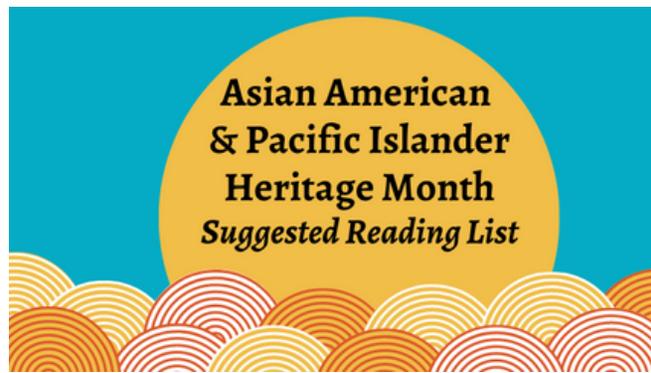


Hair Twins- By Raakhee Mirchandani & Holly Hatam

"A Sikh father and daughter with a special hair bond proudly celebrate and share a family tradition in this charming story.

Every morning Papa combs through his daughter's waves like he does his own—parting it down the middle, using coconut oil to get all the tangles out. Some days he braids her hair in two twists down the side of her face. Other days he weaves it into one long braid hanging down her back, just like a unicorn tail. But her favorite style is when he combs her hair in a tight bun on the top of her head, just like the joora he wears every day under his turban. They call this their hair twin look!



During uncertain times, we are able to find comfort and wisdom in books and courage from authors. The fight against racism will take all of us, and one way to begin is by sharing AAPI stories, culture, food, experiences and voices. We hope these books are just the beginning of your reading journey to explore and embrace other cultures, traditions and beliefs.



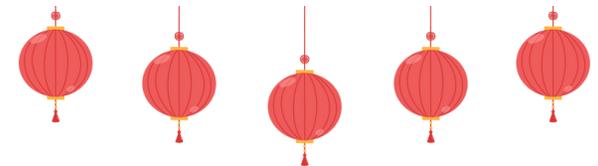
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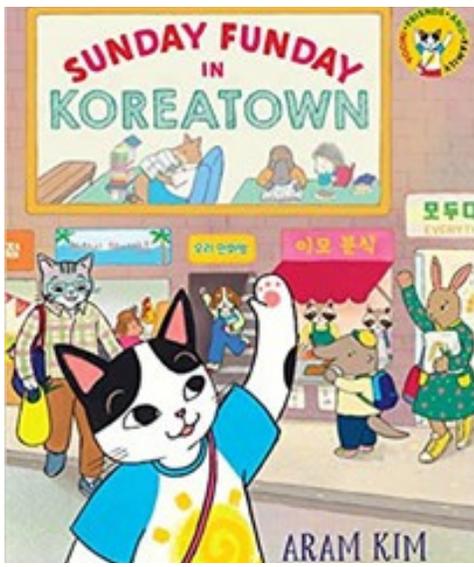
All families caring for someone with special needs will receive the support and resources they need to feel empowered, encouraged and supported.

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Books celebrating Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) characters and culture. For Ages 4-8



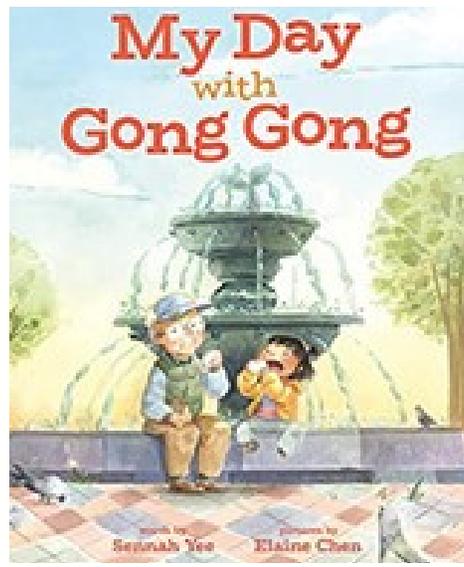


Sunday Funday in Koreatown- By Aram Kim

Yoomi and Daddy are going to Koreatown today! This story celebrates family, resilience, and Korean culture.

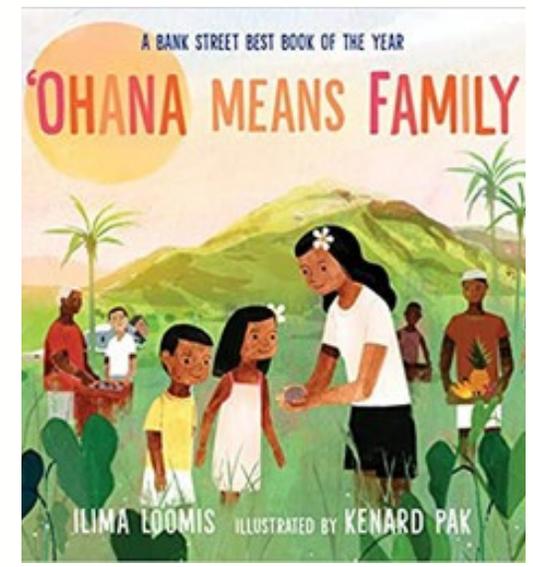
Yoomi has planned the perfect Sunday! But the shirt she wants to wear is in the laundry. And she doesn't have the seaweed she needs for a kimbap breakfast.

So Yoomi wears another shirt and eats a different breakfast, and she and Daddy take a bus to Koreatown, where they read Korean books, eat Korean treats such as patbingsu and tteokbokki, and visit Grandma. Though Yoomi's perfect day is filled with mishaps and things don't always go her way, Yoomi learns the advantages of being resilient and open-minded. Yoomi's imperfect day is better than she ever could have imagined!.



Silent Days, Silent Dreams- By Allen Say

May is dropped off at grandfather's place by her mother, but Gong Gong can't speak English and May doesn't understand Chinese. Gong Gong takes her through his day in Chinatown, chit chatting with shopkeepers and friends in Cantonese. May gets bored, unable to understand their interactions, but right as May begins to throw a fit, Gong Gong comes through and bridges the generation gap. It provides a fun introduction of Chinese words and highlights that many Asian Americans may not speak their ethnic language. The Canadian author quintessentially tells the second- and third-generation story many AAPI may relate to.



Ohana Means Family- By Llima Loomis & Kenard Pak

Ohana Means Family is filled with watercolor illustrations celebrating Hawaiian culture and the connection food has to the land, the environment, and to the community. Loomis starts with growing taro, an essential part of Hawaiian cooking. The book continues through making poi, and finally ends with a celebratory family luau. The rhythmic writing underscores the importance of each cultural element, highlighting Hawaii's indigenous people, and makes the book a great read for the younger set and early readers alike.