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TLP Recommended Book List August 2012

Some out of print can be found in libraries.

Those stories that are highly recommended are marked with #.

List now includes stories for adults and teenagers.

peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment

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<i>title/author/publisher</i>	hard cover	soft cover	out of print
<p>#A True Person by Gabiann Marin and Jacqui Grantford (New Frontier Publishing French Forest NSW Aus 2007) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>This story honours the spirit of all refugees and asylum seekers. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>### A Bus Called Heaven by Bob Graham (Walker Books London UK 2011) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A young girl's passion and purpose bring hope, happiness and peace to a community needing to be renewed and restored. Recommended for children aged 5 - 12.</p>	✓		
<p>Brown Bear, White Bear by Svetlana Petrovic and Illustrated by Vincent Hardy (Eerdmans Books for Young Readers Cambridge UK 2005) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>Love has no boundaries nor limits as this heart warming story about a little girl and her bears reveals. Recommended for children aged 5 - 9.</p>	✓		
<p>Clancy the Courageous Cow by Lachie Hume (Omnibus Books Adelaide Australia 2006) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that reveals peace-building opportunities. Recommended for children aged 5 - 12.</p>		✓	
<p>Dream Carver By Diana Cohn and Amy Cordova (Chronicle Books San Francisco 2002) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story that reflects upon the importance of listening to our hearts and following our passions. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>Flip by Martyn Bedford (Walker Books 2011 - US edition, Wendy Lamb Books 2011) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story about soul transfer and living in the shoes of another person. Recommended for young adults.</p>		✓	
<p>Four Feet, Two Sandals by Karen Lynn William and Khadra Mohammad and Illustrated by Doug Chayka (W B Eerdwans 2007) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that sensitively explores the issues facing refugees in detention centres. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>Giraffes Can't Dance by Giles Andreae and Illustrated by Guy Parker-Rees (Orchard Books London 1999) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>Learning to value being different and focussing upon what can be done can heal any pain. Recommended for children aged 5-9.</p>	✓	✓	
<p>### Harry's War by John Heffernan (Omnibus Books Parkside SA Aus 2011) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p>		✓	

<p>A brilliant story that explores many issues related to war and truth and the importance of family and friendship. Recommended for children aged 10 and above.</p>			
<p>###Herb the Vegetarian Dragon by <i>Jules Bass</i> (Barefoot Books NY 1999) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story that can help explore the teachings of Gandhi. Recommended for children of any age.</p>	✓	✓	
<p>It's Lovely When You Smile by <i>Sam McBratney</i> and <i>Charles Fuge</i> (Puffin England 2006) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that reflects upon the magic of a smile. Recommended for children aged 3 - 10.</p>	✓	✓	
<p>Josephine Wants to Dance by <i>Jackie French</i> and <i>Bruce Whatley</i> (Angus and Robertson Sydney Aus 2006) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that reflects upon the importance of following our passions. Recommended for children aged 3 - 10.</p>	✓	✓	
<p>King Midas and the Golden Touch by <i>Charlotte Craft</i> illustrated by <i>K Y Craft</i> (HarperCollins 1999) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A classical story from ancient Greece that reflects upon the dangers of selfishness and greed. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>		✓	
<p>Liesl & Po by <i>Lauren Oliver</i> and illustrated by <i>Kei Acedera</i> (HarperCollins 2011) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that involves a time warp that enables relationships to recover. Recommended for young adults.</p>	✓		
<p>##Little Manfred by <i>Michael Morpurgo</i> (HarperCollins Children's Books 2011) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story about cross-cultural and family relationships during war times.. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>		✓	
<p>Looking for Atlantis by <i>Colin Thompson</i> (Julia MacRae Books Random House London1993) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that reveals the power of our imaginations. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>		✓	
<p>##Mbobo Tree by <i>Glenda Millard</i> illustrated by <i>Annie White</i> (Scholastic Press Lindfield NSW Australia 2009) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>This fascinating tale of a young girl, who has never spoken and a tree that gives life to the village. When the tree is in danger of being cut down the young girl finds her voice. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓ UK only		
<p>#Measuring Angels by <i>Lesley Ely</i> and <i>Polly Dunbar</i> (Francis Lincoln Children's Books London 2008) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p>	✓	✓	

