother is planning to marry and practicing her pie-baking skills, as she hopes to win the blue ribbon at the fair.

Gino, Alex. *George*.

When people look at George, they think they see a boy, but she knows she's a girl. George thinks she'll have to keep this a secret forever, but maybe the class play and a scheme with her best friend will be her key to success.

Howe, James. *The Misfits (Tween)*.

Four students who do not fit in at their small-town middle school decide to create a third party for the student council elections to represent all students who have ever been called names.

Howe, James. *Totally Joe (Tween)*.

As a school assignment, a thirteen-year-old boy writes an alphabiography--life from A to Z--and explores issues of friendship, family, school, and the challenges of being a gay teenager.

FICTION, CONTINUED

Ketchum, Liza. *Newsgirl* (Tween).

In the spring of 1851 San Francisco is booming. 12-year-old Amelia Forrester has just arrived with her family, but the mostly male town is not that hospitable to females and Amelia decides she will earn more money as a boy. Cutting her hair and donning a cap, she joins a gang of newsboys.

Knowles, Jo. *See You at Harry's*.

Twelve-year-old Fern feels invisible in her family, where grumpy eighteen-year-old Sarah is working at the family restaurant, fourteen-year-old Holden is struggling with school bullies and his emerging homosexuality, and adorable, three-year-old Charlie is always the center of attention.

McCaughrean, Geraldine. *The Death-Defying Pepper Roux* (Tween).

Having been raised believing he will die before he reaches the age of fourteen, Pepper Roux runs away on his fourteenth birthday in an attempt to elude his fate, assumes another identity, and continues to try to outrun death, no matter the consequences.

Moskowitz, Hannah. *Marco Impossible* (Tween).

Two junior high best friends attempt to break into the high school prom so one can confess his love for the adorable bass player of the prom band.

Polonsky, Amy. *Gracefully Grayson* (Tween).

Grayson, a transgender twelve-year-old, learns to accept her true identity and share it with the world.

Sanchez, Alex. *So Hard to Say* (Tween).

Thirteen-year-old Xio, a Mexican American girl, and Frederick, who has just moved to California from Wisconsin, quickly become close friends, but when Xio starts thinking of Frederick as her boyfriend, he must confront his feelings of confusion and face the fear that he might be gay.

Satyal, Rakesh. *Blue Boy* (Tween).

Meet Kiran Sharma: lover of music, dance, and all things sensual; son of immigrants, social outcast, spiritual seeker. Surrounded by examples of upstanding Indian Americans--in his own home, in his temple, at the weekly parties given by his parents' friends--Kiran nevertheless finds it impossible to get the knack of "normalcy."

Shimko, Bonnie. *Letters in the Attic* (Tween).

Lizzy McMann, a feisty twelve-year-old, moves to a new school and befriends, then falls in love with, Eva Singer. Like all girls her age, Lizzy has to deal with her first period, her first bra and her first boyfriend. But what scares her most is her love for Eva.

Williams, David. *The Boy in the Dress* (Tween).

Dennis' life is boring and lonely, but he does have soccer---he's the leading scorer on his team. And then there's his secret passion for fashion.

Woodson, Jacqueline. *After Tupac & D Foster* (Tween).

In 1996 New York City, three girls bond over their shared love of Tupac Shakur's music, and try to make sense of their unpredictable world.

NONFICTION

***Dear Bully: Seventy Authors Tell Their Stories* (302.3 DEA)**

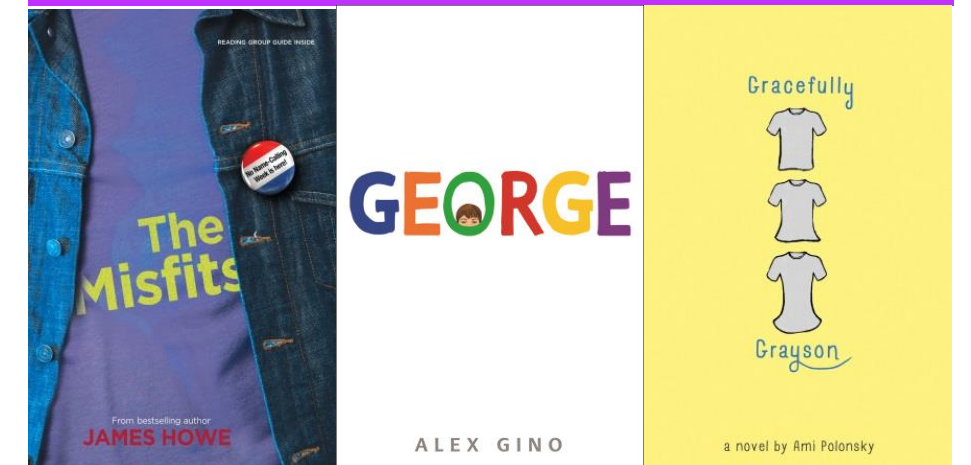
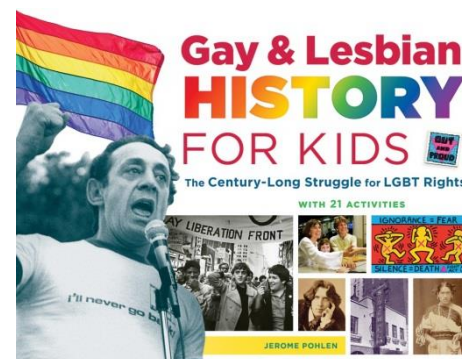
Today's top authors for teens and young people come together to share their stories about bullying - as bystanders, as victims, and as the bullies themselves - in this moving and deeply personal collection. Lauren Oliver, R. L. Stine, Ellen Hopkins, Carolyn Mackler, Kiersten White, Mo Willems, Jon Scieszka, Lauren Kate, and many more contributed 70 heartfelt and empathetic stories from each corner of the schoolyard. In addition, *Dear Bully* includes resources for teens, educators, and parents, and suggestions for further reading.

Moon, Sarah. *The Letter Q: Queer Writers' Notes to Their Younger Selves* (306.766 LET).

Collects letters from such famous contributors as Brian Selznick, Michael Cunningham, and Amy Bloom to offer hope and support in the face of prejudice.

Pohlen, Jerome. *Gay and Lesbian History for Kids: The Century-Long Struggle for LGBT Rights, with 21 Activities* (306.76 POH)

Who transformed George Washington's demoralized troops at Valley Forge into a fighting force that defeated an empire? Who cracked Germany's Enigma code and shortened World War II? Who successfully lobbied the US Congress to outlaw child labor? And who organized the 1963 March on Washington? Ls, Gs, Bs, and Ts, that's who. Given today's news, it would be easy to get the impression that the campaign for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) equality is a recent development, but it is only the final act in a struggle that started more than a century ago. The history is told through personal stories and firsthand accounts of the movement's key events, like the 1950s "Lavender Scare," the Stonewall Inn uprising, and the AIDS crisis.



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