

Deaf or Hard of Hearing Inclusive Books

Many of the books on these lists are available through the BCFHRC library. Please let us know if you have enjoyed other books that we may have missed and we'll add them to our list!

Stories with a Visual Language Focus:

- **A Birthday for Ben**, by Kate T Gaynor (2009)
- **BABY-BOARD BOOKS series (Sign Along)**, by Annie Kubler (2005)
- **Can You Hear A Rainbow?**, by Jamee Riggio Heelan (2002)
- **Dad and Me in the Morning**, by Patricia Lakin (1994)
- **Dina the Deaf Dinosaur**, by Carole Addabbo (1998)
- **Julia's Words**, by Judith L. Roth (2009)
- **Max Learns Sign Language**, by Adria F. Klein (2007)
- **Moonbird**, by Joyce Dunbar (2007)
- **Moses Goes To... series**, by Isaac Millman (2004)
- **Nita's First Signs**, by Kathy MacMillan (2018)
- **Prudence Parker and a Sign of Friendship**, by Christine Burk (2003)
- **Splish Splat**, by Alexis Domney (2011)
- **The Deaf Musicians**, by Pete Seeger and Paul Dubois Jacobs (2006)
- **What the Jackdaw Saw**, by Julia Donaldson (2015)

Note: Some of the books listed may be outdated. We recommend looking through any books before reading them with your child to make sure they're a good fit!



Stories about Children with Microtia Atresia:

- **The Adventures of Billie BAHA and Her Super HEARo Friends**, by Jessica Jordan-Hogan (2020)
- **Aoife and the Ear**, written & illustrated by a group of children for their classmate Aoife
- **Chelsea's New Ear**, by Simone Cheadle
- **Chelsea and her Little Ear Make a New Friend**, by Simone Cheadle
- **Isaac and Lilah – A Story of Similarities and Difference**, by Liz Jones (2012)
- **Jaycee's Little Ear**, by Devan Lusk (2017)
- **MouseBear Has a Little Ear** – right sided Microtia, Devan Lusk (2020) **can be personalized to your child*
- **Rebekah's Super Power**, Emma Bilyk (2019)

Stories about Children with a Sibling who is Deaf or Hard of Hearing:

- **Elana's Ears, or How I Became the Best Big Sister in the World**, by Gloria Roth (2000)
- **I have a Sister. My Sister is Deaf**, by Jeanne Whitehouse (1977)

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Stories with Listening Equipment:

- **A Bear Hug at Bedtime**, by Jana Novotny Hunter (2017)
- **All About Me & Hearing with My Cochlear Nucleus System**, by Cochlear (available free online)
- **All the Ways I Hear You**, by Stephanie Marrufo (2019)
- **Baby Loves the Five Senses: Hearing!**, Ruth Spiro (2019)
- **Can Bears Ski?**, by Raymond Antrobus and Polly Dunbar (2020)
- **Cosmo Gets An Ear**, by Gary Clemente (1994)
- **Dachy's Deaf**, by Jack Hughes (2012)
- **Ellie's Ears**, by Elizabeth Boschini & Rachel Chaikof (2010)
- **Goat goes to Playgroup**, Julia Donaldson (2013)
- **Happy Birthday to My Ears**, by Elizabeth Boschini & Rachel Chaikof (2011)
- **Having Hearing Aids**, by Peter Augustine (2003)
- **Kylie gets a Cochlear Implant**, by Marilyn C. Rose (2013)
- **Let's Hear It for Almigal**, by Wendy Kupfer (2012)
- **Leo Gets Hearing Aids/Leo Gets a Roger System**, by Phonak (available free online)
- **Max and his Hearing Aids**, by Emily Mikoski (2007)
- **My Language, Your Language**, by Lisa Bullard (2015)
- **Now Hear This: Harper soars with her magic ears**, by Valli Gideons (2020)
- **Oliver gets Hearing Aids, Oliver gets FM**, by Phonak (2001) (available free online)
- **Ricky, the Rock that Couldn't Roll**, by Jason I. Miletsky (2018)
- **River Walks**, by Nathalie Johnson (2010)
- **Simone**, by Sonya B. P. Giridhar (2016)
- **Sofie's Tales**, by Melanie Patcoff (2010)
- **The Everywhere Bear**, Julia Donaldson (2018)



Stories about Feelings and Self Advocacy for Children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing:

- **Freddie and the Fairy**, by Julia Donaldson (2012)
- **I Am Deaf**, by Jennifer Moore Mallinos (2009)
- **I Can't Hear Like You (Talking it Through)**, by Althea (2001)
- **I'm Deaf and It's Okay**, by Lorraine Aseltine, Evelyn Mueller, and Nancy Tait (1992)
- **I'm the Boss of my Hearing Loss**, by Amy Kroll (2004)
- **Just Like You**, by Robert Kroupa (2011)
- **Never Mind (Duke the Deaf Dog ASL)**, by Kelly Brakenhoff (2019)
- **Some Kids Are Deaf**, by Lola M. Schaefer (2008)
- **The Elephant in the Room**, by Jim Bombicino (2015)



