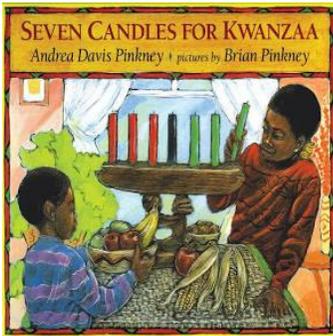


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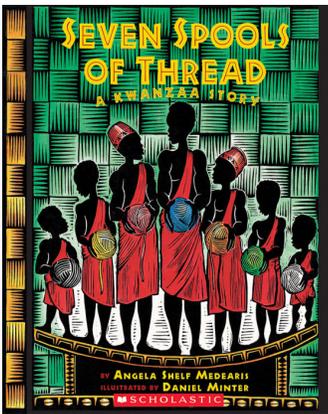


## Seven Candles for Kwanzaa

Grades Pre-K - 5th grade

Learn about the seven candles representing the seven days of Kwanzaa. Follow the recipes for such dishes as Ashanti Peanut Soup, North African Orange Salad, and Senegalese Cookies to make a Kwanzaa feast. Use the instructions to make masks and African toe puppets and other wonderful zawadi – special Kwanzaa gifts. Learn Swahili for "What's news?" (Habari gani) and other Swahili words and phrases that are part of the holiday.

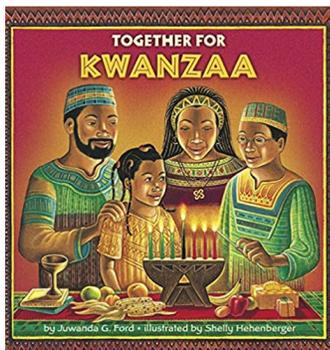
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## Seven Spools of Thread: A Kwanzaa Story

Grades 1 -5

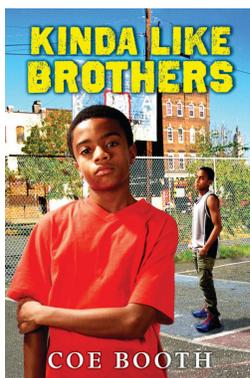
In an African village live seven brothers who make family life miserable with their constant fighting. When their father dies, he leaves an unusual will: by sundown, the brothers must make gold out of seven spools of thread. If they fail, they will be turned out as beggars. Using the Nguzo Saba, or "seven principles" of Kwanzaa, the author has created an unforgettable story that shows how family members can pull together, for their own good and the good of the entire community. (summary: [www.scholastic.com](http://www.scholastic.com))



## Together for Kwanzaa

Grades Pre-K - 2

Kwanzaa is Kayla's favorite time of year. But this year, it looks as if a heavy snowstorm will keep her big brother, Khari, from getting home in time for the festivities! Will Khari miss the celebration completely? Or will Kayla and her brother somehow find a way to be together for Kwanzaa? A perfect introduction to Kwanzaa, this book will teach children all about the traditions and practices that make it a special winter holiday. This book also provides pronunciation for the words in Swahili. (Summary: Amazon)



For your older readers

[Books for Nguzo Saba: the seven principles of Kwanzaa](#)

Grades 5 - 12

This guide created by Deimos Webber-Bey has a book that exemplifies each of the Nguzo Saba (Seven principles). She explains in this guide how each book title aligns to the principles. ([click the title to access link](#))