**PICTURE BOOKS FOR RECEPTION AND YEAR 1**

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Stories featuring BAME characters



Chitra Soundar, an Indian-born British author and storyteller based in London, writes

‘Young children don’t consciously know they need representation in books. **But if every primary school classroom had a bookshelf full of diversity, and every reading list was inclusive, every child in the class would experience the joy of seeing themselves represented in the books they read’.**

We have begun a list of picture books for children in Reception and Year 1 with Black, Asian and minority ethnic characters. As teachers, let’s keep adding to it.

* *Anna Hibiscus* by Atinuke
* *Baby Goes to Market* by Atinuke
* *My Pet Star* by Corrinne Averiss
* *The Extraordinary Gardener* by Sam Boughton
* *I Am Enough* by Grace Byers
* *The New Small Person* by Lauren Child
* *The Name Jar* by Yansook Choi
* So Much! by Trish Cooke
* *Ready Steady Mo!* by Mo Farah
* *Chapatti Moon* by Pippa Goodhart
* *Amazing Grace* by Mary Hoffman
* *The Big Bed* by Bunmi Laditan
* *Julian Is a Mermaid* by Jessica Love
* *My Friend Earth* by Patricia MacLachlan
* *Lubna and Pebble* by Wendy Meddour
* *The Proudest Blue: A Story of Hijab and Family* by Ibtihaj Muhammad
* *The Garden of Hope* by Isabel Otter
* *Number 7 Evergreen Street* by Julia Patton
* *All Are Welcome* by Alexandra Penfold
* *Ruby’s Worry* by Tom Percival
* *I Love My Hair!* by Natasha Anastasia Tarpley
* *Astro Girl* by Ken Wilson-Max