



**Bright Horizons at Crosby**  
**Available Books and Descriptions**  
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**Understanding Differences Set**

“Some Kids Are Blind”

“Some Kids Use Wheelchairs”

“Some Kids Wear Leg Braces”

“Some Kids Are Deaf”

**How My Family Lives in America** – By Susan Kuklin

Three young children who share things about what makes their families special.

**Mama Panya's Pancakes** (*A Village Tale from Kenya*) – By Mary and Rick Chamberline

An African story about the rewards of sharing that offers a universal message.

### **The Boy Who Grew Flowers** – By Jen Wojtowicz

The children in Rink Bowagon's class ignore the shy boy who sits on his own. But he captivates the popular new girl, Angelina, and as she begins to find out just how remarkable Rink's talents are, Rink discovers he is not so different after all.

### **It's Okay To Be Different** - By Todd Parr

It's okay to be a different color. It's okay to dance by yourself. It's okay to wear glasses. It's okay to have a pet worm... It's okay to be different!

### **World Atlas** – Barefoot Books

Divided by geographical region, the Barefoot Books World Atlas looks at the way in which communities and cultures across the world have been shaped by their local environment. An atlas for the twenty-first century, it shows how all parts of the planet are interconnected and looks at the ideas and initiatives which are helping to shape sustainable future.

### **The Colors of Us** – By Karen Katz

A tale that showcases the many shades of the skin we're in.

### **Peter's Chair** – By Ezra Jack Keats

Since Peter's baby sister arrived, lots of things have changed around the house!

### **Rainbow Joe and Me** – By Maria Diaz Strom

This exploration of sensory differences and similarities is enlightening and enchanting.

### **Bippity Bop Barbershop** – By Natasha Anastasia Tarpley

This warm, reassuring story, combines lively watercolors and a beautiful depiction of a special ritual between father and son.



**My Brother Charlie** – By Holly Robinson Peete and Ryan Elizabeth Peete

We've always been together-even in mommy's tummy- my twin brother, Charlie, and me.

**Sparkle Boy** – By Leslea Newman

This sweet and refreshing story speaks to us all about acceptance, respect, and the simple freedom to be yourself. Shimmery, glittery, sparkly things are fun-for everyone!!

**Dad By My Side** – By Soosh

With Dad by my side, there is nothing we can't do. He knows how to make me smile. He tells me the best stories. It doesn't matter what we're doing, as long as we're together.

**All Are Welcome** – By Alexandra Penfold and Suzanne Kaufman

Follow a group of children through a day in their school, where everyone is welcomed with open arms no matter their race, religion, or background.

**This Jazz Man** – By Karen Ehrhardt

This toe-tapping tribute to jazz, the traditional "This Old Man" gets a swinging makeover, and some of the era's best musicians take center stage.

**Before She Was Harriet** – By Lesa Cline-Ransome

Poetry – this lovely tribute effectively communicates Tubman's everlasting bravery and resolve.

**Charlie Parker Played Be Bop** – By Chris Raschka

Regardless of whether they've heard of jazz or Charlie Parker, young readers will bop to the pulsating beat of this sassy picture book.



### **Saffron Ice Cream** – by Rashin Kheiriyeh

Rashin is excited about her first visit to the beach in her family's new home. On the way there, she remembers what beach trips were like in Iran: the beautiful Caspian sea, the Persian music, and most of all, the saffron ice cream she shared with her best friend. But there are wonderful things in this new place as well—a subway train, exciting music... and maybe even a new friend.

### **12 Lucky Animals** (*a bilingual baby book*) – By Vickie Lee

Board Book - Lee introduces and identifies the traits of the 12 animals of the zodiac in English and Chinese, while Chou, an animator, depicts each animal in a charming graphic style.

### **Mommy, Mama, and Me** – By Leslea Newman

A curly-haired toddler celebrates “mommy” and “mama,” and the activities and tender moments they share.

### **Daddy, Papa, and Me** – By Leslea Newman

Daddy, Papa, and Me is a very cute board book written from the perspective of a toddler who enjoys playing with and wearing out his two fathers.

### **How Do You Say Goodnight?** – By Cindy Jin

Learn how to say “goodnight” in 10 different languages!

### **Morris Micklewhite and the Tangerine Dress** – by Christine Baldacchino

Morris has a great imagination. He paints amazing pictures and he loves his classroom's dress-up center, especially the tangerine dress. Christine's sweetly told story about the courage and creativity it takes to be different is complemented by warm illustrations that perfectly capture Morris's vulnerability and the vibrancy of his imagination.

## **Julian Is A Mermaid** – By Jessica Love

Every Saturday morning, Julian and his abuela go swimming. But the day Julian spies three woman on the subway, changes everything. He is entranced by their beautiful hair, their swishy, shimmering gowns, and their total confidence. When Julian gets home, all he can think of is becoming a mermaid himself. What will Abuela think?