



FICTION

Adventure and Mystery

Lucy Clark Will Not Apologize

by Margo Rabb

(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$17.99)

978-0-06-232240-1

Lucy's suspension from boarding school results in her being assigned to care for a wealthy woman with dementia—who thinks, possibly correctly, that she's the target of a murder plot. (14-16)

*** The Summer of Lost Letters**

by Hannah Reynolds

(Razorbill/Penguin Young Readers Group, PRH, \$18.99)

978-0-593-34972-4

Abby Schoenberg, 17, spends the summer on Nantucket trying to solve the mystery of her family's past after receiving a box of love letters written to her grandmother. (14-17)

D Unearthed: A Jessica Cruz Story

by Lilliam Rivera, illustrated by Steph C., lettered by Gabriela Downie

(DC Comics, P \$16.99) 978-1-77950-051-9

In this contemporary Green Lantern comic, ancestral Aztec gods call Jessica Cruz to action after ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) arrests her father. Vibrant, tonal artwork. (13-16)

D When You Look Like Us

by Pamela N. Harris

(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$17.99)

978-0-06-294589-1

When Jayson's sister goes missing, he assumes her drug-dealer boyfriend is responsible. Has Jayson's judgment been affected by stereotypes that others apply to his Black community? (14-17)

Anthologies and Collections

D Battle of the Bands

edited by Lauren Gibaldi and Eric Smith

(Candlewick Press, \$18.99) 978-1-5362-1433-8

Sixteen high school bands compete in a once-a-year performance to win a recording contract. Their interrelated stories of music, love, and identity take place during one night. (14-17)

D M Blackout

by Dhonielle Clayton, Tiffany D. Jackson, Nic Stone, Angie Thomas, Ashley Woodfolk, and Nicola Yoon
(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$19.99)

978-0-06-308809-2

A blackout in sweltering NYC occasions changing relationships for six Black teens navigating in the darkness: love found, confessed, renewed, reexamined, or altered. (14-17) Mature content

D M Everyone Dies Famous in a Small Town

by Bonnie-Sue Hitchcock

(Wendy Lamb Books/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$17.99) 978-1-984892-59-1

A wildfire and a missing girl provide the backdrop for this captivating collection: nine exquisitely written stories of the struggles and triumphs of small-town teens. (13-16) Mature content

D * Living beyond Borders: Growing Up Mexican in America

edited by Margarita Longoria

(Philomel/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$17.99)

978-0-593-20497-9

A varied selection of stories, poems, graphic format pieces, and personal essays about life as a Mexican American. Many take place in the Rio Grande Valley. (14-17)

D M That Way Madness Lies: Fifteen of Shakespeare's Most Notable Works Reimagined

edited by Dahlia Adler

(Flatiron Books/Macmillan, \$18.99)

978-1-250-75386-1

Tragedies and comedies are transformed by young adult authors into contemporary stories with a variety of diverse characters and settings. Back matter. (15-18) Mature content



Coming of Age

D M Act Cool

by Tobly McSmith

(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$18.99)

978-0-06-303856-1

Transgender teen August flees his strictly religious parents to avoid conversion therapy. Will acceptance at a prestigious performing arts school lead to the life he wants? (14-17) Mature content

D Chlorine Sky

by Mahogany L. Browne

(Crown BFYR/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$17.99) 978-0-593-17639-9

A self-effacing African American girl who shines on the basketball court comes to find her voice and embrace her strength. Free verse. (14-17)

Destination Anywhere

by Sara Barnard, illustrated by Christiane Fürtges
(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99) 978-1-5344-8390-3

Peyton is 17 years old and has never had a real friend. She leaves England in a plane bound for Vancouver, Canada, hoping to change her life story. Black-and-white spot art. (14-17)

D * The Great Godden

by Meg Rosoff

(Candlewick Press, \$17.99) 978-1-5362-1585-4

In elegant prose, an unnamed and gender-unrevealed narrator chronicles an English summer romance and the upheaval produced by a visit from two American siblings. (14-17)

D Hani and Ishu's Guide to Fake Dating

by Adiba Jaigirdar

(Page Street Kids/Page Street Publishing, \$17.99)

978-1-64567-257-9

Two Bengali girls in Ireland, one Muslim, one Hindu, couldn't have more different personalities. They pretend to date others but fall for one another. (13-16)

*** In the Wild Light**

by Jeff Zentner

(Crown BFYR/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$17.99) 978-1-5247-2024-7

Delaney and Cash, best friends since losing parents to addiction, win full scholarships to a prep school far from their rural Tennessee home. As their worlds expand, could they lose each other? (13-16)

D M The Life I'm In

by Sharon Flake

(Scholastic Press, \$18.99) 978-1-338-57317-6

Char struggles to take care of an abandoned child and falls prey to a sex-trafficking ring. Does she have the strength and perseverance to survive and break free? (15-18) Mature content

