

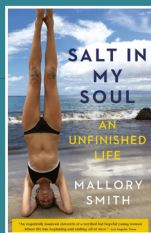
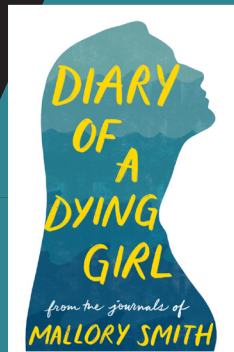
COMMUNITY READS AND ALL-SCHOOL READS

YOUNG ADULT ADAPTATIONS AND YOUNG READERS' EDITIONS

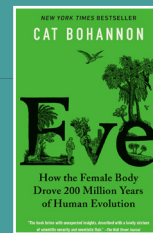
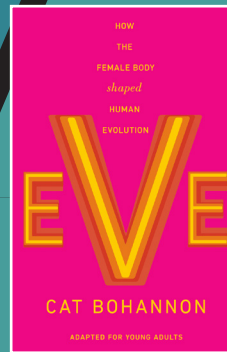
Adaptations make important topics in nonfiction ACCESSIBLE for younger readers. Adaptations are shorter in length and in some cases have reduced violence, sexual content, and complexity so younger readers can read nonfiction work that is developmentally appropriate.

Adaptations can also bring together the school or community for discussion and reflection. For **all-school reads**, adaptations allow a wider group of readers to engage with a topic. For **community reads**, offer the Young Adult or Young Readers' Editions to adolescents so adults, teens, and tweens can share and discuss a great book together.

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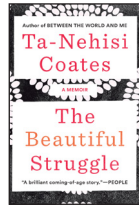
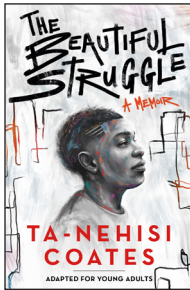


This collection of Mallory Smith's real, unflinching diary entries about slowly dying of a terminal illness is an unparalleled exploration of the human spirit and what it means to truly live. The adaptation of the adult title *Salt in My Soul* tells Mallory's story, that of a young woman who refused to be defined by chronic illness. Her light and her life are shared in her own words to encourage everyone to live life to the fullest, as she did, even as she was dying.



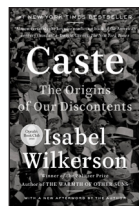
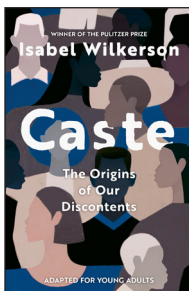
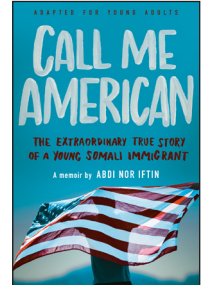
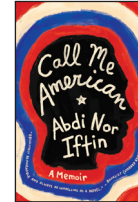
This is the *New York Times* bestselling 200-million-year story of how the female body gave rise to the human species and forever shaped life on Earth and what that means for us in the future. It explores teen-related topics such as mental health and the biology behind it, including insights on how adolescent brains are going through all kinds of changes and shifting hormones. Author Cat Bohannon explains the roots of sexism and shows how, though it may have even served some evolutionary purpose long ago, it no longer serves us today, and it is high time we leave it in the past.

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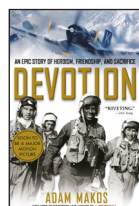
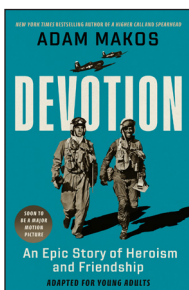
Adapted from the adult memoir by the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Water Dancer* and *Between the World and Me*, this father-son story explores how boys become men and, specifically, how Ta-Nehisi Coates became Ta-Nehisi Coates. With its discussion of race and identity in the context of a father's love and guidance, this powerful memoir makes for a meaningful community read to promote reflection and critical thinking.

This gripping and acclaimed story follows one boy's journey into young adulthood against the backdrop of civil war and his immigration to America in search of a better life. Its exploration of a refugee's experience and its inspiring and compelling narrative of resilience in the face of adversity are especially relevant in today's political climate. Relevant back matter (including an author's note) frames this personal and powerful immigrant story.



