Social Justice Reads

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**Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You** by Jason Reynolds
Reveals the history of racist ideas in America from 1415 to the present while explaining their endurance and capacity for being discredited. YA 305.8009 REYNOLDS

**We Are Not Yet Equal: Understanding Our Racial Divide** by Carol Anderson
From the end of the Civil War to America today, an acclaimed historian reframes the conversation about race, chronicling the powerful forces opposed to black progress in America. YA 323.1196 ANDERSON

**Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Were Afraid to Ask** by Anton Treuer
An Ojibwe scholar answers the most commonly asked questions about Native Americans, both historical and modern. YA 970.0049 TREUER

**Plan A** by Deb Caletti
Hitting the road with her boyfriend to the West Coast where she can legally obtain an abortion, 16-year-old Ivy encounters women who share their stories and help her chip away at the stigma, silence and shame surrounding reproduction rights. YA FIC CALETTI

**In the Country We Love: My Family Divided** by Diane Guerrero
The author and actress discusses her life in America as an undocumented immigrant, specifically the day when she was 14-years-old and her parents were detained and deported while she was at school. YA GUERRERO, D

**#Notyourprincess** by Lisa Charleyboy
A collection of poems, essays, interviews, and art exhibit the voices of Indigenous women across North America. YA 971.0049 #NOTYOURPRINCESS

**Revolution In Our Time: The Black Panther Party’s Promise to the People** by Kekla Magoon
Relays an essential account of the Black Panthers—as militant revolutionaries and as human rights advocates working to defend and protect their community. YA 323.1196 MAGOOGOON

**Black Birds In the Sky: The Story and Legacy of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre** by Brandy Colbert
A searing new work of nonfiction from award-winning author Brandy Colbert about the history and legacy of one of the most deadly and destructive acts of racial violence in American history: the Tulsa Race Massacre. YA 976.686 COLBERT

**The 21: The True Story of the Youth Who Sued the US Government Over Climate Change** by Elizabeth Rusch
This gripping real-life legal and environmental thriller recounts the ongoing federal case of 21 young people who are suing the U.S. government for supporting the fossil-fuel industry that is actively contributing to climate change and asks readers to think deeply about our planet’s future. YA 363.7387 RUSCH

**All My Rage** by Sabaa Tahir
When his attempts to save his family’s motel spiral out of control, Salahudin and his best friend Noor, two outcasts in their town, must decide what their friendship is worth and how they can defeat the monsters of their past and in their midst. YA FIC TAHIR

**When the Angels Left the Old Country** by Sacha Lamb
Uriel the angel and Little Ash are the only two supernatural creatures in their shtetl. Pogroms and the search for a new life have drawn all the young people from their village to America. When one of those young emigrants goes missing, Uriel and Little Ash set off to find her. YA FIC LAMB
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**The Black Kids**
by Christina Hammonds Reed
With the Rodney King riots closing in on high school senior Ashley and her family, the privileged bubble she has enjoyed, protecting her from the difficult realities most black people face, begins to crumble.

**We Are All We Have**
by Marina Tamar Budhos
After her mom is taken by ICE, 17-year-old Rania’s hopes and dreams for the future are immediately put on hold as she figures out how take care of her younger brother and survive in a country that seems to be closing around them. YA FIC BUDHOS

**Stonewall: Breaking Out in the Fight for Gay Rights**
by Ann Bausum
A history of gay liberation that traces the progression of civil rights and identifies the prejudices and misconceptions that have criminalized homosexual relationships. YA 307.766 BAUSUM

**Young Palestinians Speak: Living Under Occupation**
by Anthony Robinson
An overview of the history of the Israel-Palestine conflict and interviews with Palestinian children living under occupation. YA 956.953 ROBINSON

**Colonize This!: Young Women of Color On Today’s Feminism**
by Daisy Hernandez
A new generation of outspoken women of color offer a much-needed fresh dimension to the shape of feminism of the future. 305.42 COLONIZE

**Amazons, Abolitionists, and Activists: A Graphic History of Women’s Fight for Their Rights**
by Mikki Kendall
A history of the fight for women’s rights, discussing the right to vote, work, and get an education; highlighting key figures and events; and recounting stories of notable women in history. GN 305.4209 AMAZON

**Beyond the Gender Binary**
by Alok Vaid-Menon
Poet, artist, and LGBTQIA+ rights advocate Alok Vaid-Menon deconstructs, demystifies, and reimagines the gender binary. YA 305.3 VAID-MENON

**Felix Ever After**
by Kacen Callender
Felix Love, a transgender seventeen-year-old, attempts to get revenge by catfishing his anonymous bully, but lands in a quasi-love triangle with his former enemy and his best friend. YA FIC CALLENDER

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**Disability Visibility: 17 First-person Stories for Today**
by Alice Wong
Collects 17 thought-provoking essays written by disabled people that offer keen insight into the complex and rich disability experience, and ask readers to think of them as members of a community with its own history, culture and movements. YA 305.908 DISABILITY

**Stay Up: Racism, Resistance, and Reclaiming Black Freedom**
by Khodi Dill
Blending together memoir, cultural criticism and anti-oppression theory, this groundbreaking book equips readers with essential tools to understand how racism impacts their lives, empowering them to be confident in their identities and embrace the fullness of their futures. YA 305.896 DILL

**The (other) F word: A Celebration of the Fat & Fierce**
by Angie Manfredi
The definitive collection of art, poetry, and prose, celebrating fat acceptance. YA 306.4613 (OTHER)