

Books That Embrace Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Middle Grade Booklist

- Hello Universe, Those Kids from Fawn Creek by Erin Entrada Kelly
- Louder Than Hunger by John Schu
- The Hill We Climb by Amanda Gorman
- The Bridge Home, Born Behind Bars by Padma Venkatraman
- Finding Perfect, Same Page, Smart Cookie, Give and Take, Dear Student, Hidden Truths by Elly Swartz
- Mirror to Mirror, Red, White and Whole by Rajani LaRocca
- Lifeboat 12, Lifeboat 5 by Susan Hood
- From the Desk of Zoe Washington series by Janae Marks
- A Work in Progress by Jarrett Lerner
- Hummingbird by Natalie Lloyd
- Honestly Elliott by Gillian Dunn
- Maisy Chen's Last Chance
- Worser by Jennifer Ziegler
- Wildoak by C.C. Harrington
- The Last Map Maker, A Wish in the Dark by Christina Soontornvat
- The Night Diary by Veera Hiranandani
- Front Desk by Kelly Yang (Also Three Keys)
- The Best at It by Maulik Pancholy
- Fish in a Tree, One for the Murphy, Shouting at the Rain by Lynda Mullaly Hunt
- When Stars are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed
- The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle by Leslie Connor
- Guts by Raina Telgemeier
- Roll With It (the series), The Summer of June by Jamie Sumner
- Merci Suárez Changes Gears by Meg Medina
- A Place at the Table by Laura Shovan and Saadia Faruqi
- Chirp by Kate Messner
- Star Crossed, Maybe He Just Likes You, My Life in the Fish Tank, Violets are Blue by Barbara Dee
- No Matter the Distance, Where the Watermelons Grow, Beginners Welcome by Cindy Baldwin
- Piecing Me Together Renée Watson
- Stanley Will Probably Be Fine, The Fire, the Water, and Maudie McGinn, Invisible Isabel by Sally Pla
- The One and Only Ivan (the series) by Katherine Applegate
- Blended, Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper
- Ghost Boys and Black Brother, Black Brother by Jewell Parker Rhodes
- Ghost by Jason Reynolds
- House Arrest by K. A. Holt
- Genesis Begins by Alicia D Williams
- Wish by Barbara O'Connor
- Benefits of Being an Octopus by Ann Braden
- Rain Reign by Ann M Martin
- Marcelo in the Real World by Francisco X Stork

- Good Enough by Jen Petro-Roy
- Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus by Dusti Bowling
- Footer Davis is Probably Crazy by Susan Vaught
- A Whole New Ball Game by Phil Bildner
- The Magical Imperfect by Chris Baron
- Refugee by Alan Gratz
- Focused, Braced, Taking Up Space by Alyson Gerber
- The Science of Breakable Things, When You Trap and Tiger by Tae Keller
- Bat by Elana Arnold
- Wonder by R.J. Palacio
- Forget Me Not by Ellie Terry
- Starfish, And Then Boom! by Lisa Fipps
- The War that Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

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