

READ WOKE

reading challenge



Poverty Voices | Young adult books available thru York Public Library

Read Woke is a movement. It is a feeling. It is a style. It is a form of education. It is a call to action; it is our right as lifelong learners. It means arming yourself with knowledge in order to better protect your rights. Knowledge is power and no one can take it away. It means learning about others so that you can treat people with the respect and dignity that they deserve no matter their religion, race, creed, or color.



No fixed address

by Susin Nielsen-Fernlund

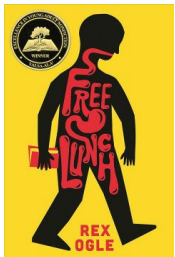
Twelve-year-old Felix's appearance on a television game show reveals that he and his mother have been homeless for a while, but also restores some of his faith in other people



Paper things

by Jennifer Jacobson

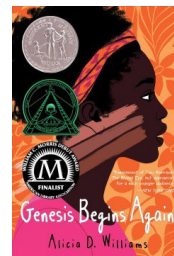
Leaving with her brother when he decides he can no longer stay with their guardian, Ari endures a life of homelessness that challenges her schoolwork, friendships, and the promise made to her mother that she and her brother would stay together



Free lunch

by Rex Ogle

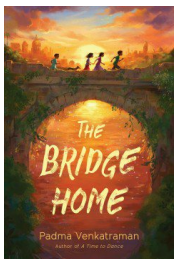
A sixth grader from an economically disadvantaged family struggles in a new school where he is forced to endure humiliation over his secondhand clothing and public daily requests for his school's free lunch program.



Genesis begins again

by Alicia Williams

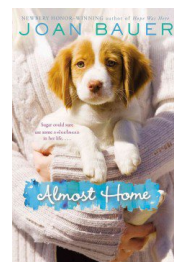
.Thirteen-year-old Genesis tries again and again to lighten her black skin, thinking it is the root of her family's troubles, before discovering reasons to love herself as is



The bridge home

by Padma Venkatraman

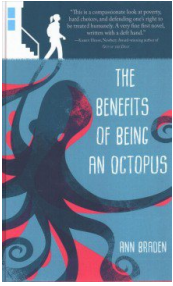
Facing daunting prospects on the streets of Chennai, two runaway sisters finds shelter and friendship on an abandoned bridge with two homeless boys before an illness forces them to choose between survival and freedom.



Almost home

by Joan Bauer

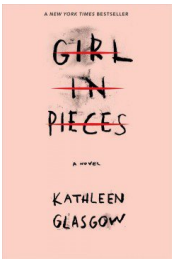
The Newbery Honor-winning author of Hope Was Here offers the story of sixth-grader Sugar and her mother, who lose their beloved house and experience the harsh world of homelessness.



The benefits of being an octopus

by Ann Braden

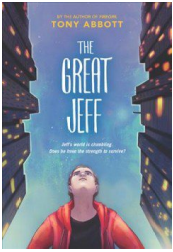
Seventh-grader Zoey Albro focuses on caring for three younger siblings and avoiding rich classmates at school until her fascination with octopuses gets her on the debate team and she begins to speak out



Girl in pieces

by Kathleen Glasgow

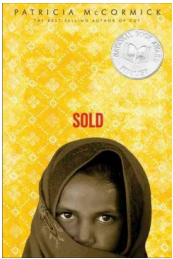
As she struggles to recover and survive, seventeen-year-old homeless Charlotte "Charlie" Davis cuts herself to dull the pain of abandonment and abuse



The great Jeff

by Tony Abbott

When his mother loses her job, Jeff, who is already struggling with changing schools and problems with his best friend, finds his life spiraling out of control

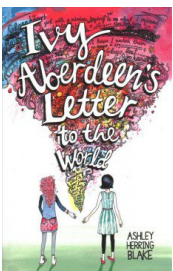


Sold

by Patricia McCormick

When she is tricked by her stepfather and sold into prostitution, thirteen-year-old Lakshmi becomes submerged in a nightmare where her only comfort is the friendship she forms with the other girls, which helps her survive--and eventually escape. An ALA Best Book for Young

Adults. Reprint.



Ivy Aberdeen's letter to the world

by Ashley Herring Blake

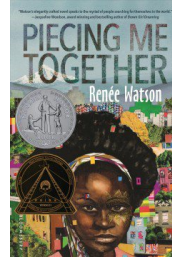
Twelve-year-old Ivy Aberdeen's house is destroyed in a tornado, and in the aftermath of the storm, she begins to develop feelings for another girl at school



The downstairs girl

by Stacey Lee

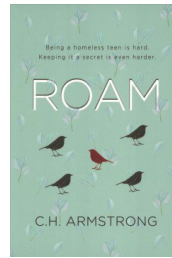
When the advice column she secretly writes becomes wildly popular, a young lady's maid uses her influence to question her society's fixed ideas about race and gender.



Piecing me together

by Renée Watson

Tired of being singled out at her mostly-white private school as someone who needs support, Jade would rather participate in the school's Study Abroad program than join Women to Women, a mentorship program for at-risk girls.



Roam

by C. H. Armstrong

When Abby and her family find themselves living on the streets, she must decide if she trusts her new friends at school to help her find a normal life



Echo Mountain

by Lauren Wolk

Losing her home in the aftermath of the stock market crash of 1929, Ellie moves with her family to a new home in an unforgiving mountain terrain where she seeks a cure to restore her injured father to health. By the Newbery Honor-winning author of Wolf Hollow.



The land of forgotten girls

by Erin Entrada Kelly

Living in poverty in Louisiana after being abandoned by her father, a young girl from the Philippines endures the cruelty of her stepmother and protects her younger sister by escaping into imaginative fantasies about their world-traveling aunt, whom she hopes will

come to their rescue. Simultaneous eBook. 30,000 first printing.