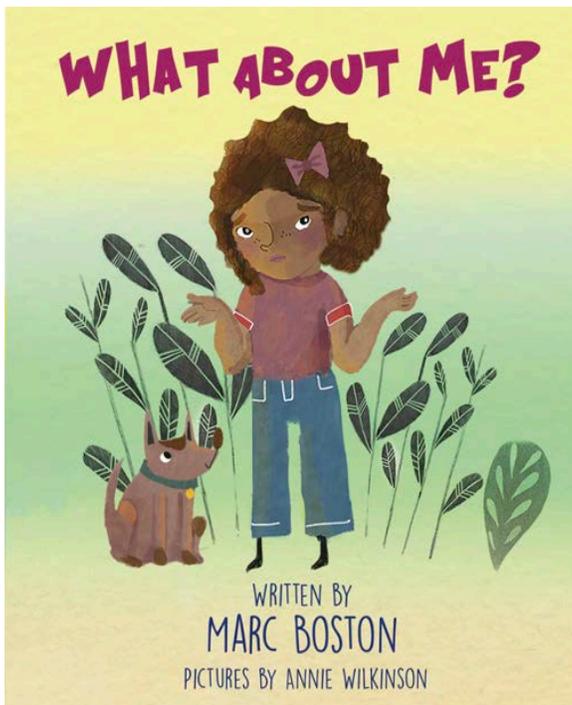


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# Author Bio

Marc Boston has always been a lover of books but didn't grow up aspiring to become an author. However, as a stay-at-home dad and evening bedtime story reader, he was inspired to write original stories, that included diverse characters, to read to his daughters. As Toni Morrison stated, "If there's a book you want to read, but it hasn't been written yet, then you must write it." Gathering many of his writing ideas from daily interactions with his girls, he did just that. And the result is *The Girl Who Carried Too Much Stuff*, his first published children's picture book. His second published children's book is entitled, *What About Me?*.

He also freelances for various publications writing about conscious parenting, and self-discovery.

Marc was born in Baltimore, MD, and raised in Kansas City, KS. He lives with his wife Rachael and their three daughters in Charlottesville, VA.



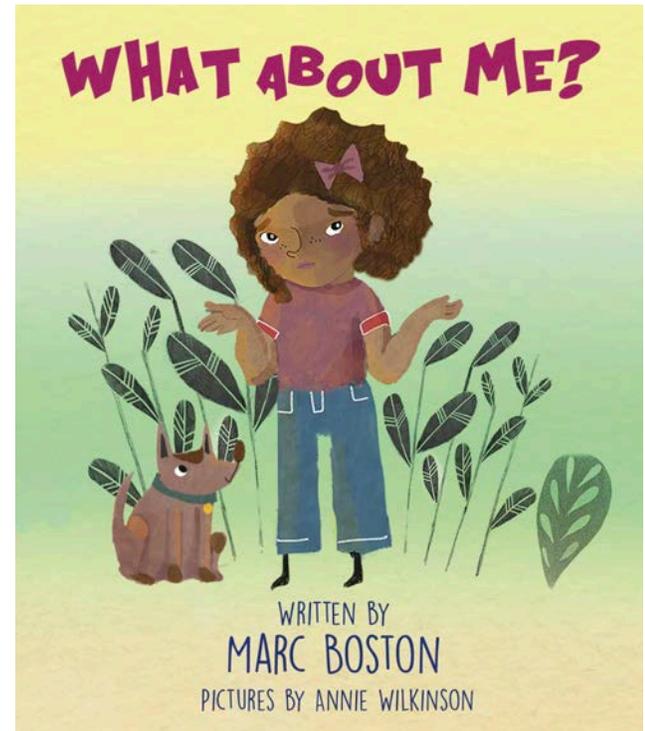
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# Book Bios



The Girl Who Carried Too Much Stuff, is the tale of a little girl who loves to collect things! Not only does she collect them, but she gathers up as many of her possessions as she can hold, (stuffed animals, books, and toys) and carries them around with her whenever she leaves her home. She soon finds that lugging around too much stuff may not be as much fun, or as necessary as she thought.

This delightful children's story touches on the issues we face in society of overconsumption and materialism, demonstrating that the ideas of caring and sharing can ultimately be more fulfilling.



Little sister wants to be a part of the fun! However, she feels she's being ignored by her older sisters. Will they eventually let her play with them, or will she have to find a way to amuse herself?

