

THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS

REPRESENTATION MATTERS

**TIPS ON HOW TO CHOOSE
LITERATURE THAT
POSITIVELY DEPICTS
MULTIPLE IDENTITIES**

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CONSIDER THIS

**CHOOSING BOOKS TO
READ TO OUR CHILDREN
CAN BE SO MUCH FUN!**



**Sometimes the books we
choose can send a message
to our children we may not
realize.**

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**FOLLOW ALONG FOR
SOME TIPS ON WHAT
TO LOOK FOR WHEN
SEARCHING FOR
CHILDREN'S BOOKS!**



WHAT TO ANALYZE

- **How Certain Groups are Represented**

Are stereotypes present in how the depict specific groups?

- **Who are considered the heroes and villains**

Are certain groups always presented in a negative manner throughout the text?

- **Author's Background**

Does the author or illustrator have a history of inappropriate references and depictions of characters?

- **Copyright Date**

The older the date, the more likely outdated standards and terminology are present

- **Beauty Standards of Characters Depicted**

Are only certain groups of people considered likable based off of their physical appearance?

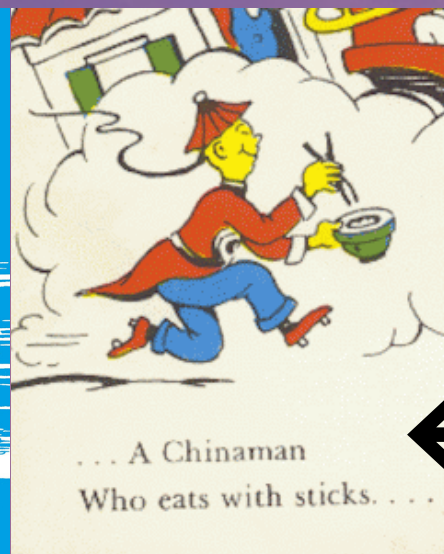
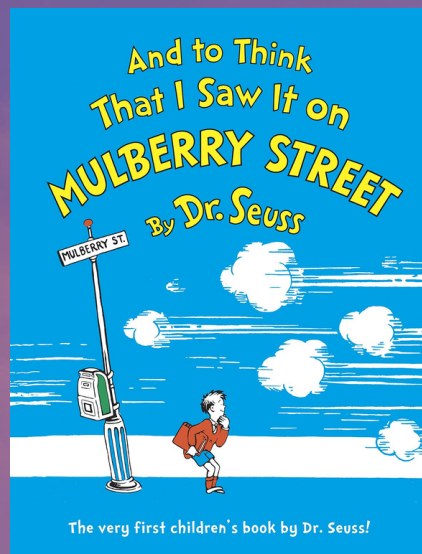
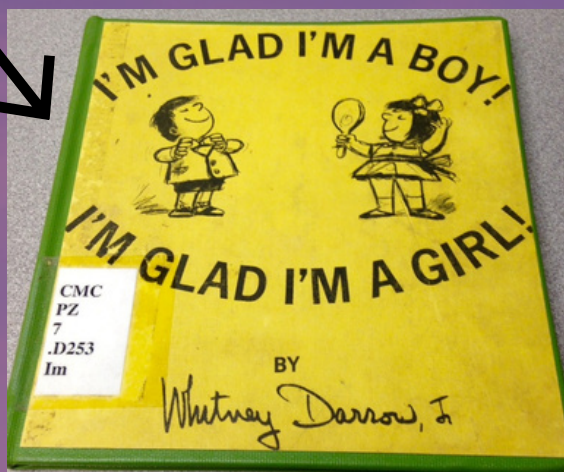
- **Who Possesses Leadership & Power**

Is one repeating group superior to a differing group?



