1) Looking after Louis

1. **Author:** Lesley Ely

   **Illustrated:** by Polly Dumbar

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   **Number of pages:** 32 pages

   **ISBN-10:** 0807547468

2. **Reading Level:** 2-5 Read 7 - 10 years

3. **Plot Synopsis:** At school, a new classmate is named Louis. Louis is at the same table with a little girl. Louis suffers from autism, but through imagination, friendliness, and football, his classmates slowly begin to understand him and accept him.

4. **Critical Review:** This book can be shared with classmates at school. This book can be used as a tool to discuss disability and inclusiveness. Discuss with your classmates how to help and integrate special children into the class. However, this book still has certain problems. First of all, the entire book does not mention that Louis has Autism. It just said he was "different." Adult readers may quickly determine that this is the case, but children reading this book will not realize what really makes Louis "different". Easy to mislead children readers.

5. **Open ended questions:** How did the little girl at the table help and look at Louis? What does Louis like best?

6. **Recommendation:** I recommend this book because the book's illustrations are
well drawn and the story is very characteristic, which highlights the school life of autistic children in school. And to help students with autism classmates in the school, through this book does not discriminate these special children, and understand how to get along with these special children.

7. Is this an award-winning book: Although this book has not won an award, its score of 3.93 (out of 5 points) on GoodReads website is a widely accepted book about children with Autism.
2) Hello Goodbye Dog

1. **Author:** Maria Gianferrari

   **Illustrated:** Patrice Barton

   **Publisher:** Roaring Brook Press

   **Copyright date:** July 25, 2017

   **Number of pages:** 40 pages

   **ISBN:** 978-1626721777

2. Reading Level: PreK-2 Read

3. Plot Synopsis: A little girl in a wheelchair is called Zara, and her dog is called Moose. Moose did not want to be separated from Zara and tried to go to school with Zara, but the school did not allow pets in the school, and Moose had to leave. In the end, they thought a good idea is let the dog to have a service dog school and get the qualified for Therapy Dog certificate. Finally Moose was able to go with Zara wherever they wanted to, and never separated.

4. Critical Review: This story is perfect for parents, children, teachers and librarians, and people love the power of dogs in creating a warm and pleasant environment for readers. The point of this book is not to highlight ZARA as a disabled girl in a wheelchair. Focusing on how much the healing dog has helped a disabled child mentally and physically, the author's notes include information about the healing dog and the reading program for the healing dog. This society has a certain degree of unfairness to pets. Pets cannot enter many public places. But with the popularity of treating dogs, everyone began to accept this situation and give it recognition.
5. Open ended questions: Why wasn't the school allowed dogs to enter the school at first, but finally allowed it? Why don't dogs want to be separated from Zara?

6. Recommendation: This book is recommended because dogs have always been human friends. Especially Zara, who is in a wheelchair, sees Moose as part of her body. This book highlights the deep friendship between the dog and the owner through simple lines such as hello and goodbye. The story told is wonderful, fun and sweet.

7. Is this an award-winning book: This book has not won an award, but it has a 4.13 points (total 5 points) on the GoodReads website are very popular with readers.
3) Just Because

1. **Author:** Rebecca Elliott

**Publisher:** Lion Hudson

**Copyright date:** August 20, 2010

**Number of pages:** 32 pages

**ISBN:** 978-0745962351

2. **Reading Level:** 1-4 years

3. **Plot Synopsis:** Clemmie is a girl who can't walk, can't talk, and can't move, but her brother still loves her. And introduced a lot of interesting things they did together. The whole book is full of brother's love for sister.

4. **Critical Review:** When some families give birth to a child with a disability, they will have a hand and foot to accompany each other. The subject of this book is how two children in this family get along. The story is very warm, suitable for families with the same experience to share the story and educate their children. Despite his sister's disability, they were still able to have fun and play with each other. In addition, the subject enables readers to understand that even children with disabilities do not affect the blood relationship between children with disabilities and normal children.

5. **Open ended questions:** Toby loves his sister Clemmie because of brotherhood, or education from parents? What about Clemmie's disability?

6. **Recommendation:** This book is recommended because it illustrates families with both normal and disabled children. The brother accepted the difference about the sister, accepted all the wonderful things about the sister, and showed that she was his best
friend, so he shared everything with her. This story is complemented by beautiful, happy illustrations that capture the true meaning of the story and the love for the siblings.