D Love Is a Revolution

by Renée Watson

(Bloomsbury, \$18.99) 978-1-5476-0060-1

When 17-year-old Black teen Nala tells too many lies to impress a boy she likes, she learns an important lesson about loving herself first. (15-17)

D Love Is for Losers

by Wibke Brueggemann

(Farrar Straus and Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, \$18.99)

978-0-374-31397-5

Londoner Phoebe is determined to avoid falling in love. In her diary, she explores her friendships, reacts to events in her life, and eventually, discovers her own sexuality. (14-17)

D Maybe We're Electric

by Val Emmich

(Poppy/Little, Brown/Hachette Book Group, \$17.99)

978-0-316-53570-0

Hiding in a museum during a snowstorm after being confronted with a truth she can't face, Tegan, who has symbrachydactyly, is suddenly joined by popular classmate Mac. An intense bond forms, but will Tegan's secret destroy everything? (15-17)

D Metal Fish, Falling Snow

by Cath Moore

(Text Publishing Co., P \$12.95) 978-1-9223-3007-9

Biracial Dylan, grieving her mother's sudden death, drives across Australia with her mother's devastated boyfriend to a painful but ultimately healing destination. (14-17)

D Misfit in Love

by S. K. Ali

(Salaam Reads/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99) 978-1-5344-4257-7

While helping to plan her brother's traditional Muslim wedding, teeming with guests and relatives, Janna hopes to confess her feelings to her longtime crush. (13-16)



(D) (M) * Muted

by Tami Charles
(Scholastic Press, \$18.99) 978-1-338-67352-4
The Angelic Voices, three girls of color, long for their R & B songs to change their lives. Powerful words propel the action as one, 17-year-old Denver, risks everything for fame. (15-18) Mature content

(D) A Phở Love Story

by Loan Le
(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99) 978-1-5344-4193-4
Two Vietnamese American high school seniors from rival family restaurant businesses find romance blossoming along with their gifts for writing and art. (14-16)

(D) She Drives Me Crazy

by Kelly Quindlen
(Roaring Book Press, \$17.99), 978-1-250-20915-3
Scottie suffers an embarrassing basketball loss to her ex-girlfriend's team. Her plans for revenge might require help from her nemesis, Irene. (14-17)

Things That Grow

by Meredith Goldstein
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, \$17.99)
978-1-328-77010-3
High school senior Lori's grandmother (and de facto parent) dies, stipulating that her ashes be scattered where things grow, which gives Lori the road trip of a lifetime. (13-16)

(M) We Run the Tides

by Vendela Vida
(Ecco/HarperCollins, \$26.99) 978-0-06-293623-3
In 1980s San Francisco, Eulabee and Maria's friendship ruptures when they disagree on whether they witnessed an indecent act. Then Maria goes missing. Was she kidnapped? (14-17) Mature content

(D) When We Were Infinite

by Kelly Loy Gilbert
(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99) 978-1-5344-6821-4
Beth fervently wants her friend group to stay intact through college, but fractures appear after she and Brandon see Jason's dad hit him. Asian American cultural values explored. (14-17)

(D) (M) Your Corner Dark

by Desmond Hall
(Caitlyn Dlouhy Books/Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99)
978-1-5344-6071-3
Frankie longs to leave Jamaica and take advantage of his US college scholarship, but then becomes enmeshed in family criminal and political activities in order to save his father, who has been shot. (14-17) Mature content

(D) Zoe Rosenthal Is Not Lawful Good

by Nancy Werlin
(Candlewick Press, \$17.99) 978-1-5362-1473-4
Zoe, 17, trades in her perfectly staid boyfriend and their planned future together for a sci-fi TV series—and creative friends she bonds with at secret fan cons. (13-16)

Contemporary Issues

(D) Aristotle and Dante Dive into the Waters of the World

by Benjamin Alire Sáenz
(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99) 978-1-5344-9619-4
Having loving, supportive families helps Mexican American Ari and Dante navigate the challenges of being gay and in love in a homophobic world. Richly told lyrical sequel to *Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe*. (14-17)

(D) Between Perfect and Real

by Ray Stoeve
(Amulet Books/Abrams, \$18.99) 978-1-4197-4601-7
Dean chafes at being identified as a lesbian. Cast as Romeo in the school play, he wants everyone to see him for the boy he knows himself to be. (14-17)

(D) Cheer Up!: Love and Pompoms

by Crystal Frasier, illustrated by Val Wise, lettered by Oscar O. Jupiter
(Oni Press, P \$14.99) 978-1-62010-955-7
Annie joins the cheerleading squad, rekindling her friendship with Bebe, a transgender girl who is navigating her path in family and school relationships. Bright, colorful artwork. (13-16)



(D) (M) * Concrete Rose

by Angie Thomas
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-284671-6
Maverick, 17, accepts the responsibilities that come with fatherhood while struggling with loyalty to the gang that protected him after his father's imprisonment. Strong language. (14-17) Mature content

(D) (M) The Cost of Knowing

by Brittney Morris
(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$18.99) 978-1-5344-4545-1
African American brothers Alex and Isaiah are cursed with supernatural abilities that have arisen out of generational traumas; now they need each other to break the cycle. (14-17) Mature content

