**LET'S TALK, READ AND SING ABOUT DIVERSITY!**

**BOOKS**

- **Be Who You Are**
  By: Todd Parr
  In this colorful picture book, bright drawings and bold words encourage children to be proud of who they are, inside and out. *Be who you are! Be proud of where you’re from. Speak your language. Wear everything you need to be you!*

- **Happy in Our Skin**
  By: Fran Manushkin
  Illustrated By: Lauren Tobia
  Through charming text and illustrations of diverse families, this delightful rhyming book celebrates the beauty of all shades of skin, and how wonderful it is to be just who you are. Follow families as they go about everyday activities, loving the skin they’re in.

- **Julián Is a Mermaid**
  By: Jessica Love
  In this beautiful picture book on self-love and individuality, young Julián is mesmerized when he sees some women dressed as mermaids. Julián begins to dream of dressing up like a mermaid, but what will his abuela (grandmother) think about the mess he makes and about how Julián sees himself?

- **All Kinds of Friends**
  By: Shelley Rotner and Sheila M. Kelly
  In this engaging take on diversity, this picture book demonstrates how friends come in different colors, sizes, shapes, and ages. Through the colorful photographs and simple text, discover ways to be a great friend and celebrate all of the different kinds of friendships you have.

- **Yo! Yes?**
  By: Chris Raschka
  Two kids meet on a street. “Yo!” says one. “Yes?” says the other. And so begins a conversation that turns strangers into friends. With vibrant illustrations, this rhythmic read-aloud is a celebration of differences -- and how it just takes a few words to overcome them.

**VIDEO**

- **Sesame Street: Song - Lupita Nyong’o Loves Her Skin**
  One of the things that makes the world such a wonderful place is diversity! From different cultures to different races and ethnicities, diversity makes the world beautiful. Today, celebrate who you are with Elmo and Lupita Nyong’o as they talk about skin. Skin comes in all different textures and shades of color – let’s love the skin we’re in! Watch the video here.

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