Workshop #2: Universal Design in Libraries



Handout #3

Collections Development

Chart from: Sharron Hollander (2004).

	Inclusion Literature	Immersion Literature
Aims/Purposes	 Didactic To teach children about a particular type of disability To raise awareness of disability To understand and accept differences, develop tolerance, and respectful attitudes 	 Enjoyment To engage children in an interesting topic and storyline To show characters who are fully engaged in life
Characters	Have a disabilityThe disability defines the character	 Have a disability The disability does not define the character
Assumed Audience	Non-disabled childrenAbleist norms	 All children Non-disabled and disabled
Verbal/Visual text	 Reference to disability erased from both verbal and nonverbal text 	 Reference to disability included in visual text May/may not be included in the verbal text
Agency/Voice	 Story narrated in second or third person eg. you/they, he/she Disabled character is denied agency and voice 	 Story narrated in first person eg. I/we Disabled character has agency, is given a voice and tells their own story

Portrayal of Disability	 Disability is to be accepted and tolerated by those who are non-disabled 	 Disability is not the focal point of the story - it is incidental and unremarkable There is no moralistic or educational message The lived reality of disability is depicted accurately and authentically Being different is normal because all human beings are individual and different
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