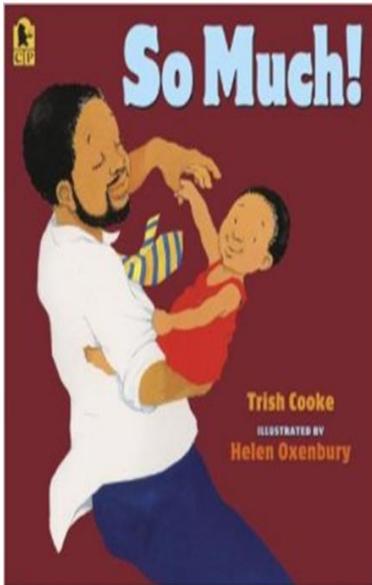
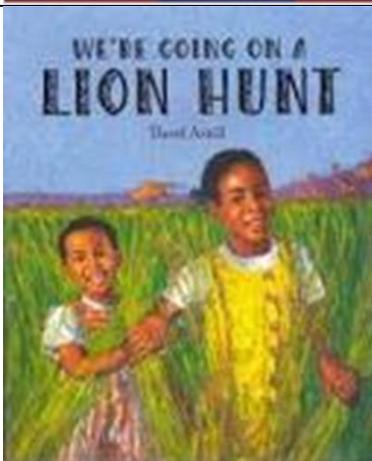


Booklist

Promoting positive images of the black community

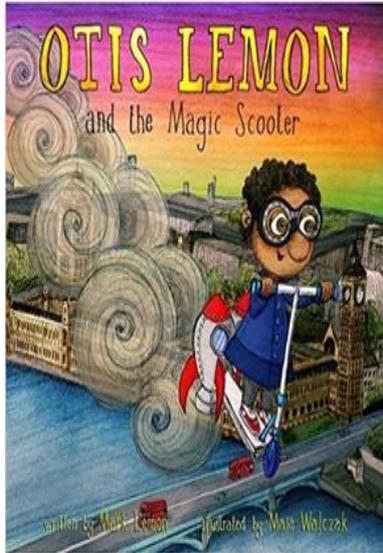


Celebrate the warmth of Afro-Caribbean family life in this multiple award-winning picture book from Trish Cooke and Helen Oxenbury, illustrator of *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*. Mum and baby are home alone when – DING DONG! – Auntie and then Uncle and Nannie and Gran-Gran and the cousins come to visit. And they all want to hug and kiss and squeeze and eat the baby right up – because everybody loves the baby SO MUCH! With Helen Oxenbury lending her characteristic warmth and humour to a most exuberant family party, Trish Cooke's rhythmic, cumulative story captures the joy of being the baby in a large extended family – a baby who knows that he is absolutely, utterly adored.

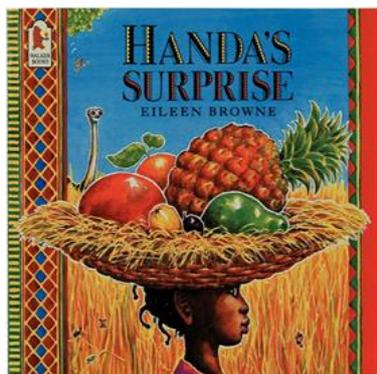


In this beautifully illustrated rendition of a well-known children's chant, two sisters are looking not for a bear but for a lion—a lion that lives on the African savanna, where the girls go through swishy-swashy long grass, a splishy-splashy lake, and a Big Dark Cave. When they finally meet their lion, they have to run, run, run through it all again to get back home.

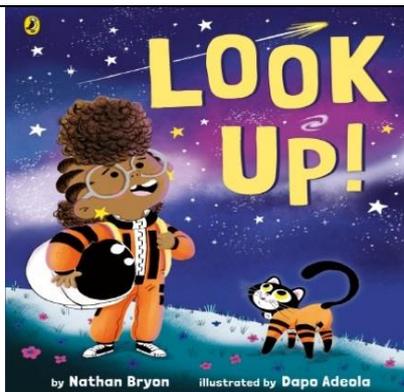
Young readers will enjoy the playful language and beautiful paintings that reset a familiar story in a far-off part of the world.



