

## CHAPTER 17

# The Power of Science

## Using Inquiry Thinking to Enhance Learning in a Dual Language Preschool Classroom

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The following are examples of children's books that reinforce the concepts of *alike* and *different* and provide visuals, real-life examples, and many opportunities to use the language of science.

### Books to Spark Inquiry About the Concepts of *Alike* and *Different*

*All the Colors We Are: The Story of How We Get Our Skin Color/Todos los colores de nuestra piel: La historia de por qué tenemos diferentes colores de piel*, by Katie Kissinger, photos by Chris Bohnhoff. 2014.

*Be Who You Are*, by Todd Parr. 2016.

*Beautifully Different*, by Peg Button, illus. by Elizabeth Bibza. 2021.

*Bee or Wasp (Spotting Differences: Blastoff! Readers Level 1)*, Kirsten Chang. 2019.

*Caimán o cocodrilo/Alligator or Crocodile (similares pero no iguales/Animal Look-alikes)*, by Rob Ryndak and Alberto Jimenez. 2015.

*Different? Same!* by Heather Tekavec, illus. by Pippa Curnick. 2017.

*Every Family is Different: Even Animal Families!* by Constance O'Connor and Natalia, illus. by Lucy Poley. 2019.

*Every Shade of Smile: Kids books About Race, Diversity & Inclusion for Baby, Toddlers & Preschoolers*, by Nicole Gray. 2022.

*Frog or Toad (Spotting Differences: Blastoff! Readers Level 1)*, by Kirsten Chang. 2020.

*Hedgehog or Porcupine (Spotting Differences: Blastoff! Readers Level 1)*, by Christina Leaf. 2020.

*Houses and Homes (Around the World series)*, by Ann Morris, photos by Ken Heyman. 1995.

*I'm Like You, You're Like Me/Yo soy como tú, tú eres como yo: A Book About Understanding and Appreciating Each other/Un libro para entendernos y apreciarnos (English and Spanish Edition)*, by Cindy Gainer. 2016.

*It's Okay to Be Different*, by Todd Parr. 2009.

*Our Skin: A First Conversation About Race*, by Megan Madison and Jessica Ralli, illus. by Isabel Roxas. 2021.

*Same and Different (National Geographic Little Kids Look and Learn series)*, by National Geographic Kids. 2012.

*Same, Same but Different*, by Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw. 2011.

*The Skin You Live In*, by Michael Tyler, illus. by David Lee Csicsko. 2013.

*We're Different, We're the Same (and We're All Wonderful) (Sesame Street)*, by Bobbie Kates, illus. by Joe Mathieu. 2017.

*What We Wear: Dressing Up around the World (Global Fund for Children series)*, by Maya Ajmera, Elise Hofer Derstine, and Cynthia Pon. 2012.

*What's the Difference: Being Different is Amazing*, by Doyin Richards. 2022.