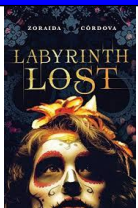
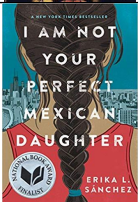
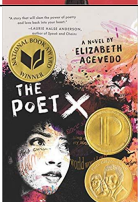
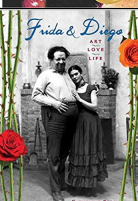

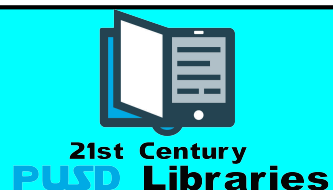
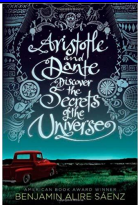
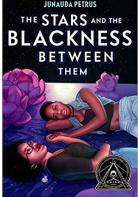


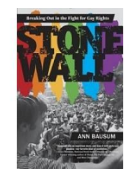


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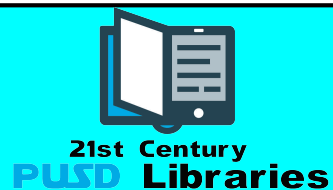
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	Labyrinth Lost	Zoraida Córdova	Alex is a bruja, the most powerful witch in a generation...and she hates magic. At her Deathday celebration, Alex performs a spell to rid herself of her power. But it backfires. Her whole family vanishes into thin air, leaving her alone with Nova, a bruja she can't trust, but who may be Alex's only chance at saving her family.	Hispanic Heritage Month, LGBTQ History Month	9-12	4.4	978-0606399944
	I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter	Erika L. Sanchez	National Book Award Finalist! Perfect Mexican daughters do not go away to college. And they do not move out of their parents' house after high school graduation. Perfect Mexican daughters never abandon their family.	Hispanic Heritage Month	9-12	4.7	978-1524700485
	The Poet X	Elizabeth Acevedo	Winner of the National Book Award for Young People's Literature, the Michael L. Printz Award, and the Pura Belpré Award! Novel-in-verse by an award-winning slam poet, about an Afro-Latina heroine who tells her story with blazing words and powerful truth.	Hispanic Heritage Month	9-12	5.2	978-0062662804
	Frida & Diego: Art, Love, Life	Catherine Reef	Nontraditional, controversial, rebellious, and politically volatile, the Mexican artists Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera are remembered for their provocative paintings as well as for their deep love for each other. Their marriage was one of the most tumultuous and infamous in history—filled with passion, pain, betrayal, revolution, and, above all, art that helped define the twentieth century.	Hispanic Heritage Month	9-12	7.6	978-0547821849
	In the Country We Love	Diane Guerrero	Diane Guerrero, television actress from the hits "Orange is the New Black" and "Jane the Virgin," recalls the day her parents were detained and deported when she was 14, and how she was able to remain in the country, finish her education, and build a successful acting career.	Hispanic Heritage Month	9-12	5.7	978-1627795272




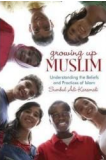
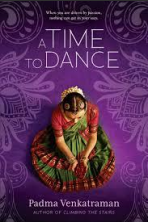
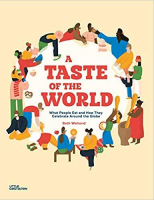

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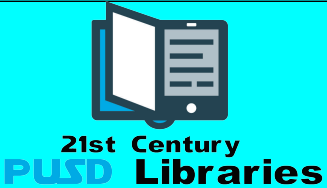
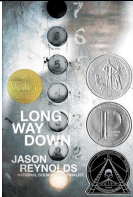



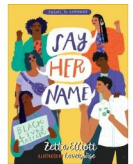
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	Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe	Benjamin Alire Sáenz	Aristotle is an angry teen with a brother in prison. Dante is a know-it-all who has an unusual way of looking at the world. When the two meet at the swimming pool, they seem to have nothing in common. But as the loners start spending time together, they discover that they share a special friendship—the kind that changes lives and lasts a lifetime.	LGBTQ+ History Month, Hispanic Heritage Month	9-12	2.9	978-1442408920
	The Stars and the Blackness Between Them	by Junauda Petrus	Mabel quickly falls hard for Audre and is determined to take care of her as she tries to navigate an American high school. But their romance takes a turn when test results reveal exactly why Mabel has been feeling low-key sick all summer and suddenly it's Audre who is caring for Mabel as she faces a deeply uncertain future.	LGBTQ+ History Month, Black History Month	9-12	890L*	978-0525555483
	Being Jazz	by Jazz Jennings	Jazz Jennings is one of the youngest and most prominent voices in the national discussion about gender identity. At the age of five, Jazz transitioned to life as a girl, with the support of her parents. A year later, her parents allowed her to share her incredible journey in her first Barbara Walters interview, aired at a time when the public was much less knowledgeable or accepting of the transgender community.	LGBTQ+ History Month	9-12	6.6	978-0399554643
	Laura Dean Keeps Breaking Up with Me	by Mariko Tamaki	Author Mariko Tamaki and illustrator Rosemary Valero-O'Connell bring to life a sweet and spirited tale of young love in Laura Dean Keeps Breaking Up with Me, a graphic novel that asks us to consider what happens when we ditch the toxic relationships we crave to embrace the healthy ones we need.	LGBTQ+ History Month, Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month	9-12	NA	978-1626722590
	Stone Wall: Breaking Out in the Fight for Gay Rights	Ann Bausum	The raid became a riot. The riot became a catalyst. The catalyst triggered an explosive demand for gay rights. A riveting exploration of the Stonewall Riots and the national Gay Rights movement that followed is eye-opening, unflinching, and inspiring.	LGBTQ+ History Month	9-12	8.0	978-0670016792

