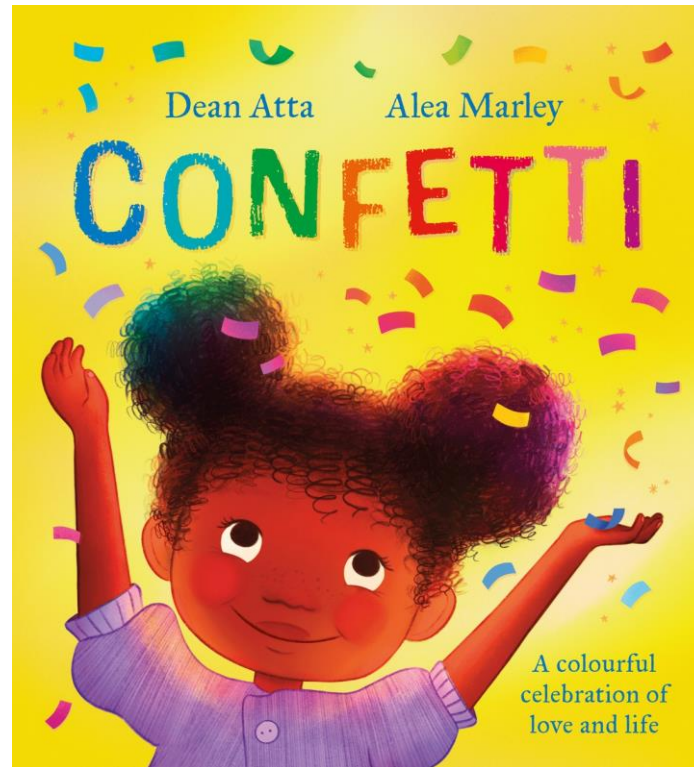


## Confetti by Dean Atta and Alea Marley



A Sensory Story for those with complex additional support needs (including PMLD.)

**We've worked with Sensory Storyteller and Founder of [My Kind of Book](#), Ailie Finlay, to create this resource to accompany Dean Atta and Alea Marley's bright and brilliant book, *Confetti*.**

Confetti is always a popular addition to a sensory story – so how about creating a sensory story that is all about confetti! The picture book *Confetti* is a lovely warm family story that is perfectly suited for adding in some sensory fun.

You may find the story a little long for children with additional needs if you are adding in confetti and props as well. Try creating a shorter version by including the first section with the pink confetti and then choosing two or three additional sections from those listed below. If you feel the text is a little long you could read the first sentence or two from each double page spread and omit the rest.

You will find that the confetti can have a very calming effect – take your time with the story as the confetti falls slowly to the ground. A little goes a long way!

## Confetti and prop suggestions for the story

(Not all of these prop suggestions are toys – they should only be used under adult supervision)

*Arianna discovers a piece...*

Use one piece of **pink confetti** and then gradually add more and more as you get to the birthday illustration.

*Uncle takes Ari to a parade...*

Use **rainbow confetti**. You might want to use **pride flags** and **banners** as well.



*Ari's family is getting bigger...*

Use **yellow confetti**. You could add in some **ribbons** as well.

*Uncle takes Ari and Andi...*

Use **orange and brown confetti**. Or cut leaves from tissue paper. (Or gather **real autumn leaves** if it is the right time of year.)



*Uncle is getting married...*

More **rainbow confetti**. Try adding some **romantic music**!



*Snow is like cold confetti...*

Use **white confetti**. You could also use 'a big white blanket' or some fake snow and ice packs.

*When it hits him...*

Yet more **rainbow confetti**! This time count to three and then throw a large handful up in the air all in one go with a big cheer.

