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Grade Level	Title Information	Call Number
EASY		
PreK-1	Brannen, Sarah S. <i>Uncle Bobby's Wedding</i> . New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 2008. Chloë is jealous and sad when her favorite uncle announces that he will be getting married, but as she gets to know Jamie better and becomes involved in planning the wedding, she sees that she will always have a place in his heart.	E B7352U
K-4	Ewert, Marcus, and Rex Ray. <i>10,000 Dresses</i> . New York: Seven Stories Press, 2008. Bailey longs to wear the beautiful dresses of her dreams but is ridiculed by her unsympathetic family, which rejects her true perception of herself.	E EW38T
PreK-3	Garden, Nancy, and Sharon Wooding. <i>Molly's Family</i> . New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2004. While preparing decorations for Open School Night, Molly and several of her classmates draw pictures of their families and discover that family means something different to each of them.	E G1673M
PreK-3	Genhart, Michael, and Ken Min. <i>Love Is Love</i> . Naperville, Illinois: Little Pickle Press, 2018. A boy becomes upset when he is teased for having two dads, but viewing his	E G287L

friend's family (with a mom and a dad) as not all that different from his own, he realizes the best way to counter the ridicule is to be proud of who his fathers are and know that it is love that makes a family

- PreK-3 González, Rigoberto, and Cecilia C. Alvarez. *Antonio's Card*. San Francisco: Children's Book Press, 2005. E
G5898A
- With Mother's Day coming, Antonio finds he has to decide about what is important to him when his classmates make fun of the unusual appearance of his mother's partner, Leslie.
- PreK-3 Haack, Daniel. *Prince & Knight*. New York: Little Bee Books, 2018. E
H1107P
- A prince and a knight in shining armor find true love in each other's embrace after fighting a dragon together.
- PreK-3 de Haan, Linda and Nijland, Stern. *King & King & Family*. Berkeley, CA: Tricycle Press, 2004. E
H1113KI
- King Lee and King Bertie take a honeymoon trip to the jungle and bring home a surprise.
- PreK-2 Hoffman, Sarah, Ian Hoffman, and Chris Case. *Jacob's Room to Choose*. Washington, DC: Magination Press, 2019. E
H67555
JAR
- After kindergarteners Jacob and Sophie are prevented from using their school's bathrooms, their teacher helps her students write new rules about who can use which bathroom.
- PreK-3 Lambert, Megan Dowd. *Real Sisters Pretend*. Thomaston, ME: Tilbury House Publishers, 2016. E
L174R
- Safe in the knowledge that adoption has made them "forever family," stepsisters Mia and Tayja improvise an imaginary adventure with a joyful homecoming to a real home with their two moms.
- PreK-3 Newman, Lesléa, and Carol Thompson. *Daddy, Papa, and Me*. Berkeley, CA: Tricycle Press, 2009. E
N4658D
- The story of a toddler's daily activities with two loving fathers.
- PreK-3 Newman, Lesléa, and Mike Dutton. *Donovan's Big Day*. Berkeley, CA: Tricycle Press, 2011. E
N4658DO
- From the moment Donovan wakes in the morning, he painstakingly prepares for his special role in the wedding ceremony of his two mothers.
- PreK-3 Newman, Lesléa, and Carol Thompson. *Mommy, Mama, and Me*. Berkeley, E

	CA: Tricycle Press, 2009.	N4658M
	A baby enjoys a number of fun activities with her two mothers.	
PreK-3	Oelschlager, Vanita, Kristin Blackwood, and Mike Blanc. <i>A Tale of Two Daddies</i> . [Akron, Ohio]: Vanita Books, 2010.	E OE6TAD
	A young girl describes how her two daddies help her through her day, including her poppa cooking eggs and toast, her daddy fixing her knee when she is hurt, and both fathers being there for her when she needs love.	
PreK-3	Oelschlager, Vanita, and Mike Blanc. <i>A Tale of Two Mommies</i> . [Akron, Ohio]: VanitaBooks, 2011.	E OE6TAM
	A young boy describes to two other children how his two mommies help him with all his needs.	
K-4	Phi, Bao, and Basia Tran. <i>My Footprints</i> . North Mankato, Minnesota: Capstone Editions, 2019.	E P5301M
	Every child feels different in some way, but Thuy feels "double different." She is Vietnamese American, and she has two moms. Thuy walks home one winter afternoon, angry and lonely after a bully's taunts. Then a bird catches her attention and sets Thuy on an imaginary exploration. What if she could fly away like a bird? What if she could sprint like a deer, or roar like a bear? Mimicking the footprints of each creature in the snow, she makes her way home to the arms of her moms. Together, the three of them imagine beautiful and powerful creatures who always have courage - just like Thuy.	
PreK-3	Pitman, Gayle E. <i>This Day in June</i> . Washington, DC: Magination Press, 2014.	E P683T
	A picture book illustrating a Pride parade. The end matter serves as a primer on LGBT history and culture and explains the references made in the story.	
PreK-3	Polacco, Patricia. <i>In Our Mothers' House</i> . New York: Philomel Books, 2009.	E P7569IO
	Three young children experience the joys and challenges of being raised by two mothers.	
PreK-3	Richardson, Justin, Peter Parnell, and Henry Cole. <i>And Tango Makes Three</i> . New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2005.	E R39486A
	At New York City's Central Park Zoo, two male penguins fall in love and start a family by taking turns sitting on an abandoned egg until it hatches.	
PreK-3	Schiffer, Miriam B. <i>Stella Brings the Family</i> . San Francisco, CA: Chronicle Books, 2015.	E SCH326S

Stella brings her two fathers to school to celebrate Mother's Day.

