extreme reader

An "own voices" book



Category Description

A book written by a member of the marginalized community which it depicts.

Example: If the character has a disability, the author also has that same disability. If the character identifies as queer, the author also identifies as queer.

Adult Fiction

- · Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
- · In the Midst of Winter by Isabel Allende
- · Salt Houses by Hala Alyan
- Sellout by Paul Beatty
- · Queenie by Candice Carty-Williams
- The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros
- This is How You Lose Her by Junot Diaz
- Perma Red by Debra Magpie Earling
- · The Round House by Louise Erdrich
- · North of Dawn by Nuruddin Farah
- · Fresh Men: New Voices in Gay Fiction
- One Hundred Years of Solitude by Gabriel García Márquez
- · Exit West by Moshin Hamid
- · Blood Hina by Naomi Hirahara
- The Bride Test by Helen Hoang
- · And the Mountains Echoed by Khaled Hosseini
- · This Is Paradise by Kristiana Kahakauwila
- The Unexpected Inheritance of Inspector Chopra by Vaseem Khan
- The Namesake by Jhumpa Lahiri
- · Pachinko by Min Jin Lee
- Bee Keeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri
- · The Widows of Malabar Hill by Sujata Massey
- · Behold the Dreamers by Imbolo Mbue
- · The Not Wives by Carley Moore
- Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng
- · Good Kings Bad Kings by Susan Nussbaum
- · There There by Tommy Orange
- A Tale for the Time Being by Ruth L. Ozeki
- The Beadworkers: Stories by Beth H. Piatote
- The Valley of Amazement by Amy Tan
- · The Space Between Us by Thirty N. Umrigar
- · On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous by Ocean Vuong
- · Sing, Unburied, Sing by Jesmyn Ward
- · The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead
- · Red at the Bone by Jacqueline Woodson
- Shelter by Jung Yun



Non-Fiction

- The Sound of a Wild Snail Eating by Elisabeth Tova Bailey
- The Pretty One: On Life, Pop Culture, Disability, and Other Reasons to Fall in Love with Me by Keah Brown
- Ghosts of Gold Mountain: The Epic Story of the Chinese Who Built the Transcontinental Railroad by Gordon H. Chang
- Mean Little Deaf Queer: a Memoir by Terry Galloway
- Life Upon These Shores: Looking at African American History, 1513-2008 by Henry Louis Gates
- · Crux: A Cross-border Memoir by Jean Guerrero
- The Tao of Raven: An Alaska Native Memoir by Ernestine Hayes
- The House of Islam: A Global History by Ed Husain
- Rabbit-proof Fence by Doris Pilkington
- You Can't Touch My Hair and Other Things I Still Have to Explain by Phoebe Robinson
- Daring to Drive: A Saudi Woman's Awakening by Manal Sharif
- The Heartbeat of Wounded Knee: Native America From 1890 to the Present by David Treuer
- Well-read Black Girl: Finding Our Stories, Discovering Ourselves: An Anthology

Teen

- A Land of Permanent Goodbyes by Atia Abawi
- Does My Head Look Big in This? by Randa Abdel-Fattah
- · Children of Blood and Bone by Tomi Adeyemi
- Born Confused by Tanuja Desai Hidier
- · Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline
- · On the Edge of Gone by Corinne Duyvis
- · For a Muse of Fire by Heidi Heilig
- Run by Kody Keplinger
- · Rebel Seoul by Axie Oh
- · Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds
- Boyfriends with Girlfriends by Alex Sanchez
- I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter by Erika
 L. Sánchez
- Hearts Unbroken by Cynthia Leitich Smith
- · The Sun is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon