

# The Lesson

by Cadwell Turnbull - SF TURNBULL

The people of the US Virgin Islands coexist with the Ynaa, a race of super-advanced aliens on a research mission they will not fully disclose, until the death of a young boy plunges three families into an inevitable conflict that will touch everyone and teach a terrible lesson.



#### Sing, unburied, sing : a novel by Jesmyn Ward - WARD

Living with his grandparents and sister on a Gulf Coast farm, Jojo navigates the challenges of his mother's addictions and his grandmother's cancer before the release of his father from prison prompts a road trip of danger and hope



# The Nickel Boys

## by Colson Whitehead - WHITEHEAD

A follow-up to the Pulitzer Prize- and National Book Award-winning, The Underground Railroad, follows the harrowing experiences of two African-American teens at an abusive reform school in Jim Crow-era Florida



# Red at the Bone

by Jacqueline Woodson - WOODSON As Melody celebrates a coming of age ceremony at her grandparents' house in 2001 Brooklyn, her family remembers 1985, when Melody's own mother prepared for a similar party that never took place in this novel about different social classes.

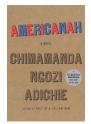


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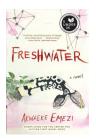
by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie - ADICHIE Separated by differing ambitions after falling in love in occupied Nigeria, beautiful Ifemelu experiences triumph and defeat in America, while Obinze endures an undocumented status in London until the pair is reunited in their homeland fifteen years later.



# Kindred

by Octavia E. Butler - BUTLER

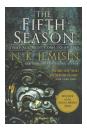
Dana, a Black woman, finds herself repeatedly transported to the antebellum South, where she must make sure that Rufus, the plantation owner's son, survives to father Dana's ancestor.



## Freshwater

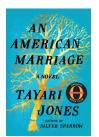
by Akwaeke Emezi - EMEZI

Traces the experiences of a deeply troubled young woman who alarms her devout Nigerian family as she succumbs to multiple personality disorder and begins to display increasingly dark and dangerous traits in accordance with her fractured personalities.



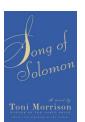
# The Broken Earth trilogy : The Fifth Season / The Obelisk Gate / The Stone Sky by N. K Jemisin - SF JEMISIN

After the empire Sanze collapses and the vast continent Stillness becomes ravaged by a red rift which darkens the sky, Essun, whose daughter has been kidnapped by her murderous husband, crosses Stillness in a desperate attempt to save her daughter.



## An American Marriage by Tayari Jones - JONES

When her new husband is arrested and imprisoned for a crime she knows he did not commit, a rising artist takes comfort in a longtime friendship only to encounter unexpected challenges in resuming her life when her husband's sentence is suddenly overturned.



# Song of Solomon

by Toni Morrison - MORRISON

Macon Dead, Jr., called "Milkman," the son of the wealthiest African American in town, moves from childhood into early manhood, searching, among the disparate, mysterious members of his family, for his life and reality.



#### Binti : the Complete Trilogy by Nnedi Okorafor - SF OKORAFOR

A science fiction trilogy by a Hugo-, Nebula- and World Fantasy

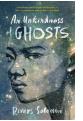
Award-winning author follows Binti, a young Himba girl, who, while journeying to the elite Oomza University, must survive when her ship is attacked.



# Riot Baby

## by Tochi Onyebuchi - SF ONYEBUCHI

Ella has a Thing. She sees a classmate grow up to become a caring nurse. A neighbor's son murdered in a drive-by shooting. Things that haven't happened yet. Kev, born while Los Angeles burned around them, wants to protect his sister from a power that could destroy her. But when Kev is incarcerated, Ella must decide what it means to watch her brother suffer while holding the ability to wreck cities in her hands..



# An Unkindness of Ghosts

#### by Rivers Solomon - SF SOLOMON

In the lowerdeck of the HSS Matlida, a space vessel run like the antebellum South, Aster, a dark-skinned sharecropper, faces harsh restrictions and punishments from brutal overseers, but the seeds of civil war hold the key to her freedom.



## The hate u give by Angie Thomas - Y THOMAS

When Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Soon afterward, his death is a national headline. What everyone wants to know is: what really went down that night? And the only person alive who can answer that is Starr.