EXAMPLES IN CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

1970 Copyright Date

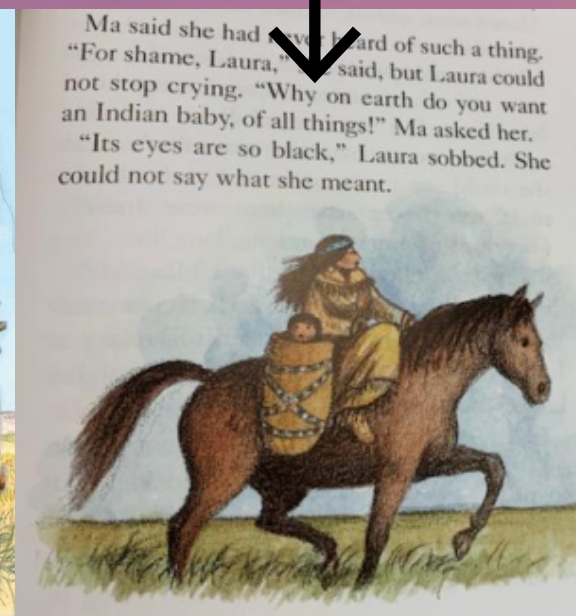
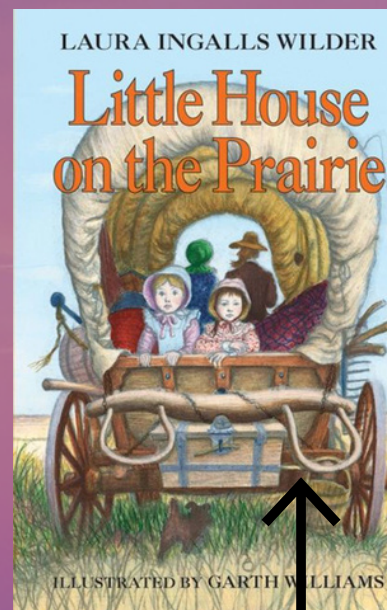