Join Otis Lemon on his latest adventure of magic and intrigue. Buddying up with his favourite uncle, Professor Poopy and armed with a magic scooter, Otis journey takes him to London...and what a journey it is!



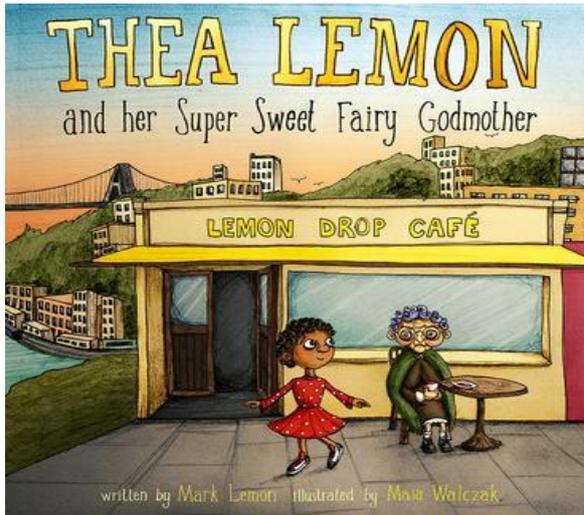
A modern classic named one of the best culturally diverse picture books in the UK, this is the story of Handa, who's part of the Luo tribe in south-west Kenya. Handa decides to take seven pieces of delicious fruit to her friend, Akeyo, who lives in the neighbouring village. But as Akeyo wonders, I wonder what fruit Akeyo will like best? a series of sneaky animals steal something from Handa's basket, which she's carrying on her head... When Handa reaches Akeyo, will she have anything left to offer her friend? Richly illustrated, brimming with luscious fruit and cheeky wild animals, this mouth-watering story is for the youngest of readers. In the best pantomime spirit, children will long to tell Handa what's happening right behind her!



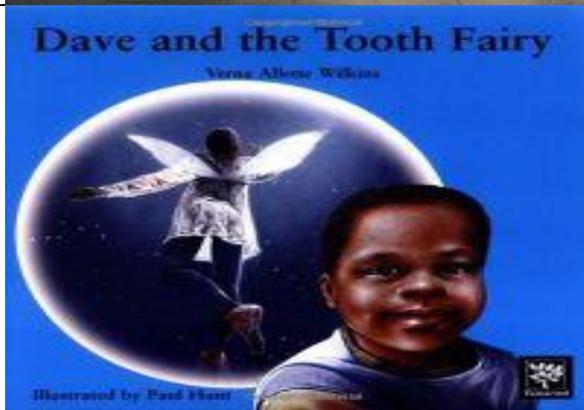
Meet hilarious, science-mad chatterbox, Rocket - she's going to be the greatest astronaut, star-catcher, space-traveller that has ever lived!

But... can she convince her big brother to stop looking down at his phone and start LOOKING UP at the stars.

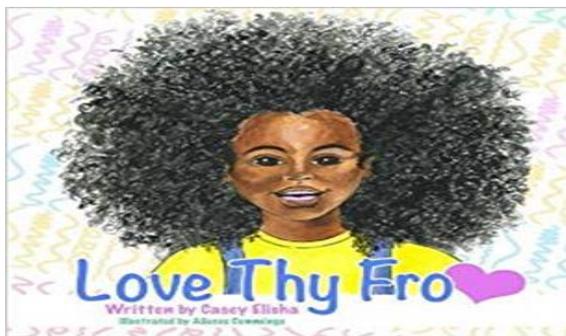
Bursting with energy and passion about science and space, this heart-warming, inspirational picture book will have readers turning off their screens and switching on to the outside world.



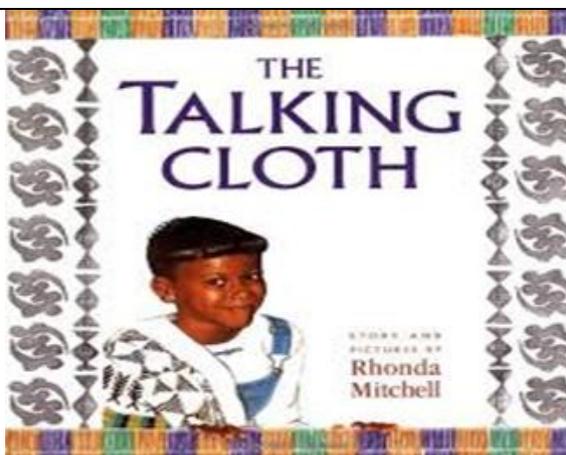
Thea Lemon and her Super Sweet Fairy Godmother is a magical tale about a young girl from Bristol, England. In this first in the series; Thea is visited by her fantastic, Super Sweet Fairy Godmother, whisking her away to the magical, Chocolate World!



