



READS 4 KIDS

Looking for a book for kids?

Here are some suggestions from your B.C. library workers. And the best part? You can find these, and many other books, free at your local library.

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Goodnight, Canada - Andrea Lynn Beck

(2012) A child in Newfoundland lies in bed wondering about other children in his country and the world at large. He quietly bids a goodnight to them all, and to Canada itself, province by province, territory by territory. Celebrates the diversity of Canada's people and key features of each province. Ages 0 – 2.

A is for Activist - Innosanto Nagara

(2013) An ABC board book written and illustrated for the next generation of progressives: families who want their kids to grow up in a space that is unapologetic about activism, environmental justice, civil rights, LGBTQ rights, and everything else that activists believe in and fight for.

Counting on Community -

Innosanto Nagara (2015)

Counting up from one stuffed piñata to ten hefty hens – and always counting on each other – children are encouraged to recognize the value of their community and the agency they possess to make change. And of course, there is a duck to find on every page!

The Day the Crayons Quit - Drew

Daywalt (2013) Poor Duncan just wants to colour. But when he opens his box of crayons, he finds only letters, all saying the same thing: His crayons have had enough!

The Day the Crayons Came Home -

Drew Daywalt (2015)

Duncan's crayons sure are a colourful bunch of characters! Having soothed the hurt feelings of one group who threatened to quit, Duncan now faces crayons asking to be rescued and be brought home.

Hear My Sorrow: the Diary of Angela Denoto, a shirtwaist worker -

Deborah Hopkinson (2004)

Forced to drop out of school at the age of fourteen to help support her family, Angela, an Italian immigrant, works long hours for low wages in a garment factory. She becomes a participant in the shirtwaist worker strikes of 1909 and experiences the tragic Triangle Waist Factory fire. Ages 9-12.

Honey Cake - Joan Betty Stuchner

(2008) David and his family live in Denmark under Nazi occupation, until September 1943 when their neighbours help smuggle them to Sweden to escape Hitler's orders to send the Danish Jews to concentration camps. Includes a recipe for honey cake, typically made to celebrate the Jewish New Year. Ages 9-11.

From Bombs to Books: The remarkable stories of refugee children and their families at an exceptional Canadian school - David Starr

(2011) David Starr is the principal of one of the most diverse elementary schools in Canada. The students at Edmonds Community School in Burnaby, B.C. come from all over the world and have fled some of the most dangerous places on earth.

Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type -

Doreen Cronin (2000) Farmer Brown has a problem, his cows like to type. All day long he hears click, clack, moo. But the problems begin when the cows start leaving him notes. They want electric blankets. And when they don't get what they want, they go on strike.

Tell Me Why: how young people can change the world - Eric Walters

(2008) A unique approach to exploring how young people can change the world, a thirteen year-old asks searching questions about why so many bad things happen and more importantly, what one person can possibly do to help. Ages 10 and up.

Viola Desmond Won't Be Budged -

Jody Nyasha Warner (2010)

In 1946, Viola Desmond bought a movie ticket at the Roseland Theatre in Nova Scotia that was only good for the balcony. She offered to pay the difference in price but was refused: "You people have to sit in the upstairs section." Viola refused to move and was hauled off to jail, but her actions gave strength and inspiration to Canada's black community.

44 Hours or Strike! - Anne Dublin

(2015) The Toronto Dressmakers' Strike of 1931 brings young sisters Sophie and Rose together in a fight for better working conditions, decent wages, and for their union. It's a tough battle as distrust and resentment of immigrants is growing, with many people blaming their poverty and difficulties on these workers.

We Are All Born Free - by Amnesty International

(2011) The Universal Declaration of Human Rights in pictures. This beautiful collection, published on the sixtieth anniversary, celebrates each declaration with an illustration by an internationally-renowned artist or illustrator.

I Am Malala - Malala Yousafzai

(2013) The remarkable tale of a family uprooted by global terrorism, of the fight for girls' education, of a father who encouraged his daughter to write and attend school, and of brave parents who have a fierce love for their daughter in a society that prizes sons.