

Social Justice Literature

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Title of Book: Fly Away Home

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What social topic/s does this book address:

- race
- culture (including immigration)
- gender
- sexual orientation
- ability
- family composition (including adoption)
- Class/poverty/homelessness/unemployment

Brief synopsis of the book:

A boy and his father live in an airport. The father has a job but is unable to afford a place for them to live. They have a support circle of people who live there with them, but have to be very secretive.

Is this story authentic in regard to:

story line

today's society

social topic

characters

Is this story:

Respectful

Engaging

Honoring

Does this story directly talk about the social topic or does it tell a story using a social topic as a subtle background?

directly about the topic

Would you read this story to your class? _____

Would you want your child's teacher to read this story? _____

What big ideas or questions do you see emerging from this book?

Homelessness, I like that it removes the stereotype of homeless people, the father has a job and takes good care of his son. We are using this book to talk about the reality this boy must face day to day, and in situations such as Halloween.