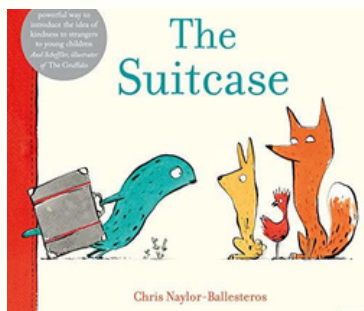


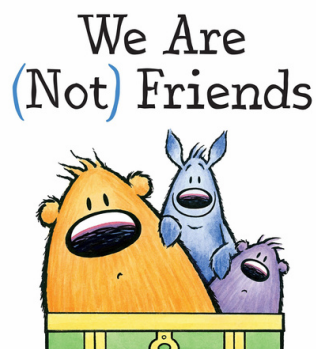
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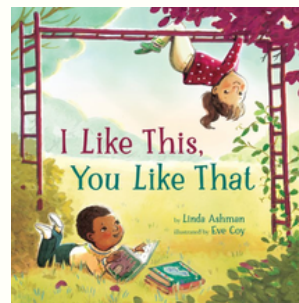
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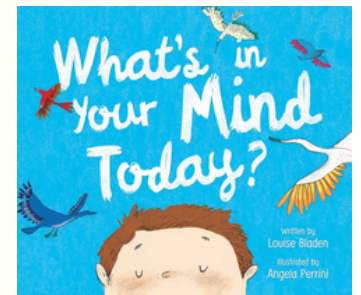
When an unusual animal arrives to a new place with a suitcase, the other animals are confused. They don't know whether they can trust them. A powerful story about community and not judging someone by how they look or where they have come from.



Making new friends is never easy! And when your best friend makes a new friend, it can be hard to not get jealous. Follow these friends as they learn how to play together. This is a part of a series by Anna Kang that follows these fuzzy creatures as they learn how to navigate different situations with their friends.



In this rhyming book, two friends seem to disagree on everything: from favorite season to what they enjoy playing. In the end, they recognize that opposites can attract and what they have in common (their friendship) is more important than their differences. A fun exploration of how we can be different from others and still be friends.



Children have negative emotions, whether they're worries, fears, or scattered thoughts. Rather than dismiss those feelings, this book teaches children how to acknowledge the feelings and find calm in the midst of them. Simple breathing and centering techniques are taught through reassuring rhymes.

Did You Know?

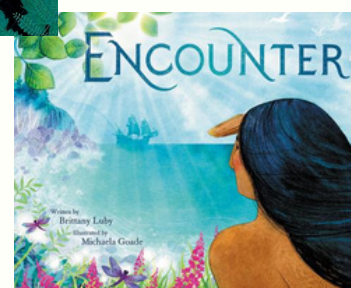
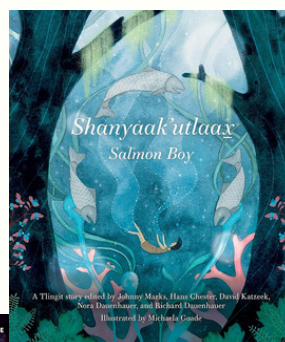
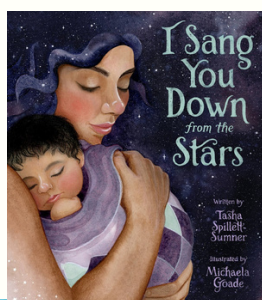
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Author/Illustrator Spotlight

MICHAELA GOADE

Sometimes an author or illustrator has so many great titles, we wish we could name them all! This month, we want to highlight the work of Michaela Goade. A member of the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, she often works with other indigenous authors or writes her own stories. Her watercolor illustrations are illuminating and powerful, creating immersive scenes.



Early Literacy Tips

Phonological Awareness is an early literacy skill in which kids can hear and play with the smaller sounds of words. Knowing how to separate words into different sounds help kids later when they start to sound out words when beginning to read! To help build this skill, you can pick a sound for the day. Think of words where the sound is at the beginning or at the end, like "sh."



Hearing syllables within words is also part of phonological awareness. As preschoolers pay attention to syllables, it will help them decode words when they're readers later. You can clap out syllables for fun: "Let's eat a banana." (Clap once as you say each word and then three times as you say "ba-na-na.") Or "Did you find that book interesting?" (Clap once as you say each word until "in-ter-est-ing," which gets four claps!)

