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What's going on this week?



New research has shown that fewer than 1% of authors that feature in exam texts in English secondary schools are from an ethnic minority background. The publisher, Penguin and the Runnymede Trust, analysed data from exam boards relating to more than half a million pupils in England. Other research conducted by BookTrust Research and CLPE last year, showed that the number of children's books published in the UK between 2017 and 2019 featuring characters from an ethnic minority background was 10%.

Things to talk about at home...

- Who is your favourite book character? Why are they your favourite character?
- Do you have a favourite author? If you do, what do you know about the author?
- Can you think of a book with a character who is like you? In what way are you similar?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...