PreK-K Shrivastav, Archaa. *We are Little Feminist: Families*. Berkeley, CA: Little Feminist, 2020. E SH86F

Beautiful photos of real-life families showcase all the wonderful forms of family, while poetic text builds both vocabulary and family connection.

PreK-3 Sima, Jessie. *Harriet Gets Carried Away*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2018. E SI41H

While shopping with her two dads for supplies for her birthday party, Harriet, who is wearing a penguin costume, is carried away by a waddle of penguins and must hatch a plan in order to get herself back to the store in the city.

PreK-3 Tyner, Christy, and Ciaee. *Zak's Safari: A Story About Donor-Conceived Kids of Two-Mom Families*. First edition. [Place of publication not identified]: [CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform], 2014. E T979Z

Zak's Safari is a book about donor-conceived kids of two-mom families. When the rain spoils Zak's plan for a safari adventure, he invites the reader on a very special tour of his family instead. Zak shows us how his parents met, fell in love, and wanted more than anything to have a baby--so they decided to make one.

PreK-3 Williams, Vera B. *Home at Last*. New York: Greenwillow Books, 2016. E W6759H

After Lester is adopted from his foster home by Daddy Albert and Daddy Rich, he can't fall asleep in his new bed. What will it take to make Lester feel home at last?

FICTION

9-12 Ahmadi, Arvin. *How it All Blew Up*. New York: Viking, 2020. F AH519H

Fleeing to Rome in the wake of coming out to his Muslim-American family, a failed relationship, and blackmail, eighteen-year-old Amir Azadi embarks on a more authentic life with new friends. Late nights and dates in the Sistine Chapel start to feel like second nature... until his old life comes knocking on his door. Now, Amir has to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth to a U.S. Customs officer, or risk losing his hard-won freedom.

9-12 Albertalli, Becky. *Leah On the Offbeat*. First edition. New York, NY: Balzer + Bray, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2018. F AL146LE

Leah Burke is an anomaly in her friend group: the only child of a young, single mom; her life is decidedly less privileged. She loves to draw but is too self-conscious to show it. And even though her mom knows she's bisexual, she

hasn't mustered the courage to tell her friends-- not even her openly gay BFF, Simon. When her rock-solid friend group starts to fracture in unexpected ways, it's hard for Leah to strike the right note. And with prom and college on the horizon, tensions are running high. If only real life was as rhythmic as her drumming...

- 9-12 Albertalli, Becky. *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda*. New York: Balzer + Bray, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2015. F
AL146S
- Sixteen-year-old, not-so-openly-gay Simon Spier is blackmailed into playing wingman for his classmate or else his sexual identity--and that of his pen pal--will be revealed.
- 9-12 Albertalli, Becky. *The Upside of Unrequited*. First edition. New York, NY: Balzer + Bray, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2017. F
AL146U
- Seventeen-year-old Molly Peskin-Suso knows all about unrequited love. No matter how many times her twin sister, Cassie, tells her to woman up, Molly can't stomach the idea of rejection. So she's careful. Fat girls always have to be careful. Then a cute new girl enters Cassie's orbit, and for the first time ever, Molly's cynical twin is a lovesick mess. Meanwhile, Molly's totally not dying of loneliness -- except for the part where she is. Luckily, Cassie's new girlfriend comes with a cute hipster-boy sidekick. If Molly can win him over, she'll get her first kiss and she'll get her twin back. There's only one problem: Molly's coworker, Reid. He's a chubby Tolkien superfan with a season pass to the Ren Faire, and there's absolutely no way Molly could fall for him. Right?
- 9-12 Albertalli, Becky, and Adam Silvera. *What If It's Us*. First edition. New York, NY: Balzer + Bray, HarperTeen, imprints of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2018. F
AL146W
- Told in two voices, when Arthur, a summer intern from Georgia, and Ben, a native New Yorker, meet it seems like fate, but after three attempts at dating fail they wonder if the universe is pushing them together or apart.
- 7-12 *All Out*. Toronto, Ontario, Canada: Harlequin Teen, 2018. F
AL511
- Take a journey through time and genres and discover a past where queer figures live, love and shape the world around them. Seventeen of the best young adult authors across the queer spectrum have come together to create a collection of beautifully written diverse historical fiction for teens. From a retelling of Little Red Riding Hood set in war-torn 1870s Mexico featuring a transgender soldier, to an asexual girl discovering her identity amid the 1970s roller-disco scene, this collection of short stories crosses cultures and time periods to shed light on an area of history often ignored or forgotten.
- 8-12 Atta, Dean. *The Black Flamingo*. First US edition. New York, NY: Balzar + Bray, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2020. F
AT811B
- Michael is a mixed-race gay teen growing up in London. All his life, he's

