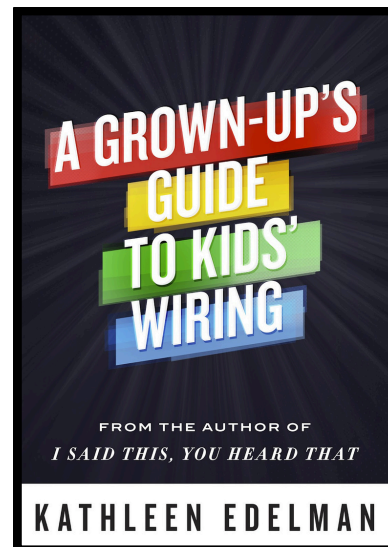
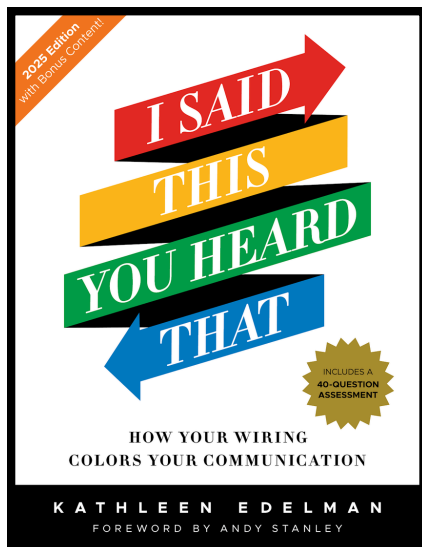


Reading in Color

A Book List inspired by



Red (Choleric)

This child is bold, driven, confident, determined, and brave.

What they connect with:

Stories with action, strong protagonists, and lessons in cooperation, empathy, and humility.

Picture Books:

- *Brave Irene* by William Steig - Determination and serving others
- *The Most Magnificent Thing* by Ashley Spires - Handling frustration
- *Enemy Pie* by Derek Munson - Temper intensity and Rethinking conflict
- *What Do you Do with a Problem?* by Kobi Yamada - Facing challenges thoughtfully
- *Stone Soup* by Jon J. Muth - Working together and valuing community
- *How Full is Your Bucket? For Kids* by Tom Rath - Emotional awareness

Early Chapter Books:

- *Katie Woo Rules the School* by Fran Manushkin
- *Jasmine Toguchi: Mochi Queen* by Debbi Michiko Florence
- *Nate the Great* by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat

Middle Grade Novel:

- *Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan
- *Anne of Green Gables* by L.M. Montgomery

Yellow (Sanguine)

This child is outgoing, expressive, optimistic, energetic, and social.

What they connect with:

Funny, expressive books with strong friendships and messages about self-regulation and focus

Picture Books:

- *Interrupting Chicken* by David Ezra Stein - The value of listening
- *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds - Creativity and confidence
- *Llama Llama Mad at Mama* by Anna Dewdney - Patience and emotional regulation
- *Waiting Is Not Easy!* by Mo Willems - Delayed gratification and managing excitement
- *Be Kind* by Pat Zietlow Miller - Channeling enthusiasm into meaningful kindness
- *How Full Is Your Bucket? For Kids* by Tom Rath - Empathy and emotional awareness

Early Chapter Books:

- *Junie B. Jones* series by Barbara Park
- *Amelia Bedelia* series by Peggy Parish / Herman Parish
- *Heidi Heckelbeck* by Wanda Coven
- *Notebook of Doom* by Troy Cummings

Middle Grade Novel:

- *Pippi Longstocking* by Astrid Lindgren
- *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain

Green (Phlegmatic)

This child is peaceful, steady, easygoing, calm, and gentle.

What they connect with:

Low-conflict, kind-hearted stories with soft humor and nudges toward speaking up and showing confidence.

Picture Books:

- *Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon* by Patty Lovell - Building self-confidence
- *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds - Creativity and confidence
- *The Quiet Book* by Deborah Underwood - Validating calmness and quiet strength
- *Giraffes Can't Dance* by Giles Andreae - Trying new things
- *I Can Do Hard Things* by Gabi Garcia - Courage and resilience
- *Say Something* by Peter H. Reynolds - Using your voice
- *The Lion Inside* by Rachel Bright - Finding inner courage
- *How Full Is Your Bucket? For Kids* by Tom Rath - Empathy and emotional awareness

Early Chapter Books:

- *Henry and Mudge* by Cynthia Rylant
- *Frog and Toad* by Arnold Lobel
- *Little Bear* by Else Holmelund Minarik
- *Yasmin* series by Saadia Faruqi

Middle Grade Novel:

- *Charlotte's Web* by E.B. White
- *The Cricket in Times Square* by George Selden

Blue (Melancholic)

This child is thoughtful, deep, structured, sensitive, and empathetic.

What they connect with:

Stories with depth, emotion, and meaning, and some encouragement to embrace flexibility and imperfection

Picture Books:

- *The Rabbit Listened* by Cori Doerrfeld - Compassion and emotional processing
- *A Sick Day for Amos McGee* by Philip C. Stead - Loyalty and kindness
- *Ish* by Peter H. Reynolds - Freedom to try and be imperfect
- *Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge* by Mem Fox - Tenderness and emotional connection
- *What Do You Do With a Problem?* by Kobi Yamada - Facing challenges thoughtfully
- *The Magical Yet* by Angela DiTerlizzi - Growth mindset and progress over perfection
- *How Full Is Your Bucket? For Kids* by Tom Rath - Empathy and emotional awareness

Early Chapter Books:

- *Anna Hibiscus* by Atinuke
- *Ivy and Bean* by Annie Barrows
- *Lola Levine Is Not Mean* by Monica Brown
- *A to Z Mysteries* series by Ron Roy

Middle Grade Novel:

- *The View from Saturday* by E.L. Konigsburg
- *A Little Princess* by Frances Hodgson Burnett