Il potenziale politico della letteratura per l'infanzia. Il racconto della migrazione negli albi illustrati di Armin Greder

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Abstract

The Political Potential of Children's Literature: The story of migration in Armin Greder's picture books.

This contribution focuses its attention on the transformative political role of children's literature in the contemporary socio-cultural context. It focuses particularly on Armin Greder's picture books, with specific reference to those that directly tackle the issue of migration: the choice of an open, interrogative text form, offering creative and co-authorial readings, contributes to the construction of "engaged" books, designed by the author as manifestos against conformism, simplification and inertia when facing a complex global emergency. The three books investigated, The Island (2007), The Mediterranean (2017) and Diamonds (2020), problematise the concept of borders and the relationship with the other, encouraging the deconstruction of cultural stereotypes and calling into question assumptions of human and civil responsibility.

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