



## RECOMMENDED READING ▶▶▶

### ***African American Poetry for Young Readers***

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*Schomburg: The Man Who Built a Library* by Carole Boston Weatherford

*One Last Word: Wisdom from the Harlem Renaissance* by Nikki Grimes

*The Entrance Place of Wonders: Poems of the Harlem Renaissance* by Daphne Muse

*Poetry for Young People: Langston Hughes* by David Roessel

*Poetry for Young People: Maya Angelou* by Dr. Edwin Graves Wilson, Ph.D.

*Jazz* by Christopher Myers and Walter Dean Myers

*Hip Hop Speaks to Children: A Celebration of Poetry with a Beat* by Nikki Giovanni

### ***Children's Books about Jazz***

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*Jazz Day: The Making of a Famous Photograph* by Roxane Orgill

*Muddy: The Story of Blues Legend Muddy Waters* by Michael Mahin

*When the Beat Was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop* by Laban Carrick Hill

*Jazz ABZ: An A to Z Collection of Jazz Portraits* by Wynton Marsalis

*Charlie Parker Played Be Bop* by Christopher Raschka

*Duke Ellington: The Piano Prince and His Orchestra* by Andrea Davis Pinkney

### ***Children's Books about African American History***

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*Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky* by Faith Ringgold

*Civil Rights for Beginners* by Paul Von Blum

*Muhammed Ali: A Champion is Born* by Gene Barretta

*The Story of Ruby Bridges* by Robert Coles

*Barack* by Jonah Winter

*Sugar Hill: Harlem's Historic Neighborhood* by Carole Boston Weatherford

*The Great Migration: An American Story* by Jacob Lawrence

*Harriet and the Promised Land* by Jacob Lawrence

### ***Children's Books about African American Art***

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*Jake Makes a World: Jacob Lawrence, A Young Artist in Harlem* by Sharifa Rhodes-Pitts

*Gordon Parks: How the Photographer Captured Black and White America* by Carole Boston Weatherford

*Harlem Renaissance Party* by Faith Ringgold

*Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat* by Javaka Steptoe

*My Hands Sing the Blues: Romare Bearden's Childhood Journey* by Jeanne Walker Harvey

*Me and Uncle Romie: A Story Inspired by the Life and Art of Romare Bearden* by Claire Hartfield

### ***Young Adult Books by African American Authors***

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*Becoming Billie Holiday* by Carole Boston Weatherford

*The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas

*When I Was Greatest* by Jason Reynolds

*This Side of Home* by Renee Watson

*Black Boy White School* by Brian F. Walker

*The Harlem Charade* by Natasha Tarpley

*Monster* by Walter Dean Myers

*Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson

*The Gold Cadillac* by Mildred D. Taylor

*All the Right Stuff* by Walter Dean Myers

*As Brave as You* by Jason Reynolds

*Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry* by Mildred D. Taylor

*The Underground Abductor* by Nathan Hale

*X: A Biography of Malcolm X* by Jessica Gunderson

*Celeste's Harlem Renaissance* by Eleanora E. Tate

*Sugar* by Jewell Parker Rhodes

*Ninth Ward* by Jewell Parker Rhodes

### ***Graphic Novels by African American Authors***

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*The Blacker the Ink* by Frances Gateward

*Black Panther series* by Ta-Nehisi Coates

*World of Wakanda* by Roxane Gay

*Storm: Bring the Thunder* by Greg Pak

*March comic series* by John Lewis

*Aya of Yop City series* by Marguerite About

*Malcolm X: A Graphic Biography* by Andrew Helfer

*The Silence of Our Friends: The Civil Rights Struggle Was Never Black and White* by Mark Long, Jim Demonakos and Nate Powell