7. Is this an award-winning: Dolly Gray Children's Literature Award (2012)
4) My Three Best Friends and Me, Zulay

1. **Author:** Cari Best

   **Illustrated:** Vanessa Brantley-Newton

   **Publisher:** Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR)

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   **ISBN:** 978-0374388195

2. **Reading Level:** K-3 graded

3. **Plot Synopsis:** Zulay's best friends Maya, Nancy, Chyng, they are laughed and sang together, helped each other with their homework, and played happily together. Even if Zulay is blind, she can do almost everything like other kids do. And during Field Day, with the help of the teacher, she completed a running project with a cane. Everyone is proud of her.

4. **Critical Review:** This book may be interesting for children, as most children have not been exposed to blind people before. Therefore, this book can help children understand this group of people. The owner of this book, Zulay, is black, and her friends have her whites, Asians, Hispanics, etc. This is a perfect interpretation of the idea of racial equality. The book's illustrations show Braille at everyone's desk in the classroom, and her peers can learn how to type using a Braille typewriter. All the details are taken into consideration. There is no negative stereotype of blind children. This book is very positive!

5. **Open ended questions:** Why Zulay doesn't like her cane? How did Zulay's
classmates help her at school?

6. Recommendation: This book is recommended because it focuses on a girl with color blindness who is welcomed by her classmates at school, and through her own efforts to overcome all the difficulties, positive and exciting stories. As people of color, the book highlights the idea of equality for all and no discrimination.

7. Is this an award-winning: This book has not won an award, but it has a 3.83 points (total 5 points) on the GoodReads website. It's not a very high points.
5) The Animal Boogie

1. **Author:** Debbie Harter

   **Publisher:** Barefoot Books

   **Copyright date:** January 1, 2011

   **Number of pages:** 32 pages

   **ISBN:** 978-1846866203

2. **Reading Level:** 1-5 years

3. **Plot Synopsis:** This is a cheerful book with dances and music. In the Indian jungle, children and animals learn to jump, stamp, shake and slap when they meet each other. This includes a little girl in a wheelchair. Through music, we call on everyone to be equal and to live in harmony.

4. **Critical Review:** The words in this book are simple and suitable for younger children. This is a guessing book. Each page tries to make you guess the animal that will appear next. This book is not very specific to special children, but there is a child in a wheelchair. But for younger children, this is an enlightenment book for special children. Just tell them that some children in the world need a wheelchair.

5. **Open ended questions:** Do you learn the sounds of these animals? Have you found that one child is different from the others?

6. **Recommendation:** This book is recommended because it is an interesting book. Songs and CDs included at the end of the book. You can play songs and sing and dance with the children.

7. **Is this an award-winning:** This book has not won an award, but it has a 4.09 points
Book Review

(total 5 points) on the GoodReads website. It shows that people value this book very highly.
6) Don't Call Me Special-A First Look at Disability

1. Author: Pat Thomas

Illustrator: Lesley Harker

Publisher: Barron’s Educational Series

Copyright date: May 1, 2002

Number of pages: 32 pages

ISBN: 978-0764121180

2. Reading Level: 4-7 years

3. Plot Synopsis: This book explores questions and concerns about physical disability in a pictorial manner. Teach children how to help and accept special children.

4. Critical Review: This book is an information type information book. It will ask questions throughout and tell readers how to use the book. And it will define which words are given to some young children. Maybe they don’t understand the meaning of some words. The pictures in this book are very vivid and reflect the characteristics of many special children. For example, their emotions will fluctuate greatly, and they will care about other people’s thoughts. Discuss with children what to do when this happens.

5. Open ended questions: If you come across a child like the one in the book who needs help, how can you help them properly? How to walk into their hearts and make friends with them?

6. Recommendation: This book is recommended because it is more like a reference
book. This book uses pictures to clearly show the problems and concerns of some children with physical disabilities. Help younger children understand the basics of children with disabilities and how to help children with disabilities use specialized equipment.

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We each have things that we can do easily and things that we find hard and need help with.

What about you?
Do you know any children with a disability at your school or in your family?
What things are they good at? What do they find difficult?
What are you good at? What do you find difficult?