

## Literacy and Justice for All Birth-5 Curriculum Booklist

Across our year, we'll be engaging together and with the children in our classrooms around questions that matter whether you are four months old, four years old, forty-four, or one hundred and four. This booklist provides connected texts to anchor the exploration around these inquiry questions. These beautiful texts include rich vocabulary and engaging content and reflect our commitment to creating classrooms where all children see and hear themselves in their curriculum and can learn about others. These books help foster meaningful conversations and curriculum connections across the day, week, and month!



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## August Inquiry Questions and Anchor Books

### Who am I? Why do I matter?

### Rhythm and Rhyme

Children joyfully play their way into phonemic awareness with the help of you, some instruments, and these awesome books.



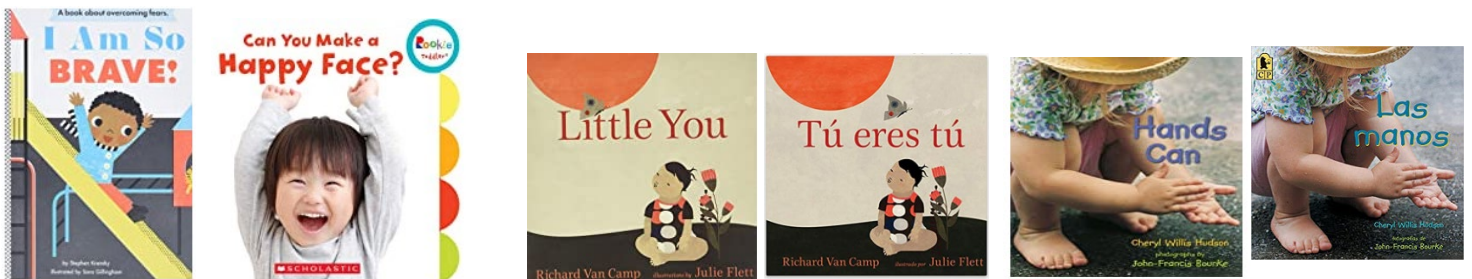
## Infants and Young Toddlers: Anchor Books

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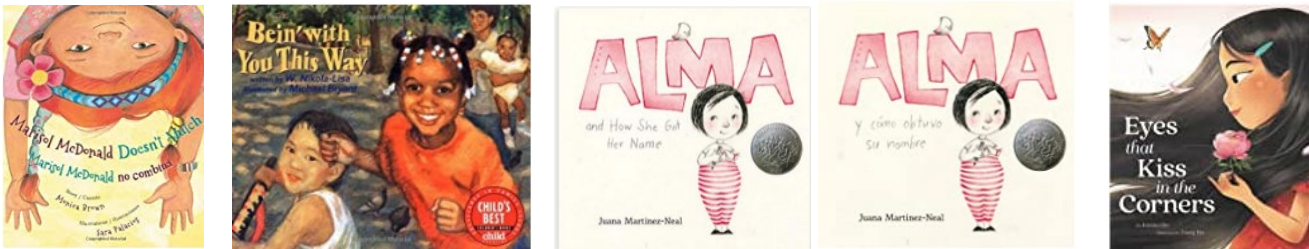


## Preschool: Anchor Books

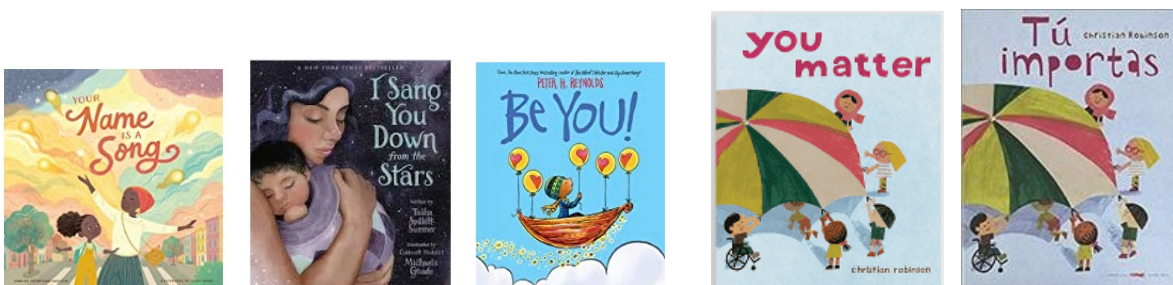


\* Non-fiction books to explore and pair with the stories:

## PreK: Anchor Books



Here are a few other beautiful books for Preschool/PreK we think you would love to add to your library!

