

has to pay her own way. Can the order-obsessed Chloe sell her own boba to earn the money?

SINGER, MARILYN

**Awe-some Days:
Poems about the
Jewish Holidays**

Illus. by Dana Wulfekotte
DIAL, 2022
9780593324691

A fun and accessible way to learn about the Jewish holidays through poetry. Further explanation of each holiday expands on each poem.

SOUNDAR, CHITRA

**Sona Sharma, Very
Best Big Sister?**

Illus. by Jen Khatun
CANDLEWICK, 2021
9781536214826

To prepare her for her first sibling, Sona's large, close-knit Indian family recounts the naming ceremony where she received her three names. Now Sona has been asked to help pick one of the baby's names. Glossary of Tamil terms included.

STOCKER, SHANNON

**Listen: How Evelyn
Glennie, a Deaf Girl,
Changed Percussion**

Illus. by Devon Holzwarth
DIAL, 2022
9780593109694

A beautifully illustrated biography that is about more than overcoming a disability; it's about Evelyn needing to be her true self.

STROMAN, MARCUS

The Grip

ALADDIN, 2023
9781665916141

Teamwork, making mistakes, dealing with nerves, belief in yourself—these struggles are all part of the process that every sports player, young or old, goes through on their journey to become part of a team and the best they can be.

WALLACE, MATT

Bump

KATHERINE TEGEN BOOKS, 2021
9780063007987

Four months after Papi's departure, 12-year-old MJ finds friends, mentors, community, and purpose at

Victory Academy, a training school for aspiring lucha libre wrestlers.

YANG, KELLY

Finally Seen

SIMON & SCHUSTER, 2023
9781534488335

A unique look at immigration as the story is told by Lina, who is finally together with her family after being left behind five years earlier. Lina is learning how to fit in with her family as well as her new country and school.

YANG, KELLY

Key Player

SCHOLASTIC, 2022
9781338776256

Mia Tang is swept up in soccer fever when the United States plays against China in the Women's World Cup finals. As a Chinese American, she is inspired to set out to interview women athletes for a school project.

Día

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El día de los libros
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ANGKASA, CLAR
Stories of the Islands

Illus. by the author
HOLIDAY HOUSE, 2023
97808234449781
Three classic Indonesian folktales are given a feminist update in this graphic novel anthology.

ATINUKE
Too Small Tola Gets Tough

Illus. by Onyinye Iwu
CANDLEWICK, 2023
9781536229462
Tola, a Nigerian girl, and her siblings and grandmother learn the disparities between the haves and the have-nots when it comes time to quarantine during a pandemic. This is the third title in the ongoing Too Small Tola series.

BAPTIST, KELLY J.
Eb & Flow

CROWN, 2023
9780593429136
After a conflict between Ebony and De'Kari (aka Flow), a ten-day suspension gives these tweens a chance to understand each other and gain a new perspective.

BETHENCOURT, KAHRAN, AND REGIS BETHENCOURT

Crowned: Magical Folk and Fairy Tales from the Diaspora

Illus. by the authors
ST. MARTIN'S PRESS, 2023
9781250281388
Reimagining classic folk and fairy tales, complemented with fantastic photographs of children as characters from the stories, this book inspires imagination, creativity, and wonder.

BINKS, DANIELLE
The Year the Maps Changed

QUILL TREE, 2022
9780063211605
An eleven-year-old girl must navigate a new family dynamic as well as the changes in her community when refugees from Kosovo arrive in her town.

BOLTE, MARI
Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett: The Virologist Who Changed the World

PAW PRINTS, 2023
9781223187501
Hail to Queen of STEAM Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett, a virologist who helped create the COVID-19 Moderna vaccine.

CHARI, SHEELA
Karthik Delivers

AMULET, 2022
9781419755224
A young Indian American feels conflicted between his

duty to his family and his desire to be in a play about Leonard Bernstein.

CHAU, ALINA
Marshmallow & Jordan

Illus. by the author
FIRST SECOND, 2021
9781250300607
After being paralyzed from the waist down, Jordan discovers a way to play a new sport with the help of a mysterious elephant named Marshmallow.

COLLIER, NICOLE D.
The Many Fortunes of Maya

VERSIFY, 2023
9780358434641
Good-natured Maya's summer turns complicated as she must choose between soccer and music and handle the stress of her parents' separation.

DAY, CHRISTINE
We Still Belong

HEARTDRUM, 2023
9780063064560
Wesley's day does not go as planned when she heads to school on Indigenous Peoples' Day, but supportive family and friends help turn the day's events around.

FARUQI, SAADIA
Saving Sunshine

Illus. by Shazleen Khan
FIRST SECOND, 2023
9781250793805
Middle-schoolers Zara and Zeeshan are twins struggling with sibling rivalry who bond over rescuing a turtle.

FORRESTER, AMY SETO
Search for a Giant Squid: Pick Your Path

Illus. by Andy Chou Musser
CHRONICLE, 2023
9781797213934
A choose-your-own-path STEM adventure: search for a giant squid in the twilight zone of the ocean.

HARJO, JOY
Remember

Illus. by Michaela Goade
RANDOM HOUSE STUDIO, 2023
9780593484845
Goade (Tlingit) illuminates U.S. Poet Laureate Harjo's (Muscogee) poem urging us to remember from whom and where we come, with vivid images from Tlingit creation stories and elements of Native formline design from the Pacific Northwest.

HUNTER, H. D.
Futureland: Battle for the Park

Illus. by Khadijah Khatib
RANDOM HOUSE, 2022
9780593479421
Cam's parents have created Futureland, a traveling theme park with all the latest technologies and humanlike androids. When the park starts to fall apart, Cam and his new friends must uncover what is happening before Futureland is destroyed.

IVERSON, CHRISTINE
Santiago Saw Things Differently: Santiago Ramón y Cajal, Artist, Doctor, Father of Neuroscience

Illus. by Luciano Lozano
MIT KIDS PRESS, 2023
9781536224535
This nonfiction picture book beautifully illustrates how art and science came together in the mind of a Spanish medical researcher to describe nerve cells in the brain.

JACKSON, LINDA WILLIAMS
The Lucky Ones

CANDLEWICK, 2022
9781536222555
Ellis Earl Brown finds inspiration in a familiar book he receives as a teacher's gift in 1967. He learns the power of community in the face of hardship in the Mississippi Delta in this historical fiction story.

KIM, JESSICA
Make a Move, Sunny Park!

KOKILA, 2023
9780525555001
Seventh-grader Sunny must figure out who her true friends are after she makes the school dance team and her best friend does not.

LLOYD, MEGAN WAGNER
Squished

Illus. by Michelle Mee Nutter
GRAPHIX, 2023
9781338568943
Being in a large family can leave one feeling "squished." Family dynamics and sibling

rivalry are all too real in this charming, true-to-life graphic novel.

ORTEGA, CLARIBEL A.
Frizzy

Illus. by Rose Bousamra
FIRST SECOND, 2022
9781250259622
A graphic novel told by an elementary-school Black Dominican girl who grows from being made fun of at school for her natural hair to knowing that she is beautiful as she learns to care for her curls. *Also available in Spanish.*

PARSONS, KARYN
Clouds over California

LITTLE, BROWN, 2023
9780316484077
Stevie and her family move to a new neighborhood in 1970s California. Her best friend has stopped talking to her, her mother goes to secret meetings at the library, and her sophisticated older cousin moves in and joins the Black Panthers.

SHANG, WENDY WAN-LONG
Bubble Trouble

SCHOLASTIC, 2023
9781338802146
When Chloe Wong wants to go on a field trip to Broadway, she