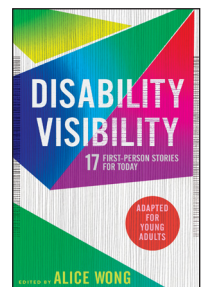
In this young adult adaptation of the *New York Times* bestselling nonfiction work, Pulitzer Prize-winning author Isabel Wilkerson explores the unspoken hierarchies that divide us across lines of race and class. Revealing and timely, this work will speak to young people who are engaged more than ever with the world around them, and to anyone who believes in a more just existence for all. *Caste* can spark important conversations about race, class, and social justice within communities and classrooms—conversations that many teens want and are ready to have.

From basketball icon Brittney Griner comes her memoir about her journey from early athletic stardom to her page-turning account of how she persevered in a Russian prison. Aside from being a captivating story, *Coming Home* considers many themes relevant to teens: social justice, growing up Black and queer, finding identity and purpose in sports, and the importance of family and friends. This story about finding strength while navigating difficult situations is relevant to readers young and old.

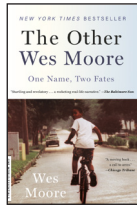
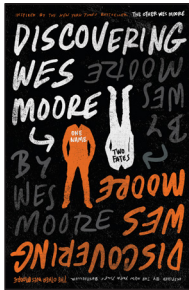


A young adult adaptation of the national bestseller that details the true story of two navy pilots from divergent racial and economic backgrounds who forged a deep friendship during the Korean War as they faced extraordinary circumstances. These real-life historical events put into perspective the ongoing issue of racial inequality and the transformative power of belonging, acceptance, and open-mindedness. At a time when the world is in conflict, this story that offers a glimpse into the realities of war while emphasizing the importance of human connection is one that needs to be read.

This is an abridgement of the lauded anthology of contemporary personal essays written by those with disabilities including cerebral palsy, bipolar depression, dwarfism, incontinence, deafness, blindness, fibromyalgia, facial disfigurement, intellectual challenges, and multiple sclerosis. Young people with disabilities will be proud to see themselves reflected in this hopeful, compelling, and insightful essay collection, adapted for young adults from the critically acclaimed adult book. Readers who are not disabled will get an eye-opening perspective, especially as it's worth remembering that anyone can become disabled at any time.

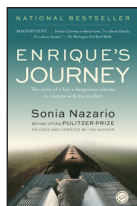
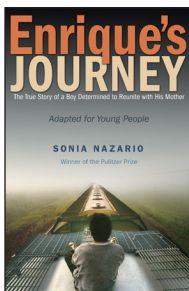
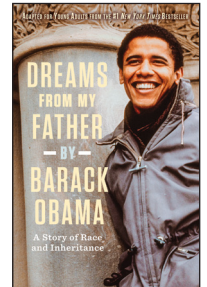
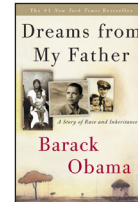


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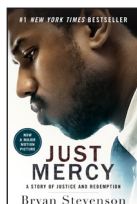
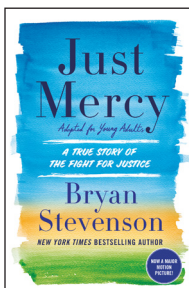
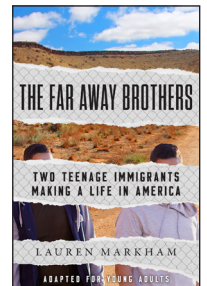
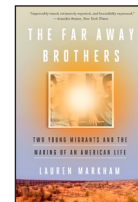
Wes Moore is a Rhodes Scholar, an army veteran, and the author of this book, but early in his life, things took a turn when his father died and he and his family moved to a new neighborhood. Wes started skipping school and ran into trouble with the police before getting his life on track after his mother sent him to a military academy. Years later, he read a newspaper article about a man who shared his name. *Discovering Wes Moore* is a powerful story about young men in America—the ones who make it and the ones who don't. It was inspired by Wes Moore's adult bestseller *The Other Wes Moore* and includes an eight-page photo insert.

