## THE SNOWY DAY and the art of Ezra Jack Keats

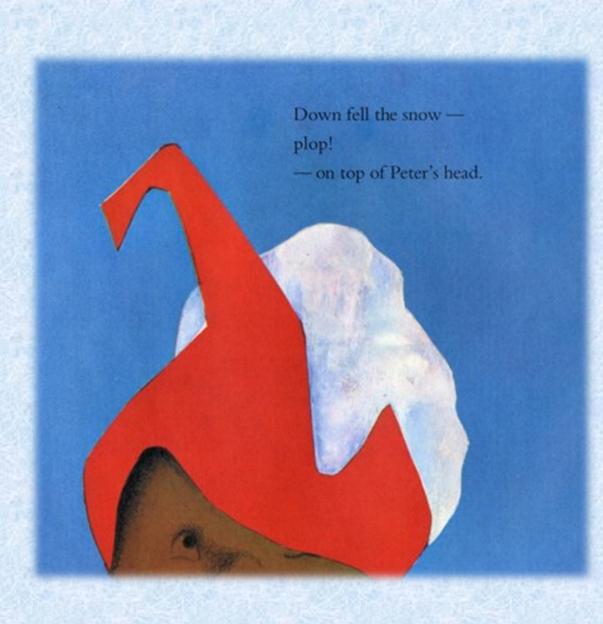
In this Caldecott Award-winning book, a young boy named Peter experiences the joy of a snowy day.

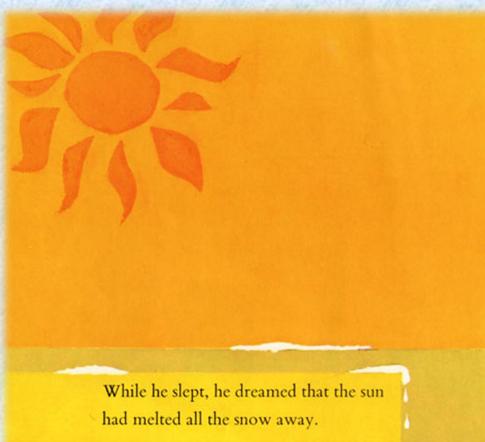
But The Snowy Day is not about just any boy. The protagonist, Peter, is quite noticeably and significantly - African American, an important difference at the height of the civil rights movement, when characters in children's books tended to reflect the colour of their overwhelmingly white authors and publishers.

It is widely considered to be the first fullcolour picture book to feature a black boy as its protagonist.

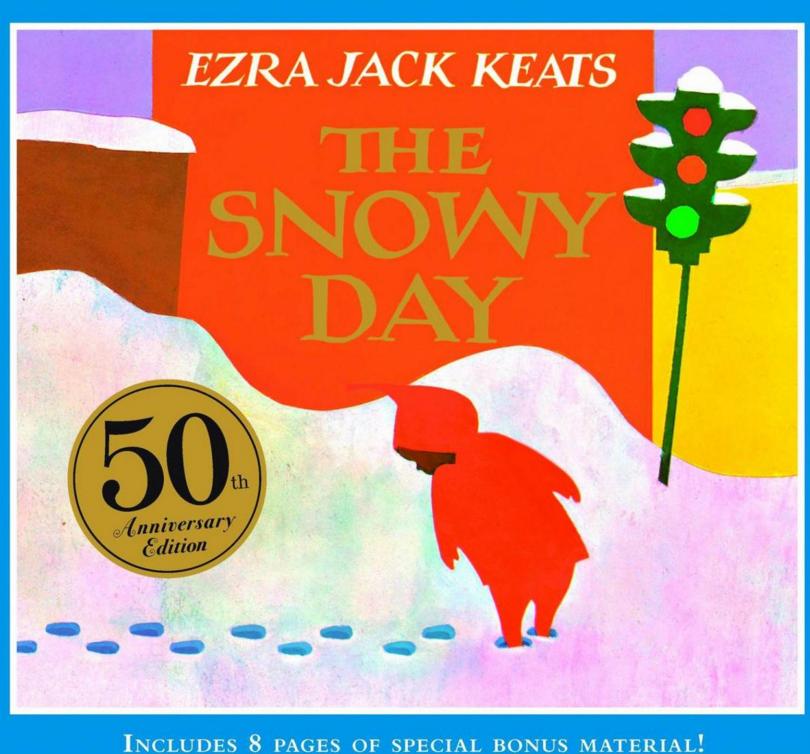
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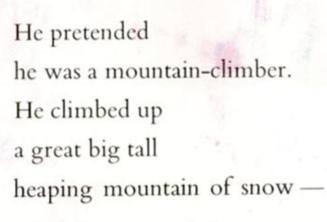






First published in 1962, this now-classic book broke the colour barrier in mainstream children's publishing.

The vivid and ageless illustrations and text, beloved by several generations of readers, have earned it a place in the pantheon of great children's literature.



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