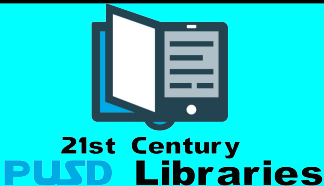

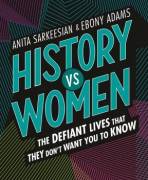
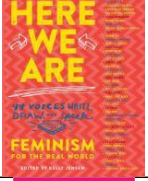
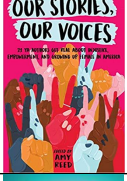
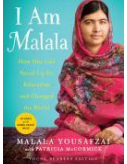
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	Killer Enemies	Joseph Bruchac	Laura Dean, the most popular girl in high school, was Frederica Riley's dream girl: charming, confident, and SO cute. There's just one problem: Laura Dean is maybe not the greatest girlfriend.	Native American Heritage Month	9-12	5.7	978-1620141434
	The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian	Sherman Alexie	Junior, is a budding cartoonist growing up on the Spokane Indian Reservation. Determined to take his future into his own hands, Junior leaves his troubled school on the rez to attend an all-white farm town high school where the only other Indian is the school mascot.	Native American Heritage Month	9-12	4.0	978-0316013680
	Undeclared: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian Football Team	Steve Sheinkin	When superstar athlete Jim Thorpe and football legend Pop Warner met in 1904 at the Carlisle Indian Industrial School in Pennsylvania, they forged one of the winningest teams in American football history. Called "the team that invented football," they took on the best opponents of their day, defeating much more privileged schools such as Harvard and the Army in a series of breathtakingly close calls, genius plays, and bone-crushing hard work.	Native American Heritage Month	6-8, 9-12	6.8	978-1250294470
	La Voz de Mayo	Henry Barajas	Based on the oral history of Ramon Jaurigue, an orphan and WWII veteran who co-founded the Mexican, American, Yaqui, and Others (M.A.Y.O.) organization, which successfully lobbied the Tucson City Council to improve living and working conditions for members of the Pascua Yaqui tribe, paving the way to their federal recognition.	Native American Heritage Month, Hispanic Heritage Month	9-12	NA	978-1534313637
	#NotYourPrincess	Lisa Charleyboy	Whether looking back to a troubled past or welcoming a hopeful future, the powerful voices of Indigenous women across North America resound in this book. In the same style as the best-selling Dreaming in Indian, #NotYourPrincess presents an eclectic collection of poems, essays, interviews, and art that combine to express the experience of being a Native woman.	Native American Heritage Month, Hispanic Heritage Month	9-12	910L*	978-1554519583

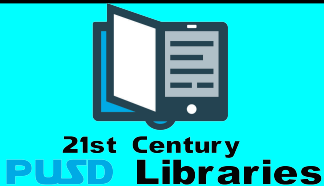

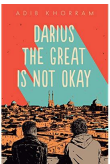
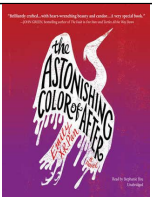
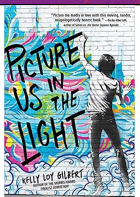
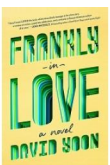


