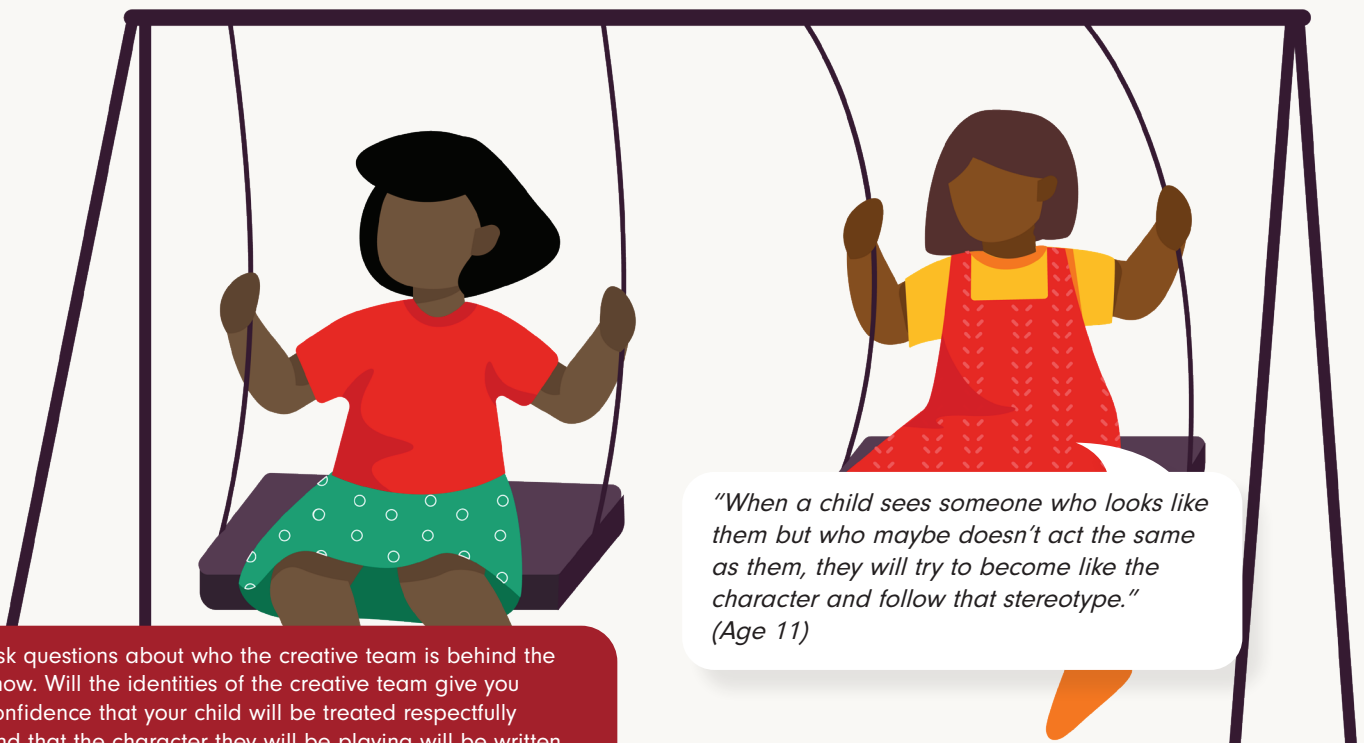


Tips for Parents & Child Performers

The Directives were written to help creators, producers, broadcasters and funders to create or commission more authentic content. Being familiar with the Directives can help parents and guardians become better advocates for child performers.

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"When a child sees someone who looks like them but who maybe doesn't act the same as them, they will try to become like the character and follow that stereotype."
(Age 11)

The time of casting may be too late to change the story or the dialogue but if there are glaring problems that are inauthentic or reinforce stereotypes, raise it with the creative team to see if change is possible.

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