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Stories for Older Children:

Stories/Novels:

- **Addy's Race**, by Debby Waldman (2011)
- **The Blue Ear**, by Marvel Comics
- **Charlie and Frog**, by Karen Kane (2018)
- **Deaf Child Crossing**, by Marlee Matlin (2004)
- **Deaf Like Me**, by Thomas Spradley (1985)
- **El Deafo**, by Cece Bell (2014) (graphic novel)
- **Hurt Go Happy: A Novel**, by G. Robby (2016)
- **Ironman in Hearing is Believing**, by Marvel Comics (2013)
- **Ironman in Sound Effects Comic Book**, by Marvel Custom Solutions and The Children's Hearing Institute (Also available online through The Children's Hearing Institute)
- **Jakes the Name: Sixth Grades the Game**, by Deb Piper (1996)
- **Listening to the Waves**, by Regan Nicole Brady (2012)
- **Mandy**, by Barbara D. Booth (1991)
- **Nobody's Perfect**, by Marlee Matlin (2007)
- **One TV Blasting and A Pig Outdoors**, by Deborah Abbott (1994)
- **Robin Sees Song**, by Jim & Cheryl Pahz (2009)
- **Songs for a Whale**, by Lynne Kelly (2019)
- **Shay & Ivy: Beyond the Kingdom**, by Sheena McFeely (2015)
- **She Touched the World, Laura Bridgman, Deaf-Blind Pioneer**, by Sally Hobart Alexander and Robert Alexander (2008)



- **Show Me a Sign**, by Ann Clare LeZotte (2020)
- **Strong Deaf**, by Lynn McElfresh (2012)
- **The Grump: The Original Short Story**, by Mark Ludy (2000)
- **The Heart's Language**, by Lois-Ann Yamanaka (2005)
- **Listening to the Waves**, by Regan Nichole Brady (2010) (AVT focus)
- **Wonder**, Raquel J. Palacio (2012)
- **You Don't Know everything, Jilly P!**, by Alex Gino (2018)
- **Zola Gets Hearing Aids**, Narita Snead (2020)

DHH Culture and Role Models:

- **Deaf Culture: A-Z**, by Walter Paul Kelley (2003)
- **I'll Scream Later**, by Marlee Matlin (2010)
- **Kicking Up Dirt: A True Story of Determination, Deafness, and Daring**, by Ashley Fiolek and Caroline Ryder (2010)
- **Longshot: The Adventures of a Deaf Fundamentalist Mormon Kid and his Journey to the NBA**, Lance Allred (2017)
- **Movers & Shakers: Deaf People Who Changed the World Storybook**, by Cathryn Carroll & Susan M. Mather (1997)
- **No Excuses: Growing Up Deaf and Achieving My Super Bowl Dreams**, by Derrick Coleman (2015)
- **The William Hoy Story: How a Deaf Baseball Player Changed the Game**, by Nancy Churnin (2016)

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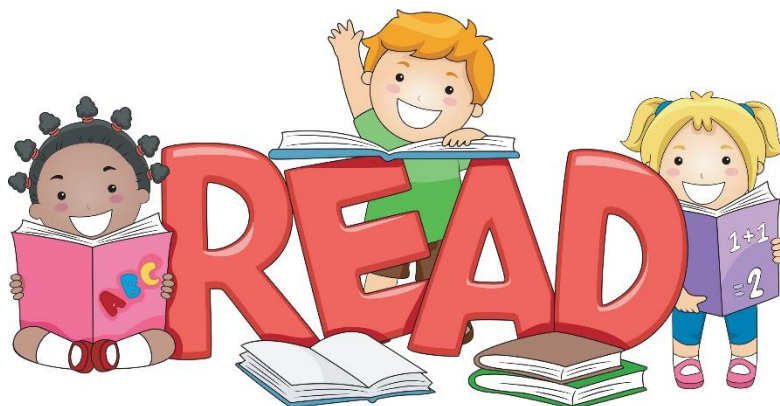
Stories with Themes of Celebrating Differences and Inclusion:

- **All are Welcome**, by Alexandra Penfold (2018)
- **The Family Book**, by Todd Parr (2010)
- **The Five of Us**, by Quentin Blake (2015)
- **Hooray For You!**, by Marianne Richmond (2015)
- **I'm Gonna Like Me**, by Jamie Lee Curtis (2012)
- **I'm Like You, You're Like Me**, by Cindy Gainer (2013)
- **It's Okay to Be Different**, by Todd Parr (2009)
- **A Rainbow of Friends**, by P.K. Hallinan (2005)
- **Red: A Crayon's Story**, by Michael Hall (2015)
- **Whoever You Are**, by Mem Fox (2006)



Other:

- **Mickey McGuffin's Ear**, by John Hall (2005)



For more details on some of these books and more, please see the wiki list:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_children%27s_books_featuring_deaf_characters
or the list compiled by Emily Manson and Taylor Thomas:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1tC_NgRT3elkotBrq9qCRXDhDJSYmQg09O56JScGdVfs/edit?ts=5e84d734#gid=2

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