Stereotyping
Characters

Negative
representation
of groups

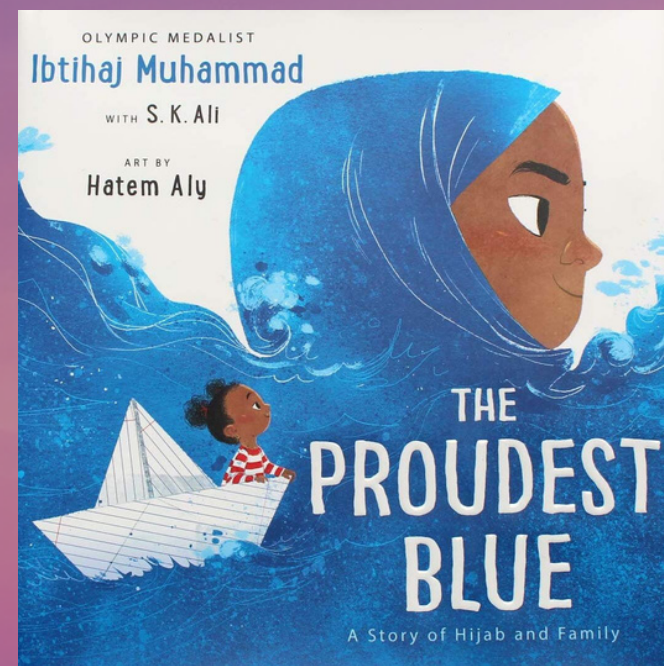
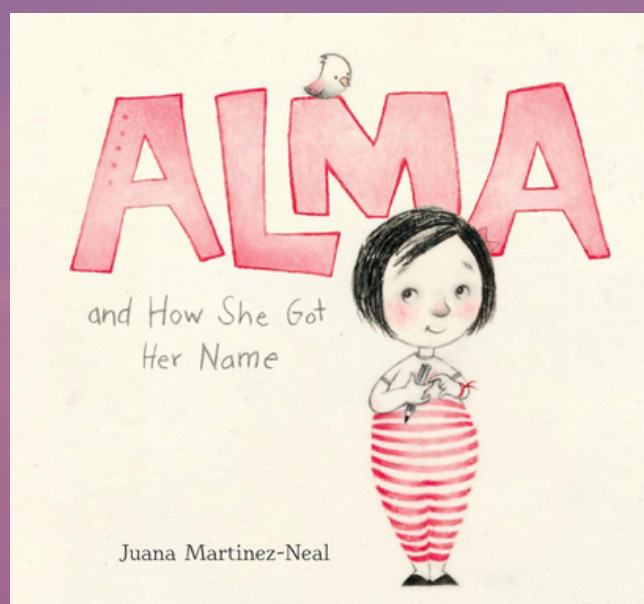
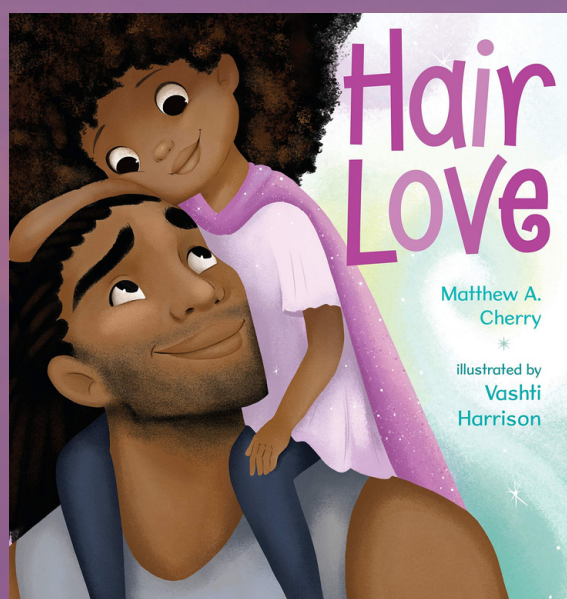
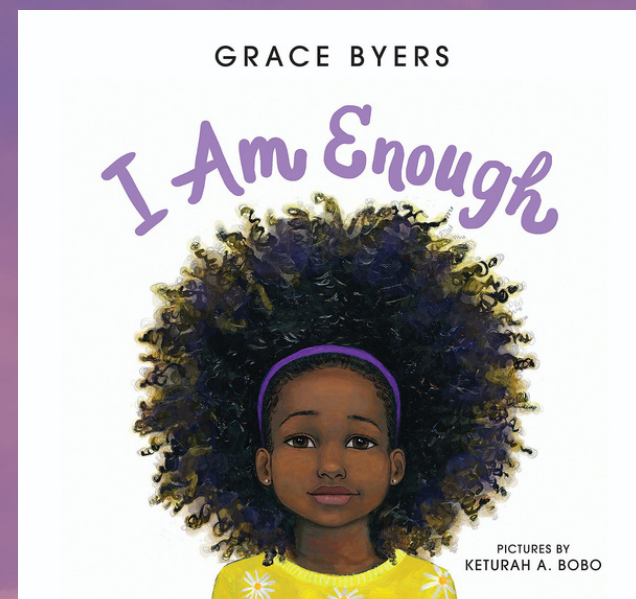
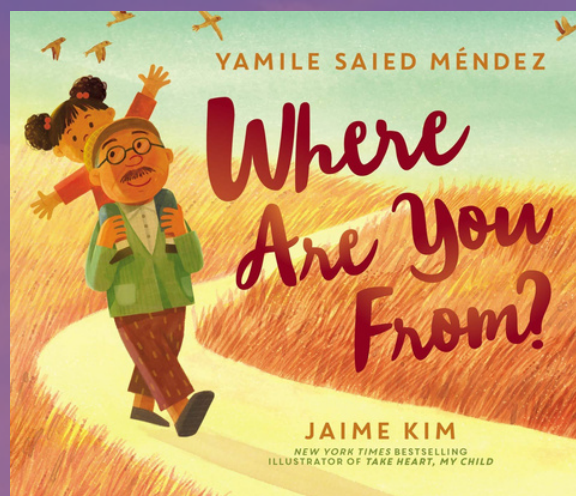


Stereotyping
Gender Roles



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