

KINDNESS BOOK LIST (ALL AGES)

Tip: For more kindness picture books, see Early Literacy in Chapter 07 (page 161).

Kindness Picture Books (Children 5+)

Dance Like a Leaf / Baila como una hoja (2020) by A.J. Irving. (Separate English and Spanish editions)

Dear Little One (2021) by Nina Laden and Melissa Castrillon

Eyes that Kiss in the Corner (2021) by Joanna Ho and Dung Ho

Happy Yogis: Un libro divertido de yoga para los niños con afirmaciones positivas / Happy Yogis: A Fun Kids Yoga Book with Positive Affirmations (2021) by Sandy Zanella and illustrated by Diana Guerrero (bilingual)

I Am You: A Book About Ubuntu (2022) by Refiloe Moahloli and illustrated by Zinelda McDonald

I Can Help (2021) by Reema Faruqi and illustrated by Mikela Prevost (picture book F)

Just Help! How to Build a Better World (2022) by Sonya Sotomayor and illustrated by Angela Dominguez

Little Book of Kindness (2020) by Francesca

The Little Things (2021) by Christian Trimmer and Kaylani Juanita

Los tres cerditos yoguis y el lobo que perdió la respiración / Three Little Yogis and the Wolf Who Lost His Breath (2020) by Susan Verde and illustrated by Jay Fleck (separate Spanish and English editions)

Loving Kindness (2021) by Deborah Underwood and illustrated by Tim Hopgood

Lunch Every Day (2021) by Kathryn Otoshi

Mister Rogers Poetry Books series (2019–20) by Fred Rogers and illustrated by Luke Flowers

Peace (2021) by Miranda Paul and Baptiste Paul.

Red (2021) by Laura Vaccaro Seeger

Sometimes It's Hard to Be Nice (2021) by Maggie C Rudd and Kelly O'Neill

Tú eres un cielo azul (2021) and *You Are a Blue Sky* (2021) by Antonio Adánéz and illustrated by Mariona Cabassa

A Spoonful of Faith (2022) by Jena Holliday

The Water Lady: How Darlene Arviso Helps a Thirsty Navajo Nation (2021) by Alice B. McGinty and illustrated by Shonto Begay

Wolf Girl (2022) by Jo Loring-Fisher

The Year We Learned to Fly (2022) by Jacqueline Woodson and illustrated by Rafael López

Your Mama (2021) by NoNieqa Ramos and illustrated by Jacqueline Alcántara

Kindness Early Reader Fiction

The Bad Seed Goes to the Library (I Can Read! Level 1) (2022) by Jory John and Pete Oswald

Dragón y sus labors / Dragon Gets By (Dragon #3) (2019) by Dav Pilkey (separate Spanish and English editions)

Gigi and Ojiji (I Can Read! Level 3) (2022) by Melissa Iwai

Hello, Ninja. Hello, Stage Fright! (I Can Read! Level 2) by N.D. Wilson and illustrated by Forrest Dickison

Knight of the Cape (Definitely Dominguita #1) (2021) by Terry Catasus Jennings and illustrated by Fatima Ananya

Sona Sharma, Very Best Big Sister? (2021) by Chitra Soundar and illustrated by Jen Khatun

Too Small Tola (2021) by Atinuke and illustrated by Onyinye Iwu

Unicorn and Yeti: Fair and Square (Unicorn and Yeti #5) (2021) by Heather Ayris Burnell and illustrated by Hazel Quintanilla

Kindness Early Reader Non Fiction

Greta: La lucha de una niña por salvar el planeta / Our House Is on Fire (2019) by Jeanette winter (separate Spanish and English editions)

I Can Do Hard Things / Yo puedo hacer cosas

difíciles (2018) by Gabi Garcia and illustrated by Charity Russell (bilingual)

