



## The Stone Thrower

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*The Stone Thrower*, by Jael Ealey Richardson, is the true story of Chuck Ealey, an African American boy born in 1950. He played quarterback in football throughout high school and college and never lost a game. Intended for children ages five to nine, the story is inspiring because Chuck Ealey did not let discrimination stop him from fulfilling his dreams. The book is also a wonderful tool for starting a conversation with young children about racial prejudice. Vibrant illustrations accompany the text, depicting the injustices of young Chuck Ealey's young life and the hope and determination he used to overcome them.

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