

## MICHELLE MARTIN'S "TOP PICKS" in African-American Children's Literature

### EVERYDAY BLACKNESS

These books examine everyday experiences of Black Americans. They document diversity in daily life. Within this category is a subgenre of books focused on celebrating Black families.

- ■ **The Snowy Day**, Ezra Jack Keats, 1962
- **My Daddy is a Monster ... Sometimes**, John Steptoe, 1980
- **The Patchwork Quilt**, Valerie Flournoy and Jerry Pinkey, 1985
- **Mirandy and Brother Wind**, Patricia McKissack, 1988
- **Aunt Flossie's Hats ... and Crab Cakes Later**