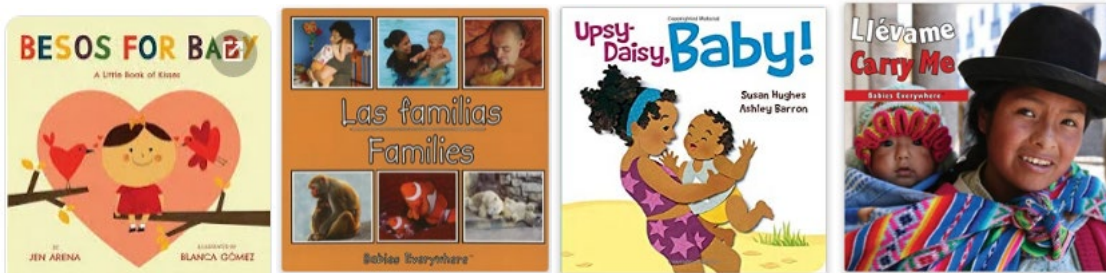


## September Inquiry and Anchor Books

What does it mean to be a family? Who is special to me?

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### Preschool: Anchor Books





## PreK: Anchor Books



As you learn more about your children and their families, you will be more able to select books that speak to what it means to them to “be a family” and to compare and contrast the different family characteristics, ways of being family, and being connected to others who are special to us. The books below highlight many varied ways to be a family. These beautiful books would be great additions to your library!



## October Inquiry and Anchor Books

How can my community work together to help everyone?

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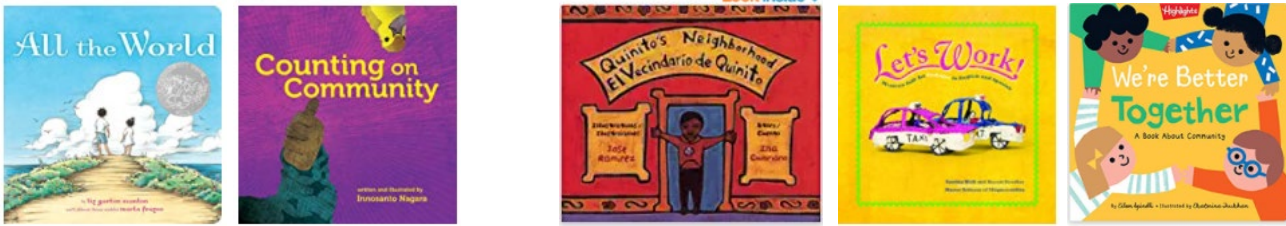
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## Preschool: Anchor Books



## PreK: Anchor Books



Some other amazing PreK books you might want to pick up at the library or purchase for your center that align the inquiry and themes each week include:



## November Inquiry and Anchor Books

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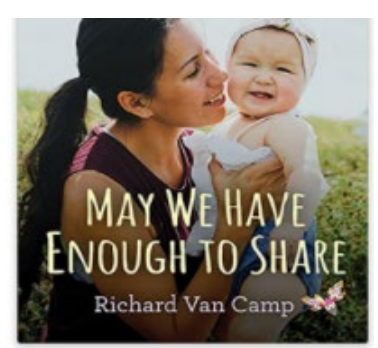
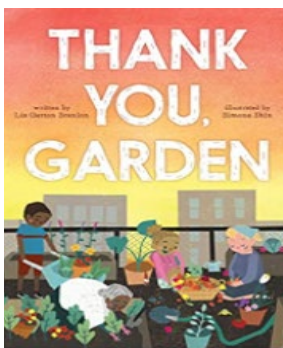
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## Preschool: Anchor Books



Connected Non-Fiction:



## PreK: Anchor Books



The books below are other awesome books for the monthly inquiry questions that would be loved by kids across age groups! These awesome books would be great additions to your library. We recommend you pick up from the library or add to your wish list!



## December Inquiry and Anchor Books

What do we celebrate and why? Are there things we all are grateful for? What can we learn from each other's celebrations that help us grow?

### Collection of Celebration Books:



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## Preschool & PreK: Anchor Books



## January Inquiry Questions and Anchor Books

How can we take care of ourselves and each other? What does it mean to show kindness?