<p>A story that reflects upon the power of friendship. Recommended for children aged 5 - 10.</p>			
<p>Me and My Bike by Ander (Heryin Books Alhambra CA USA date unknown) <i>peace with ourselves</i></p> <p>A story that reflects upon the importance of dealing with the realities of life. Recommended for children aged 5 - 10.</p>	✓		
<p>#Milton's Secret by Eckhart Tolle and Robert S Friedman illustrated by Frank Riccio (Nameste Publishing Vancouver Canada & Hampton Roads Publishing Co Charlottesville Virginia USA 2008) <i>peace with ourselves</i></p> <p>Finding personal peace for a boy is difficult especially when he is bullied at school. A very special cat teaches the boy about the power of living in the moment rather than worrying about what might happen.</p>	✓		
<p>#Milo and the Magical Stones by Marcus Pfister (North-South Books NY 1997) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story that reflects upon the importance of sustainability and caring for the environment. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>		✓	
<p>Mole Music by David McPhail (Henry Holt and Co New York 1999) includes CD <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story that reflects upon the importance of following our hearts. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>		✓ e-book	
<p>#Naomi's Tree by Joy Kogawa illustrated by Ruth Ohi (Fitzhenry & Whiteside Ontario Canada 2008) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story that reflects upon the common humanity we share. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>#One City, Two Brothers by Chris Smith (Barefoot Books Cambridge Massachusetts USA 2007) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that explores the possibility of a peace-building solutions to a long term problems. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>###Old Turtle by Douglas Wood illustrated by Cheng-Khee Chee (Scholastic Press NY 1992) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A magnificent story that respects traditional beliefs about the purpose of peace. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>###Old Turtle and the Broken Truth by Douglas Wood illustrated by Jon J Muth (Scholastic Press NY 2003) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story that explores the common truths that link all humanity. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		

<p>Past The Shallows by <i>Favel Parrett</i> (Hachette Books 2011) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story about a dysfunctional family, community and negotiating life and working toward world peace. Recommended for young adults.</p>		✓	
<p>Pauli Pastrami Achieves World Peace by <i>James Proimos</i> (Little Brown and Company NY Boston 2009) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>Although possibly simplifying the processes involved with building peace the story can help begin the discussion with young children in relation to creating peace in their own lives and communities. Recommended for children aged 5 - 10.</p>	✓		
<p>##Planting the Trees of Kenya – the Story of Wangari Maathai by <i>Claire A Nivola</i> (Francis Foster Books New York USA 2008) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story that reveals the power of ones person's dream. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>Rhino Neil by <i>Mini Cross</i> (New Frontier Publishing Epping Australia 2005) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that reveals the importance of being ourselves. Recommended for children aged 3 - 10.</p>	✓	✓	
<p>Purple Threads by <i>Jeanine Leane</i> (University of Queensland Press 2012) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that explores Aboriginal culture and resolving issues of difference. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>		✓	
<p>##Sadako by <i>Eleanor Coerr</i> and <i>Ed Young</i> (Margaret Hamilton Books Sydney 1995) other editions available <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A timeless classic that reveals the power of the voices of children speaking against the dangers of nuclear weapons. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>		✓	
<p>Seadragon Sea by <i>Margaret Spurling</i> and <i>Danny Snell</i> (Working Title Press Kingswood SA 2006) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story that reveals the beauty and yet vulnerability of life under the sea. Recommended for children aged 5 - 10.</p>		✓	
<p>##Secret of the Peaceful Warrior by <i>Dan Millman</i> illustrated by <i>T Taylor Bruce</i> (H J Kramer Inc. Tiburon Cal USA 1991) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>This extraordinary story seeks to build confidence and strength of mind in young people who are constantly in fear of being bullied. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>##Stone Soup by <i>Jon J Muth</i> (Scholastic Press NY 2003) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p>	only DVD		

