

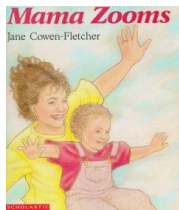


# Help for Kids with Disabilities

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Many children have or know someone with a physical or mental disability. This booklist contains picture books, chapter books, and non-fiction titles aimed at children to help them learn more about disabilities

## Picture Books for Children



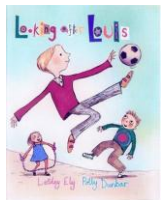
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### **Mama Zooms**

By Jane Cowen-Fletcher

**Call #: JP Cowen-Fletcher**

A boy's mom takes him everywhere with her in her wheelchair.



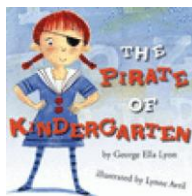
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### **Looking After Louis**

By Lesley Ely

**Call #: JP Ely**

When a new boy with autism joins their classroom, the children try to understand his world and include him in theirs.



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### **The Pirate of Kindergarten**

By George Lyon

**Call #: JP Lyon**

Ginny's eyes play tricks on her, making her see double. When she goes to a vision screening at school, she finds out her vision can be fixed.



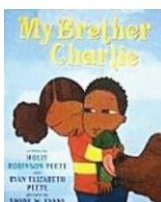
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### **Understanding Sam and Asperger Syndrome**

By Clarabelle van Niekerk and Liezl Venter

**Call #: JP Niekerk**

When Sam is diagnosed with Asperger Syndrome, his family and teachers understand him better. Includes tips for parents, teachers and children on being with children who have Asperger's.



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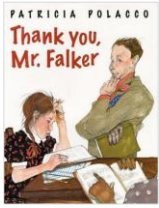
### **My Brother Charlie**

By Holly Peete

**Call #: JP Peete**

A girl tells what it is like living with her twin brother who has autism and sometimes finds it hard to communicate with words.





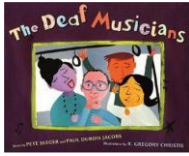
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## **Thank You, Mr. Falker**

By Patricia Polacco

**Call #: JP Polacco**

Trisha has difficulty learning to read and feels dumb. Then her new 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher helps her understand and overcome her problem.



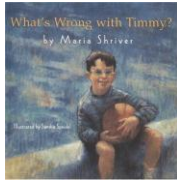
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## **The Deaf Musicians**

By Pete Seeger

**Call #: JP Seeger**

Lee, a jazz pianist, has to leave the band when his hearing starts to fail. But then he meets a deaf saxophone player in sign-language class and they form a new band.



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## **What's Wrong with Timmy?**

By Maria Shriver

**Call #: JP Shriver**

After making friends with a mentally disabled boy, Kate learns that the two have a lot in common.



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## **Helping Sophia**

By Anastasia Suen

**Call #: JP Suen**

When Sophia's helper is gone, her 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classmates help her out by learning to push a wheelchair.



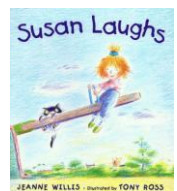
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## **My Sister, Alicia May**

By Nancy Tupper Ling

**Call #: JP Tupper Ling**

Older sister Rachel tells the story of her younger sister, Alicia May, who has Down syndrome.



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## **Susan Laughs**

By Jeanne Willis

**Call #: JP Willis**

Rhyming words describe the emotions of someone in a wheelchair.



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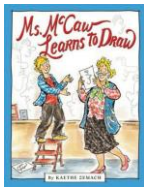
## **My Friend Isabelle**

By Eliza Woloson

**Call #: JP Woloson**

A young boy describes his fun activities he shares with Isabelle, a girl with Down Syndrome.





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## Ms. McCaw Learns to Draw

By Kaethe Zemach-Bersin

**Call #: JP Zemach-Bersin**

Dudley struggles to learn at school, but then his teacher Ms. McCaw helps him out.

## Chapter Books for Children



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## Anything But Typical

By Nora Raleigh Baskin

**Call #: JF Baskin**

Jason, a 12-year-old autistic boy who wants to become a writer, relates what his life is like why he tries to make sense of the world.



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## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Can Really Kill You

By Barthe DeClements

**Call #: JF DeClements**

Helen fears that her reading problem will keep her in 6<sup>th</sup> grade forever until a good teacher recognizes her problem and helps her.



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## Out of My Mind

By Sharon Draper

**Call #: JF Draper**

Considered by many to be mentally retarded, a smart 5<sup>th</sup> grader with cerebral palsy discovers a device that will help her speak for the first time.



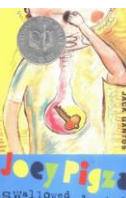
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## Flight

By Elizabeth Stow Ellison

**Call #: JF Ellison**

Twelve-year old Samantha struggles with how to help her artistic older brother who needs to be tested for a learning disability.



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## Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key

By Jack Gantos

**Call #: JF Gantos**

Joey has trouble paying attention and controlling his mood swings when his prescription medications wear off. First in a series.



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## On Being Sarah

By Elizabeth Helfman

**Call #: JF Helfman**

Life with cerebral palsy is not easy for 12-year-old Sarah but she manages with the help of her family and new found friends.





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## The Boy Who Ate Stars

By Kochka

**Call #: JF Kochka**

Upon moving to a new apartment, 12-year-old Lucy befriends an autistic boy who lives upstairs and takes him on neighborhood adventures.



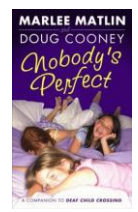
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## Rules

By Cynthia Lord

**Call #: JF Lord**

Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, 12-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence.



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## Nobody's Perfect

By Marlee Matlin and Doug Cooney

**Call #: JF Matlin**

Megan, a popular 4<sup>th</sup> grader is sure the new girl dislikes her because she is deaf but a joint science fair project helps her see that they are similar.



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## Window Boy

By Andrea White

**Call #: JF White**

Twelve-year-old Sam is starting school and has an imaginary friend, Winston Churchill, who helps him persevere with his cerebral palsy.

## Informational Books for Children



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## It's OK to Be Me! : Like You, I Can Do Almost Anything!

By Jennifer Moore-Mallinos

**Call #: J305.908 Moo**

The story of a child in a wheelchair who explains all the things which he can do.



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## The Black Book of Colors

By Menena Cottin

**Call #: J411 Cot**

This book invites those with sight to experience life for those without.



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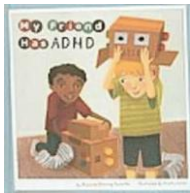
## Ballerina Dreams: A True Story

By Lauren Thompson

**Call #: J618.928**

The true story of five little girls with cerebral palsy or other physical disabilities who were determined to become ballerinas.





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## **My Friend Has ADHD**

By Amanda Tourville

**Call #: J618.928 Tou**

This title in the “Friends with Disabilities” series explains the rewards and challenges of a friend with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.