(M) * Girl on the Line

by Faith Gardner
(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$17.99)
978-0-06-302230-0
Following a suicide attempt, Journey reassesses, advocates for herself, and rebuilds family and social relationships. Back matter with mental health resources. (15-18) Mature content

Hello (From Here)

by Chandler Baker and Wesley King
(Dial BFYR/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-593-32612-1
Maxine and Jonah meet just as the pandemic lockdown begins. Can their relationship overcome quarantine, having to communicate remotely, family problems, and grief? (14-17)

(D) (M) Kneel

by Candace Buford
(Inkyard Press, \$18.99) 978-1-335-40251-6
After a police shooting, Russell, co-captain of his football team, takes a knee during the national anthem. The ensuing protests tear his Louisiana town apart. (14-17) Mature content

(D) * Love in English

by Maria E. Andreu
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, \$18.99)
978-0-06-299651-0
Ana moves from Argentina to New Jersey and struggles to learn English to understand what is happening around her, and more importantly, to fit in. (13-16)

(D) Not Here to Be Liked

by Michelle Quach
(Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins, \$18.99)
978-0-06-303836-3
Chinese American Eliza finds herself at the center of a schoolwide controversy over gender equality when her private outrage at being passed over for editor-in-chief of the *Bugle* becomes public. (14-17)

*** One Great Lie**

by Deb Caletti
(Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99) 978-1-5344-6317-2
Researching an ancestral poetess for a summer writing program in Venice with her favorite author, Charlotte learns how powerful men historically abused and silenced women, then experiences it herself. (15-18)

(D) The Passing Playbook

by Isaac Fitzsimons
(Dial BFYR/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$17.99) 978-1-984815-40-8
Unaware that Spencer's trans, a soccer coach recruits him. Difficulties arise when Spencer's birth certificate is needed in order for him to join the team. (13-16)

*** Prepped**

by Bethany Mangle
(Margaret K. McElderry Books/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$18.99)
978-1-5344-7750-6
Becca's family lives in a doomsday community. An arranged marriage looms after high school graduation, but Becca is planning a different life. (14-17)

(D) (M) * Rosie Loves Jack

by Mel Darbon
(Peachtree Publishing, \$17.99) 978-1-68263-289-5
Rosie has Down syndrome, but she is determined to reach her boyfriend, Jack. A snowstorm shuts down the trains, leaving her alone and lost in London. (13-15) Mature content

Rules for Being a Girl

by Candace Bushnell and Katie Cotugno
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-280337-5
High school senior Marin, star student and coeditor of the school newspaper, is headed for the Ivy League, until a disturbing event torpedoes her plans. (15-18)



(D) The Sky Blues

by Robbie Couch

(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99) 978-1-53447-785-8

In a small Michigan town, openly gay high school senior Sky Baker battles internal and external demons after a promposal goes awry. (14-17)

(D) (M) Take Me with You When You Go

by David Levithan and Jennifer Niven

(Alfred A. Knopf/ Random House Children's Books/ PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-525-58099-7

Bea disappears from home, leaving her brother an email address. In their correspondence, they begin to unpack the story and experience of their abusive home. Can they free themselves? (14-17) Mature content

(D) (M) Tonight We Rule the World

by Zack Smedley

(Page Street Publishing, \$17.99) 978-1-64567-332-3

After bisexual Owen, who is on the autism spectrum, is sexually assaulted, he hides the identity of the perpetrator to avoid losing his girlfriend, Lily, and his tight-knit friend group. (14-17) Mature content

(D) We Are Inevitable

by Gayle Forman

(Viking Children's Books/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-425-29080-4

As 19-year-old Aaron struggles to keep his family's bookstore afloat after his brother overdoses and his mother leaves, the dire financial difficulties bring help from unexpected allies. (15-18)

(M) * What Beauty There Is

by Cory Anderson

(Roaring Brook/Holtzbrinck, \$18.99)

978-1-250-26809-9

Jack, 17, is the only one who can prevent Child Protective Services from taking his younger brother. Themes of abandonment, survival, and brotherly love are movingly told in this thriller. (15-18) Mature content

(D) (M) When We Make It

by Elisabet Velasquez

(Dial BFYR/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$19.99) 978-0-593-32448-6

Sarai, 14, struggles to overcome the problems of her single-parent family in gentrifying Brooklyn: poverty, housing insecurity, and mental illness. Written in verse by a Boricua author. (14-16) Mature content

(D) Where I Belong

by Marcia Argueta Mickelson

(Carolrhoda Lab/Lerner, \$18.99) 978-1-54159-797-6

Millie, a Guatemalan American, becomes a reluctant activist and part of the national debate on immigration when a senatorial candidate mentions her achievements. (14-17)

(D) Why We Fly

by Kimberly Jones and Gilly Segal

(Sourcebooks Fire/Sourcebooks, \$17.99)