navigated what it means to be Greek-Cypriot and Jamaican--but never quite feeling Greek or Black enough. As he gets older, Michael's coming out is only the start of learning who he is and where he fits in. When he discovers the Drag Society, he finally finds where he belongs--and the Black Flamingo is born. Told with raw honesty, insight, and lyricism, this debut explores the layers of identity that make us who we are--and allow us to shine.

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| 7-12 | <p>Barter, Catherine. <i>Troublemakers</i>. First American edition. Minneapolis: Carolrhoda Lab, 2018.</p> <p>When east London is targeted by a bomber, fifteen-year-old Alena, raised by her half-brother and his boyfriend, becomes increasingly rebellious and insistent on learning about her long-dead activist mother.</p> | F
B2819T |
| 9-12 | <p>Bick, Ilsa J. <i>The Sin-Eater's Confession</i>. Minneapolis: Carolrhoda Lab, 2013.</p> <p>While serving in Afghanistan, Ben writes about incidents from his senior year in a small-town Wisconsin high school, when a neighbor he was trying to help out becomes the victim of an apparent hate crime and Ben falls under suspicion.</p> | F
B4721S |
| 7-12 | <p>Boyd, Maria. <i>Will</i>. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2010.</p> <p>Seventeen-year-old Will's behavior has been getting him in trouble at his all-boys school in Sydney, Australia. But his latest punishment, playing in the band for a musical production, gives him new insights into his fellow students and helps him cope with an incident he has tried to forget.</p> | F
B6927W |
| 4-9 | <p>Callender, Kacen. <i>King and the Dragonflies</i>. First edition. New York: Scholastic Press, 2020.</p> <p>Twelve-year-old Kingston James is sure his brother Khalid has turned into a dragonfly. When Khalid unexpectedly passed away, he shed what was his first skin for another to live down by the bayou in their small Louisiana town. Khalid still visits in dreams, and King must keep these secrets to himself as he watches grief transform his family.</p> | F
C132K |
| 4-9 | <p>Clarke, Cat. <i>The Pants Project</i>. Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks Jabberwocky, 2017.</p> <p>Technically, Olivia is not a girl, even though he was born as a girl. He's transgender. Liv knows he was always meant to be a boy. But at Bankridge Middle School, the dress code means he can't wear pants. Only skirts. So Operation: Pants Project begins! To Liv, this isn't just a mission to change the policy. It's a mission to change his life. And that's a pretty big deal.</p> | F
C5511P |
| 9-12 | <p>Cohn, Rachel, and David Levithan. <i>Naomi and Ely's No Kiss List: A Novel</i>. New York: Ember, 2014.</p> | F
C661NA |

Although they have been friends and neighbors all their lives, straight Naomi and gay Ely find their relationship severely strained during their freshman year at New York University.

- 6-12 Cronn-Mills, Kirstin. *Beautiful Music for Ugly Children*. Woodbury, MN: Flux, 2012. F C8821B
- Gabe has always identified as a boy, but he was born with a girl's body. With his new public access radio show gaining popularity, Gabe struggles with romance, friendships, and parents – all while trying to come out as transgendered. An audition for a station in Minneapolis looks like his ticket to a better life in the big city. But his entire future is threatened when several violent guys find out Gabe, the popular DJ, is also Elizabeth from school.
- 10-12 Curato, Mike. *Flamer*. First edition. New York, NY: Henry Holt and Company, 2020. F C922F
- It's the summer between middle school and high school, and Aiden Navarro is away at camp. Everyone's going through changes--but for Aiden, the stakes feel higher. As he navigates friendships, deals with bullies, and spends time with Elias (a boy he can't stop thinking about), he finds himself on a path of self-discovery and acceptance.
- 9-12 Danforth, Emily M. *The Miseducation of Cameron Post*. New York: Balzer + Bray, 2012. F D211M
- In the early 1990s, when gay teenager Cameron Post rebels against her conservative Montana ranch town and her family decides she needs to change her ways, she is sent to a gay conversion therapy center.
- 8-12 Dunbar, Helene. *We Are Lost and Found*. Naperville, Illinois: Sourcebooks Fire, 2019. F D911W
- 1983, New York. Michael lives in the shadow of his best friends: James, a teen performance artist who everyone wants and no one can have; and Becky, who calls things as she sees them, while doing all she can to protect those she loves. His brother Connor has already been kicked out of the house for being gay. Hanging out at The Echo, Michael can dance and forget about his father's angry words, the pressures of school, and the looming threat of AIDS, a disease that everyone is talking about, but no one understands. When Michael meets Gabriel, who is interested in him and not James, he has to decide what he's willing to risk to be himself.
- 11-12 Farrey, Brian. *With Or Without You*. 1st Simon Pulse pbk. ed. New York: Simon Pulse, 2011. F F248W
- When eighteen-year-old best friends Evan and Davis of Madison, Wisconsin, join a community center group called "chasers" to gain acceptance and knowledge of gay history, there may be fatal consequences.

