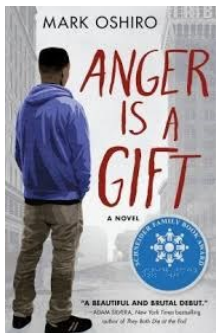




I'M Not Dying With You Tonight by Gilly Segal and Kimberly Jones

Two teen strangers, Lena and Campbell — one black and one white — must rely on each other to safely make it through the night when their small town is engulfed by riots after a fight breaks out at their racially divided Atlanta high school.



Anger is a Gift by Mark Oshiro

Moss Jeffries is many things but sometimes Moss still wishes he could be someone else—someone without panic attacks, someone whose father was still alive, someone who hadn't become a rallying point for a community because of one horrible night. When tensions hit a fever pitch, Moss must face a difficult choice: give in to fear and hate or realize that anger can actually be a gift.

Urban Fiction for Teens



Who Put This Song On? By Morgan Parker

Morgan knows why she's in therapy. She can't count the number of times she's been the only non-white person at the sleepover, been teased for her "weird" outfits, and been told she's not "really" black. Lately, it feels like the whole world is listening to the same terrible track on repeat. When can Morgan turn this song off and begin living for herself?



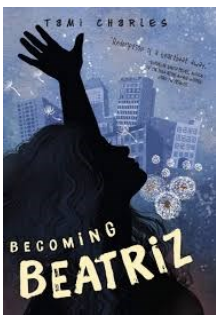
Light It Up by Kekla Magoon

A girl walks home from school. She never makes it home. In the aftermath, while law enforcement tries to justify the response, one fact remains: a police officer has shot and killed an unarmed thirteen-year-old girl.



Becoming Beatriz by Tami Charles

In 1984, the most important thing in the world to Beatriz Mendez was her dream of becoming a professional dancer and getting herself and her family far from the gang life that defined their days. Now the only question is: will the gang let her go?



Color Me In by Natasha Diaz

Growing up in an affluent suburb of New York City, sixteen-year-old Nevaeh Levitz never thought much about her biracial roots. When her Black mom and Jewish dad split up, she relocates to her mom's family home in Harlem and is forced to confront her identity for the first time.



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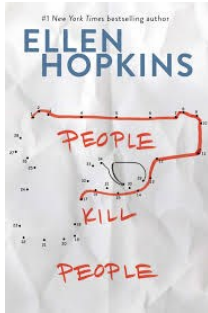
On the Come Up By Angie Thomas

Sixteen-year-old Bri wants to be one of the greatest rappers of all time. As the daughter of an underground hip hop legend who died right before he hit big, Bri's got massive shoes to fill.



People Kill People by Ellen Hopkins

A gun is sold in the classifieds is bought by a teenager for needed protection. But who was it? One tense week brings six people into close contact in a town wrought with political and personal tensions. Someone will fire. And someone will die. But who?



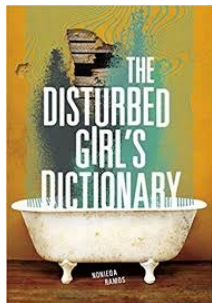
Spin by L.R. Giles

One murdered DJ. Two sworn enemies. An obsessive fandom. A crusade for justice that turns deadly. Get ready for a dark & deadly thriller about life & death & hip-hop.



The Disturbed Girl's Dictionary by NoNieqa Ramos

Macy's school officially classifies her as "disturbed," but Macy isn't interested in how others define her. She's got more pressing problems: her mom can't move off the couch, her dad's in prison, her brother's been kidnapped by Child Protective Services, and now her best friend isn't speaking to her.



Slay by Brittany Morris

Follow a fierce teen game developer as she battles a real-life troll intent on ruining the *Black Panther*-inspired video game she created and the safe community it represents for Black gamers.



The Stars and the Blackness

Between Them by Junauda Petrus

Told in two distinct and irresistible voices, this is the story of two black girls from very different backgrounds finding love and happiness in a world that seems determined to deny them both.



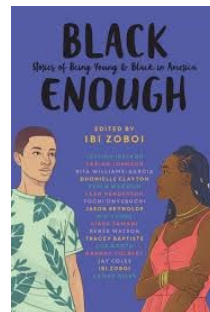
Cracking the Bell by Geoff Herbach

Isaiah loves football. In fact, football saved Isaiah's life, giving him structure and discipline after his sister's death tore his family apart. But when Isaiah gets knocked out cold on the field, he learns there's a lot more to lose than football. What would prevent him from sliding back into the habits that nearly destroyed him?



Black Enough: Stories of Being Young & Black in America edited by Ibi Zoboi

A star-studded anthology edited by National Book Award finalist Ibi Zoboi that will delve into the closeted thoughts, hidden experiences, and daily struggles of black teens across the country.



With the Fire on High by Elizabeth Acevedo

Ever since she got pregnant freshman year, Emoni Santiago's life has been about making the tough decisions—doing what has to be done for her daughter. The one place she can let all that go is in the kitchen, where she adds a little something magical to everything she cooks.



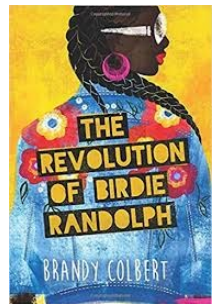
Let Me Hear a Rhyme by Tiffany Jackson

Three Brooklyn teens plot to turn their murdered friend into a major rap star by pretending he is still alive.



The Revolution of Birdie Randolph by Brandy Colbert

Dove "Birdie" Randolph works hard to be the perfect daughter and follow the path her parents have laid out for her but Birdie falls hard for Booker, a sweet boy with a troubled past...whom she knows her parents will never approve of.



Roam by C.H. Armstrong

Seventeen year-old Abby Lunde and her family are living on the streets. They had a normal life back in Omaha, but thanks to her mother's awful mistake, they had to leave what little they had behind for a new start in Rochester, Minnesota.

