**BOOKLIST**

**Grades 3–5**

**SALAZAR, AIDA**  
The Land of the Cranes  
SCHOLASTIC, 2020  
9781338343809  
After her father is arrested by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and she and her mother are forced into a family detention camp, Betita takes heart in her poetry and finds hope in her new community.

**SHANG, WENDY WAN-LONG, AND MADELYN ROSENBERG**  
Not Your All-American Girl  
SCHOLASTIC, 2020  
9781338037760  
When her best friend Tara is cast as the lead because Lauren doesn’t look the part of an “all-American girl,” Lauren struggles to regain her confidence and to support her friend.

**TATE, DON**  
William Still and His Freedom Stories: The Father of the Underground Railroad  
ILLUS. BY THE AUTHOR  
PEACHTREE, 2020  
9781561459353  
A picture-book biography of William Still, a tireless champion of antislavery efforts who documented the stories of those who passed through Philadelphia on their journey north, and helped reunite freedom seekers with family, including his own brother.

**TONATIUH, DUNCAN**  
Feathered Serpent and the Five Suns: A Mesoamerican Creation Myth  
ILLUS. BY THE AUTHOR  
ABRAMS, 2020  
9781419746772  
A retelling of the Mesoamerican tale of Quetzalcoatl, the god of knowledge, and his journey to the underworld to confront Mictlantecuhltli, lord of the underworld, and reclaim the sacred bones in order to create humans.

**WATSON, RENEE**  
Ways to Make Sunshine  
ILLUS. BY NINA MATA  
BLOOMSBURY, 2020  
9781547600564  
Ryan and her family have just moved from their old house in Portland to a new-to-them home, and as Ryan struggles with changes, she realizes that she must learn to roll with the punches.

**WEATHERFORD, CAROLE BOSTON**  
Box: Henry Brown Mails Himself to Freedom  
ILLUS. BY MICHELE WOOD  
CANDLEWICK, 2020  
9780763691561  
Poetry and mixed media tell the true story of Henry Brown, who mailed himself in a wooden box to escape slavery.

**WOODSON, JACQUELINE**  
Before the Ever After  
NANCY PAULSEN, 2020  
9780399545436  
ZJ’s father is a pro football player, adored by fans, including ZJ’s friends, but ZJ sees how the game changes Daddy, and in this novel in verse, ZJ tries to understand why his father has headaches, anger outbursts, and moments of forgetting his son’s name.

**YANG, KELLY**  
Three Keys  
SCHOLASTIC, 2020  
9781338591385  
In this sequel to the acclaimed Front Desk (2018), set in the hostile political climate of 1994 California, Mia turns to her friends and family to find strength as she fights for immigration rights, health care, and equal access to education after her family has become owners of the Calivista Hotel.

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**Each Story MATTERS**

**Every Child COUNTS**

**DÍA BOOKLIST**

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<td>The Dream Weaver</td>
<td>ALEGRE, REINA LUZ</td>
<td>SIMON &amp; SCHUSTER, 2020</td>
<td>9781338239546</td>
<td>Deaf people in this work of epistolary, affirming novel.</td>
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<td>The Boy Who Dreamed of Infinity</td>
<td>ALZNAUER, AMY</td>
<td>SCHOLASTIC, 2020</td>
<td>9781338255812</td>
<td>The 2019–21 Young People’s Poet Laureate writes about her childhood and her Palestinian heritage, sharing writing tips and sources of inspiration.</td>
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<td>The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez</td>
<td>GUEVAS, ADRIANNA</td>
<td>ALADDIN, 2020</td>
<td>9781338236132</td>
<td>Baseball-loving and autistic Vivy is asked to play on an all-boys team and gets advice from a professional-baseball-playing pen pal in this epistolary, affirming novel.</td>
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<td>Changing Your Stars</td>
<td>LEZOtte, ANN CLARE</td>
<td>SCHOLASTIC, 2020</td>
<td>9781338278150</td>
<td>Mary Lambert is sheltered from the outside world until a threatening newcomer opens her eyes to prejudices against Deaf people in this work of historical fiction based on a real New England community.</td>
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<td>American as Paneer Pie</td>
<td>KELKAR, SUPRIYA</td>
<td>FARRAR, STRAUS AND GIROUX, 2020</td>
<td>9781338239328</td>
<td>Unending love of family is a power of using her voice when a racist incident occurs in her small town.</td>
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<td>Planet Omar</td>
<td>MIAN, ZANIB</td>
<td>HENRY Holt, 2020</td>
<td>9780063013452</td>
<td>While looking forward to Eid, Omar tries to make new friends and avoid the class bully in this humorous illustrated novel.</td>
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<td>The Water Bears</td>
<td>BAKER, KIM</td>
<td>CLARION, 2020</td>
<td>9781338278150</td>
<td>Hanna is a half-Chinese girl living in an 1880s frontier town and navigating xenophobia and the town’s small-mindedness while she develops a thriving dressmaking business.</td>
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