This story of self-empowerment stresses the idea that, just because you're alone, doesn't mean you have to feel lonely. And it reassures us that we each have the power to create for ourselves, and don't really have to ask, "What About Me?"

# TESTIMONIALS



**“INSTANT CLASSIC.** Reminds me of Dr. Seuss’s *The Lorax* and *Horton Hears a Who*. I love this book! I bought 3 copies of *The Girl Who Carried Too Much Stuff* at Marc's book launch. I absolutely love this book and can't wait to share my copies with my young friends and family members. Marc's writing reminds me of Dr. Seuss in that it is fun and accessible... yet has a wonderful and caring philosophy to back up the prose. I put it on the same level as *The Lorax* or *Horton Hears a Who* in that this book has a moral core about valuing people more than things.” **Carolyn O’Neal, Author of ‘Kingsley’ and ‘Honey I’m Yours: Adventures in beekeeping’**



Marc Boston’s books burst with fun and positivity! They’re sure to delight and inspire both kids and adults. I can’t wait to see what other stories he’ll share with the world!” **Amy Lee Tai, Author of, 'A Place Where Sunflowers Grow'**



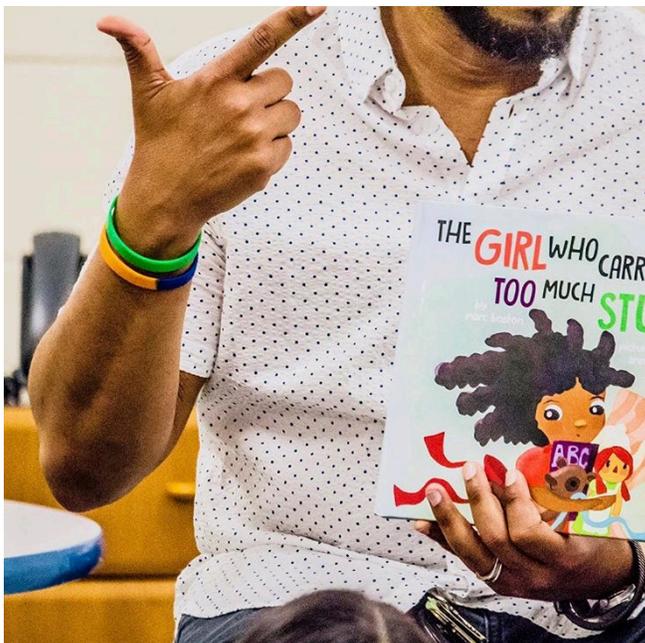
"Marc brings a fresh, fun voice to children's literature. With humor and heart, his books address real life issues and speak to both children and adults. I'm always left smiling and nodding after one of Marc's books." **Kathy Erskine, National Book Award Winning Author of, ‘Mockingbird,’ and ‘The Incredible Magic of Being’**

**“ GREAT BOOK TO READ!** I bought this book for my children and one for my classroom. My kids absolutely love the story and have had me read it to them several times. I've read it to the students in my classroom and they were so engaged in the story. Teaches a great lesson and simple enough to understand. Getting one for everyone we know.”

**Adrien Polk Henry, Teacher**

# Author Readings & Signings

- Birthday Party Readings
  - School Readings
- Businesses/Libraries/Book Store Readings
  - Public Speaking Engagements
- Resident author of Virginia Humanities – “Changing the Narrative” Initiative to enrich the learning of under-served students from diverse backgrounds. Visit ["VirginiaHumanities.org/changing-the-narrative/author-residencies"](https://VirginiaHumanities.org/changing-the-narrative/author-residencies) for more information.



## Who Should Read

Marc's books touch on the metaphors of life, so anyone interested in exploring..

- Themes of self-empowerment
- The concept of “letting go”
- Diversity and inclusion
- Fun, animated illustrations filled with heart

..should read his books.