Adapted for young adults, the #1 *New York Times* bestselling memoir, which Toni Morrison called “quite extraordinary,” offers an intimate look at Barack Obama's early days. On his journey to adulthood from a humble background, he forged his own path through trial and error. With reflections on racial identity and modern masculinity, this powerful memoir will inspire readers to examine both where they come from and where they are capable of going, making it an excellent selection for YA readers.



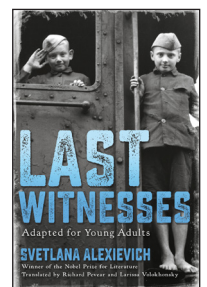
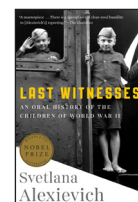
Enrique's story will bring to light the daily struggles of undocumented people and the complicated choices they face trying to survive and provide for the basic needs of their families. Its window into the complexities of immigration and the realities faced by migrants can spark discussion about current immigration policy. These issues are seamlessly interwoven in this gripping narrative nonfiction. This adaptation includes an epilogue that describes what has happened to Enrique and his family since the adult edition was published.

The inspiring true story of identical twin teenage brothers who escaped El Salvador's violence to build new lives in California as undocumented immigrants. Teens will recognize themselves in the Flores twins as they deal with peer pressure, dating, high school, and family relationships, all while navigating poverty, citizenship, gang violence, and familial obligation. This firsthand story of undocumented immigrants is relevant to today's conversations about immigration reform and the issues that underlie it.

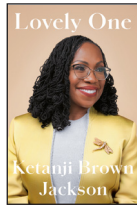


Bryan Stevenson's fight to end mass incarceration, excessive punishment, and racial inequality comes to life in this young adult adaptation of the acclaimed #1 *New York Times* bestseller. Stevenson's story is one of working to protect basic human rights for the most vulnerable people in American society—the poor, the wrongly convicted, and those whose lives have been marked by discrimination. Through this adaptation, young people will be called to action and compassion in the pursuit of justice. At a time when societal unrest and the demand to hold those in power accountable is monumental, this important work is needed more than ever.

A powerful portrait of the personal consequences of war as seen through the innocent eyes of children, from a Nobel Prize-winning writer. Svetlana Alexievich delves into the traumatic memories of children who were separated from their parents during World War II—most of them never to be reunited—in this young adult adaptation of her acclaimed nonfiction “masterpiece” (*The Guardian*). Fortright and riveting, these bravely told oral histories of survival reveal the heartrending details of life during wartime while reminding us that resilience is possible, no matter the circumstances.

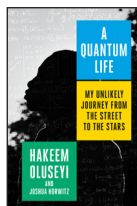
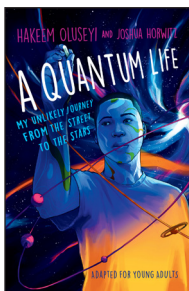
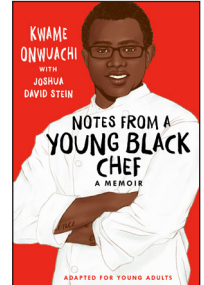


GRADE 7 & UP



Ketanji Brown Jackson, the first Black woman to be appointed to the US Supreme Court, chronicles her life story and her extraordinary path to becoming a jurist on America's highest court in this inspiring, intimate memoir. Adapted from the *New York Times* bestselling adult title, this is Justice Jackson's journey to making her dreams a reality, the hurdles she faced, and the lessons she learned. This adaptation has a brand-new preface and epilogue and includes a prize-winning speech the justice delivered as a high school student.

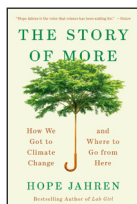
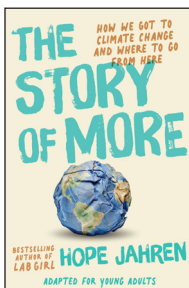
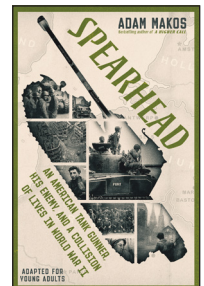
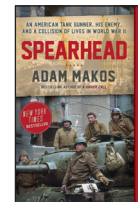
This inspiring memoir chronicles *Top Chef* star and *Forbes* and *Zagat* "30 Under 30" phenom Kwame Onwuachi's incredible rise to fame in the food world. He faced many challenges on the road to success, including breaking free of a dangerous downward spiral and grappling with how unwelcoming the world of fine dining can be for people of color. Onwuachi's incredible odds-defying story is one of survival, ingenuity, and ambition.