- 9-12 Federle, Tim. *The Great American Whatever*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2016. F
F318G
- Quinn Roberts is a sixteen-year-old smart aleck and Hollywood hopeful whose only worry used to be writing convincing dialogue for the movies he made with his sister Annabeth...What follows is an upside-down week in which Quinn begins imagining his future as a screenplay that might actually have a happily-ever-after ending -- if, that is, he can finally step back into the starring role of his own life story.
- 8-12 Floreen, Tim. *Willful Machines*. First Simon Pulse hardcover edition. New York: Simon Pulse, 2015. F
F661W
- In a near-future America, a sentient computer program named Charlotte has turned terrorist, but Lee Fisher, the closeted son of an ultraconservative President, is more concerned with keeping his Secret Service detail from finding out about his developing romance with Nico, the new guy at school, but when the spider-like robots that roam the school halls begin acting even stranger than usual, Lee realizes he is Charlotte's next target.
- 9-12 Gilbert, Kelly Loy. *Picture Us In the Light*. First edition. New York, New York: Hyperion, 2018. F
G3745P
- Danny Cheng, a Chinese American teen, grapples with a dangerous revelation about his parents' past, his plans for the future, and his feelings for his best friend, Harry Wong.
- 3-7 Gino, Alex. *George*. New York: Scholastic Press, 2015. F
G434G
- When people look at George, they think they see a boy. But she knows she's not a boy. She knows she's a girl. George thinks she'll have to keep this a secret forever. Then her teacher announces that their class play is going to be Charlotte's Web. George really, really, REALLY wants to play Charlotte. But the teacher says she can't even try out for the part . . . because she's a boy. With the help of her best friend, Kelly, George comes up with a plan. Not just so she can be Charlotte -- but so everyone can know who she is, once and for all
- 9-12 Girard, M-E. *Girl Mans Up*. New York: HarperTeen, 2016. F
G4415G
- In Ontario, Pen is a sixteen-year-old girl who looks like a boy. She's fine with it, but everyone else is uncomfortable--especially her Portuguese immigrant parents and her manipulative neighbor who doesn't want her to find a group of real friends.
- 9-12 Goslee, S. J. *How (Not) to Ask a Boy to Prom*. First edition. New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2019. F
G693H
- Nolan Grant is sixteen, gay, and very, very single. He's never had a

boyfriend, or even been kissed. It's not like Penn Valley is exactly brimming with prospects. Nolan plans to ride out the rest of his junior year drawing narwhals, working at the greenhouse, and avoiding anything that involves an ounce of school spirit. Unfortunately for him, his adoptive big sister has other ideas. Ideas that involve too-tight pants, a baggie full of purple glitter, and worst of all: a Junior-Senior prom ticket.

- 9-12 Goslee, S.J. *Whatever: A Novel*. New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2016. F
G693W
- Junior year is going to be the best ever for slacker Mike until he loses his girlfriend, gets roped into school activities, and becomes totally confused about his sexual orientation after sharing a drunken kiss with a guy.
- 4-7 Hitchcock, Shannon. *One True Way*. First edition. New York: Scholastic Press, 2018. F
H635O
- From the moment she met Samantha, star of the school basketball team, on her first day at Daniel Boone Middle School, Allison Drake felt she had found a friend, something she needs badly since her brother died and her father left--but as their friendship grows it begins to evolve into a deeper emotion, and in North Carolina in 1977, it is not easy to discover that you might be gay.
- 5-8 Howard, Greg. *The Whispers*. New York, NY: Putnam/G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2019. F
H8332W
- Eleven-year-old Riley's mom has disappeared, and Riley knows that if he leaves tributes for the whispers, magical fairies that grant wishes, his mom will come back to him.
- 6-12 Hubert, David Homel, and Marie Caillou. *Adrian and the Tree of Secrets*. English language edition. Vancouver: Arsenal Pulp Press, 2014. F
H8631A
- Adrian isn't very happy. He lives in a small town, goes to a Catholic high school, wears glasses, and wishes he were more muscular. He's dogged by a strict mother and bullied by the kids at school. But he's also friends with a cool kid who takes him on scooter rides and whisks him up to a secret treehouse where they steal kisses. Adrian finds himself falling in love until his friend's girlfriend rats them out and sends both boys into a tailspin of embarrassment and concern.
- 7-12 Hutchinson, Shaun David, and Christine Larsen. *The Five Stages of Andrew Brawley*. New York: Simon Pulse, an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing Division, 2016. F
H974F
- Convinced he should have died in the accident that killed his parents and sister, sixteen-year-old Drew lives in a hospital, hiding from employees and his past, until Rusty, set on fire for being gay, turns his life around. Includes

excerpts from the superhero comic Drew creates.

