

**SATURDAY** by Oge Mora

When all of their special Saturday plans go awry, Ava and her mother still find a way to appreciate one another and their time together.

↓ **BILAL COOKS DAAL\*** by Aisha Saeed & Anoosha Syed

Bilal and his father invite his friends to help make his favorite dish, daal, then all must wait patiently for it to be done.

**SWISH! THE SLAM-DUNKING, ALLEY-OOPING, HIGH-FLYING HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS** by Suzanne Slade & Don Tate

The true story of the high-flying Harlem Globetrotters -- the team that changed basketball forever.

**EXCEPT ANTARCTICA** by Todd Sturgell

Turtles are found on every continent EXCEPT Antarctica. But not for long! When a David Attenborough-esque narrator explains that turtles are found everywhere except Antarctica, one determined turtle sets out to prove him wrong.

Lexile Grade

n/a PreK-2

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n/a PreK-4

n/a PreK-3

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Read or listen to all 20 Monarch books, vote for your favorite in February 2023, and **receive a free paperback book from the current list or a past Monarch list.** Return your completed Monarch Challenge form to the Guest Services Desk by March 11, 2023.

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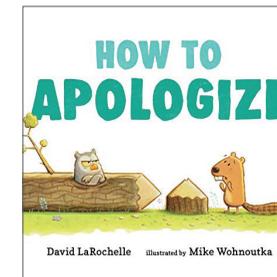
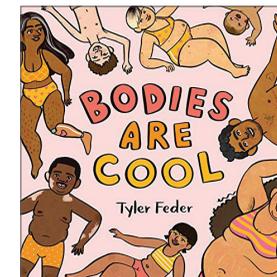
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**DOGGO AND PUPPER** by Katherine Applegate & Charlie Adler

Doggo, an older dog, is used to things a certain way. When Pupper shows up, Doggo’s routine changes. Pupper is very playful and soon the humans realize Pupper needs some training. But when Pupper comes back from puppy school, Doggo senses that, although Pupper is well-behaved, he isn’t happy.

**ARE YOU A CHEESEBURGER?** by Monica Arnoldo

Grub is a lonely raccoon rumbling in the trash for food. Seed is a seed patiently waiting in the trash, hoping someone will plant it. When the two finally meet, they realize they might be able to help each other!

**MILO IMAGINES THE WORLD\*** by Matt de la Pena & Christian Robinson

While Milo and his sister travel to a detention center to visit their incarcerated mother, he observes strangers on the subway and draws what he imagines their lives to be.

**THE MAGICAL YET** by Angela DiTerlizzi & Lorena Alvarez

Each of us, from the day we’re born, is accompanied by a special companion – the Yet. Can’t tie your shoes? Yet! Can’t ride a bike? Yet! Can’t play the bassoon? Don’t worry; Yet is there to help you out.

**CROSSINGS: EXTRAORDINARY STRUCTURES FOR EXTRAORDINARY ANIMALS\*** by Katy Duffield & Mike Orodan

A non-fiction exploration of animal crossings built by animal lovers around the world to help animals cross over, under, around, and through human construction.

**AMIRA’S PICTURE DAY\*** by Reem Faruqi & Fahmida Azim

Amira is excited because tomorrow is Eid with special clothes, treats, gifts, and a morning party at her mosque; but then she realizes that she is going to miss class picture day at school, something she was also looking forward to—so Amira has to figure out a way to be in two places at once.

**BODIES ARE COOL\*** by Tyler Feder

Through lively text and delightful illustrations, this truly inclusive book celebrates all the different human bodies that exist in the world.

**DON’T HUG DOUG: (HE DOESN’T LIKE IT)\***

by Carrie Finison & Daniel Wiseman

Doug prefers not to be hugged, but there are a variety of other ways his loved ones can show him affection.

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400L 1-3

n/a PreK-K

AD 980L K-3

n/a PreK-1

AD 1080L 2-3

n/a K-2

n/a PreK-3

n/a PreK-1

**FRIDAY NIGHT WRESTLEFEST\*** by J.F. Fox & Micah Player

Every Friday night is Wrestlefest at a family’s home, where Dangerous Daddoo takes on the Tag Team Twins in a battle to bedtime.

**I SEE SEA FOOD: SEA CREATURES THAT LOOK LIKE FOOD\*** by Jenna Grodzicki

Profiles sea creatures that look like kinds of food, including the Australian pineapple fish, the egg yolk jellyfish, and the tortilla fish.

**WHAT ABOUT WORMS!?** by Ryan T. Higgins & Mo Willems

A big, tough tiger who is riotously afraid of worms sends a letter to readers warning them that worms are everywhere and might even be inside the book.

**EYES THAT KISS IN THE CORNERS\*** by Joanna Ho & Dung Ho

A young Asian girl notices that her eyes look different from her peers but by drawing from the strength of the powerful women in her life, she recognizes her own beauty and discovers a path to self-love and empowerment.

**WHAT IF, PIG?\*** by Linzie Hunter

In this adorable story about friendship and the endless wonder of “what if,” Pig cannot help but think of everything that could possibly go wrong after deciding to throw a party for Mouse and their friends.

**THE MANY COLORS OF HARPREET SINGH** by Supriya Kelkar & Alea Marley

Harpreet has a different color for every mood and occasion, from pink for dancing to bhangra beats to red for courage. He especially takes care with his patka—his turban—smoothing it out and making sure it always matches his outfit. But, when Harpreet’s mom finds a new job in a snowy city and they have to move, all he wants is to be invisible.

**HOW TO APOLOGIZE** by David LaRochelle & Mike Wohnoutka

A humorous and practical guide explains how, and how not, to apologize, depicting characters ranging from a porcupine who accidentally pops a friend’s balloon to a snail who runs over a sloth’s toes.

**LIFT** by Minh Le & Dan Sanat

Iris, who has always been the one to push the elevator button, is displeased when her little brother starts to do it before she gets a chance, so she uses a discarded button to take her someplace else—anyplace else.

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n/a K-2

n/a 1-3

310L PreK-2

AD 610L K-3

n/a PreK-2

530L K-2

n/a PreK-1

390L 1-3

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