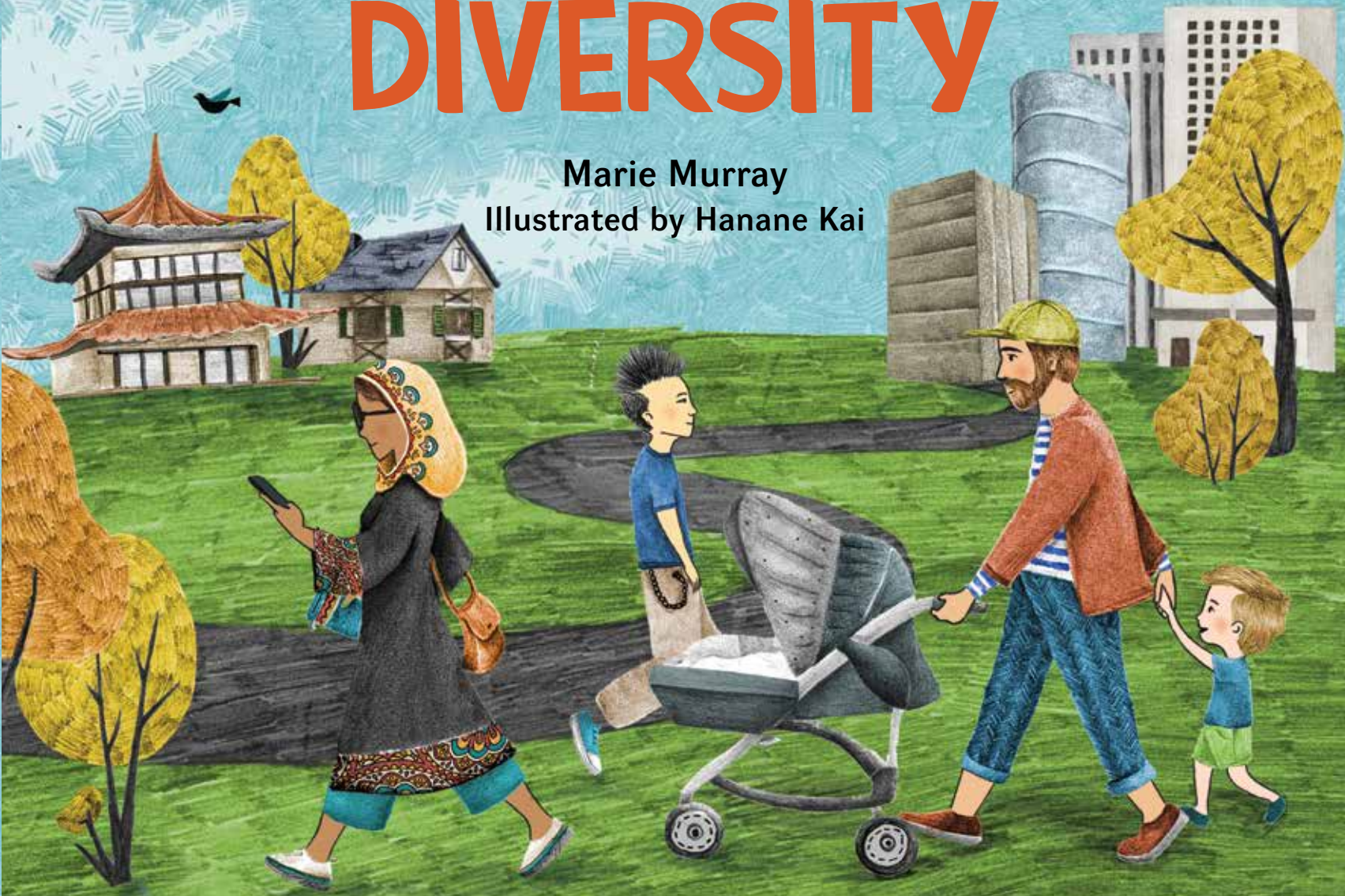


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Think for a moment about the home you live in. What is it made from and what does it look like? Who lives there with you? What do you like to do together? What foods do you eat? What language or languages do you speak together? What do you celebrate and what do you believe?



The answers to these questions may seem very natural to you, but could seem strange to someone else in another part of the world, or even in a different part of your own country or community.



The way people live, how they work, and what they believe are all part of their culture. So are what they eat, how they dress, the music they enjoy, and the language they speak.

We often feel a sense of belonging with other people who share our culture. It helps us feel that we are part of a group.



Find Out More

Books

Children Just Like Me: A New Celebration of Children Around the World
DK Publishing, 2016

Children Just Like Me: A School Like Mine
DK Publishing, 2016

If You Were Me and Lived In . . . series
Carole P. Roman, CreateSpace

Websites

Mix It Up at Lunch Day is an international event that schools can host any day of the year. Click on “WHAT IS MIX? | KIDS”:
tolerance.org/mix-it-up

Find out more about culture from National Geographic Kids:
kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/countries



Glossary

climate: the weather patterns of a certain place

community: a group of people who often live close together

contribute: to give or to help make something happen

culture: the behavior, interests, customs, and way of life of a group of people

diverse: having lots of variety

diversity: a variety of people from many backgrounds

festival: a celebration that brings many people together

geography: the physical qualities of an area of land or sea

immigrants: people who move to another country or region

opportunities: chances to do the things one would like to do

plains: areas of land that are mostly flat and have few trees

religion: a shared belief or system of beliefs that helps people find meaning in the world

respectful: treating someone or something with dignity

vibrant: lively, colorful, and energetic