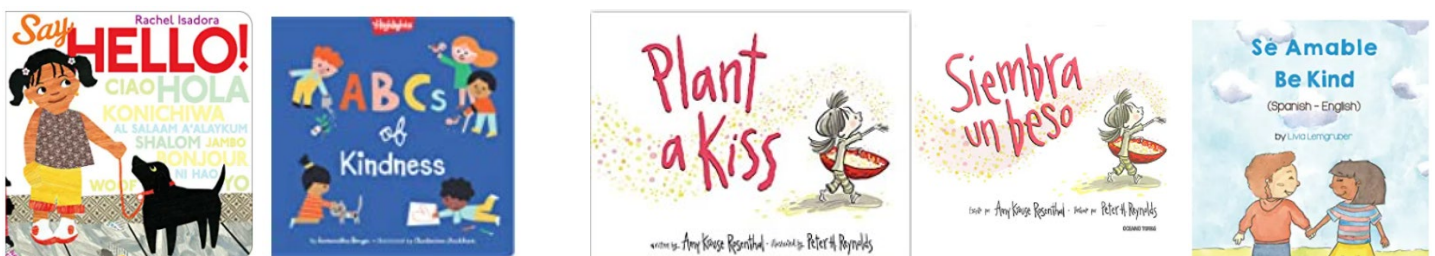
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## Preschool: Anchor Books



## PreK: Anchor Books



Stories about real people

## Social/Emotional Books

Books about kindness, to ourselves, each other, and the world are timely every day.



Non-fiction

Wordless

Rhythm & Rhyme

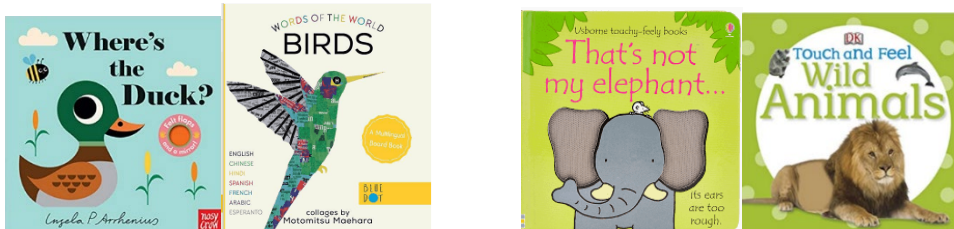
\*Note that you can find *Peace is an Offering* in a bilingual Spanish/English version from used book sellers (*La Paz es una ofrenda*)

## February Inquiry Questions and Anchor Books

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## Preschool: Anchor Books

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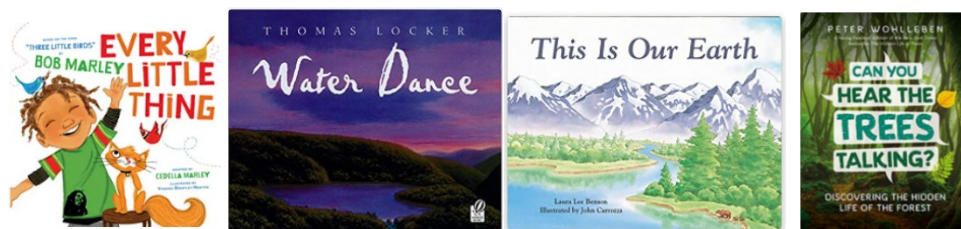


## PreK: Anchor Books

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## Additional Connected Books for this Inquiry:



Rhythm & Rhyme

Non-fiction

## March/April Inquiry Questions and Anchor Books

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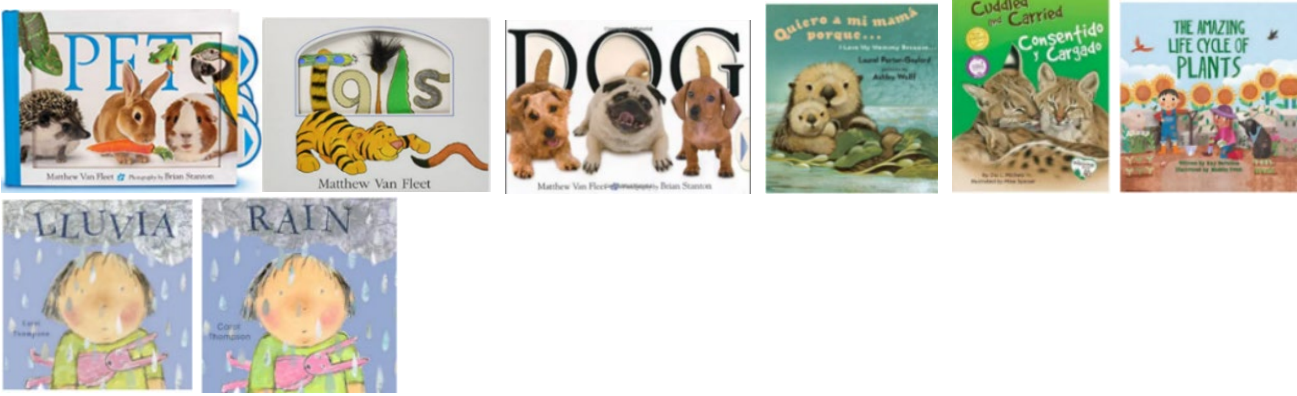
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Other books we love for older toddlers:



## Preschool: Anchor Books

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\*A Way with Wild Things is a storybook that can pair well with any of these three non-fiction options.



