

Authors of Colour – Reading List for Y7 & Y8

FICTION

The life I'm in - Sharon G Flake

With the fire on high - Elizabeth Acevedo

Zebra crossing soul song - Sita Brahmachari

The million pieces of Neena Gill - Emma Smith-Barton

Red leaves - Sita Brahmachari

And the stars were burning brightly - Danielle Jawando

Kick the moon - Muhammad Khan

The poet X - Elizabeth Acevedo

Love, hate & other filters - Samira Ahmed

You should see me in a crown - Leah Johnson

Look both ways - Jason Reynolds

Watch us rise - Renee Watson and Ellen Hagan

Gangsta rap - Benjamin Zephaniah

The boy in the black suit - Jason Reynolds

The gilded ones - Namina Forna

Ghost boys - Jewell Parker Rhodes

Love is a revolution - Renee Watson

I am thunder - Muhammad Khan

This poison heart - Kalynn Bayron

Dear Martin - Nic Stone

My so-called Bollywood life - Nisha Sharma

The black flamingo - Dean Atta

Slay - Brittney Morris

Noughts & Crosses - Malorie Blackman

Clap when you land - Elizabeth Acevedo

Oh my gods - Alexandra Sheppard

The wheel of Surya - Jamila Gavin

Rebound - Kwame Alexander

Kerb-stain boys - Alex Wheatle

Rose, interrupted - Patrice Lawrence

Eight Pieces of Silva - Patrice Lawrence

Everything Everything – Nicola Yoon

Terror Kid – Benjamin Zephaniah

Run, Riot Nikesk Shukla

Cinderella is dead - Kalynn Bayron

Amber undercover - Em Norry

The humiliations of Welton Blake - Alex Wheatle

Excuse me while I ugly cry - Joya Goffney

High Rise Mystery – Sharna Jackson

A Pocketful of Stars – Aisha Busby

The Boy at the Back of the Class – Onjali Q. Rauf

Fly me Home – Polly Ho-Yen

NON-FICTION

Becoming (adapted version for younger readers) – Michelle Obama

All Boys aren't Blue – George M. Johnson

Black and British – David Olusoga

Twirlymen – Amol Rajan

What White People Can Do Next – Emma Dabiri

Taking Up Space – Chelsea Kwakye/Ore Ogunbiyi

The Boy with the Topknot – Sathnam Sanghera

Believe – Nicola Adams

A Dutiful Boy – Mohsin Zaidi

Amazing Muslims who changed the World – Burhana Islam

Notes of a Native Son – James Baldwin

Living While Black – Guilaine Kinouani

Home Coming – Colin Grant

Please be aware that some titles tackle difficult topics and some include a very small amount of swearing.

If you find something uncomfortable, stop reading and talk to someone if you want support.

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