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Teen Book Suggestions

African American Voices

- o Tyler Johnson Was Here by Jay Coles
- o Stolen Justice: The Struggle for African American Voting Rights by Lawrence Goldstone
- o Black Girl Unlimited: The Remarkable Story of a Teenage Wizard by Echo Brown
- The Invincible Summer of Juniper Jones by Daven McQueen
- o The Black Kids by Christina Reed Hammonds
- On the Come Up by Angie Thomas
- Slay by Brittney Morris
- o Black Enough: Stories of Being Young & Black in America
- o Tiffany Sly Lives Here Now by Dana Davis
- For Everyone: A Poem. A Nod. A Nothing to Lose. by Jason Reynolds
- o Ordinary Hazards by Nikki Grimes
- o The Stars and the Blackness Between Them by Junauda Petrus

Asian American Voices

- o Almost American Girl by Robin Ha
- \circ $\,$ American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang
- o When Dimple Met Rishi by Sandhay Menon
- o Saints and Misfits by S.K. Ali
- Internment by Samira Ahmed
- o Patron Saints of Nothing by Randy Ribay
- Yes, No, Maybe So by Becky Albertalli
- o More Than Just a Pretty Face by Syed Masood
- o You Asked for Perfect by Laura Silverman
- o There's Something About Sweetie by Sandhya Menon
- o Lucy and Linh by Alice Pung

o My Almost Flawless Tokyo Dream Life by Rachel Cohn

Diverse Abilities

- Unbroken: 13 Stories Starring Disabled Teens
- o You're Welcome Universe by Whitney Gardner
- Anything But Typical by Nora Raleigh Baskin
- o It's My Life by Stacie Ramey
- o Love and F1rst Sight by Josh Sundquist
- o Strangers Assume My Girlfriend is My Nurse by Shane Burcaw
- o How We Roll by Natasha Friend
- o Bouncing Back by Scott Ostler
- o I Have No Secrets by Penny Joelson
- o Far From the Tree: How Children and their Parents LEarn to Accept One Another by Andrew Solomon
- The Running Dream by Wendelin Van Draanen
- o Marcelo in the Real World by Francisco X. Stork

Female Voices

- o The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
- o With the Fire on High by Elizabeth Acevedo
- o I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter by Erika Sanchez
- o Girl Mans Up by M-E Girard
- Love, Hate & Other Filters by Samira Ahmed
- Piecing Me Together by Renee Watson
- o I am Mala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World by Malala Yousafzai
- You Too? 25 Voices Share Their #metoo Stories by Janet Gurtler
- o Here We Are: Feminism for the Real World
- History vs. Women: The Defiant Lives That They Don't Want You To Know by Anita Sarkeesian
- We Should All Be Feminists by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
- Speak: The Graphic Novel by Laurie Halse Anderson

Hispanic American Voices

- The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo
- \circ Latino Americans: The 500-Year Legacy That Shaped a Nation by Ray Suarez
- o The Inexplicable Logic of My Life by Benjamin Alire Saenz
- o Under the Mesquite by Guadalupe Garcia
- Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass by Meg Medina
- Out of Darkness by Ashley Hope
- o Gabi, A Girl in Pieces by Isabel Quintero
- o American Road Trip by Patrick Flores-Scott
- o The Education of Margot Sanchez by Lilliam Rivera
- Labyrinth Lost by Zoraida Cordova
- From Farmworker to Astronaut: My Path to the Stars by Jose M. Hernandez
- o Tigers, Not Daughters by Samantha Mabry

Immigration

- o Illegal by Eoin Colfer
- The Sun is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon
- o Ask Me No Questions by Marina Tamar Budhos
- o Everything Sad is Untrue by Daniel Nayeri
- The Field Guide to the North American Teenager by Ben Phillippe
- We Are Displaced: My Journey and Stories from Refugee Girls Around the World by Malala Yousafzai
- o Call Me American: The Extraordinary True Story of a Young Somali Immigrant by Abdi Nor Iftin
- o American Street by Ibi Aanu Zoboi
- o Americanized by Sara Saedi
- o Enrique's Journey by Sonia Nazario
- Parachutes by Kelly Yang
- o Denied, Detained, Deported: Stories From the Dark Side of Immigration by Ann Bausum

LGBTQ+ Voices

- Stay Gold by Tobly McSmith
- Felix Ever After by Kacen Callender
- o Stranger Than Fanfiction by Chris Colfer
- o Symptoms of Being Human by Jeff Garvin
- This Book is Gay by James Dawson
- o Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda by Becky Albertalli
- o True Letters From a Fictional Life by Kenneth Logan
- o Honestly Ben by Bill Konigsberg
- \circ $\;$ The Music of What Happens by Bill Konigsberg $\;$
- At the Broken Places: A Mother and Trans Son Pick Up the Pieces by Mary and Donald Collins
- If I Was Your Girl by Meredith Russo
- Seeing Gender: An Illustrated Guide to Identity and Expression by Iris Gogglieb
- o All Boys Aren't Blue: A Memoir-manifesto by George M. Johnson
- Pride: The Celebration and the Struggle by Robin Stevenson
- \circ $\,$ Trans Mission: My Quest to a Beard by Alex Bertie
- Speaking Out: Queer Youth in Focus by Rachelle Lee Smith
- o Beyond Magenta: Transgender Teens Speak OUt by Susan Kulin
- o Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secret of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Saenz

Native American Voices

- o #NotYourPrincess: Voices of Native American Women by
- The Smell of Other People's Houses by Bonnie-Sue Hitchcock
- o Undefeated : Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team by Steve Sheinkin
- o Hearts Unbroken by Cynthia Leitich Smith
- o Give Me Some Truth by Eric L. Gansworth
- The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline
- o Code Talker: A Novel About the Navajo Marines of World War by Joseph Bruchac
- The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie
- If I Ever Get Out of Here by Eric L. Gansworth
- Killer of Enemies by Joseph Bruchac

- o An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States for Young People by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz
- Wolf Mark by Joseph Bruchac

Social Injustice

- Dear Martin by Nic Stone
- o All American Boys by Jason Reynolds
- How it Went Down by Kekla Magoon
- \circ $\,$ American Like Me: Reflections on Life Between Cultures by America Ferrera
- \circ $\,$ The 57 Bus by Dashka Slater $\,$
- We Are Not Yet Equal: Understanding our Racial Divide by Carol Anderson
- Stamped: Racism, Anitracism and You by Jason Reynolds
- This Book is Anti-racist by Tiffany Jewell
- They Called Us Enemy by George Takei
- Woke: A Young Poet's Call to Justice Mahogany L. Browne
- \circ $\,$ We Are Power: How Nonviolent Activism Changes the World by Todd Hasak-Lowy
- How I Resist: Activism and Hope for a New Generation by Maureen Johnson

Poverty & Homelessness

- Girl in Pieces by Kathleen Glasgow
- Saving Red by Sonya Sones
- Free Lunch by Rex Ogle
- Jackpot: All Bet\$ are Off by Nic Stone
- Trash by Andy Mulligan
- Killing Time in Crystal City by Chris Lynch
- Outside In by Sarah Ellis
- Can't Get There From Here by Todd Strasser
- \circ $\;$ The Benefits of Being an Octopus by Ann Braden
- \circ $\,$ Sorta Like a Rockstar by Matthew Quick
- Roam by C.H. Armstrong
- The Girl In Between by Sara Carroll