978-1-49267-892-2

Senior year is full of challenges for Eleanor, White, and Chanel, Black, college-bound stars of their cheerleading squad. The political act of kneeling during the national anthem at a game brings serious consequences and threatens their futures. (14-17)

*** You'd Be Home Now**

by Kathleen Glasgow

(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/ PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-525-70804-9

Inspired by the author's experience and the play *Our Town*, the novel explores opioid addiction in a small town, through the eyes of the sister of a struggling boy. Resources. (14-17)

Family/School/Community

(D) American Betiya

by Anuradha D. Rajurkar

(Alfred A. Knopf/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$17.99) 978-1-984897-15-2

Rani falls hard for artsy Oliver but must keep their relationship secret from her strict Indian parents, with devastating results (16-18)

(D) (M) * Firekeeper's Daughter

by Angeline Boulley

(Henry Holt BFYR/Macmillan Children's Publishing Group, \$18.99) 978-1-250-76656-4

As her Ojibwe community is ravaged by drug overdoses, Daunis, 17, works with the FBI to identify the dealers. A richly detailed view of tribal life. (14-17) Mature content



D **The Last Words We Said**

by Leah Scheier

(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$18.99) 978-1-53446-939-6

In a Modern Orthodox Jewish community in Atlanta, three best friends harbor guilt and mourn the disappearance of Danny, who one of the three dated nine months earlier. (15-18)

D **Made in Korea**

by Sarah Suk

(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99) 978-1-53447-437-6

Two Korean American teens, each trying to balance family duty with their own ambitions, find themselves in a hostile entrepreneurial rivalry, complicated by their mutual attraction. (13-15)

D **The Other Side of Perfect**

by Mariko Turk

(Poppy/Little, Brown/ Hachette Book Group, \$17.99) 978-0-316-70340-6

After an injury ends her ballet career, Alina confronts the racial discrimination she encountered in dance class. Joining the high school musical helps her discover new opportunities. (14-17)

D **M** **The Problem with the Other Side**

by Kwame Ivery

(Soho Teen/Soho Press, \$18.99) 978-1-64129-205-4

Sallie and Uly's love for one another is pitted against sibling loyalty as their sisters wage vitriolic, racially charged campaigns for high school president. (15-18) Mature content

D ***** **Sugar Town Queens**

by Malla Nunn

(G. P. Putnam's Sons BFYR/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$17.99) 978-0-525-51560-9

Living in a post-apartheid, South African shantytown, biracial Amandla, 15, has never met her White mother's relatives. Friends help her uncover family secrets and truths. (14-17)

D **Sway with Me**

by Syed M. Masood

(Little, Brown BFYR/ Hachette Book Group, \$17.99) 978-0-316-49241-6

Pakistani American Arsalan lives a cloistered existence with his 100-year-old great-grandfather. Then a tempestuous girl asks Arsalan to be her dancing partner, and his world opens up. (13-16)

Fantasy

D **Jade Fire Gold**

by June CL Tan

(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$17.99)

978-0-06-305636-7

Living in the desert of the Shi Empire, Ahn, 16, discovers her magical powers. She joins with Altan, rightful heir to the throne, to battle evil forces and restore peace. (14-17)

M **Lore**

by Alexandra Bracken

(Hyperion/BuenaVista, \$18.99) 978-1-48477-820-3

The last survivor of the House of Perseus, Lore battles for survival in an ancient deadly game of the descendants of Zeus. A complex story set in Manhattan. (14-17) Mature content

D ***** **The Other Merlin**

by Robyn Schneider

(Viking Children's Books/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-593-35102-4

Merlin's daughter replaces her magically-challenged brother as the apprentice wizard in Arthur's court. Rollicking humor, wry wit, and smoldering romance flourish amid political intrigues. (13-16)

The Outlaws Scarlett and Browne (Scarlett and Browne series)

by Jonathan Stroud

(Alfred A. Knopf/ Random House Children's Books/ PRH, \$17.99) 978-0-593-43036-1

Two misfits, with secrets of their own, team up to survive in a brutal, dystopian Britain where pursuit, danger, and death await any who do not conform. (13-15)

D **Walking in Two Worlds**

by Wab Kinew

(Penguin Teen/Penguin Random House Canada Young Readers/PRH Canada, \$17.99) 978-0-7352-6900-2

An Anishinaabe girl on a Canadian reservation who has a superb reputation in the gaming world bonds with a Chinese Uyghur boy forced to flee his country. (13-16)



*** Year of the Reaper**

by Makiia Lucier
(Clarion Books/Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, \$17.99)
978-0-358-27209-0

Despite a plague, Princess Jehan marries King Rayan to end the war between their kingdoms. As the royal family is targeted by assassins, Lord Cassiapus returns, three years after being imprisoned. (13-16)

(D) (M) Yesterday Is History

by Kosoko Jackson
(Sourcebooks Fire/Sourcebooks, \$17.99)
978-1-4926-9434-2

A life-saving liver transplant imbues Andre with the ability to time travel as his organ donor did, which could be dangerous for a Black teenager. (14-17) Mature content

