

# Bullying

*Books available at the Columbus Metropolitan Library*

## PICTURE BOOKS

- Bully** by Jennifer Gordon Sattler, 2018 Picture Book SATTLER  
When a selfish bullfrog takes over a lily pond, the other residents decide to unite and take action.  
(Grades PreK-2)
- Desmond and the Very Mean Word** by Desmond Tutu, 2013. Picture Book TUTU  
While riding his new bicycle Desmond is hurt by the mean word yelled at him by a group of boys, but he soon learns that hurting back will not make him feel any better. (Grades 1-4)
- Get Up, Stand Up** by Cedella Marley, 2020 Picture Book MARLEY  
Children are encouraged to resist bullying and stand up for their rights. (Grades K-2)
- I Am Enough** by Grace Byers, 2018 Picture Book BYERS  
Shares a story of loving who you are, respecting others and being kind to one another.  
(Grades PreK-3)
- I Walk With Vanessa** by Kerascoët, 2018 Picture Book KERASCOET  
An elementary school girl witnesses the bullying of another girl, and decides to stand up for what is right. (Grades PreK-3)
- Llama Llama and the Bully Goat** by Anna Dewdney, 2013. Picture Book DEWDNEY  
Following their teacher's lead, Llama Llama speaks to Gilroy Goat and tells him he should not act like a bully on the playground. (Grades PreK-1)
- My Footprints** by Bao Phi, 2019 Picture Book PHI  
Upset after being bullied, Thuy, a Vietnamese American, pretends she is different creatures, including an especially strong, wonderful being made up of her two mothers and herself.  
(Grade K-3)

## FICTION

- American as Paneer Pie** by Supriya Kelkar, 2020 J Fiction KELKAR  
When a racist incident rocks her small Michigan town, eleven-year-old Lekha must decide whether to speak up or stay silent, even as she struggles to navigate her life at home, where she can be herself, and at school, where she is teased about her culture. (Grades 4-7)
- Farah Rocks Fifth Grade** by Susan Muaddo Darraj, 2020 J Fiction DARRAJ  
Fifth-grader Farah's world is turned upside down when new girl Dana shows up and starts bullying her younger brother Samir. Determined to handle it on her own, Farah comes up with a plan--a plan that involves lying to those closest to her. (Grades 3-5)

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**Mia Mayhem Vs. the Super Bully** by Kara West, 2019 J Fiction WEST  
Mia is excited about her first superspeed training class, but a bully on her relay team leads her to lose her shadow and, worse, to snap at her friends. (Grades 1-3)

**Save Me a Seat** by Sarah Weeks, 2016 J Fiction WEEKS  
Ravi has just moved to the United States from India and has always been at the top of his class. Joe has lived in the same town his whole life and has learning challenges. Ravi and Joe's lives intersect in the first week of fifth grade when they encounter a common enemy and realize they need to take control of their own fate. (Grades 4-7)

**The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle** by Leslie Connor, 2018 J Fiction CONNOR  
As he grieves his best friend Benny's death, Mason and his friend Calvin, who are targeted by the neighborhood bullies, create an underground haven for themselves, but when Calvin goes missing Mason finds himself in trouble. (Grades 4-7)

## NON-FICTION

**My Secret Bully** by Trudy Ludwig, 2015 J 302.343 L948m  
Monica is a target of relational aggression, emotional bullying among friends who will use name-calling and manipulation to humiliate and exclude. But with a little help from a supportive adult—her mother—Monica learns to cope and thrive by facing her fears and reclaiming power from her bully. (Grades 1-4)

**Stop Bullying** by Lucia Raatma, 2013. J 302.343 R111s  
Readers will learn how to recognize signs of bullying and prevent it from continuing. They will also find out how to deal with aggressive bullies and avoid acting as bullies themselves. (Grades 2-5)

## TEEN

**The New David Espinoza** by Fred Aceves, 2020 T Fiction ACEVES  
Obsessed with the idea that he is not muscular enough and tired of being bullied, David, age seventeen, begins using steroids, endangering his relationships with family and friends. (Grades 9-12)

**This Might Hurt a Bit** by Doogie Horner, 2019 T Fiction HORNER  
Relates a seriously bad day in the life of Pennsylvania teenager Kirby Burns, in which he faces dangerous classmates, discovers that a friend is hiding a terrible secret, and grapples with the one-year anniversary of his sister's death. (Grades 9-12)

**Dear Bully: 70 Authors Tell Their Stories** by Carrie Jones, 2011 T 302.34 D285  
Presents top authors for teens as they share their stories about bullying--as silent observers on the sidelines of high school, as victims, and as perpetrators. (Grades 8-12)