









## Exploring History and Culture



October is Family History Month - a perfect time to share some cultural or heritage books with your children. Here is a booklist of over 50 titles, for children ages 0-12, that tell stories about specific cultures and their history. These great stories are as close as your local library. If there aren't books about your family culture/heritage on this list, ask the librarian for assistance. S/he will be able to help you find books that are right for your family. Enjoy!



Aardema, Verna - Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears: A West African Tale (African American)



Adler, David - A Picture Book of Martin Luther King, Jr. (African American)

Bang, Molly - Paper Crane (Japanese) (and others by same author)

Birdseye, Tom - A Song of Stars (Chinese)

Brown, Tricia - Chinese New Year (Chinese) (and others by the same author)

Bunting, Eve - How Many Days to America? (Multicultural)

Carlstrom, Nancy - Wild, Wild, Sunflowerchild Anna (African American)

Carpenter, Frances - Tales of a Korean Grandmother (Korean)

Ching, Annie - Birthday Party (and Other Tales) (Chinese)

Cummings, Jeannette - I Need a Lunch Box (African American)

Demi - Dragon Kites and Dragon Flies (Chinese)

dePaola, Tomie - *The Legend of the Bluebonnet* (Native American)

Dorros, Arthur - Abuela (Spanish American)

Flournoy, Valerie - The Patchwork Quilt (African American)

Friedman, Ina - How My Parents Learned to Eat (Japanese American)

Goble, Paul - *Dreamwolf* (Native American) (and other by same author)

Golenbock, Peter - *Teammates* (African American)

Goodman, Robert B. - Momotaro (Japanese)

Greenfield, Eloise - Grandpa's Face (African American)

Haskins, James - Count Your Way Through Africa (African)

Hayes, Sarah - Eat up, Gemma (African American) (and others by same author)

Hoyt-Goldsmith, Diane - Totem Pole (Native American)

Jaynes, Ruth - Melinda's Christmas Stocking (Latin American)

Jeffers, Susan - Brother Eagle, Sister Sky (Native American)

Jenness, Aylette - Families (Multicultural)



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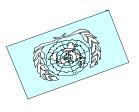
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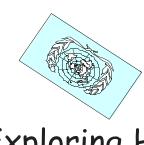


















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Kuklin, Susan - When I See My Doctor (Asian)

Lattimore, Deborah - The Dragon's Robe (Chinese)

Lee, Jeanne - *Ba-Nam* (Vietnamese)

Luenn, Nancy - *Nessa's Fish* (Native American)

McKissack, Pat - Mirandy and the Brother Wind (African American)

Morimoto, Junko - The Inch Boy (Japanese)

Ortiz, Simon - The People Shall Continue (Native American)

Polacco, Patricia - Boat Ride with Lillian Tow Blossoms (Native American)

(and others by same author)

Politi, Leo - Song of the Swallows (Latin American)

Roland, Donna - *Grandfather's Stories* (from the Philippines)

Sato, Satoru - I Wish I Had a Big Tree (Japanese American)

Shelby, Anne - Potluck (multicultural)

Sneve, Virginia - Dancing Teepees (Native American)

Stamm, Claus - Three Strong Women (Japanese)

Steptoe, John - Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters (African)

Stock, Catherine -Birthday Present (Multicultural) (and others by the same author)

Tran, Khanh Tuyet - *The Little Weaver of Thai Yen Village* (Vietnamese American)<sup>a</sup>

Wall, Lino Mao - Judge Rabbit and the Tree Spirit, A Folk Tale from Cambodia

(Cambodian)

Walters, Kate - *Lion Dancer* (Chinese American)

Williams, Karen - Galimoto (African)

Williams, Vera - Music, Music for Everyone (African American)

Winter, Jeanette - Follow the Drinking Gourd (African American)

Wolkstein, Diane - The Banza (Haitian)

Wyndham, Robert - Chinese Mother Goose Rhymes (Chinese)

Xiong, Blia - Nine in One, Grr! Grr! (Laotian)

Yashima, Taro - Umbrella (Japanese)

Yep, Laurence - The Rainbow People (Chinese)

Young, Ed - Lon Po-Po (Chinese)

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