Folklore and Fairy Tales

(D) Beasts and Beauty: Dangerous Tales

by Soman Chainani, illustrated by Julia Iredale
(Harper/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-265263-8
Sophisticated contemporary reinterpretations of 12 old tales, including *Bluebeard*, *Peter Pan*, and *Hansel and Gretel*. Appropriately scary dark illustrations. (13-16)

(M) House of Hollow

by Krystal Sutherland
(G. P. Putnam's Sons BFYR/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-593-11034-8
While trying to save their sister, teenagers Vivi and Iris learn about who the real monsters are in their past and present. (16-18) Mature content

Historical Fiction

(D) * Angel of Greenwood

by Randi Pink
(Feiwel & Friends/Macmillan, \$18.99)
978-1-250-76847-6

Two African American teens living in Tulsa, Oklahoma, slowly connect over poetry and dance until a vicious White mob sets fire to the Greenwood district, known as the "Black Wall Street." Back matter. (14-17)

(D) Beyond the Mapped Stars

by Rosalyn Eves
(Alfred A. Knopf/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$17.99) 978-1-984849-55-7

In the western United States in the 1870s, Elizabeth, 17, struggles to reconcile the expectations of her Mormon faith with her dreams of becoming an astronomer. (14-17)

(M) Bluebird

by Sharon Cameron
(Scholastic Press, \$18.99) 978-1-33835-596-3
At the end of World War II, the daughter of a notorious concentration camp doctor makes it her mission to keep him from committing further atrocities. (13-16) Mature content

Don't Breathe a Word

by Jordyn Taylor
(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$17.99)
978-0-06-303888-2

Skipping between 1962 and today, the book unravels the mystery behind an authoritarian secret society and a psychological experiment that goes tragically wrong in a private school's fallout shelter. (13-16)

(D) Last Night at the Telegraph Club

by Malinda Lo
(Dutton Books/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-525-55525-4
Aspiring scientist Lily Hu, 17, is conflicted between the expectations of her traditional upbringing in 1950s Chinatown and her awakening sexuality. Sensitively nuanced coming of age portrayal. (14-17)

(D) * Rebel Daughter

by Lori Banov Kaufmann
(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-593-12581-6
Esther, a high priest's daughter challenging traditional Jewish female roles, faces loss, love, capture, and enslavement during the Roman siege of Jerusalem during the first century CE. Well-referenced. (14-17)

(D) (M) * A Sitting in St. James

by Rita Williams-Garcia
(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$17.99)
978-0-06-236729-7
A chronicle of the terrible history of the Guilberts and the traumatic impact they had on the enslaved workers on their Louisiana plantation. Back matter. (16-18) Mature content



Walls

by L. M. Elliott, photo essay by Megan Behm
(Algonquin Young Readers/Algonquin Books/Workman Publishing, \$19.95) 978-1-64375-024-8
In 1960, when Drew's father is deployed to divided Berlin, his mother connects with her German relatives in the Russian sector, putting both families in jeopardy. Photo essay of political and cultural events of the period. Afterword. (13-16)

D Your Heart, My Sky: Love in a Time of Hunger

by Margarita Engle
(Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$18.99) 978-1-5344-6496-4
A stray dog unites teens Liana and Amado, who evade oppressive "voluntary" labor. Set in a period of Cuban history when people on the island struggled with starvation. In verse. (13-16)

Magical Realism

D Beasts of Prey

by Ayana Gray
(G. P. Putnam's Sons BFYR/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-593-40568-0
With differing motivations, indentured servant Koffi and warrior-in-training Ekon join forces to hunt a murderous monster lurking in the forest. A richly textured Pan-African novel. Author's note. (14-17)

Glimpsed

by G. F. Miller
(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing/S & S, \$19.99) 978-1-53447-135-1
Charity, 18, is an actual fairy godmother who loves making wishes come true, but those "happily-ever-afters" might be less successful than she thinks. (13-16)

D * Home Is Not a Country

by Safia Elhillo
(Make Me a World/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$17.99) 978-0-593-17705-1
A bullied Muslim teen immigrant living with her widowed mother in an unnamed, post-9/11 American town dreams of a homeland she's never seen. Free verse. (15-18)

D Instructions for Dancing

by Nicola Yoon
(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$19.99) 978-1-52471-896-1
African American Evie, 17, is done with love after witnessing her father's infidelity. Can handsome X and a dance competition change her mind? An endearing romance with a dash of magic. (13-16)

D * Me (Moth)

by Amber McBride
(Feiwel & Friends/Macmillan, \$18.99) 978-1-250-78036-2
Grieving for her deceased family, African American Moth, 17, helps Sani, a Navajo boy, overcome depression by sharing her grandfather's hoodoo wisdom. Free verse. (14-17)

D A Snake Falls to Earth

by Darcie Little Badger
(Levine Querido, \$18.99) 978-1-64614-092-3
When a cataclysmic event on Earth occurs, the real world of Nina, a Lipan Apache teen, and the spirit world of Oli, a cottonmouth, are brought together with strange results. (13-16)