A NASA astrophysicist narrates his improbable journey from an impoverished childhood and an adolescence mired in drugs and crime to the nation's top physics PhD program at Stanford in this inspiring coming-of-age memoir. In the tradition of *The Autobiography of Malcolm X* and *The Other Wes Moore*, *A Quantum Life* is an uplifting journey to the stars fueled by hope, hustle, and a hungry mind. As he charts his development as a young scientist, Hakeem Oluseyi plumbs the mysteries of the universe in which potential personal outcomes are as infinite as the stars in the sky.

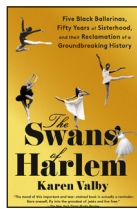
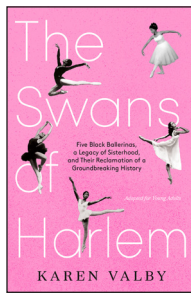
A riveting World War II story of an American tank gunner's journey into the heart of the Third Reich, where he will meet destiny in an iconic armor duel—and forge an enduring bond with his enemy. This is a true story that humanizes war—offering both American and German soldiers' perspectives.

This true account about young adults experiencing the perils of war, with graphic violence reduced for the adaptation, will resonate with teen readers.



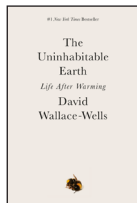
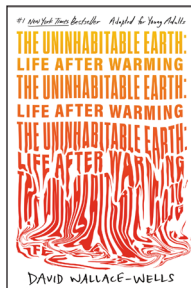
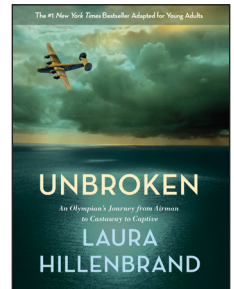
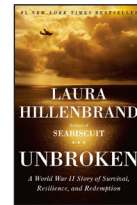
This young adult adaptation of acclaimed geochemist and geobiologist Hope Jahren's highly respected nonfiction work is the perfect book for those interested in learning about climate change and how they can contribute to creating a more sustainable future. Writing in an accessible, conversational tone, Jahren connects global issues to personal choices, making big ideas relevant to every reader. The author's mantra—"use less, share more"—is one that young people will take to heart. This book offers a hopeful look for a more sustainable future, channeling optimism we desperately need.

GRADE 7 & UP



A pioneering group of five Black ballerinas performed for the queen of England, Mick Jagger, and Stevie Wonder, on the same bill as Josephine Baker, at the White House, and beyond. But decades later there was almost no record of their groundbreaking history. Out of a sisterhood that grew even deeper with the years, the Swans of Harlem joined forces again to share their story with the world. Captivating, rich in vivid detail and character, and steeped in the glamour and grit of professional ballet, *The Swans of Harlem* is a riveting account of five extraordinarily accomplished women, a celebration of their historic careers and the sustaining, grounding power of female friendship, and a window into the robust history of Black ballet.

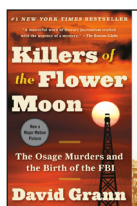
In this captivating and lavishly illustrated young adult edition of her award-winning #1 *New York Times* bestseller, Laura Hillenbrand tells the story of a former Olympian's courage, cunning, and fortitude following his plane crash in enemy territory. This adaptation of *Unbroken* introduces a new generation to one of history's most thrilling survival epics.



An exploration of the devastating effects of global warming—current and future—adapted from the #1 *New York Times* bestseller. In sobering detail, David Wallace-Wells lays out the mistakes and inaction of past and current generations that we see negatively affecting all lives today and, more importantly, their inevitable consequences on the future. But Wallace-Wells makes an impassioned and hopeful call to action as he appeals to readers, especially young people, to change the trajectory while there is still time.

