

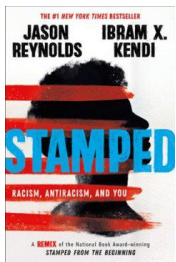
# READ WOKE

reading challenge



## African American Voices | Young Adult books available thru York Public Library

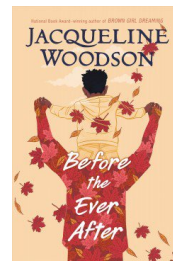
**Read Woke is a movement.** It is a feeling. It is a style. It is a form of education. It is a call to action; it is our right as lifelong learners. It means arming yourself with knowledge in order to better protect your rights. Knowledge is power and no one can take it away. It means learning about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



### Stamped : racism, antiracism, and you

by Jason Reynolds

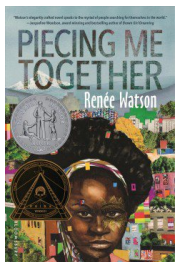
A timely reimagining of Dr. Ibram X. Kendi's National Book Award-winning *Stamped From the Beginning* reveals the history of racist ideas in America while explaining their endurance and capacity for being discredited.



### Before the ever after

by Jacqueline Woodson

The son of an idolized pro-football star begins noticing the contrast between his father's angry, forgetful behavior and his superhero reputation before adjusting to a new reality involving difficult symptoms stemming from his father's numerous head injuries.



### Piecing me together

by Renée Watson

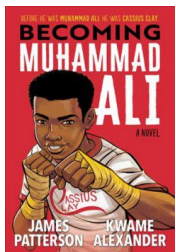
Tired of being singled out at her mostly-white private school as someone who needs support, Jade would rather participate in the school's Study Abroad program than join Women to Women, a mentorship program for at-risk girls.



### All the things we never knew

by Liara Tamani

A seemingly idyllic romance between rising basketball stars Carli and Rex is challenged by Carli's secret distaste for the game, her parents' crumbling marriage and a lack of family affection that causes Rex to doubt himself.

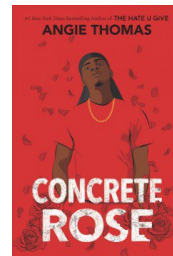


### Becoming Muhammad Ali : a novel

by James Patterson

Fully authorized by and written in cooperation with the Muhammad Ali estate, two powerhouse authors come together to tell the inspiring story of Cassius Clay, the determined boy who would one day become Muhammed Ali,

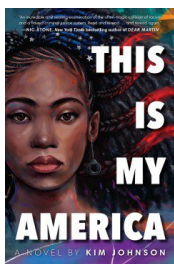
one of the greatest sports heroes of all time.



### Concrete Rose

by Angie Thomas

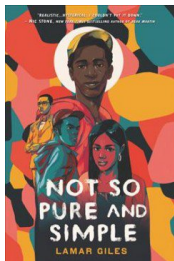
A gang leader's son finds his effort to go straight for the sake of his child challenged by a loved one's brutal murder, in a poignant exploration of Black coming-of-age set 17 years before the events of the award-winning *The Hate U Give*.



## This is my America

by Kim Johnson

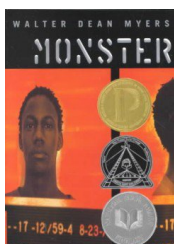
Sending weekly letters to an organization she hopes will save her innocent father from death row, 17-year-old Tracy uncovers racist community secrets when her track star brother is wrongly accused of murder.



## Not so pure and simple

by L. R. Giles

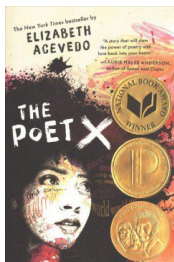
A first contemporary young adult novel by the two-time Edgar Award finalist and author of Fake ID finds a young man's efforts to win the heart of a longtime crush complicated by their church's Purity Pledge.



## Monster

by Walter Dean Myers

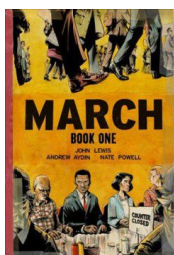
While on trial as an accomplice to a murder, sixteen-year-old Steve Harmon records his experiences in prison and in the courtroom in the form of a film script as he tries to come to terms with the course his life has taken.



## The poet X

by Elizabeth Acevedo

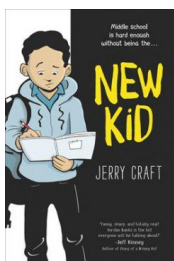
When Xiomara Batista, who pours all her frustrations and passion into poetry, is invited to join the school slam poetry club, she struggles with her mother's expectations and her need to be heard.



## March. Book one

by John Lewis

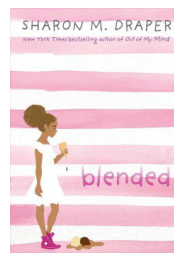
A first-hand account of the author's lifelong struggle for civil and human rights spans his youth in rural Alabama, his life-changing meeting with Martin Luther King, Jr., and the birth of the Nashville Student Movement



## New kid

by Jerry Craft

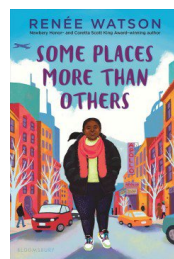
After his parents send him to a prestigious private school known for its academics, Jordan Banks finds himself torn between two worlds.



## Blended

by Sharon M. Draper

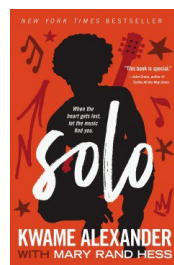
Piano-prodigy Isabella, eleven, whose black father and white mother struggle to share custody, never feels whole, especially as racial tensions affect her school, her parents both become engaged, and she and her stepbrother are stopped by police.



## Some Places More Than Others

by Renée Watson

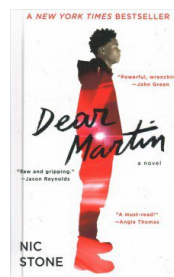
Amara visits her father's family in Harlem for her twelfth birthday, hoping to better understand her family and herself, but New York City is not what she expected.



## Solo

by Kwame Alexander

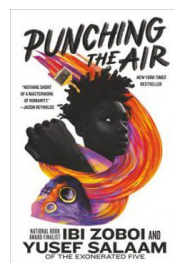
Seventeen-year-old Blade endeavors to resolve painful issues from his past to navigate the challenges of his former rockstar father's addictions, scathing tabloid rumors, and a protected secret that threatens his own identity.



## Dear Martin

by Nic Stone

Writing letters to the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., seventeen-year-old college-bound Justyce McAllister struggles to face the reality of race relations today and how they are shaping him.



## Punching the Air

by Ibi Zoboi

The award-winning author of American Street and the prison reform activist of the Exonerated Five trace the story of a young artist and poet whose prospects at a diverse art school are threatened by a racially biased system and a tragic altercation in a gentrifying neighborhood.