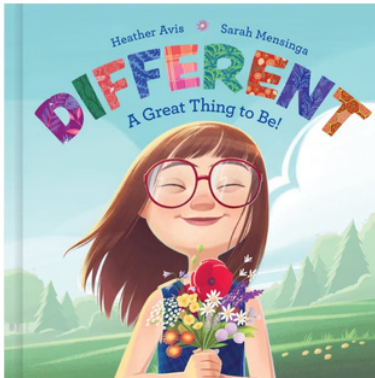


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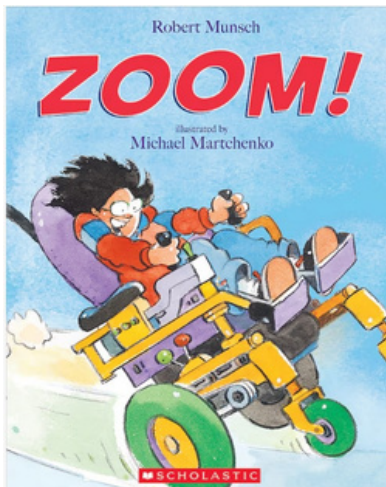
Our Top Picks on Accessibility, Inclusion, and Equity

Ages 2–5:



Different - A great thing to be! - by Heather Avis

This joyful rhyming book encourages children to value the “different” in all people, leading the way to a kinder world in which the differences in all of us are celebrated and embraced. Macy is a girl who shares similarities with us, yet she possesses unique qualities that make her stand out – a wonderful quality to have. With kindness, grace, and courage,



Zoom - by Robert Munsch

Lauretta has a need for speed – in her super-powered wheelchair! It’s finally time for Lauretta to get a new wheelchair. But she isn’t satisfied with a regular 5- or 10- speed model. Nothing will do but the 92-speed, black, silver and red, dirt bike wheelchair! With his trademark wit and whimsy, this classic Robert Munsch story celebrates that all kids can use their own strengths and talents to do great things!

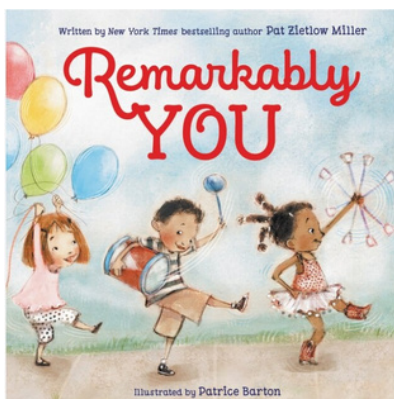
Ages 5-8:



Just Ask!: Be Different, Be Brave, Be You - by Sonia Sotomayor

In Just Ask, United States Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor celebrates the different abilities kids (and people of all ages) have. As the kids work together to build a community garden, asking questions of each other along the way, this book encourages readers to do the same: When we come across someone who is different from us but we’re not sure why, all we have to do is Just Ask.

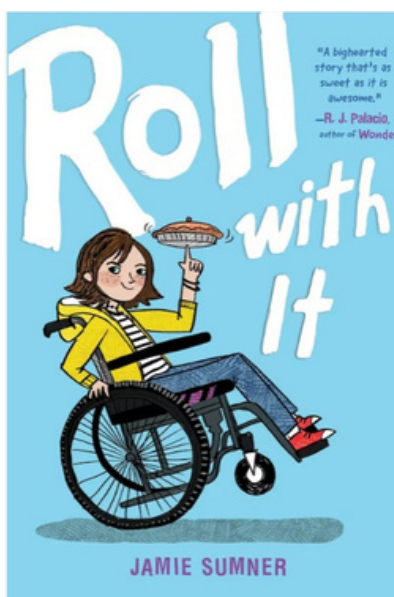
Ages 5-8 (continued):



Remarkably You - by Pat Zietlow Miller

Remarkably You is an inspirational manifesto about all of the things—little or small, loud or quiet—that make us who we are. Remarkably You celebrates individuality in her remarkable picture book about the beauty of being yourself. With encouraging text and exuberant illustrations readers will delight in all the ways they can be their remarkable selves.

Ages 8-12:



Roll With It - by Jamie Sumner

Ellie has big dreams. She might be eating Stouffer's for dinner, but one day she's going to be a professional baker. If she's not writing fan letters to her favorite celebrity chefs, she's practicing recipes on her well-meaning, if overworked, mother." An unexpected move threatens to upend her dreams. "Roll With It" is an upbeat and delightful story of a precocious and feisty young woman with a plan.



The Scooter Twins - by Dorothy Ellen Palmer

Written by disability advocate and mobility scooter user Dorothy Ellen Palmer, and illustrated by Maria Sweeney, The Scooter Twins is an #OwnVoices story that shares the joys and challenges of disabled childhood, and offers many kids who get new wheels the opportunity to find themselves in the pages of a book.

Ages 12-18:



Disability Visibility: First-Person Stories from the Twenty-first Century - Edited by Alice Wong

One in five people in the United States lives with a disability. Some disabilities are visible, others less apparent—but all are underrepresented in media and popular culture. Now, just in time for the thirtieth anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, activist Alice Wong brings together this urgent, galvanizing collection of contemporary essays by disabled people.



Strangers Assume My Girlfriend Is My Nurse - by Shane Burcaw

With his signature acerbic wit and hilarious voice, twenty-something author, blogger, and entrepreneur Shane Burcaw is back with an essay collection about living a full life in a body that many people perceive as a tragedy. From anecdotes about first introductions where people patted him on the head instead of shaking his hand, to stories of passersby mistaking his able-bodied girlfriend for a nurse, Shane tackles awkward situations and assumptions with humor and grace.