

1. Auntie Uncle: Drag Queen Hero (4+): By Ellie Royce, Illustrated by Hannah Chambers

Narrated by an adoring nephew, this story focuses on the nephew's Auntie Uncle, a drag queen who performs as Auntie Lotta and works as Uncle Leo in an accounting job. During a pride event, Lotta saves a dog. When the mayor announces their wish to give Auntie Lotta a medal, she worries that her friends who know her as Leo, and her friends who know her as Lotta won't get along. With the support of their nephew, they create a new look that is perfect for the event and find support from all of their friends.





2. <u>A Plan for Pops (3+)</u>: By Heather Smith, Illustrated by Brooke Kerrigan

Lou loves to spend his Saturdays with Grandad and Pops. They have breakfast, go to the library, and design/build wonderful contraptions. Everything changes though when one day Pops has a fall. Now needing to use a wheelchair, Pops seems to be getting sadder, not wanting to do the activities he once loved. Hearing Grandad's attempts to cheer Pops up, Lou has an idea. With a little help from Grandad and neighbours, They get to work creating a wonderful gift for Pops.

3. My Rainbow (+ 4): By Trinity and DeShanna Neal, Illustrated by Art Twink

Based on a true story, Trinity, a transgender girl, is sad because she needs long hair, but her sensitivity to certain sensory stimuli prevents her from growing her hair out long. Her Mother and brother decide to go out to find the perfect hair for her. Her very own rainbow.





4. <u>When Aiden Became a Brother (3+)</u>: By Kyle Lukoff, Illustrated by Kaylani Juanita This story celebrates Aiden, a boy who is becoming an older brother, as he navigates helping his parents prepare for the new baby, and worries as he remembers his own feelings of being misunderstood when he was younger.

5. Sparkle Boy (4+): By Leslea Newman, Illustrated by Maria Mola

Casey loves sparkly things such as nail polish, skirts, and bracelets. While his parents are supportive Jessie (Casey's older sister) Isn't sure as she views these things as girl things. When some older boys start to tease Casey, Jessie realizes that Casey deserves to express himself however he wants and stands up to defend her brother.



6. Jack (Not Jackie) (+4): By Erica Silverman, Illustrated by Holly Hatman

This book follows the story of Susan, a big sister that just loves her new sibling. But as Jack begins to grow and act in ways Susan doesn't expect, Susan has difficulty coming to terms with who Jack is versus who Susan was expecting them to be.



Peyton use to love dancing at pow wow's but has slowly been dancing less and less. When Peyton shares with their Auntie Eyota that they're uncomfortable in regalia dresses, Eyota reaches out to family and friends to find the support that Peyton needs.

8. Introducing Teddy (+3): By Jessica Walton, Illustrated by Dougal MacPherson

One of Errol's best friends in the whole world is his teddy. One day Errol's teddy explains they don't like their name as she is a girl teddy, not a boy teddy. Errol supports his friend as she finds a new name and new ways to express herself.





9. Uncle Bobby Wedding (4+): By Sarah S. Brannen, Illustrated by Lucia Soto

Chloe loves spending time with their special uncle Bobby, flying kites together, and seeing the stars. When Uncle Bobby and their partner Jamie announce they're getting married everyone is excited, except Chloe. She is confused as to why her uncle is getting married and is worried that she will lose her special bond. Uncle Bobby reassures her that she will always be special to him, and helps her realize she isn't losing a special uncle, but gaining another one.

10. Jamie and Bubbie: A book About Pronouns (5+): By Afsaneh Moradian, Illustrated by Maria Bogade

Jamie is excited to spend the day with their Bubbie. Throughout the day they meet so many different people, but Jamie has to keep correcting Bubbie as she keeps accidentally using the wrong pronouns. This story is a great way to discuss the way we can assume gender based on expression, how we can change our language to help support others, and how it's okay to make mistakes if we are correcting ourselves and learning from them.