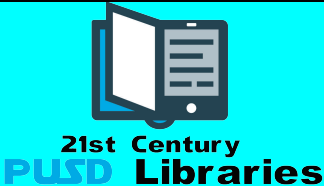

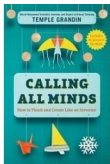



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	Forward Me Back to You	Mitali Perkins	Katina King is the reigning teen jujitsu champion of Northern California, but she's having trouble fighting off the secrets in her past. Robin Thornton was adopted from an orphanage in India and is reluctant to take on his future. If he can't find his roots, how can he possibly plan ahead?	World Holidays/ Cultures Month	9-12	690L	978-0374304928
	Growing Up Muslim: Understanding the Beliefs and Practices of Islam	Sumbul Ali-Karamali	Author Sumbul Ali-Karamali offers her personal account, discussing the many and varied questions she fielded from curious friends and schoolmates while growing up in Southern California—from diet, to dress, to prayer and holidays and everything in between. She also provides an academically reliable introduction to Islam, addressing its inception, development and current demographics.	World Holidays/ Cultures Month	9-12	8.3	978-0385740968
	A Time To Dance	Padma Venkatraman	When Veda, a bharatanatyam dancer, is injured in a car crash that results in the amputation of one of her legs, she is determined not to give up the dance that she loves, even if it means struggling through beginner classes. A Time To Dance is an exploration of culture and spirituality set in Chennai, India.	World Holidays/ Cultures Month, Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month	9-12	4.8	978-0147514400
	A Taste of the World: What People Eat and How They Celebrate Around the Globe	Beth Walrond (Author, Illustrator), Little Gestalten (Editor)	Festive feasts from around the world to bring people together, celebrate and share stories. Food glorious food! Everyone loves a feast with the family... even the little ones! A Taste of the World travels across the globe uncovering different dishes, traditions, cultures and festivals from Egypt to Germany, from China to America.	World Holidays/ Cultures Month	9-12	4.4*	978-3899558180
	Day of the Dead	Marquez, Dawn P (author), Otero, Allan (illustrator)	Death holds no power over her... Mary Medina is the one who wields power over the dead. What she doesn't know is her ability is coveted by a Secret Order long forgotten in the Realms of the Grimm Universe. Drawn to New Orleans under mysterious circumstances, Mary quickly finds herself running for her life from those that want to use her and her power, for evil.	World Holidays/ Cultures Month, Hispanic Heritage Month	9-12	NA	978-1942275589

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	A Long Way Down	Jason Reynolds	And so it goes, the whole long way down, as the elevator stops on each floor, and at each stop someone connected to his brother gets on to give Will a piece to a bigger story than the one he thinks he knows. A story that might never know an END...if Will gets off that elevator.	Black History Month	9-12	4.3	978-1481438261
	Dreamland Burning	Jennifer Latham	When seventeen-year-old Rowan Chase finds a skeleton on her family's property, she has no idea that investigating the brutal century-old murder will lead to a summer of painful discoveries about the present and the past.	Black History Month	9-12	5.9	978-0316384902
	The Hate U Give	Angie Thomas	Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Khalil was unarmed.	Black History Month	9-12	3.9	978-0062498533
	X: A Novel	Ilyasah Shabazz (Author), Kekla Magoon (Author)	Malcolm Little's parents have always told him that he can achieve anything, but from what he can tell, that's a pack of lies. X follows the boy who would become Malcolm X from his childhood to his imprisonment for theft at age twenty, when he found the faith that would lead him to forge a new path and command a voice that still resonates today.	Black History Month	9-12	4.0	978-0763669676
	Say Her Name: Poems to Empower	Loveis Wise, Zetta Elliott	Inspired by the #SayHerName campaign launched by the African American Policy Forum, these poems pay tribute to victims of police brutality as well as the activists in the Black Lives Matter movement. Elliott engages poets from the past two centuries to create a chorus of voices celebrating the creativity, resilience, and courage of black women and girls.	Black History Month, Women's History Month	9-12	NA	978-1368045247

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	Feminism : reinventing the f-word	Nadia Abushanab Higgins	While most people say they believe in equal rights, the word feminism--America's new F-word--makes people uncomfortable. Explore the history of US feminism through pioneers such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Betty Friedan, Shirley Chisholm, and Gloria Steinem.	Women's History Month	9-12	1170L*	978-1467761475
	History vs women : the defiant lives that they don't want you to know	Anita Sarkeesian	Rebels, rulers, scientists, artists, warriors and villains. Women are, and have always been, all these things and more. Looking through the ages and across the globe, the stories of twenty-five remarkable women who dared to defy history and change the world around them.	Women's History Month	9-12	9.0	978-1785034336
	Here we are: Feminism for the real world	Kelly Jensen (edited)	Let's get the feminist party started! Essays, poems, photos, lists, comics, and illustrations about modern feminism to enlighten and inspire from 40+ contributors and voices, including well-known actors, writers, and entertainers.	Women's History Month	9-12	1070L*	978-1616205867
	Our Stories, Our Voices: 21 YA Authors Get Real About Injustice, Empowerment, and Growing Up Female in America	Amy Reed (Author, Editor)	This collection of twenty-one essays from major YA authors—including award-winning and bestselling writers—touches on a powerful range of topics related to growing up female in today's America, and the intersection with race, religion, and ethnicity. Sure to inspire hope and solidarity to anyone who reads it, Our Stories, Our Voices belongs on every young woman's shelf.	Women's History Month	9-12	NA	978-1534408999
	I am Malala : How one girl stood up for education and changed the world	Malala Yousafzai	Nobel Peace Prize-winning Author Malala is an international symbol of peaceful protest and the youngest ever Nobel Peace Prize winner. We hear firsthand the remarkable story of a girl who knew from a young age that she wanted to change the world - and did.	Women's History Month	9-12	5.9	978-0316327916

