

# Diversity, Inclusion and Collection Development

Selected Readings and Resources

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## Resources for Evaluation, Selection and Critical Thinking

### Links:

- [CCBC Diversity Resources](#): Includes many blogs and web sites focusing on content reviews and critical thinking about diverse books, as well as professional resources on diverse materials and services in libraries and classrooms.
- [Annual Awards/Best-of-the-Year lists](#): Includes many identity-based lists (e.g., Pura Belpré Awards, Coretta Scott King Award, South Asia Book Award, etc.)

[CCBC Recommended Book Search](#): Enables searching books and creators by identity-based diversity tags (e.g, race/ethnicity, LGBTQ, religion, gender)

## Resources for Using Diverse Books

Articles (available full-text in Badgerlink Academic Search database):

Krueger, Anna Haase and Tamara Lee. "Storytime-Palooza! Racial Diversity and Inclusion in Storytime." *Children and Libraries* (Fall 2016): 18-22.

Ideas for diverse books and other materials in story times. Additional resources suggested in article and bibliography

Meminger, Neesha. "Getting Diverse Books into the Hands of Teen Readers: How Do We Do It?" *Young Adult Library Services* (Spring 2011): 10-13.

Personal essay about the value of diverse books and her appreciate for a librarian who gently help her find books that she didn't necessarily want/ask for, but needed. Discusses specific strategies.

### Blog Posts:

["How Labeling Books As Diverse Reinforces White Supremacy"](#) by Alexandria Brown. Lee and Low blog post.

Advises against labeling books in a library collection as "diverse" or "multicultural"; this sends the message "whiteness" is the norm

["Role-Models."](#) CCBC "On Books and Publishing" blog post..

Encourages library staff to embrace their power as role models for their community when it comes to inclusion.

### Web sites:

Everyday Diversity Project (diverse books connected to many story time themes): <http://everydaydiversity.blogspot.com/> (Note: last post January 2018—still has lots of great ideas)