Tyler Johnson was here
by Jay Coles
When Marvin Johnson’s twin brother, Tyler, is shot and killed by a police officer, Marvin must fight injustice to learn the true meaning of freedom.

The Port Chicago 50: disaster, mutiny, and the fight for civil rights
by Steve Sheinkin
940.545 SHE / Teen
The award-winning author of Bomb presents an account of the 1944 civil rights protest involving hundreds of African-American Navy servicemen who were unjustly charged with mutiny for refusing to work in unsafe conditions after the deadly Port Chicago explosion.

Black enough: stories of being young & black in America
by Ibi Zoboi
TEEN BLACK
Edited by the National Book Award finalist and featuring contributions by a prestigious group of best-selling, award-winning and emerging African American young-adult authors, a timely literary collection shares modern insights into what it is like to be young and black in today’s America.

All American boys
by Jason Reynolds
When sixteen-year-old Rashad is mistakenly accused of stealing, classmate Quinn witnesses his brutal beating at the hands of a police officer who happens to be the older brother of his best friend. Told through Rashad and Quinn’s alternating viewpoints.

I’m not dying with you tonight
by Kimberly Jones
Told from two viewpoints, Atlanta high school seniors Lena and Campbell, one black, one white, must rely on each other to survive after a football rivalry escalates into a riot.

Say her name
by Zetta Elliott
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Inspired by the African American Policy Forum’s #SayHerName campaign and the work of such notables as Lucille Clifton and Nikki Giovanni, a collection of poems stands as a tribute to Black Lives Matter activists and victims of police brutality.

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Black Lives Matter
by Sue Bradford Edwards
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Discusses the Black Lives Matter organization, describing the events that led to the group’s creation, their impact on society, and their hopes for the future.
Light it up
by Kekla Magoon
A follow-up to the award-winning *How It Went Down* finds the community of Underhill thrown into upheaval by the police shooting of an unarmed 13-year-old girl, a mistake that triggers clashes between justice-seeking protesters and white-supremacist demonstrators.

A good kind of trouble
by Lisa Moore Ramée
After attending a powerful protest, Shayla starts wearing an armband to school to support the Black Lives Matter movement, but when the school gives her an ultimatum, she is forced to choose between her education and her identity.

March. Book three
by John Lewis
A first-hand graphic novel account of the author’s lifelong struggle for civil and human rights continues to cover his involvement in the Freedom Vote and Mississippi Freedom Summer campaigns, and the Selma to Montgomery march.

Dear Martin
by Nic Stone
Profiled by a racist police officer in spite of his excellent academic achievements and Ivy League acceptance, a disgruntled college youth navigates the prejudices of new classmates and his crush on a white girl by writing a journal to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in the hopes that his iconic role model’s teachings will be applicable half a century later.

Brown girl dreaming
by Jacqueline Woodson
In vivid poems that reflect the joy of finding her voice through writing stories, an award-winning author shares what it was like to grow up in the 1960s and 1970s in both the North and the South.

Ghost boys
by Jewell Parker Rhodes
After seventh-grader Jerome is shot by a white police officer, he observes the aftermath of his death and meets the ghosts of other fallen black boys including historical figure Emmett Till.

American street
by Ibi Zoboi
Separated from her detained mother after moving from Haiti to America, Fabiola struggles to navigate the home of her loud cousins and a new school on Detroit’s gritty west side, where a surprising romance and a dangerous proposition challenge her ideas about freedom.

I am Alfonso Jones
by Tony Medina
The ghost of fifteen-year-old Alfonso Jones travels in a New York subway car full of the living and the dead, watching his family and friends fight for justice after he is killed by an off-duty police officer while buying a suit in a Midtown department store.

X: a novel
by Ilyasah Shabazz
Co-written by the best-selling author of *Malcolm Little* and daughter of Malcolm X, a novel based her father’s formative years describes his father’s murder, his mother’s imprisonment and his challenging effort to pursue an education in law.

This side of home
by Renée Watson
Twins Nikki and Maya Younger always agreed on most things, but as they head into their senior year they react differently to the gentrification of their Portland, Oregon, neighborhood and the new-white-family that moves in after their best friend and her mother are evicted.

We are not yet equal: understanding our racial divide
by Carol Anderson
From the end of the Civil War to the tumultuous issues in America today, an acclaimed historian reframes the conversation about race, chronicling the powerful forces opposed to black progress in America.

On the come up
by Angie Thomas
A follow-up to the award-winning *The Hate U Give* finds an ambitious young rapper pouring her frustrations into a first song only to find herself at the center of a viral controversy that forces her to become the menace that her public reputation has portrayed her to be.