<p>An ancient tale retold that reflects upon the importance of community and working together. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>			
<p>The Tenderness of Wolves by <i>Stef Penney</i> (Quercus Publishing Plc 2007) <i>peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story about the environment and relationships and resolving differences. Recommended for adults.</p>			
<p>The Big Little Book of Happy Sadness by <i>Colin Thompson</i> (Random House Australia 2008) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that reflects upon the magical and transformational power of love. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>			
<p>The Bunyip at Berkeley Creek by <i>Jenny Wagner</i> and <i>Ron Brooks</i> (Puffin Books Camberwell Victoria 1990) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story about one of Indigenous Australians' mythical creatures which lives in billabongs. Recommended for children aged 5 - 12.</p>			
<p>The Burnt Stick by <i>Anthony Hill</i> illustrated by <i>Mark Sofilas</i> (Viking Books Australia 1994) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story that reveals a sad time in Australian history. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>			
<p>The Coming of Night: A Yoruba Creation Story from West Africa by <i>James Riordan</i> and <i>Jenny Stow</i> (Frances Lincoln Great Britain 1999) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A traditional creation story that explores aspects of creation seen through African eyes. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>			
<p>#The Conquerors by <i>David McKee</i> (Andersen Press London 2004) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A powerful story that reflects upon the impact of war upon soldiers and people. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>			
<p>##The Dragon Test by <i>June Crebbin</i> and <i>Polly Dunbar</i> (Walker Books London 2003) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A wonderful tale about a young girl who becomes a hero and challenges traditional thinking. Recommended for children aged 5 - 12.</p>			
<p>#The Island by <i>John Heffernan</i> and <i>Peyer Sheehan</i> (Scholastic Press Gosford Aus 2005) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story that challenges our thinking about what is important in life. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>			
<p>The Keeping Quilt by <i>Patricia Polacco</i> and illustrated by <i>Patricia Polacco</i> (Turtleback Books 2001) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p>			

<p>A story about families across time and Jewish culture. Recommended for children aged 5 - 12.</p>			
<p>The Listening Tree by Celia Barker Lottridge (Fitzhenry and Whiteside 2011) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A story about coping with change and overcoming fears to help others in need. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>		✓	
<p>##The Little Refugee by <i>Anh Doh</i> and <i>Suzanne Do</i> and illustrated by <i>Bruce Whatley</i> (Allen & Unwin Crows Nest NSW Aus 2011) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>The ever present debate in our communities in relation to the plight of refugees and boat people can be constructively supported by the heart warming true story. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>###The Little Soul and the Earth by <i>Neale Donald Walsch</i> illustrated by Frank Riccio (Hampton Roads Charlottesville VA USA 1998) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>The sequel to Little Soul and the Sun this story further develops the same spiritual message especially in relation to why new life begins. We highly recommend sharing this story.</p>	✓		
<p>###The Little Soul and the Sun by <i>Neale Donald Walsch</i> illustrated by Frank Riccio (Hampton Roads Charlottesville VA USA 1998) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>This outstanding story can deliver a peaceful spiritual message to any person not only a child. We highly recommend sharing this story.</p>	✓		
<p>The Peasant Prince by <i>Li Cunxin</i> illustrated by <i>Anne Spudvilas</i> (Viking Penguin Victoria Australia 2007) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story from China based upon the novel Mao's Last Dancer. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>The Rainbow Fish by <i>Marcus Ffister</i> translated by J. Alison James (North-South Books Zurich Switzerland 1992) <i>peace with ourselves-peace with each other-peace with the environment</i></p> <p>An enchanting story about the importance of sharing. Recommended for children aged 5 - 10.</p>	✓	✓	
<p>The Short and Incredibly Happy Life of Riley by <i>Colin Thompson</i> illustrated by <i>Amy Lissiat</i> (Lothian Books Melbourne Victoria 2005) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>An amazing story that reveals the power of positive thinking. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>		✓	
<p>##The Tear Thief by <i>Carol Ann Duffy</i> illustrated by <i>Nicoletta Ceccoli</i> (Barefoot Books USA date unknown) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A wonderful story that sensitively explores our emotional worlds. Recommended for children aged 5 and above.</p>	✓	coming 2012	

<p>#The Velveteen Rabbit by <i>Margery Williams</i> (HarperCollins 1st ed published in 1922 in US) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A wonderful story of enduring and unconditional love. This version is beautifully illustrated. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓	✓	
<p>The Woman Who Married a Bear <i>retold by Elizabeth James illustrated by Atanas</i> (Simply Read Books Canada 2008) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>A traditional Indian tale that explores age old truths. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		
<p>##The Whisperer by <i>Nick Butterworth</i> (HarperCollins Books Great Britain 2004) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>An enchanting story that transforms a tragic traditional tale into one that is peace-building. Recommended for children aged 5 and above.</p>		✓	
<p>Wonder by <i>R. J. Palacio</i> (Doubleday 2012) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other</i></p> <p>A story about schoolyard dynamics with relationship issues being resolved. Recommended for children aged 7- 10.</p>		✓	
<p>#Zen Shorts by <i>Jon J Muth</i> (Scholastic Press New York Aus 2005) <i>peace with ourselves - peace with each other - peace with the environment</i></p> <p>Zen stories are powerful teaching stories that reflect upon the things in life that truly matter. Recommended for children aged 7 and above.</p>	✓		