

ASIAN AMERICAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Books - Chapter Books



Amina's Voice by Hena Khan. Sixth-grader Amina loves music, but an unfortunate stage-fright experience makes her terrified of singing or speaking in front of an audience. As Amina navigates many changes and challenges, will she find the courage to share her gift with others?



When You Trap a Tiger by Tae Keller. Lily's Halmoni (grandmother) has always told her fantastical stories of Korean folklore. When Lily's family moves in with Halmoni, Lily can't wait to hear more stories. But when Halmoni gets sick, the magic comes to life when Lily is visited by a tiger looking to make a deal.



Listen, Slowly by Thanhha Lai. Mai dreamed of spending the summer on Laguna Beach with her best friend Montana and with HIM, the boy she's been crushing on. Instead, she finds herself keeping her grandmother company in Vietnam, where she deals with heat, mosquitoes, and cultural and language barriers, but begins to learn more than she ever expected.



Brother's Keeper by Julie Lee. Twelve-year-old Sora and her younger brother lose their parents as they flee the advancing North Korean red army. They must make it across the border and south to Busan near the ocean all by themselves, while they dodge menacing soldiers, kidnappers and illness. **Prairie Lotus** by Linda Sue Park. This story set in the late 1800s introduces Hanna, who is half white plus Chinese and Korean. Her father is white. These facts have always caused problems for Hanna, who has often been made fun of at school. But when her family moves to Dakota Territory she discovers it is illegal for her to even exist!



Amal Unbound by Aisha Saeed.

All Amal dreams about is becoming a teacher in her small village in Pakistan. However, an unfortunate incident forces her to become a servant to the corrupt leaders of her village. As Amal learns disturbing secrets about the Khans, she finds herself collaborating with the other servants to enact change.

The Bridge Home by Padma

Venkatraman.

Viji and Rukku, two sisters, age 11 and 12, run away from their home and abusive father, leaving them living on the streets of Chennai, India. Rukku is developmentally delayed so relies totally on her younger sister. With two new friends, the four kids must find a way to live on the streets.

Stargazing by Jen Wang.

Christine is not so sure about the new girl at school named Moon. But like it or not, Moon and her mother move into Christine's family's extra rental unit in the backyard. Soon the two girls are best of friends.