- 9-12 Hutchinson, Shaun David. *We Are the Ants*. New York: Simon Pulse, 2016. F
H974W
- After the suicide of his boyfriend, Henry deals with depression and family issues, all while wondering if he was really abducted and told he has 144 days to decide whether or not the world is worth saving.
- 9-12 Jensen, Cordelia. *Skyscraping*. New York: Philomel Books, 2015. F
J4532S
- In 1993 in New York City, high school senior Mira uncovers many secrets, including that her father has a male lover.
- 9-12 Johnston, E.K. *Exit, Pursued by a Bear*. New York: Dutton Books, 2016. F
J642E
- At cheerleading camp, Hermione is drugged and raped, but she is not sure whether it was one of her teammates or a boy on another team. In the aftermath she has to deal with the rumors in her small Ontario town, the often-awkward reaction of her classmates, the rejection of her boyfriend, the discovery that her best friend, Polly, is gay, and above all the need to remember what happened so that the guilty boy can be brought to justice.
- 8-12 Khorram, Adib. *Darius the Great Deserves Better*. New York: Dial Books, 2020. F
K5286
D02
- Darius Kellner has everything he thought he wanted--a new boyfriend, a new internship, and a spot on the soccer team--but growing up makes him question everything
- 9-12 Konigsberg, Bill. *The Music of What Happens*. First edition. New York, NY: Arthur A. Levine Books, an imprint of Scholastic Inc., 2019. F
K836M
- It is summer in Phoenix, and seventeen-year-old Maximo offers to help Jordan, a fellow student in high school, with the food truck that belonged to Jordan's deceased father, and which may be the only thing standing between homelessness for Jordan and his mom; the boys are strongly attracted to each other, but as their romance develops, it is threatened by the secrets they are hiding--and by the racism and homophobia of those around them.
- 7-12 Konigsberg, Bill. *Openly Straight*. New York, N.Y.: Arthur A. Levine Books, 2013. F
K836O
- Tired of being known as "the gay kid," Rafe Goldberg decides to assume a new persona when he comes east and enters an elite Massachusetts prep school--but trying to deny his identity has both complications and unexpected consequences.

- 9-12 Konigsberg, Bill. *The Porcupine of Truth*. New York: Arthur A. Levine Books, an imprint of Scholastic Inc., 2015. F
K836P
- Seventeen-year-old New Yorker Carson Smith is resigned to spending his summer in Billings, Montana, helping his mom take care of his father, a dying alcoholic he doesn't really know. Then he meets Aisha Stinson, a beautiful girl who has run away from her difficult family, and Pastor John Logan, who's long held a secret regarding Carson's grandfather, who disappeared without warning or explanation thirty years before.
- 7-12 LaCour, Nina. *You Know Me Well*. New York: St. Martin's Griffin, 2016. F
L1194Y
- Mark and Kate sit next to each other in school but are barely acquainted until they meet at a San Francisco club during Pride Week and connect over each one's forbidden love.
- 8-12 Lecesne, James. *Absolute Brightness*. First paperback edition. New York: Feiwel and Friends, 2016. F
L494A
- In the beach town of Neptune, New Jersey, Phoebe's life is changed irrevocably when her gay cousin moves into her house and soon goes missing.
- 9-12 Leviathan, David. *Hold Me Closer: The Tiny Cooper Story*. New York: Dutton Books, 2015. F
L5792H
- Larger-than-life Tiny Cooper finally gets to tell his story, from his fabulous birth and childhood to his quest for true love and his infamous parade of ex-boyfriends, in the form of a musical he wrote.
- 9-12 Levithan, David. *Two Boys Kissing*. First edition. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2013. F
L5792T
- A chorus of men who died of AIDS observes and yearns to help a cross-section of today's gay teens who navigate new love, long-term relationships, coming out, self-acceptance, and more in a society that has changed in many ways.
- 4-7 Levy, Dana Alison. *The Family Fletcher Takes Rock Island*. First edition. New York: Delacorte Press, 2016. F
L57949F
- Summertime brings the Fletcher Family back to Rock Island where the good times never end, but this summer the boys' favorite lighthouse is all boarded up and with the help from their new neighbors, the Garcia girls, the boys are determined to find out what is really happening with their lighthouse and saving it, no matter what the cost.
- 4-7 Levy, Dana Alison. *The Misadventures of the Family Fletcher*. New York: Delacorte Press, 2014. F
L57949M

Relates the adventures of a family with two fathers, four adopted boys, and a variety of pets as they make their way through a school year, Kindergarten through sixth grade, and deal with a grumpy new neighbor.