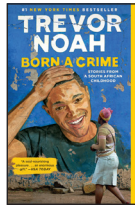
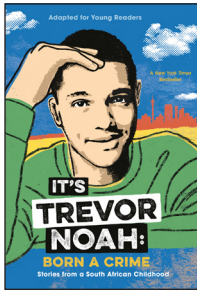
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An adaptation of the #1 *New York Times* bestselling memoir, this volume for young people is an honest and fascinating account of Michelle Obama's life led by example. Michelle Obama shares her views on how all young people can help themselves and others, no matter their status in life. She offers that no one is perfect, and that the process of becoming is what matters, as finding yourself is ever evolving. In telling her story with boldness, she asks young readers: *Who are you, and what do you want to become?*



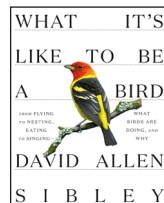
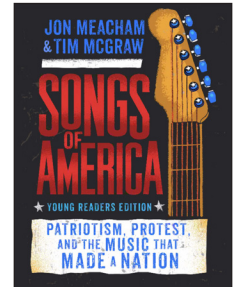
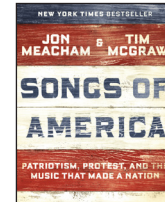
In this adaptation of the *New York Times* bestseller and the National Book Award finalist, critically acclaimed author David Grann revisits the gripping investigation into the shocking crimes against the Osage people. It is a searing indictment of the callousness and prejudice toward Native Americans that allowed the murders to continue for so long and provides essential information for young readers about a shameful period in US history.

GRADE 5 & UP



Trevor Noah tells the remarkable story of growing up half Black, half white in South Africa. Noah's childhood includes institutionalized bigotry, joy, sorrow, and violence, but his trademark humor shines through from an early age and readers will be laughing throughout. This adaptation of the bestselling adult memoir not only provides a fascinating and honest perspective on South Africa's racial history, but it will also astound and inspire young readers looking to improve their lives. Includes back matter that details the history of apartheid.

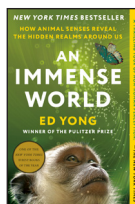
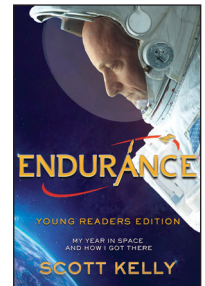
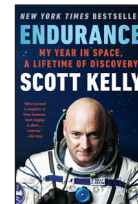
This adaptation explores the music of important times in our history—the stirring pro- and anti-war music of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars, World Wars I and II, and the Vietnam War; the folk songs and popular music of the Great Depression, the fight for women's rights, and the Civil Rights movement; and the music of both beloved and lesser-known poets, musicians, and songwriters from Colonial times to the twenty-first century. Pulitzer Prize-winning author Jon Meacham and Grammy Award-winning artist Tim McGraw present the songs of patriotism and protest that gave voice to the politicians and activists who moved the country forward, seeking to fulfill America's destiny as the land of liberty and justice for all. An excellent supplement for students of American history.



Readers will find a unique treasure trove of fascinating facts about birds, paired with more than 300 full-color illustrations—some life-size! The extraordinary world of birds is brought to life on the page in this adaptation of the bestselling adult work that opens the natural world to avid bird watchers and those curious about what backyard birds are doing.

GRADES 4-7

This is an awe-inspiring memoir from a real-life NASA astronaut! Discover the extreme challenges of long-term spaceflight, the pressures of living in close quarters with people from many countries, the extreme danger of colliding with space junk, and the unnerving feeling of not being able to help if tragedy strikes at home. Kelly's struggles in school and how he overcame them after a book sparked his dream to become a test pilot and astronaut prove it's never too late to find your path and that any challenge can be overcome..



The *New York Times* bestseller is now available with beautiful full-color illustrations to accompany text that explores the amazing ways animals see, hear, and feel the world, written by Pulitzer Prize winner Ed Yong. This young readers' edition immediately hit the *New York Times* list, which points to the intrigue animals hold for young readers. As kids move through the book, they learn about how animals perceive the world, and in turn, they can cultivate an empathy for the world around them and all the living creatures that inhabit it.



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