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	They Called Us Enemy	George Takei	A stunning graphic memoir recounting actor/author/activist George Takei's childhood imprisoned within American concentration camps during World War II. Experience the forces that shaped an American icon -- and America itself -- in this gripping tale of courage, country, loyalty, and love.	Asian Heritage Month	6-8, 9-12	4.6	978-1603094504
	Darius the Great is Not Okay	Adib Khorram	Darius is an introverted, awkward, tea-loving teenager in Portland, Oregon. He doesn't fit in at school. Students mock his Persian name, and he is probably the only kid at Chapel Hill High who knows Klingon. His sense of belonging -- in his own skin, in his family, and as a Persian -- is tested on his first trip to Iran when he visits his ill grandfather.	Asian Heritage Month, LGBTQ+ History Month	9-12	4.7	978-0525552963
	The Astonishing Color of After	Emily X.R. Pan	A magical red bird appears in 15-year-old Leigh's life after both a wonderful and tragic day. She follows the red bird's directions to visit her estranged maternal grandparents in Taiwan, where Leigh learns cultural traditions and discovers family secrets.	Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month	9-12	4.8	978-0316463997
	Picture Us in the Light	Kelly Loy Gilbert	Danny Cheng has always known his parents have secrets. But when he discovers a taped-up box in his father's closet filled with old letters and a file on a powerful Silicon Valley family, he realizes there's much more to his family's past than he ever imagined.	Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month, LGBTQ+ History Month	9-12	5.8	978-1484726020
	Frankly In Love	David Yoon	Frank Li has two names. There's Frank Li, his American name. Then there's Sung-Min Li, his Korean name. He was born and raised in Southern California. Even so, his parents still expect him to end up with a nice Korean girl—which is a problem, since Frank is finally dating the girl of his dreams: Brit Means. Brit, who is funny and nerdy just like him. Brit, who makes him laugh like no one else. Brit...who is white.	Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month	9-12	4.7	978-1984812209

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Cover	Title	Author	Description	Diverse Themes	Grade	AR Level	ISBN
	The Silence Between Us	Alison Gervais	Schneider Family Book Award, Best Teen Honor Book 2020. This is a great YA contemporary (clean) romance that follows Maya as she navigates a new school and plans for her future. The addition of representation by a Deaf character was really beautifully done. Highly recommend for people looking for a sweet, engaging, and educational romantic read.	Disability Inclusion Awareness Month	6-8, 9-12	6.3	978-0310766162
	Calling All Minds: How To Think And Create Like An Inventor	Temple Grandin	More than a blueprint for how to build things, in Calling All Minds Temple Grandin creates a blueprint for different ways to look at the world. And more than a call to action, she gives a call to imagination, and shows readers that there is truly no single way to approach any given problem—but that an open and inquisitive mind is always key.	Disability Inclusion Awareness Month	9-12	7.6	978-1524738204
	How We Roll	Natasha Friend	Quinn is a teen who loves her family, skateboarding, basketball, and her friends, but after she's diagnosed with a condition called alopecia which causes her to lose all of her hair, her friends abandon her. Jake was once a star football player, but because of a freak accident--caused by his brother--he loses both of his legs. Quinn and Jake meet and find the confidence to believe in themselves again, and maybe even love.	Disability Inclusion Awareness Month	9-12	3.9	978-0374305666
	You're Welcome, Universe	Whitney Gardner	When Julia finds a slur about her best friend scrawled across the back of the Kingston School for the Deaf, she covers it up with a beautiful (albeit illegal) graffiti mural. Her supposed best friend snitches, the principal expels her, and her two mothers set Julia up with a one-way ticket to a "mainstream" school in the suburbs, where she's treated like an outcast as the only deaf student.	Disability Inclusion Awareness Month	9-12	4.2	978-0399551444
	Unbroken: 13 Stories Starring Disabled Teens	Marieke Nijkamp	This anthology explores disability in fictional tales told from the viewpoint of disabled characters, written by disabled creators. With stories in various genres about first loves, friendship, war, travel, and more, Unbroken will offer today's teen readers a glimpse into the lives of disabled people in the past, present, and future.	Disability Inclusion Awareness Month	9-12	5.2	978-0374306502

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