- 4-7 Levy, Dana Alison. *This Would Make a Good Story Someday*. First edition. New York: Delacorte Press, 2017. F L57949T
- Although not thrilled when her summer plans are upended for a surprise cross-country train trip with her family and embarrassed because one of her moms is writing a tell-all book about the trip, twelve-year-old Sara Johnston-Fischer finds herself changing along with the landscape outside the train windows.
- 7-9 Martins, Vitor, and Larissa Helena. *Here the Whole Time*. First edition. New York, NY: PUSH, 2020. F M3669H
- When Felipe, who is very insecure about his weight, is forced to spend winter break with his long-term crush, Caio, he must face his unresolved issues head-on.
- 10-12 Mejia, Tehlor Kay, and Anna-Marie McLemore. *Miss Meteor*. First edition. New York, NY: HarperTeen, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2020. F M4797M
- Everyone knows Meteor, New Mexico got its name from the space rock that crashed into the desert nearby. Nobody knows that Lita Perez came with it-- or that she's starting to turn back into stardust. Her life might depend on winning the Miss Meteor beauty pageant. Chick Quintanilla knows Lita has no chance of winning-- pageant queens are always skinny, poised, and white. To pull off the unlikeliest underdog story in pageant history, the two will have to imagine a future where girls like them are more than enough-- they are everything.
- 9-12 Mery, I. A + E *4Ever: A Graphic Novel*. Maple Shade, NJ: Lethe Press, 2011. F M5419A
- Asher Machnik is a teenage boy cursed with a beautiful androgynous face. Guys punch him, girls slag him and by high school he's developed an intense fear of being touched. Art remains his only escape from an otherwise emotionally empty life. Eulalie Mason is the lonely, tough-talking dyke from school who befriends Ash. The only one to see and accept all of his sides as a loner, a fellow artist and a best friend, she's starting to wonder if Ash is ever going to see all of her.
- 9-12 Merrell, Billy. *Vanilla*. First edition. New York: Scholastic Press, 2017. F M5505V
- Told in a series of blank verse poems, two boys Van (called Vanilla) and Hunter tell of their relationship which began before they were teenagers, but foundered in high school, mostly because Hunter thinks they should be having sex and Vanilla is not so sure.

- 9-12 Mesrobian, Carrie. *Cut Both Ways*. First edition. New York, NY: Harper, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2015. F
M5623C
- Senior Will Caynes must face unsettling feelings for his best friend Angus after they share a drunken kiss, while also embarking on his first real relationship with sophomore Brandy--all as the burden of home-life troubles weigh heavily.
- 9-12 Mittlefehldt, Rafi. *It Looks Like This*. First edition. Somerville, Massachusetts: Candlewick Press, 2016. F
M698I
- Moving to a new city and joining an evangelical church despite his own reluctance, artistic Mike is bullied by a father who wants him to play sports and toughen up, a situation that is complicated by Mike's growing feelings for another newcomer.
- 5-9 Moskowitz, Hannah. *Marco Impossible*. First edition. New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2013. F
M8538M
- Two best friends and junior high students attempt to break into the high school prom so that one of them can confess his love for the adorable bass player of the prom band.
- 8-12 Moskowitz, Hannah. *Not Otherwise Specified*. Simon Pulse edition. New York: Simon Pulse, 2015. F
M8538N
- Auditioning for a New York City performing arts high school could help Etta escape from her Nebraska all-girl school, where she is not gay enough for her former friends, not sick enough for her eating disorders group, and not thin enough for ballet, but it may also mean real friendships.
- 9-12 Myracle, Lauren. *Shine*. New York: Amulet Books, 2011. F
M996S
- When her best friend falls victim to a vicious hate crime, sixteen-year-old Cat sets out to discover the culprits in her small North Carolina town.
- 8-12 Nazemian, Abdi. *Like a Love Story*. First Edition. New York, NY: Balzer & Bray, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2019. F
N237L
- This is a bighearted, sprawling epic about friendship and love and the revolutionary act of living life to the fullest in the face of impossible odds.
- 9-12 Nelson, Jandy. *I'll Give You the Sun*. New York: Dial Books, 2014. F
N3342I
- A story of first love, family, loss, and betrayal told from different points in time, and in separate voices, by artists Jude and her twin brother Noah.
- 9-12 Ness, Patrick. *Release: A Novel*. New York: HarperTeen, 2017. F
N373REL

Adam Thorn doesn't know it yet, but today will change his life. Between his religious family, a deeply unpleasant ultimatum from his boss, and his own unrequited love for his sort-of ex, Enzo, it seems as though Adam's life is falling apart. At least he has two people to keep him sane: his new boyfriend (he does love Linus, doesn't he?) and his best friend, Angela. But all day long, old memories and new heartaches come crashing together, throwing Adam's life into chaos. The bindings of his world are coming untied one by one; yet in spite of everything he has to let go, he may also find freedom in the release. Time is running out, though. Because way across town, a ghost has just risen from the lake...

