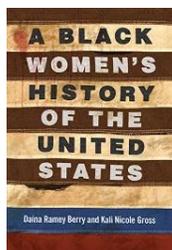
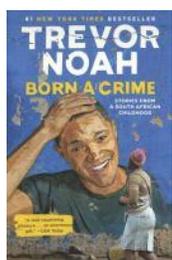


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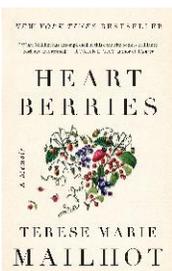
A Black Women's History of the United States (Daina Ramey Berry and Kali Nicole Gross) 305.48896 BER

A critical survey of black women's complicated legacy in America, as it takes into account their exploitation and victimization as well as their undeniable and substantial contributions to the country since its inception.



Born a Crime: Stories from a South African childhood (Trevor Noah) 791.45028 NOA

The compelling, inspiring, and comically sublime story of one man's coming-of-age, set during the twilight of apartheid and the tumultuous days of freedom that followed.



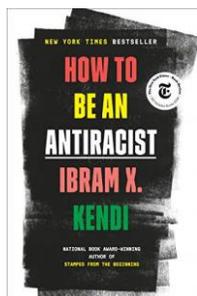
Heart Berries: A Memoir (Terese Marie Mailhot) 362.1968 MAI

A powerful, poetic memoir of a woman's coming of age on the Seabird Island Indian Reservation in the Pacific Northwest. Having survived a profoundly dysfunctional upbringing only to find herself hospitalized and facing a dual diagnosis of post traumatic stress disorder and bipolar II disorder; Terese Marie Mailhot is given a notebook and begins to write her way out of trauma.



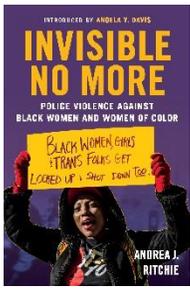
Heavy: An American Memoir (Kiese Laymon) 305.896 LAY

Laymon writes eloquently and honestly about the physical manifestations of violence, grief, trauma, and abuse on his own body. He writes of his own eating disorder and gambling addiction as well as similar issues that run throughout his family. Through self-exploration, storytelling, and honest conversation with family and friends, Heavy seeks to bring what has been hidden into the light and to reckon with all of its myriad sources, from the most intimate—a mother-child relationship—to the most universal—a society that has undervalued and abused black bodies for centuries.



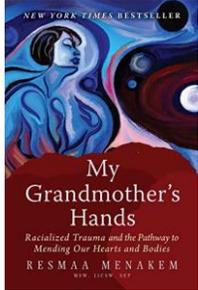
How to Be an Antiracist (Ibram X. Kendi) 305.8 KEN

Kendi's concept of antiracism reenergizes and reshapes the conversation about racial justice in America — but even more fundamentally, points us toward liberating new ways of thinking about ourselves and each other. Kendi asks us to think about what an antiracist society might look like, and how we can play an active role in building it.



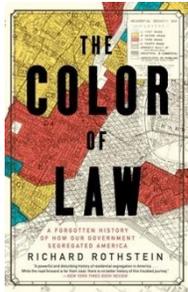
Invisible No More: Police violence against Black women and women of color (Andrea J. Ritchie) 363.2 RIT

A timely examination of the ways Black women, Indigenous women, and other women of color are uniquely affected by racial profiling, police brutality, and immigration enforcement.



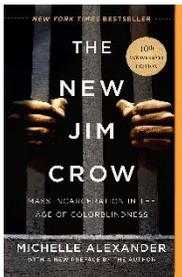
My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized trauma and the pathway to mending our hearts and bodies (Resmaa Menakem) 305.896 MEN

Therapist Resmaa Menakem examines the damage caused by racism in America from the perspective of trauma and body-centered psychology.



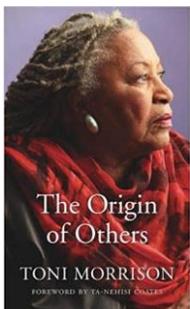
The Color of Law: A forgotten history of how our government segregated America (Richard Rothstein) 305.8 ROT

This powerful and disturbing history exposes how American governments deliberately imposed racial segregation on metropolitan areas nationwide.



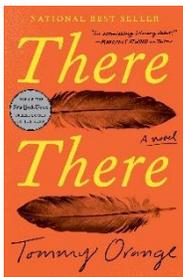
The New Jim Crow: Mass incarceration in the age of colorblindness (Michelle Alexander) 364.973 ALE

A rising legal star shows readers how the mass incarceration of a disproportionate number of black men amounts to a devastating system of racial control. This is a terrifying reality that exists in the UK as much as in the US. Despite the triumphant dismantling of the Jim Crow laws, the system that once forced African-Americans into a segregated second-class citizenship still haunts and the criminal justice system still unfairly targets black men and deprives an entire segment of the population of their basic rights.



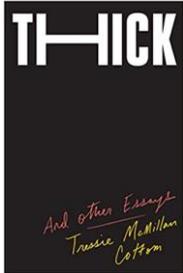
The Origin of Others (Toni Morrison) 305 MOR

America's foremost novelist reflects on the themes that preoccupy her work and increasingly dominate national and world politics: race, fear, borders, the mass movement of peoples, the desire for belonging. What is race and why does it matter? What motivates the human tendency to construct Others? Why does the presence of Others make us so afraid?



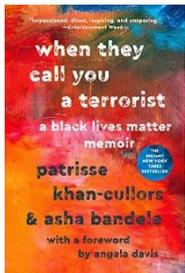
There There (Tommy Orange) Fic ORA

As we learn the reasons that each person is attending the Big Oakland Powwow—some generous, some fearful, some joyful, some violent—momentum builds toward a shocking yet inevitable conclusion that changes everything.



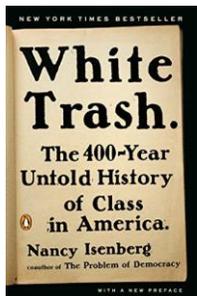
Thick: And other essays (Tressie McMillan Cottom) 301.092 COT

In these eight explorations on beauty, media, money, and more, Tressie McMillan Cottom—award-winning professor and author of *Lower Ed*—embraces her role as a purveyor of wit, wisdom, and Black Twitter snark about all that is right and much that is wrong with this thing we call society.



When They Call You a Terrorist: a Black Lives Matter memoir (Patrisse Khan-Cullors and Asha Bandele) 323.092 KHA

A memoir by the co-founder of the Black Lives Matter movement explains the movement's position of love, humanity, and justice, challenging perspectives that have negatively labeled the movement's activists while calling for essential political changes.



White Trash: The 400-year untold history of class in America (Nancy Isenberg) 305.5 ISE

Nancy Isenberg upends assumptions about America's supposedly class-free society and shows how poor whites have been deeply ingrained in the country's history for the past 400 years.