* We Can Be Heroes

by Kyrie McCauley
(Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-288505-0
Beck, Vivian, and the ghost of Cassie, their beloved friend, seek revenge and justice after Cassie is shot by her abusive boyfriend, son of the town's powerful firearms manufacturer. (14-17)

Science Fiction

* Dustborn

by Erin Bowman
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, \$17.99) 978-0-358-24443-1
In a post-apocalyptic world, Delta struggles to interpret the map carved on her back that will free her family from the tyranny of the General. (14-17)



The Ones We're Meant to Find

by Joan He

(Roaring Brook Press/Holtzbrinck, \$18.99)

978-1-25025-856-4

In a future world on the brink of extinction due to environmental destruction, two sisters, Kasey and Celia Mizuhara, try to save humanity. But is it worth saving? (14-17)

Sports

In the Same Boat

by Holly Green

(Scholastic Press, \$18.99) 978-1-33872-663-3

Seventeen-year-old Sadie teams up with an estranged former friend for a 265-mile, multi-day canoe race. Conflict, courage, and endurance will change their relationship. (13-16)

POETRY

D Carry On:

Poetry by Young Immigrants

by students from the PGLO high school in Outremont, Québec, illustrated by Rogé, translated from the Canadian French by Susan Ouriou (Owlkids, \$19.95) 978-1-77147-416-0
Newcomers from many lands express loss and pain about what they've left behind and their hopes and concerns about their new homes. Free verse. Expressively painted portraits. (13-15)

The Girl Who Became a Tree:

A Story Told in Poems

by Joseph Coelho, illustrated by Kate Milner (Otter-Barry Books, \$19.99) 978-1-913074-78-4
Fourteen-year-old Daphne, mourning her father's death, finds refuge in the library until she falls into a magical world of monsters. Free verse. Black-and-white spot illustrations. (13-16)

D * You Don't Have to Be Everything:

Poems for Girls Becoming Themselves

edited by Diana Whitney, illustrated by Cristina González, Kate Mockford, and Stephanie Singleton (Workman Publishing, P \$14.95) 978-1-5235-1099-3
Sixty-eight poetic voices share their experiences to help guide and ease girls' transition from adolescence to adulthood. Organized thematically. Elegant, colorful illustrations. (14-17)

INFORMATIONAL BOOKS

Anthologies and Collections

D **M** Disability Visibility:

17 First-Person Stories for Today

edited by Alice Wong

(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$17.99) 978-0-593-38167-0

From an outgrowth of the Disability Visibility Project and Story Corps come personal stories of living and loving with disabilities. Content warnings, author profiles, further reading. Young readers edition. (15-18) Mature content

D Growing Up Trans:

In Our Own Words

edited by Lindsay Herriot and Kate Fry, illustrated by various artists

(Orca Book Publishers, P \$24.95) 978-1-45983-137-7

In a variety of writing genres and art media, trans youth explore their experiences of self-care, dysphoria, transphobia, acceptance, school issues, and more. Glossary and resources. (14-17)

D * Living beyond Borders:

Growing Up Mexican in America

edited by Margarita Longoria

(Philomel/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$17.99) 978-0-593-20497-9

A varied selection of stories, poems, graphic format pieces, and personal essays about life as a Mexican American. Many take place in the Rio Grande Valley. (14-17)

D **M** Wild Tongues Can't Be Tamed:

15 Voices from the Latinx Diaspora

edited by Saraciea J. Fennell

(Flatiron Books/Macmillan, \$18.99)

978-1-25076-342-6

What is it like feeling you never fit in? Writers from Afro-Latinx, Caribbean, and Central American communities share their experiences of racism, identity, culture, and self-acceptance. (14-17) Mature content



Arts

D **Can't Stop Won't Stop: A Hip-Hop History**

by Jeff Chang, with Dave "Davey D" Cook
(Wednesday Books/St. Martin's Publishing, \$18.99)
978-1-25079-051-4

The birth and evolution of hip-hop are chronicled through histories and profiles of pioneering artists, including their cultural and political contexts. Young readers edition. (14-17)

D **The Power of Style: How Fashion and Beauty Are Being Used to Reclaim Cultures**

by Christian Allaire, illustrated by Jacqueline Li
(Annick Press, \$19.95) 978-1-77321-490-0

Bright photographs accompany clear text about non-mainstream fashion styles. Emphasis on diverse body shapes, body decoration, and cross-dressing. Simple, elegant illustrations. Well sourced. (13-16)

Biography and Memoir

D **The Beautiful Struggle: A Memoir**

by Ta-Nehisi Coates
(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/
PRH, \$20.99) 978-1-984894-03-8

Acclaimed author Coates describes growing up in Baltimore and the influences, especially those of his father and brother, that shaped him. Young readers edition. (16-18)

D * **Becoming Michelle Obama**

by Michelle Obama
(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/
PRH, \$18.99) 978-0-593-30374-0

