

## Children's Literature Recommendations

<b>Title</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Author</b>
<i>Buddy Booby's Birthmark</i>	Buddy the booby bird is born with a birthmark in Galapagos, and teaches others about compassion and acceptance.	Donna and Evan Ducker
<i>Limu the Blue Turtle</i>	A green sea turtle is born blue, but discovers it's his goodness that makes him so special.	Kimo Armitage
<i>Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon</i>	A very small girl demonstrates the value of a big heart and living life to it's largest.	Patty Lovell
<i>Because I Love You</i>	A wise man named Shaddai built a wonderful village for children to live in. And with his own hands Shaddai built a protective wall around their village, rock by rock. The village's most curious child discovers something that makes him wonder about Shaddai's love. When he actually discovers what the wall is all about...he discovers how deeply loved he is (we all are).	Max Lucado
<i>Just the Way you are</i>	One of the greatest gifts parents can give their children is the assurance that Mom and Dad love them just as they are. But telling them once won't make it sink in. Kids need to be reminded of it over and over, until those words get inside their hearts.	Max Lucado
<i>The Crippled Lamb</i>	A little handicapped lamb is sent to the stable to realize he has a very special purpose after all	Max Lucado
<i>You are Special</i>	A little wooden boy discovers that his worth isn't determined by others but by himself and his creator	Max Lucado
<i>Belinda the Ballerina</i>	A ballerina with very big feet follows her dreams	Amy Young
<i>Belinda in Paris</i>	Belinda is now in Paris and must find ballet shoes that fit!	Amy Young
Discworld books		Terry Pratchett
<i>Why Christmas Trees aren't Perfect</i>	A little Christmas tree sacrifices beauty for helping others, and is discovered to be the most beautiful tree of all	Richard H. Schneider
<i>Chameleon's Colors</i>	A chameleon is not happy being himself and seeks to be different. Soon all the jungle animals want to be different too. They eventually learn they are best just the way they are	Chisato Tashiro

<i>The Story of Zachary Zween</i>	Zachary hates always being last in line because of his name, but he learns that being last can have it's benefits	Mabel Watts
<i>Albert the Bear</i>	All the toys in the shop try to cheer up a sad looking bear named Albert. They discover that Albert isn't sad at all, just made different.	Nick Butterworth
<i>The little Engine that Could</i>	An underestimated little engine surprises everyone and saves the day.	Watty Piper
<i>Hooway for Wodney Wat</i>	A little boy rat ashamed by his speech impediment saves the school from a very big bully	Helen Lester
<i>The Country Bunny</i>	A country cottontail, laughed at by the Jackrabbits, fulfills her dream of becoming an Easter bunny	Du Base Hayward
<i>The Littlest Angel</i>	A young little boy angesl feels like a misfit in heaven, but finds his place and purpose in a humble gift to a savior	Charles Tazewell
<i>Ferdinand the Bull</i>	A fighting bull that prefers not to fight finds happiness being just the way he is	Munro Leaf
<i>Stellaluna</i>	A misplaced bat finds out she just the way she is supposed to be, and can still be friends with others who different from her.	Janell Cannon
<i>Shimmeree</i>	A lesson that we don't always have to be afraid of what is different	Stephen Cosgrove
<i>Memily Minikin</i>	Two books: one about a giraffe and one about a lamb, each unhappy with their size. Each learn the value of being just the way they are.	Stephen Cosgrove
<i>Fanny</i>	A cat with a handicap makes a friend and teaches other farm animals about assumptions and acceptance	Stephen Cosgrove
<i>Creole</i>	Because Creole looks scary, everyone thinks she must be mean until they discover true beauty is on the inside	Stephen Cosgrove
<i>Painted Keepsakes</i>	A Book about Birthmarks, candidly points at a mark that is erroneously defined as a blemish. This book proves the beauty of birthmarks by distinguishing children who wear them. The straightforward book started with a little girl pointing an unassuming finger at another girl's face, and asking, "What's that mark on you?" The unhesitant girl bearing the mark, proudly states, "That's my birthmark." They proceeded to play together upon that initial meeting, without any reservations or tension.	Blithe Payne

<i>Walk A Mile in My Shoes</i>	Rookie golfer Casey Martin, who suffers from a debilitating disorder that causes him to become easily fatigued, has been in the headlines lately with his lawsuit against the PGA. This book tells of the obstacles that Martin has had to overcome in his lifetime to get to where he is now	Tom Cunneff
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