

TOUGH TOPICS

Inspiring Conversation in Difficult Time

Kindergarten

Grade 1

Grade 2



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I Walk with Vanessa: A Story About a Simple Act of Kindness

By Kerascoët
Schwartz & Wade, 2018. 40p.

Troubled after seeing a classmate being bullied, a young girl takes simple but courageous action in this inspiring, wordless picture book.

Red

By Jan De Kinder, Tr. by Laura Watkinson
Eerdmans, 2015. 32p.

A girl and her friends laugh when a classmate blushes on the playground. When one student takes the teasing and bullying too far, the girl must make a critical decision.

Super Manny Stands Up

By Kelly DiPucchio, Illus by Stephanie Graegin
Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2017. 40p.

Every day, Manny battles imaginary hordes of giants, cloud monsters and zombie bears. When he's faced with a bully in the school cafeteria, will he have the courage to do what he knows is right?

Body Safety

I Said No! A Kid-to-Kid Guide to Keeping Private Parts Private, 3rd ed.

By Kimberly and Zack King, Illus. by Sue Ramá
Boulden Publishing, 2016. 38p.

Zack and his mom have a conversation about proper and improper touching, and different ways to handle "red flag" situations. Open-ended questions for discussion make this a versatile resource.