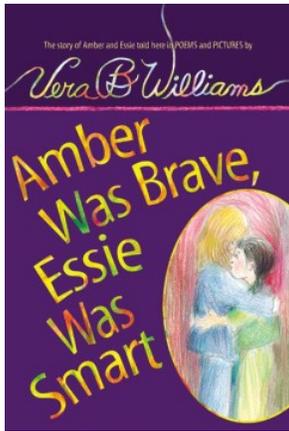




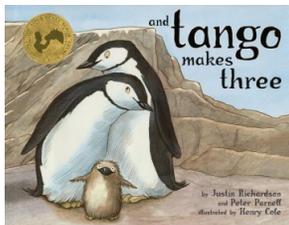
Books Featuring Diverse Families



Amber Was Brave, Essie Was Smart

by Vera B. Williams

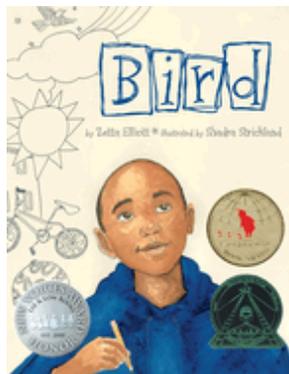
As their family faces hard times, sisters Amber and Essie know they have to help their mother and work together to get things moving in the right direction once again.



And Tango Makes Three

by Justin Richardson

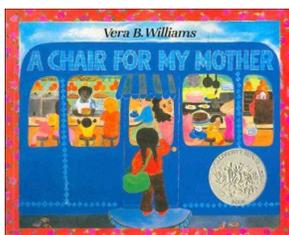
When male penguins Silo and Roy attempt to hatch an egg-shaped rock and find no success in their efforts, the zookeepers decide to place a fertilized penguin egg in their cage and end up with little baby Tango, in an amusing tale based on a true story from the Central Park Zoo.



Bird

by Zetta Elliot

Young Mekhai, better known as Bird, loves to draw. With drawings, he can erase the things that don't turn out right. In real life, problems aren't so easily fixed. As Bird struggles to understand the death of his beloved grandfather and his older brother's drug addiction, he escapes into his art. Drawing is an outlet for Bird's emotions and imagination, and provides a path to making sense of his world. In time, with the help of his grandfather's friend, Bird finds his own special somethin' and wings to fly.



A Chair for My Mother

by Vera B. Williams

A child, her waitress mother, and her grandmother save dimes to buy a comfortable armchair after all their furniture is lost in a fire.



Home at Last

by Vera B Williams

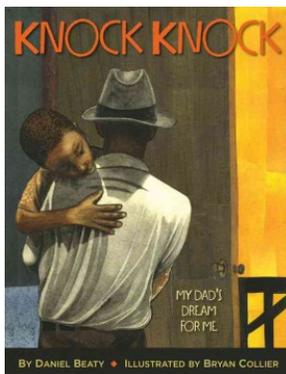
Unable to fall asleep in his new bed after being adopted by Daddy Albert and Daddy Rich, young Lester crawls into his parents' bed every night, challenging the family dog to help him adjust. By the Caldecott Honor-winning author of *A Chair for My Mother* and the Caldecott Medal-winning illustrator of *The Hello, Goodbye Window*.



The Great Big Book of Families

by Mary Hoffman

Features illustrations and descriptions of different types of families and how their lives are similar and different.



Knock Knock: My Dad's Dream for Me

by Daniel Beaty

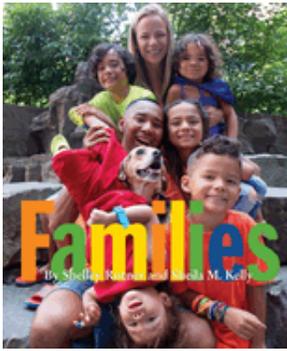
Features evocative illustrations by the Caldecott Honor- and Coretta Scott King Award-winning artist of *Fifty Cents* and *A Dream* and follows the experiences of a young child who taps his inner strength in spite of having an absent father.



We are Family

by Patricia Hegarty

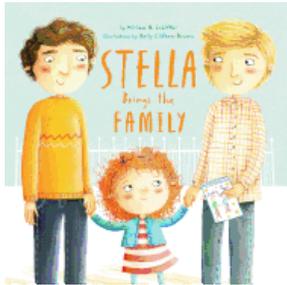
Rhyming text and illustrations of families explore how all families are different, but also the same.



Families

by Shelley Rotner

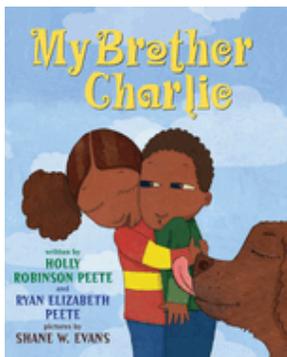
Provides a look at all types of families, intending to help young readers understand familial situations different from their own.



Stella Brings the Family

by Miriam B. Schiffer

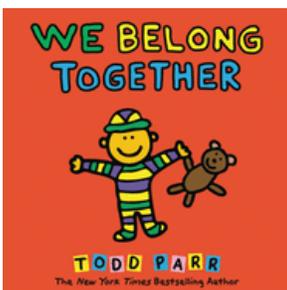
Stella's class is having a Mother's Day celebration, but what's a girl with two daddies to do? It's not that she doesn't have someone who helps her with her homework, or tucks her in at night. Stella has her Papa and Daddy who take care of her, and a whole gaggle of other loved ones who make her feel special and supported every day. She just doesn't have a *mom* to invite to the party. Fortunately, Stella finds a unique solution to her party problem in this sweet story about love, acceptance, and the true meaning of family.



My Brother Charlie

by Holly Robinson Peete

A young girl proudly describes her relationship with her autistic brother, evaluating the ways in which he is like other children, the withdrawing behaviors that mark his disorder and the many qualities that make him unique, from his piano talent to his special way with animals.



We Belong Together: A Book About Adoption and Families

by Todd Parr

The joy of adoption and bringing families together is presented in a charming title with simple verse and bold illustrations for preschoolers, from the author of *It's Okay to Be Different*.



Heather Has Two Mommies

by Lesléa Newman

When Heather goes to playgroup, at first she feels bad because she has two mothers and no father, but then she learns that there are lots of different kinds of families and the most important thing is that all the people love each other.

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