# Book Excerpts

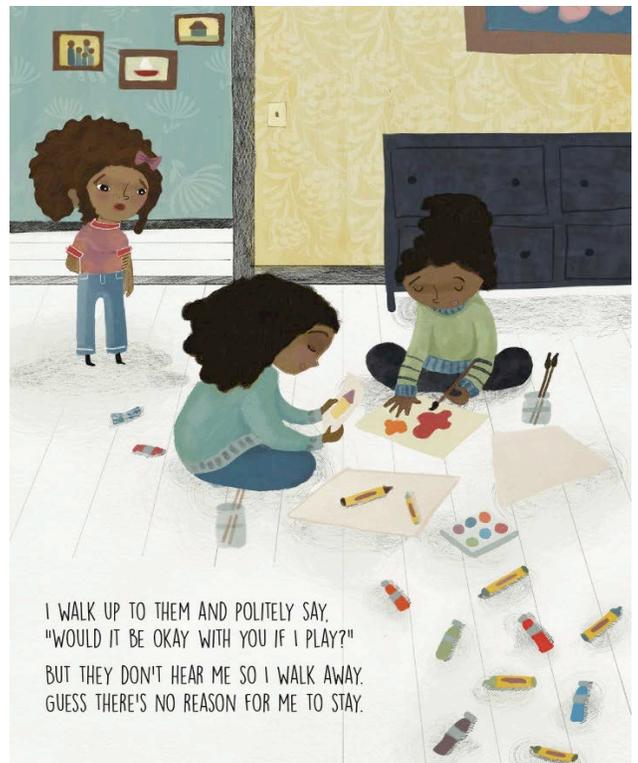


*“When the challenges come and the going gets tough, know that life can be rough when we carry too much stuff.”* Marc Boston

“There once was a girl who had too much stuff, who never felt she had enough. She collected things both new and old. The way it piled up was a sight to behold! All over the house her things would abound. And she liked to gather them up and drag them around.” – *The Girl Who Carried Too Much Stuff*

“I demand that they stop leaving me out. And if they don’t then I’m going to shout! But they look at me with confusion and doubt, as if they don’t know what I’m talking about.” –

**What About Me?**



I WALK UP TO THEM AND POLITELY SAY,  
“WOULD IT BE OKAY WITH YOU IF I PLAY?”  
BUT THEY DON’T HEAR ME SO I WALK AWAY.  
GUESS THERE’S NO REASON FOR ME TO STAY.

# Interview Questions

1 Please share your inspiration for your books?

2 Why did you decide to self-publish your first book?

3 Do you see yourself continuing to self-publish or pursuing traditional publishing at some point?

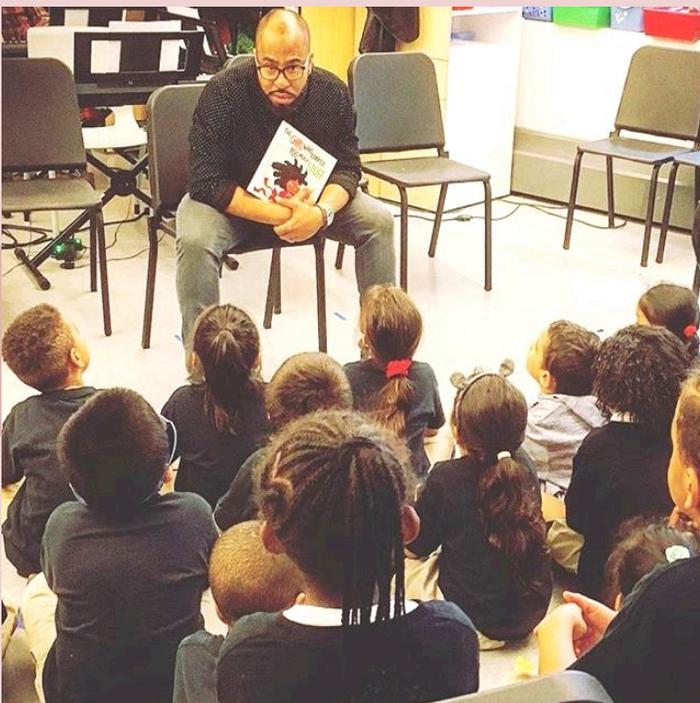
4 There are so many writers looking to publish picture books. What do you feel sets your writing apart?

5 Why is it important to you to send main characters of color out into the world?

6 What has been the most rewarding part about your writer's life?

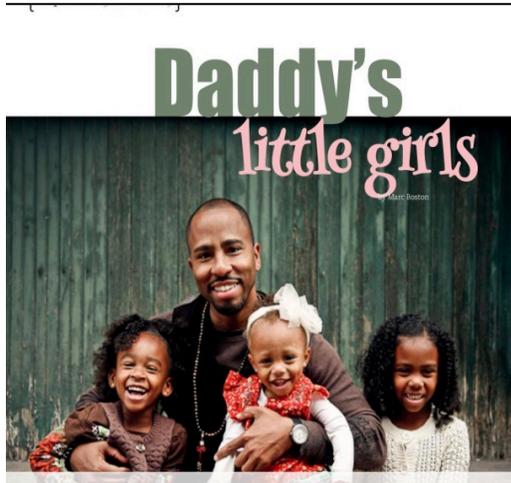
7 What has been the most challenging part about your writer's life?

