

**EQUAL READ**  
(under construction)

**FICTION**

Brown, Monica, 1969-. Marisol McDonald doesn't match, 2011.

Marisol McDonald, a biracial, nonconformist, soccer-playing pirate-princess with brown skin and red hair, celebrates her uniqueness. **(E BRO)**

Copeland, Misty. Firebird : ballerina Misty Copeland shows a young girl how to dance like the firebird. American Ballet Theater soloist Misty Copeland encourages a young ballet student, with brown skin like her own, by telling her that she, too, had to learn basic steps and how to be graceful when she was starting out, and that some day, with practice and dedication, the little girl will become a firebird, too. Includes author's note about dancers who led her to find her voice. **(E COP)**

Hudson, Cheryl Willis. My friend Maya loves to dance. Illustrations and rhyming text depict a young girl named Maya, who loves to dance, leap, pirouette, and bow in tutus and leotards as well as kente cloth and cowrie shells. **(E HUD)**

Manushkin, Fran. Katie Woo and her big ideas. Combines four previously published stories, including Katie in the kitchen, Katie saves the Earth, Katie's lucky birthday, and Katie's new shoes, in which Katie does her best to be considerate and helpful. **(E MAN)**

Manushkin, Fran. Katie Woo celebrates. No valentines for Katie -- Red, white, and blue, and Katie Woo! -- Boo, Katie Woo! -- Katie saves Thanksgiving. In these four previously published stories, Katie celebrates Valentine's Day, the Fourth of July, Halloween, and Thanksgiving with her friends. **(E MAN)**

Manushkin, Fran. Katie Woo, don't be blue. A nervous night -- Too much rain -- Moving Day -- Katie has the flu. In these four previously published stories Katie learns to cope with situations she finds unpleasant. **(E MAN)**

Manushkin, Fran. Katie Woo, every day's an adventure. In these four previously published stories, Katie Woo has her first ride in an airplane, her first horse ride, and enjoys other new adventures. **(E MAN)**

Manushkin, Fran. Katie Woo rules the school. Katie and the class pet -- No more teasing -- The big lie -- Star of the show. Combines four previously published stories, including "Katie and the Class Pet," "No More Teasing," "The Big Lie," and "Star of the Show," in which Katie Woo deals with problems at school. **(E MAN)**

Medearis, Angela Shelf, 1956-. The adventures of Sugar and Junior. Santiago Antonio Ramirez, also known as Junior, enjoys playing games, making cookies, and going to the movies with Sugar, the new girl next door. **(E MED)**

Abdul-Jabbar, Kareen and Raymond Obstfeld. What color is my world?: the lost history of African-American inventors. While twins Ella and Herbie help the handyman Mr. Midal work on their new home, he tells them about such inventors as Granville Woods, Dr. Henry T. Sampson, and James West, giving them a new view of their heritage as African-Americans. **(Fic ABD)**

Cameron, Ann, 1943-. Julian, secret agent. When Julian, his little brother Huey, and their friend

Gloria decide to be "crime busters," they find themselves in one adventure after another. **(Fic CAM)**

Cameron, Ann, 1943-. More stories Huey tells. Huey, his older brother Julian, and their family and friends plant a garden, play basketball, try to get Huey's father to stop smoking, learn about the universe, and more. **(Fic CAM)**

Cameron, Ann, 1943-. More stories Julian tells. More episodes in the life of Julian including a bet with his best friend Gloria, a secret project, and what happens when his brother Huey decides to be Superboy. **(Fic CAM)**

Cameron, Ann, 1943-. The stories Julian tells. Relates episodes in seven-year-old Julian's life which include getting into trouble with his younger brother Huey, planting a garden, what he did to try to grow taller, losing a tooth, and finding a new friend. **(Fic CAM)**

Draper, Sharon M. (Sharon Mills). The buried bones mystery. After the neighborhood basketball court is vandalized, Ziggy and his friends decide to form a club called the Black Dinosaurs and build their clubhouse in Ziggy's backyard where they find a mysterious cache of buried bones. **(Fic DRA)**

English, Karen. Birthday blues. Third graders Nikki and Deja try to come up with a fun way to celebrate Deja's birthday while she is staying at her boring neighbor's house, but their nemesis Antonia may devise a way to ruin Deja's perfect party. **(Fic ENG)**

English, Karen. Nikki & Deja. When an arrogant new girl comes to school, third-graders and best friends Nikki and Deja decide to form a club that would exclude her but find the results not what they expected. **(Fic ENG)**

Ganeshram, Ramin. Stir it up! : a novel. Thirteen-year-old Anjali dreams of hosting a televised cooking show featuring foods based on her Hindu and Trinidadian heritage, but when an opportunity presents itself, she will have to defy her family to go to the audition. Includes recipes. **(Fic GAN)**

Grimes, Nikki. Make way for Dyamonde Daniel. Spunky third-grader Dyamonde Daniel misses her old neighborhood, but when she befriends a boy named Free, another new student at school, she finally starts to feel at home. **(Fic GRI)**

Look, Lenore. Ruby Lu, brave and true. "Almost-eight-year-old" Ruby Lu spends time with her baby brother, goes to Chinese school, performs magic tricks and learns to drive, and has adventures with both old and new friends. **(Fic LOO)**

Look, Lenore. Ruby Lu, empress of everything. After Ruby Lu's deaf cousin, Flying Duck, and her parents come from China to live with her, Ruby finds life challenging as she adjusts to her new family, tries to mend her rocky relationship with her friend Emma, and faces various adventures in summer school. **(Fic LOO)**

Warner, Sally, 1946-. ElIRay Jakes is not a chicken! Eight-year-old ElIRay Jakes's attempts to defend himself against the class bully always end up getting him in trouble, but he promises to do his best when his dad offers to take him to Disneyland if he can be good for an entire week--which may be a few days too long. **(Fic WAR)**

Warner, Sally, 1946-. ElIRay Jakes the recess king! Eight-year-old ElIRay Jakes of Oak Glen Primary School is looking for a new best friend, and he decides that the best way to find one is

to come up with a bunch of amazing things to do at recess--and see who shares in the fun. (**Fic WAR**)

## **NONFICTION**

Guzman, Lila and Rick. Ellen Ochoa: First Latina Astronaut. An illustrated introduction to the life and career of female astronaut Ellen Ochoa. (**B OCHOA**)

Murcia, Rebecca Thatcher. Dolores Huerta. Biography of Dolores Herta, who, along with Cesar Chavez, established a union to protect the rights of farm workers. (**B HUERTA**)

Tonatiuh, Duncan. Separate is never equal : Sylvia Mendez & her family's fight for desegregation. "Years before the landmark U.S. Supreme Court ruling Brown v. Board of Education, Sylvia Mendez, an eight-year-old girl of Mexican and Puerto Rican heritage, played an instrumental role in Mendez v. Westminster, the landmark desegregation case of 1946 in California". (**379.2 TON**)