

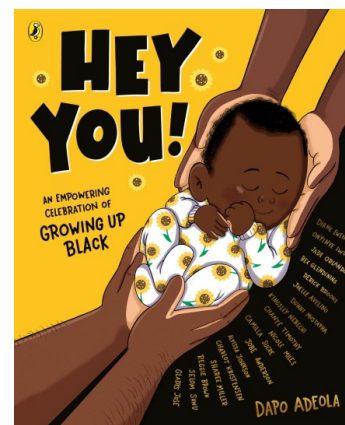
Little Rebels Exploring Social Justice

Hey You!

by **Dapo Adeola**

illustrated by various

Penguin Random House UK



“Hey you. Welcome to the world”. Feel affirmed, feel bold, feel wonderful as this author and multiple illustrators accompany you on your journey through the world...from babe in arms to questioning teenager to empowered grownup. Feel yourself held and gently guided as you navigate choices, resist, persist and thrive. A tribute to growing up Black.

Shortlisted for the 2022 Little Rebels Book Award

Social Justice Themes: Racism; Diversity; Inequality; Access; Solidarity

Things to talk about

- Look at the title and front cover of the book. What do you think it might be about and who do you think it is for?
- In his introduction at the beginning of the book Dapo Adeola says, “When I was growing up...Black people were rarely at the heart of stories - the hero”. Look at the “You are wonderful” spread on pages 5 & 6. What is the girl on the sunflower cushion imagining? What do you think the book is trying to tell you?
- Can you think of something that you are or have been curious about? What did that feel like? Why do you think the book wants you to be curious?
- Pages 27 & 28 show people protesting. Do you know what a protest is? Why do you think people sometimes feel that they need to protest?
- Pages 9 & 10 “You Stand on the shoulders of greatness”. Who are the people in this picture? Do you know what they are famous for? *There might be some help at the end of the book if you get stuck!*

Activities

- There are 19 illustrators involved in making this picture book and each has a different style of illustrations. Do you have a favourite? Can you produce some art work in the style of that illustrator?

Extended

- Black Lives Matter is a campaign against the unequal treatment of Black people. Find out some more about it and make a list of all the things that you discover.

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