Michelle Obama relates her journey as an African American girl from modest circumstances who became a highly respected First Lady of the United States. Young readers edition. (15-18)

D **Boy from Buchenwald: The True Story of a Holocaust Survivor**

by Robbie Waisman, with Susan McClelland
(Bloomsbury, \$19.99) 978-1-5476-0600-9
Romek (now Robbie) was 14 when he was liberated from the Buchenwald concentration camp in 1945. Here he chronicles his survival and return to society. Photos. Back matter. (13-16)

* **Gone to the Woods: Surviving a Lost Childhood**

by Gary Paulsen
(Farrar Straus and Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, \$17.99)
978-0-374-31415-6

Paulsen's first experience with a stable family at his aunt's farm ended abruptly when his alcoholic mother came to take him to the Philippines. (13-17)

D **Notes from a Young Black Chef: A Memoir**

by Kwame Onwuachi, with Joshua David Stein
(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/
PRH, \$17.99) 978-0-593-17600-9

Onwuachi, with Nigerian, Southern, and Caribbean roots, faced racism and poverty on his difficult journey from the Bronx to high-end restaurants. A frank memoir. Includes recipes. Young readers edition. (14-17)

D **Paul Robeson: No One Can Silence Me: The Life of the Legendary Artist and Activist**

by Martin Duberman, foreword by Jason Reynolds
(The New Press, \$25.99) 978-1-62097-646-4

The great singer and activist's magnetism and flaws, along with the accusations that he was a Communist that had a devastating effect on his career, are explored. Archival images. Listing of videos and recordings. Young readers edition. (14-17)

D **Singled Out: The True Story of Glenn Burke, the First Openly Gay MLB Player and Inventor of the High Five**

by Andrew Maraniss
(Philomel/Penguin Young Readers Group/PRH, \$18.99)
978-0-593-11672-2

The promising career of the outfielder for the L.A. Dodgers and Oakland A's was cut short, largely because of anti-gay prejudice. Archival photos. Back matter. (14-17)

D * **When I Grow Up: The Lost Autobiographies of Six Yiddish Teenagers**

written and illustrated by Ken Krimstein
(Bloomsbury, \$28.00) 978-1-63557-370-1
Life in Eastern Europe is described by contestants in a 1932 literary contest for Jewish teenagers. Filled with joy, romance, humor, and tragedy. Delicate two-color illustrations. Back matter. (14-17)



Why Is Everybody Yelling?:

Growing Up in My Immigrant Family

written and illustrated by Marisabina Russo
(Farrar Straus and Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, \$19.99)
978-0-374-30383-9

An author/illustrator chronicles her life from 1957 to 1967 in Queens, New York, coping with an overprotective mother, religious conflicts, and the usual childhood and adolescent issues. Detailed graphic panels. (13-16)

History



Black Birds in the Sky:

The Story and Legacy of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre

by Brandy Colbert
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-35666-4

Moving backward and forward in time, Colbert interweaves survivors' histories with her own to contextualize the obliteration of Greenwood, an affluent African American community in Oklahoma, by a White mob. Extensive notes, sources, additional reading. (14-17)



*** The Burning:**

Black Wall Street and the Tulsa Race Massacre of 1921

by Tim Madigan, adapted by Hilary Beard
(Henry Holt BFYR/Macmillan Children's Publishing Group, \$19.99) 978-1-250-78769-9

This detailed account of White rioters' destruction of Greenwood, a prosperous Oklahoman Black community, includes updates connecting the event to the Black Lives Matter movement. Extensive back matter. Young readers edition. (14-17)

*** Fallout:**

Spies, Superbombs, and the Ultimate Cold War Showdown

by Steve Sheinkin
(Roaring Brook Press/Holtzbrinck, \$19.99)
978-1-250-14901-5

A dramatic recounting of the tension-fraught years of the relations between the United States and the Soviet Union after World War II, ending in the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis. Archival photos. Extensive back matter includes source notes. (13-15)



Four Streets and a Square:

A History of Manhattan and the New York Idea

by Marc Aronson
(Candlewick Press, \$29.99) 978-0-7636-5137-4
An ode to the city's endless change through a look at the arts and the creativity born of the great diversity of its population. Maps and archival photos. Excellent back matter. (14-17)



The Light of Days:

The Untold Story of Women Resistance Fighters in Hitler's Ghettos

by Judy Batalion
(Harper/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-303769-4
Eight young Jewish women served as couriers and bravely fought, along with many others, against the Nazis in Poland. Archival photographs. Glossary, sources, bibliography. Young reader's edition. (13-16)



*** No Way, They Were Gay?:**

Hidden Lives and Secret Loves

by Lee Wind
(Zest Books/Lerner, \$37.32) 978-1-5415-8162-3
Extensive primary sources enhance a breezy text depicting the lives of many LGBTQIA+ individuals throughout history. Photographs. Letters, footnotes, and author's note. (13-16)



Wake:

The Hidden History of Women-Led Slave Revolts

by Rebecca Hall, illustrated by Hugo Martínez, lettered by Sarula Bao
(Simon & Schuster, \$29.99) 978-1-982115-18-0
The personal story of a historian, interwoven with an account of the centuries-long—and still resonating—transatlantic slave trade that she painstakingly researches. Stark black-and-white artwork. Sources. (14-17)



We Hereby Refuse:

Japanese American Resistance to Wartime Incarceration

by Frank Abe and Tamiko Nimura, illustrated by Ross Ishikawa and Matt Sasaki
(Wing Luke Museum/Chin Music Press, P \$19.95),
978-1-63405-976-3
Three American citizens, at great personal cost, challenged having their rights unlawfully stripped solely on the basis of race. Dynamic, well-researched illustrations. (15-18)



D **When Can We Go Back to America?:
Voices of Japanese American Incarceration during
WWII**

by Susan H. Kamei, forward by Secretary
Norman Y. Mineta
(Simon & Schuster BFYR/Simon & Schuster Children's
Publishing/S & S, \$22.99) 978-1-4814-0144-9
Exhaustively researched yet accessible history of
the approximately 80,000 American citizens of
Japanese ancestry and their immigrant parents who
were incarcerated without due process. First-person
accounts, biographies, time line, glossary. (14-17)

Law and Justice

D **Allies:
Real Talk about Showing Up, Screwing Up, and
Trying Again**

edited by Shakirah Bourne and Dana Alison Levy
(DK/Penguin Random House, \$16.99)
978-0-7440-3991-7

This anthology of essays and a black-and-white comic
strip showcases power, privilege, and allyship in
support of others in the quest for social justice. Many
resources and activities. (15-18)



*** Free Speech Handbook:**

**A Practical Framework for Understanding Our Free
Speech Protections (World Citizen Comics series)**

by Ian Rosenberg, illustrated by Mike Cavallaro
(First Second/Roaring Brook Press/Holtzbrinck,
\$28.99) 978-1-250-61975-4

This graphic-format adaptation of *The Fight for Free
Speech: Ten Cases that Define Our First Amendment
Freedoms* is a must for every civics classroom. Colorful
artwork. (13-16)

D **M** **In the Name of Emmett Till:
How the Children of the Mississippi Freedom
Struggle Showed Us Tomorrow**

by Robert H. Mayer, foreword by Leslie-Burl McLemore
(NewSouth Books, \$19.95) 978-1-58838-437-9
Following 14-year-old Emmett Till's 1955 lynching,
young people in Mississippi rose up to launch the civil
rights movement. Map and archival photos. Extensive
back matter. (14-17) Mature content

D **Kids on the March:
15 Stories of Speaking Out, Protesting, and
Fighting for Justice**

by Michael G. Long
Algonquin Young Readers/Algonquin Books/Workman
Publishing, \$16.95) 978-1-64375-100-9
Profiles of young activists, from participants in
the 1903 March of the Mill Children to teens who
organized protests following the 2020 murder of
George Floyd. Archival photos, suggestions for
organizing, and notes. (13-16)

D **Revolution in Our Time:
The Black Panther Party's Promise to the People**

by Kekla Magoon
(Candlewick Press, \$24.99) 978-1-5362-1418-5
Magoon illuminates the history of the Black Panther
Party and its work to protect and support Black
citizens, despite persecution by the FBI. Archival
images and photos. Fully documented. (14-17)

D **Together:
An Inspiring Response to the "Separate-but-Equal"
Supreme Court Decision that Divided America**

by Amy Nathan
(Paul Dry Books, P \$14.95) 978-1-58988-148-8
Descendants of the opponents in the infamous
Supreme Court decision that established racial
segregation joined forces to teach the continuing
impact of the historic Plessy v. Ferguson case. Archival
photographs. Extensive back matter. (14-17)

STEM (Science/Technology/Engineering/Mathematics)

**Black Hole Chasers:
The Amazing True Story of an Astronomical
Breakthrough**

by Anna Crowley Redding
(Feiwel & Friends/Macmillan, \$21.99)
978-1-250-62232-7
How can you take a picture of something you cannot
see? It takes a small army of scientists with big dreams.
Diagrams and archival photos. Bibliography, source
notes. (13-16)



**In the Shadow of the Moon:
America, Russia, and the Hidden History of the
Space Race**

by Amy Cherrix

(Balzar + Bray/HarperCollins, \$17.99)

978-0-06-288875-4

Mutual fear and distrust fueled the high-stakes race between the United States and the Soviet Union to dominate space exploration. Compellingly told. Archival photos. Richly resourced. (13-16)

World

(D) (M) * Determined to Stay:

Palestinian Youth Fight for Their Village

by Jody Sokolower

(Olive Branch Press/Interlink Publishing Group,
P \$20.00), 978-1-62371-888-6

An American social studies teacher interviews Palestinian youth about their heartbreaking trauma under Israeli occupation, connecting their resistance to that of Native Americans. Photos, maps. Glossary, footnotes. (14-17) Mature content