- 9-12 Newman, Lesléa. *October Mourning: A Song for Matthew Shepard*. Somerville, Mass.: Candlewick, 2012. F N4655O
- Relates, from various points of view, events from the night of October 6, 1998, when twenty-one-year-old Matthew Shepard, a gay college student, was lured out of a Wyoming bar, savagely beaten, tied to a fence, and left to die.
- 7-9 Nguyen, Trung Le. *The Magic Fish*. First edition. New York: RH Graphic, 2020. F N49978M
- Real life isn't a fairytale. But Tiên still enjoys reading his favorite stories with his parents from the books he borrows from the local library. It's hard enough trying to communicate with your parents as a kid, but for Tiên, he doesn't even have the right words because his parents are struggling with their English. Is there a Vietnamese word for what he's going through? Is there a way to tell them he's gay?
- 7-12 Nielsen-Fernlund, Susan. *We Are All Made of Molecules*. New York: Wendy Lamb Books, 2015. F N5548W
- Thirteen-year-old brilliant but socially-challenged Stewart and mean-girl Ashley must find common ground when, two years after Stewart's mother died, his father moves in with his new girlfriend--Ashley's mother, whose gay ex-husband lives in their guest house.
- 4-7 Peck, Richard. *The Best Man*. New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 2016. F P3364BES
- Archer has four important role models in his life--his dad, his grandfather, his uncle Paul, and his favorite teacher, Mr. McLeod. When Uncle Paul and Mr. McLeod get married, Archer's sixth-grade year becomes one he'll never forget
- 9-12 Quintero, Isabel. *Gabi, A Girl in Pieces*. El Paso, Texas: Cinco Puntos Press, 2014. F Q458G
- Sixteen-year-old Gabi Hernandez chronicles her senior year in high school as she copes with her friend Cindy's pregnancy, friend Sebastian's coming out,

her father's meth habit, her own cravings for food and cute boys, and especially, the poetry that helps forge her identity.

- 6-12 Reid, Raziell. *When Everything Feels Like the Movies*. Vancouver, BC: Arsenal Pulp Press, 2015. F
R2726W
- School is just like a film set...As the director calls action, Jude is the flamer that lights the set on fire. Before everything turns to ashes from the resulting inferno, Jude drags his best friend Angela off the casting couch and into enough melodrama to incite the paparazzi, all while trying to fend off the haters and win the heart of his favorite co-star Luke Morris. It's a total train wreck! But train wrecks always make the front page.
- 10-12 Rosen, Lev AC. *Camp*. First U.S. edition. New York, NY: Little, Brown and Company, 2020. F
R7226C
- Welcome to Camp Outland, a camp for LGBTQIA teens. Randy Kapplehoff loves spending the summer at Camp Outland. It's where he met his best friends. Where he takes to the stage in the big musical. And where he fell for Hudson Aaronson-Lim-- who's only into straight-acting guys and barely knows not-at-all-straight-acting Randy even exists. This year is going to be different. Randy has reinvented himself as 'Del': buff, masculine, and on the market. He is determined to get Hudson to fall for him-- but how much is he willing to change for love? And is it really love anyway, if Hudson doesn't know who he truly is?
- 7-12 Sáenz, Benjamin A. *Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe*. New York: Simon & Schuster BFYR, 2012. F
SA16A
- Fifteen-year-old Ari Mendoza is an angry loner with a brother in prison, but when he meets Dante and they become friends, Ari starts to ask questions about himself, his parents, and his family that he has never asked before.
- 5-9 Sanchez, Alex. *So Hard to Say*. First Simon & Schuster BFYR edition. New York: Simon & Schuster BFYR, 2014. F
SA551SO
- Thirteen-year-old Xio, a Mexican American girl, and Frederick, who has just moved to California from Wisconsin, quickly become close friends, but when Xio starts thinking of Frederick as her boyfriend, he must confront his feelings of confusion and face the fear that he might be gay.
- 9-12 Self, Jeffrey. *Drag Teen*. New York: PUSH, 2016. F
SE4864D
- JT is a gay high school senior determined to get out of Clearwater, Florida, and be the first person in his family to go to college, even though he cannot figure out how to pay for it--until his friends convince him to compete in a drag teen competition where the first prize is a college scholarship.
- 9-12 Self, Jeffery. *A Very, Very Bad Thing*. First edition. New York, NY: Push, F

2017.

SE4864V

Marley is comfortable with being gay in Winston-Salem, but he never had any real passions until he met Christopher, son of a bigoted television evangelist; the two become an inseparable couple until Christopher's parents send him to a religious program intended to "cure" him of being gay, and outraged Marley tells a very big lie--and then has to deal with the repercussions.

- 7-12 Shippen, Lauren. *The Infinite Noise*. First Edition. New York: Tor Teen, 2019.

