

2021 Donna Norvell Masterlist

Arnold, Elana K. *An Ordinary Day*. Illustrated by Elizabet Vukovic. New York: Beach Lane Books an imprint of Simon & Schuster, 2020. 40p. (Grades Pre-3). It's an ordinary day in the neighborhood. Two visitors show up at two houses. Inside one house a family is saying goodbye to a beloved pet and in the other house a family is welcoming a new baby.

Cappo, Marianna. *Such a Good Boy.* San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2020. 48p. (Grades K-3). Buzz is a good dog, who has a great life and well-behaved friends, but he wants to be a little less than well-behaved. He feels pressure to be just like the rest of the Buzz's his family has had before. How can he decide whether to be true to himself, or to please his family?

Litchfield, David. *Lights on Wonder Rock*. Boston: Clarion Books an imprint of Houghton Mufflin Harcourt, 2020. 40p. (Grades Pre-3). A young girl sits waiting on Wonder Rock until a UFO finally lands and she meets a friendly alien. While she wants to go with it to explore the universe, she thinks of her friends and family on Earth and returns home. She continues to return to Wonder Rock regularly until, as an elderly woman, the familiar UFO returns and she greets her alien friend once again before returning home to Earth.

Scillian, Devin. *Memoirs of a Tortoise*. Illustrated by Tim Bowers. Ann Arbor: Sleeping Bear Press, 2020. 32p. (Grades 1-4). Oliver the tortoise has had his human, Ike, for over 80 years and one day Ike does not appear. Oliver embarks on a journey to see his mother for answers. Oliver receives solace and answers from his mother and is able to make the journey back to his garden.

Thompkins-Bigelow, Jamilah. *Your Name Is A Song.* Illustrated by Luisa Uribe. Seattle: The Innovation Press, 2020. 40p. (Grades 1-2). Frustrated on her first day of school because no one can pronounce her name she says she isn't going back to school. Her mother teaches her about her name and the musicality of African, Asian, Black-American, Latinx, and Middle Eastern names. She is empowered and ready to return to school.