8 What other stories are you working on these days?



# MAGAZINE ARTICLES ( Story Ideas for Reporters):

Marc freelances for various publications with emphasis on conscious parenting. Some of the articles and publications include:

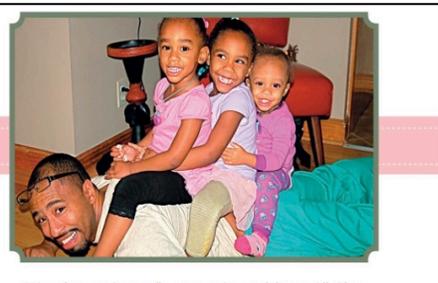


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"I love how their smiles explode into girlish giggles when I chase them around and tickle them crazy when I catch them."



## CHARLOTTESVILLE FAMILY'S BLOOM MAGAZINE:

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### DAYS OUT WITH DAD

by Marc Boston

Educational Outings Make Memorable Keepsakes






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## my daughters MY INSPIRATION



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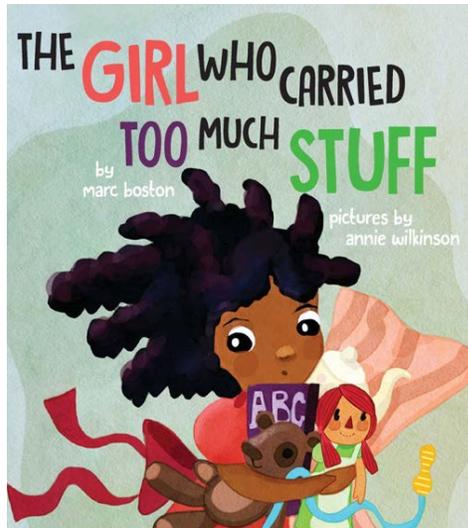
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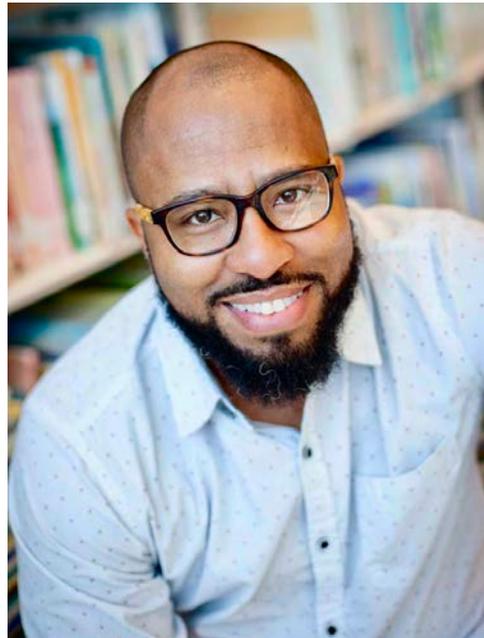
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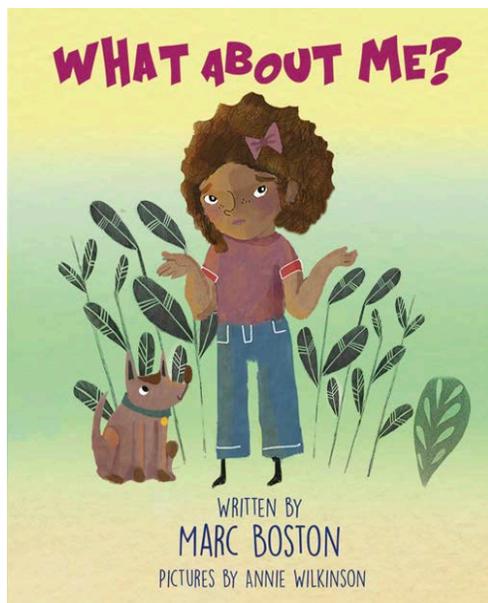
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