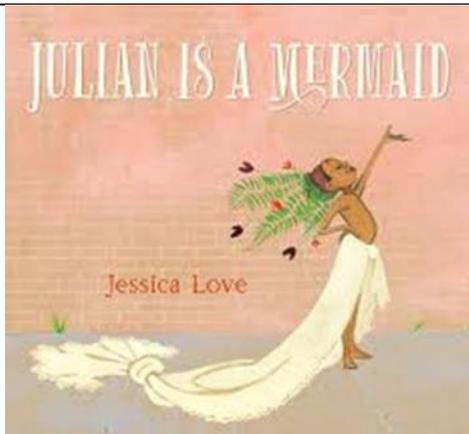
Dave, an enterprising young man who loses (really loses) a tooth, quietly takes his Grandpa's dentures to put under his pillow, hoping to fool the tooth fairy into a big reward. Laugh along with Dave, Grandpa, and Afiya -- a thoroughly modern tooth fairy!



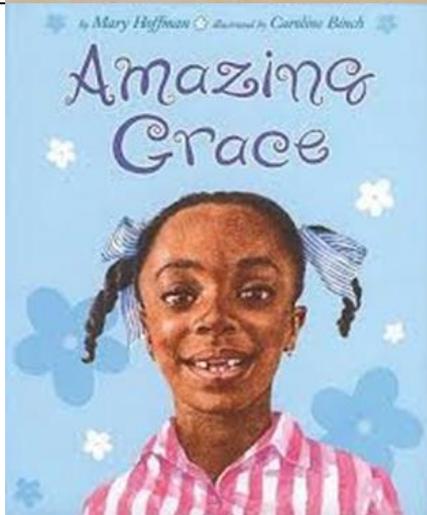
Love Thy Fro is about a young girl named Kemi who absolutely loves her big, beautiful, curly afro hair! It's a simple book with a simple message, the aim is to teach girls the importance of loving themselves and embracing their "non-typical" hair from a young age.



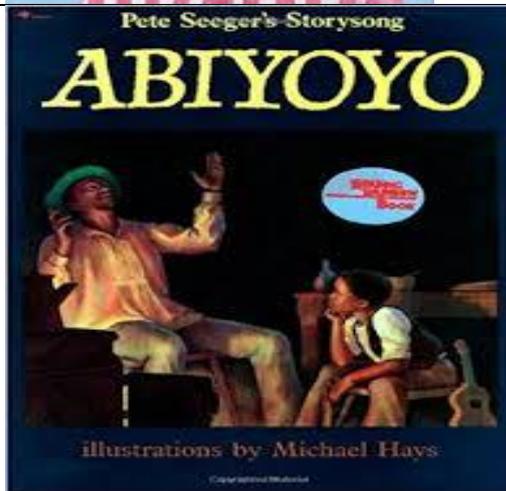
Energetic Aunt Phoebe, a collector of life, shows her niece Amber a finely embroidered and hand-printed adinkra cloth from Ghana, which was at one point reserved for royalty. Using her imagination, Amber is transformed by the adinkra into an Ashanti princess. Full-color illustrations.



In an exuberant picture book, a glimpse of costumed mermaids leaves one boy flooded with wonder and ready to dazzle the world.



Grace loves to act out stories. Sometimes she plays the leading part, sometimes she is 'a cast of thousands.' When her school decides to perform Peter Pan, Grace is longing to play Peter, but her classmates say that Peter was a boy, and besides, he wasn't black... But Grace's Ma and Nana tell her she can be anything she wants if she puts her mind to it...



Pete Seeger's storysong Abiyoyo has delighted generations of parents and children. The tale of how a father with his magic wand and a boy with his music triumph over the giant Abiyoyo is based on a South African lullaby and folk story.