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- The Book of Unknown Americans by Cristina Henríquez
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- I Can't Date Jesus: Love, Sex, Family, Race, and Other Reasons I've Put My Faith in Beyonce by Michael Arceneaux

Native American Voices

- Highway of Tears : A True Story of Racism, Indifference, and the Pursuit of Justice for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls by Jessica McDiarmid
- 1491: New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus by Charles C. Mann
- An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz
- Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee: An Indian History of the American West by Dee Brown
- Empire of the Summer Moon: Quanah Parker and the Rise and Fall of the Comanches, the Most Powerful Indian Tribe in American History by S.C. Gwyne
- House Made of Dawn by N. Scott Momaday
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- There, There by Tommy Orange
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Social Injustice

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- Beneath a Ruthless Sun: A True Story of Violence, Race and Justice Lost and Found by Gilbert King
- The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness by Michelle Alexander
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- This is All I Got: A New Mother's Search for a Home by Lauren Sandler
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- The Girl's Guide to Homelessness by Brianna Karp
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