

# Other options to consider...

## Column 1:

### Book about the immigration experience

A Place for Us by Fatima Farheen Mirza \*

The Girl Who Smiled Beads by Clemantine Wamariya and Elizabeth Weil

America Is Not the Heart by Elaine Castillo

Call Me American by Abdi Nor Iftin

### Book by a Latino/a or Hispanic writer

How the García Girls Lost Their Accents by Julia Alvarez

Drown by Junot Díaz

The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros

### Children's book by an author of color

Daddy Calls Me Man by Angela Johnson

Girl of Mine by Jabari Asim

Lola at the Library by Anna McQuinn

Be Boy Buzz by bell hooks

Big Red Lollipop by Rukhsana Khan

### Book by an African-American writer

Kindred by Octavia Butler

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness by Michelle Alexander

Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson \*

### Book about racial or cultural relationships

The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini

The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan

The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down: A Hmong Child, Her American Doctors, and the Collision of Two Cultures by Anne Fadiman

## Column 2:

### Book in translation

Small Country by Gael Faye

Black Moses by Alain Mabanckou

Disoriental by Negar Djavadi

### Book by a female author of color older than 50

The Friend by Sigrid Nunez

Old in Art School by Nell Irvin Painter

This Mournable Body by Tsitsi Dangarembga

The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson

### Memoir by a writer of color

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates \*

Hunger by Roxane Gay

The Latecomer: A Hmong Family Memoir by Kao Kalia Yang

Boy Kings of Texas by Domingo Martinez

### Novel set in a non-western country

Absent (Baghdad, Iraq) by Betoool Khedairi

The Blue Sky (Mongolia) by Galsan Tschinag

Beneath the Lion's Gaze (Ethiopia) by Maaza Mengiste

### Book by an Asian-American writer

Soft Science by Franny Choi

The Sympathizer by Viet Thanh Nguyen

The Lowland by Jhumpa Lahiri

A Little Life by Hanya Yanagihara

## Column 3:

### Crime fiction/mystery by a writer of color

Bluebird, Bluebird by Attica Locke

Cutting Season by Attica Locke

Ripper by Isabel Allende

### Speculative Fiction by a writer of color

Fifth Season by N.K. Jemisin

Ember in the Ashes by Sabaa Tahir \*

Song of Blood and Stone by L. Penelope

### Book by a female writer of color

An American Marriage by Tayari Jones \*

Wedding Date by Jasmine Guillory

Swing Time by Zadie Smith

The Hate You Give by Angie Thomas \*

Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi

### Book by an "award winning" author of color

The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo

The Emissary by Yoko Tawada

The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead \*

Waiting by Ha Jin

## Column 4:

### Short story collection by a writer of color

Lot: Stories by Bryan Washington

The Man Who Shot Out My Eye Is Dead by Chanelle Benz

What Is Not Yours Is Not Yours by Helen Oyeyemi

Everyday People: The Color of Life edited by Jennifer Baker

### Novel with a major LGBTQ character of color

Under the Udala Trees by Chinelo Okparanta

Don't Let Him Know by Sandip Roy

The Color Purple by Alice Walker

The City of Devi by Manil Suri

The New Negro: the Life of Alain Locke by Jeffrey C. Stewart

### Book published in 2019 by an author of color

Trust Exercise by Susan Choi

The Confessions of Frannie Langton by Sara Collins

Children of Virtue and Vengeance by Tomi Adeyemi

Mouthful of Birds by Samanta Schweblin

### YA novel by a writer of color

Opposite of Always by Justin A. Reynolds

The Sun Is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon

Dear Martin by Nic Stone

\* Also available in ebook or downloadable audio format through Overdrive

**Non-fiction book about race in America**

Citizen by Claudia Rankine

How Not to Get Shot: And Other Advice From White People by D.L. Hughley \*

In the Country We Love by Diane Guerrero \*

The Short and Tragic Life of Robert Peace by Jeff Hobbs

Waking Up White by Debby Irving

Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America by Michael Eric Dyson

Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson

**Column 5:****Book by a non-western author**

A Fine Balance by Rohinton Mistry

We Need New Names by NoViolet Bulawayo

The Rainbow Troops by Andrea Hirata \*

**A “classic” by a writer of color**

Jonah's Gourd Vine by Zora Neale Hurston \*

Go Tell It on the Mountain by James Baldwin

Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe

Selected Poems of Gwendolyn Brooks by Gwendolyn Brooks

Season of Migration to the North by Tayeb Salih

Beloved by Toni Morrison

Black Boy by Richard Wright

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou

**Book by a Native American writer**

There There by Tommy Orange

Crazy Brave by Joy Harjo \*

Whereas by Layli Long Soldier

House Made of Dawn by N. Scott Momaday \*

The Round House by Louise Erdrich

**Debut novel by a writer of color**

The Heads of Colored People by Nafissa Thompson-Spires

On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous by Ocean Vuong

99 Nights in Logar by Jamil Jan Kochai

**Essay or essay collection by a writer of color**

This Will Be My Undoing by Morgan Jerkins \*

Heartberries by Terese Marie Mailhot

Thick and other Essays by Tressie McMillan Cottom

We Were 8 Years in Power by Ta-Nehisi Coates \*

Well-Read Black Girl by Glory Edim \*

The Source of Self-Regard: Selected Essays, Speeches, and Meditations by Toni Morrison

Fire This Time by Jesmyn Ward

American Like Me by America Ferrera

The Good Immigrant by Nikesh Shukla and Chimene Suleyman

**TED Talks - [www.ted.com](http://www.ted.com)**

Chika Okoro - How colorism shapes our standards of beauty

Muhammed Idris - What refugees need to start new lives

Leila Seth - Why I defend women's inheritance rights

Mary Maker - Why I fight for the education of refugee girls (like me)

Kyle Quinn - What marrying an immigrant taught me about cultural bias

Karen Armstrong - Passion for compassion

JR - Undocumented lives, inside out

Özlem Cekic - Why I have coffee with people who send me hate mail

**Podcasts**

National Public Radio's Code Switch

About Race with Reni Eddo-Lodge

The Chicken And Jollof Rice Show

GirlsLikeMe

Identity Politics

Latinos Who Lunch

See Something Say Something

**Movies**

A Day Without A Mexican

A Patch of Blue

A Time to Kill

Akeelah and the Bee

Amistad

Beatriz at Dinner

Bend it like Beckham

Birth of a Nation

BlackKKKlansman

Boyz 'N the Hood

Crash

Dances With Wolves

Do the Right Thing

Gandhi

Get Out

Ghosts of Mississippi

Glory

Hiroshima Maiden

If Beale Street Could Talk

In the Heat of the Night

Malcolm X

Mississippi Burning

Monsoon Wedding

Moonlight

Osama

Real Women Have Curves

Remember the Titans

Roma

Roots

Save the Last Dance

Spanglish

Spirited Away

The Color Purple

The Joy Luck Club

To Kill a Mockingbird