Let's Talk

Books that foster conversations around race, identity, and social justice



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(in order of images, left to right)

Say Hello! by Rachel Isadora

The Skin You Live In written by Michael Tyler; illustrated by David Lee Csicsko

The Case For Loving: the Fight for Interracial Marriage by Selina Alko; illustrated by Sean Qualls and Selina Alko

The Day You Begin written by Jacqueline Woodson; illustrated by Rafael López

Schomburg: the Man Who Built a Library written by Carole Boston Weatherford; illustrated by Eric Velasquez

Pride: the Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag written by Rob Sanders; illustrated by Steven Salerno

Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History by Vashti Harrison

Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom written by Carole Boston Weatherford; illustrated by Kadir Nelson

Enough!: 20 Protesters Who Changed America written by Emily Easton; illustrated by Ziyue Chen; foreword by Ryan Deitsch, Parkland survivor and activist

The Undefeated written by Kwame Alexander; illustrated by Kadir Nelson

Just Ask!: Be Different, Be Brave, Be You written by Sonia Sotomayor; illustrated by Rafael López

A Place to Land: Martin Luther King Jr. and the Speech that Inspired a Nation written by Barry Wittenstein; illustrated by Jerry Pinkney

The Proudest Blue: a Story of Hijab and Family written by Ibtihaj Muhammad with S. K. Ali; illustrated by Hatem Aly **I Am Not a Number** written by Jenny Kay Dupuis and Kathy Kacer; illustrated by Gillian Newland

So Tall Within: Sojourner Truth's Long Walk Toward Freedom written by Gary D. Schmidt; illustrated by Daniel Minter **Preaching to the Chickens: the Story of Young John Lewis** written by Jabari Asim; illustrated by E.B. Lewis

Global Babies (Board Book)

Wilma Rudolph written by María Isabel Sánchez Vegara; illustrated by Amelia Flower

The Legendary Miss Lena Horne written by Carole Boston Weatherford; illustrated by Elizabeth Zunon

Stonewall: a Building, an Uprising, a Revolution written by Rob Sanders; illustrated by Jamey Christoph

Let the Children March written by Monica Clark-Robinson; illustrated by Frank Morrison

I Am Jazz! written by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings; pictures by Shelagh McNicholas

Rosa written by Nikki Giovanni; illustrated by Bryan Collier

Feminist Baby (Board Book) by Loryn Brantz

Last Stop on Market Street written by Matt de la Peña; pictures by Christian Robinson

My Hair is a Garden by Cozbi A. Cabrera

Unstoppable: How Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Defeated Army written by Art Coulson; illustrated by Nick Hardcastle

Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer, Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement written by Carole Boston Weatherford; illustrated by Ekua Holmes

Coretta Scott King poetry by Ntozake Shange; paintings by Kadir Nelson

Intersection Allies: We Make Room for All written by Chelsea Johnson, LaToya Council, and Carolyn Choi; illustrations by Ashley Seil Smith

Separate is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez & her Family's Fight for Desegregation by Duncan Tonatiuh

Dreamers by Yuyi Morales

Julián is a Mermaid by Jessica Love

Gloria's Voice: the Story of Gloria Steinem--Feminist, Activist, Leader by Aura Lewis

Frederick Douglass: the Lion Who Wrote History written by Walter Dean Myers; illustrated by Floyd Cooper

We Are Grateful: Otsaliheliga written by Traci Sorell; Illustrated by Frané Lessac

Something Happened in Our Town: a Child's Story About Racial Injustice by Marianne Celano, PhD, ABPP, Marietta

Collins, PhD, and Ann Hazzard, PhD, ABPP; illustrated by Jennifer Zivoin

A is For Activist (Board Book) written and illustrated by Innosanto Nagara

A Computer Called Katherine: How Katherine Johnson Helped Put America on the Moon written by Suzanne Slade;

illustrated by Veronica Miller Jamison

The Name Jar by Yangsook Choi