

Woolbur Read-A-Likes: Books About Individuality!



***PEARL BARLEY AND CHARLIE PARSLEY* by Aaron Blabey**

Pearl and Charlie are best friends although they seem to be different in every way.

***SUNDAY CHUTNEY* by Aaron Blabey**

Sunday Chutney's family moves often to different countries, so she has found imaginative ways to cope with being the new girl at school.

***LITTLE CLOUD* by Eric Carle**

A little cloud becomes all sorts of things--sheep, an airplane, trees, a hat--before joining other clouds and raining.

***I LIKE ME!* by Nancy Carlson**

By admiring her finer points and showing that she can take care of herself and have fun even when there's no one else around, a charming pig proves the best friend you can have is yourself.

***ELLA SARAH GETS DRESSED* by Margaret Chodos-Irvine**

Despite the advice of others in her family, Ella Sarah persists in wearing the striking and unusual outfit of her own choosing

***THE ART LESSON* by Tomie dePaola**

Having learned to be creative in drawing pictures at home, young Tommy is dismayed when he goes to school and finds the art lesson there much more regimented.

***MILO ARMADILLO* by Jan Fearnley**

When no one can find a pink, fluffy rabbit to give to Tallulah for her birthday, her grandmother knits her a pink, fluffy thing that they name Milo Armadillo, which proves to be a great present.

***GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE* by Andreae Giles**

Gerald the giraffe is too clumsy to dance with all the other animals at the Jungle Dance, until he finds the right music.

***DOG IN BOOTS* by Greg Gormley**

After reading "Puss in Boots," an adventurous dog sets out to find the perfect pair of shoes to suit his every need.

***CHRYSANTHEMUM* by Kevin Henkes**

Chrysanthemum loves her name, until she starts going to school and the other children make fun of it.

***VIOLET'S MUSIC* by Angela Johnson**

From the days she banged her rattle in the crib, Violet has been looking for friends to share her love of music.

***TACKY THE PENGUIN* by Helen Lester**

Tacky does not fit in with his sleek and graceful companions, but his odd behavior comes in handy when hunters come with maps and traps.

***PETE THE CAT AND HIS FOUR GROOVY BUTTONS* by Eric Litwin**

Pete the cat loves the buttons on his shirt so much that he makes up a song about them, and even as the buttons pop off, one by one, he still finds a reason to sing.

***ELMER* by David McKee**

All the elephants of the jungle were gray except Elmer, who was a patchwork of brilliant colors until the day he got tired of being different and making the other elephants laugh.

***STEPHANIE'S PONYTAIL* by Robert Munsch**

When Stephanie comes to school with her hair in a ponytail, all the other students copy her, so she decides to change her hairstyle every day, with disastrous results

***THE ART OF MISS CHEW* by Patricia Polacco**

Describes how a teacher named Miss Chew encouraged individuality, and accepted learning differences, and helped a young student with academic difficulties get extra time to take tests and permission to be in advanced art classes. Inspired by the author's memories of her art teacher.

***IT'S OKAY TO BE DIFFERENT* by Todd Parr**

Illustrations and brief text describe all kinds of differences that are "okay," such as "It's Okay to be a different color," "It's Okay to need some help," "It's Okay to be adopted," and "It's Okay to have a Different nose."

***RUBY THE COPYCAT* by Peggy Rathman**

Ruby insists on copying Angela, until her teacher helps her discover her own creative resources.

***SPLAT THE CAT* by Rob Scotton**

A nervous Splat finds his first day at Cat School much better than he expected.

***A BAD CASE OF STRIPES* by David Shannon**

In order to ensure her popularity, Camilla Cream always does what is expected, until the day arrives when she no longer recognizes herself.

***LUKE'S WAY OF LOOKING* by Nadia Wheatley**

Luke is frustrated by his conservative and overbearing art teacher, until he visits a museum and finds validation for his own special way of looking at the world.

***NAKED MOLE RAT GETS DRESSED* by Mo Willems**

Wilbur, a naked mole rat who likes to wear clothes, is forced to go before the wise community elder, who surprises the other naked mole rats with his pronouncement.

***WILLIAM'S DOLL* by Charlotte Zolotow**

William's father gives him a basketball and a train but these do not make him want a doll less.

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