Kid’s Book Checklist

‘There is no doubt that violence against women and children is deeply rooted in power imbalances that are reinforced by gender norms and stereotypes.’


A number of children’s books continue to reinforce gender stereotyping, i.e. girls are beautiful, charming, quiet and well-mannered; boys are strong, powerful, assertive and rarely show their emotions. To help reduce gender stereotyping, consider the books your kids are reading...

- Are girls portrayed as strong characters?
- Are girls daring, brave and smart?
- Are girls interested in science, technology, engineering, maths, outdoors, adventuring?
- Are girls resilient problem solvers?
- Are boys portrayed as kind and caring?
- Are boys portrayed as nurturing and loving?
- Are boys respectful to all genders?
- Are boys able to, and encouraged to, express their feelings?

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