\*Note: Grow Happy, Errol's Garden and Flower Garden are all storybooks. Each of them pairs well with either non-fiction option: From Seed to Plant or A Seed is Sleepy. Please note that Errol's Garden is available in a variety of other languages—Spanish, Farsi, Arabic and more!



## PreK: Anchor Books

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## Rhythm and Rhyme and Wordless picture books

We love wordless picture books for fostering language, vocabulary, and conversation. They are also a fantastic tool for progress monitoring and understanding what children do, see, know, and believe about our world and the books they engage with. Rhythm and rhyme books foster phonemic awareness as well as rhythmic and fluent reading- and are just so much fun! Check out these engaging and delightful texts! We think you and your students will adore them!



Wordless

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Rhythm & Rhyme

Additional Story

## May, June & July Overarching Inquiry Question

How can I use my ideas and creativity, my heart, my voice, and all of me to make the world kinder, more connected, more beautiful, more joyful, and more just?

Rhythm and Rhyme, Wordless picture books, and other books to help us wonder and grow for May-July:

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### Rhythm and Rhyme

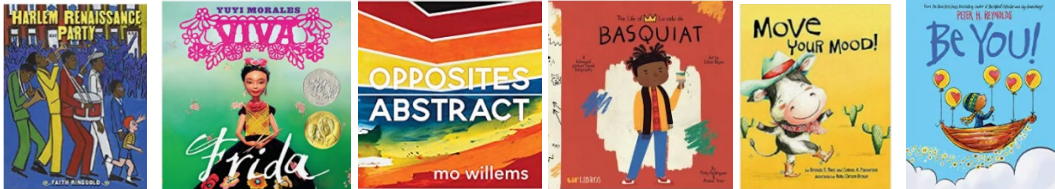


### Wordless Picture Books



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Other amazing books to inspire, support social emotional development, to make us wonder, dream, move, create, and be inspired to take action.



## May Inquiry Questions and Anchor Books

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\*Additional Rhythm & Rhyme

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\*Pair this non-fiction music text, available in many languages, with any of the storybooks for the month!

Preschool Books: Anchor Books



(non-fiction)

PreK: Anchor Books





## June Inquiry Questions and Anchor Books

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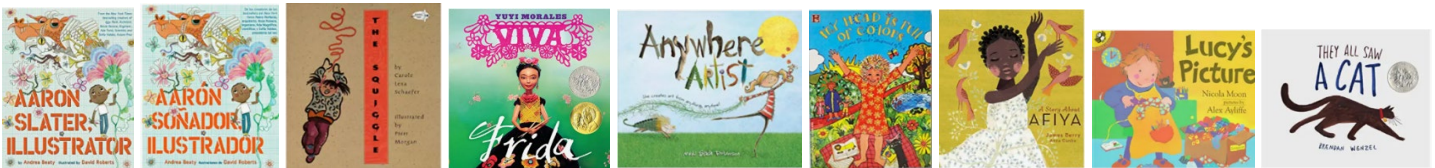
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*\*Additional connected text*



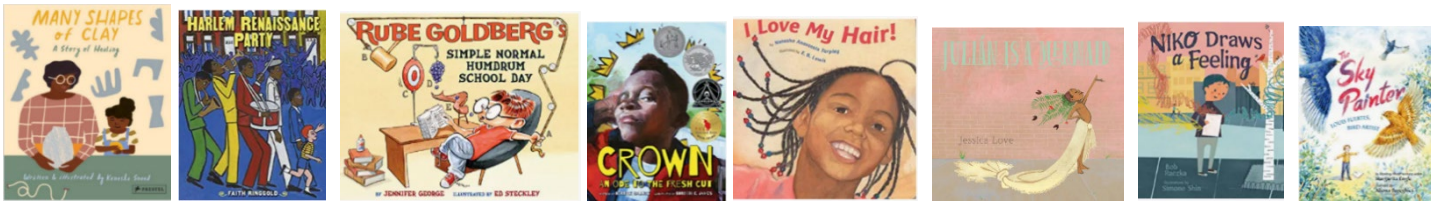
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### Connected Non-Fiction Texts:



## PreK: Anchor Books



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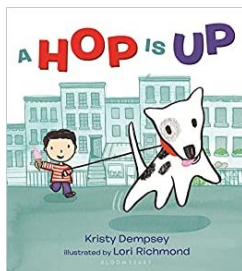
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