MIDDLE GRADE

Kindness Fiction

- Falling Short* (2022) by Ernesto Cisneros
- Ghost Boys* (2019) by Jewell Parker Rhodes
- The House in the Cerulean Sea* (2020) by T. J. Klune
- Living with Viola* (2021) by Rosena Fung (graphic novel)
- The Many Meanings of Meilan* (2021) by Andrea Wang
- Nothing Ever Happens Here* (2021) by Sarah Hagger-Holt
- Nowhere Boy* (2018) by Katherine Marsh
- Rez Dogs* (2021) by Joseph Bruchac
- Roll with It* (2019) by Jamie Summer
- The Sea in Winter* (2021) by Christine Day
- Shouting at the Rain* (2020) by Lynda Mullaly Hunt
- The Someday Birds* (2018) by Sally J. Pla and illustrated by Julie McLaughlin
- Starfish* (2021) by Lisa Fipps
- Too Bright to See* (2021) by Kyle Lukoff
- Ways to Grow Love* (2021) (Ryan Hart #2) by Renée Watson
- We Are Wolves* (2022) by Katrina Nannestad
- White Bird / Pájaro blanco* (2019) by R.J. Palacio (graphic novel) (separate English and Spanish editions)
- World in Between* (2021) by Kenan Trebincevic and Susan Shapiro
- Yusuf Azeem Is Not a Hero* (2021) by Saadia Faruqi

Kindness Nonfiction

- Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me 'Round* (2022) by Kathlyn J. Kirkwood and illustrated by Steffi Walthall
- Crafting Calm: Art and Activities for Mindful Kids* (2020) by Megan Borgert-Spaniol and Lauren Kukla and illustrated by Aruna Rangarajan
- Just Be You* (2021) by Mallika Chopra and illustrated by Brenna Vaughan

Latinitas: Una celebración de 40 soñadoras audaces / Latinitas: Celebrating 40 Big Dreamers (2021) by Juliet Menéndez (separate Spanish and English editions)

Mindfulness for Kids in 10 Minutes a Day (2021) by Maura Bradley

School of Awake: A Girl's Guide to the Universe (2017) by Kidada Jones and illustrated by Koa Jones

YOUNG ADULT

Kindness Fiction

- Darius the Great Is Not Okay* (2018) by Adib Khorram
- Home Home* (2020) by Lisa Allen-Agostini
- Jackpot* (2019) by Nic Stone
- The Last Cuentista* (2021) by Donna Barba Higuera
- Magic Steeped in Poison* (2022) by Judy I. Lin
- Not My Problem* (2021) by Ciara Smyth
- The Ones We're Meant to Find* (2021) by Joan He
- Scars Like Wings* (2019) by Erin Stewart
- Verona Comics* (2020) by Jennifer Dugan
- When You Were Everything* (2020) by Ashley Woodfolk
- Yo no soy tu perfecta hija Mexicana / I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter* (2017) by Erika L. Sánchez (separate Spanish and English editions)

Kindness Nonfiction

- Be You, Only Better* (2021) by Kristi Hugstad
- Channel Kindness* (2020) by Lady Gaga and Born This Way Foundation Reporters
- Empowered Black Girl: Joyful Affirmations and Words of Resilience* (2021) by M.J. Fievre
- Happiness Hacks: How to Find Energy and Inspiration* (2018) by Aubrey Andrus, Karen Bluth, and Veronica Collignon
- A Perfectionist's Guide to Not Being Perfect* (2022) by Bonnie Zucker
- Queerfully and Wonderfully Made: A Guide for LGBTQ+ Christian Teens* (2020), edited by Leigh Finke

ADULT

Kindness Fiction

La bibliotecaria de Saint-Malo / The Librarian of Saint-Malo (2020) by Mario Escobar (separate Spanish and English editions)

The People We Keep (2021) by Allison Larkin

A Very Nice Girl (2022) by Imogen Crimp

Why Has Nobody Told Me This Before? (2022) by Julie Smith

Kindness Nonfiction

Congratulations, By the Way: Some Thoughts on Kindness by George Saunders

Deep Kindness: A Revolutionary Guide for the Way We Think, Talk, and Act in Kindness (2020) by Houston Kraft

The Power of Kindness: Why Empathy Is Essential in Everyday Life (2019) by Dr. Brian Goldman

Radical Kindness (2019) by Angela Santomero

Why Has Nobody Told Me This Before? (2022) by Dr. Julie Smith