F
SH647
B01

Caleb Michaels is a sixteen-year-old champion running back. Other than that his life is pretty normal. But when Caleb starts experiencing mood swings that are out of the ordinary for even a teenager, his life moves beyond "typical." Caleb is an Atypical, an individual with enhanced abilities. Which sounds pretty cool except Caleb's ability is extreme empathy--he feels the emotions of everyone around him. Being an empath in high school would be hard enough, but Caleb's life becomes even more complicated when he keeps getting pulled into the emotional orbit of one of his classmates, Adam. Adam's feelings are big and all-consuming, but they fit together with Caleb's feelings in a way that he can't quite understand. Caleb's therapist, Dr. Bright, encourages Caleb to explore this connection by befriending Adam. As he and Adam grow closer, Caleb learns more about his ability, himself, his therapist--who seems to know a lot more than she lets on--and just how dangerous being an Atypical can be

- 9-12 Silvera, Adam. *More Happy Than Not*. New York: SoHo Teen, 2015.

F
SI394M

After enduring his father's suicide, his own suicide attempt, broken friendships, and more in the Bronx projects, Aaron Soto, sixteen, is already considering the Leteo Institute's memory-alteration procedure when his new friendship with Thomas turns to unrequited love.

- 9-12 Silvera, Adam. *They Both Die At the End*. First edition. New York, NY: Harper Teen, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2017.

F
SI394T

On September 5, a little after midnight, Death-Cast calls Mateo Torrez and Rufus Emeterio to give them some bad news: They're going to die today. Mateo and Rufus are total strangers, but, for different reasons, they're both looking to make a new friend on their End Day. The good news: There's an app for that. It's called the Last Friend, and through it, Rufus and Mateo are about to meet up for one last great adventure--to live a lifetime in a single day.

- 8-12 Silverman, Laura. *You Asked for Perfect*. Naperville, Illinois: Sourcebooks Fire, 2019.

F
SI396Y

Senior Ariel Stone is the perfect college applicant: first chair violin, dedicated community volunteer, and expected valedictorian. A failed Calculus quiz is not part of his plan. As his grade slips further, he enlists a classmate, Amir, as a

tutor. Amir and Ariel have never gotten along, but spending time with Amir makes the world seem fuller and brighter. Except adding a new relationship to his long list of commitments may just push Ariel past his limit.

- 9-12 Smith, Andrew. *Stick*. New York: Feiwel and Friends, 2011. F
SM516S
- Thirteen-year-old Stark (Stick) McClellan's brother has always defended him against those who tease him for his thinness and facial deformity, so when Bosten, having admitted he is gay, must leave home and their abusive parents, Stick sets out to find him.
- 8-12 Stetz-Waters, Karelia. *Forgive Me If I've Told You This Before*. Portland, Oregon: Ooligan Press, Portland State University, 2014. F
ST464F
- At high school beginning in 1989, shy, intelligent Triinu comes to realize that she is a lesbian--and in love--just as her home state of Oregon is debating Measure 9, which would allow discrimination against gay people.
- 8-12 Tregay, Sarah. *Love & Leftovers: A Novel in Verse*. New York: Katherine Tegen Books, 2012. F
T7165L
- When her father starts dating a man, fifteen-year-old Marcie's depressed mother takes her to New Hampshire but just as Marcie starts falling for a great guy her father brings her back to Iowa, where all of her relationships have become strained.
- 9-12 Vuong, Ocean. *On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous: A Novel*. New York: Penguin Press, 2019. F
V982O
- Written when the speaker, Little Dog, is in his late twenties, the letter unearths a family's history that began before he was born -- a history whose epicenter is rooted in Vietnam -- and serves as a doorway into parts of his life his mother has never known, all of it leading to an unforgettable revelation. At once a witness to the fraught yet undeniable love between a single mother and her son, it is also a brutally honest exploration of race, class, and masculinity.
- 7-12 Walton, Will. *Anything Could Happen*. New York, NY: Push, 2015. F
W1792A
- Tretch lives in a very small town where everybody's in everybody else's business. Which makes it hard for him to be in love with his straight best friend. For his part, Matt is completely oblivious to the way Tretch feels -- and Tretch can't tell whether that makes it better or worse. The problem with living a lie is that the lie can slowly become your life. For Tretch, the problem isn't just with Matt. His family has no idea who he really is and what he's really thinking. The girl at the local bookstore has no clue how off-base her crush on him is. And the guy at school who's a thorn in Tretch's side doesn't realize how close to the truth he's hitting. Tretch has spent a lot of time dancing alone in his room, but now he's got to step outside his comfort zone and into the wider world. Because like love, a true self can rarely be

contained.

- 9-12 Washington, Bryan. *Lot: Stories*. New York: Riverhead Books, an imprint of Penguin Random House LLC, 2019. F
W2764L
- In the city of Houston - a sprawling, diverse microcosm of America - the son of a black mother and a Latino father is coming of age. He's working at his family's restaurant, weathering his brother's blows, resenting his older sister's absence. And discovering he likes boys. Around him, others live and thrive and die in Houston's myriad neighborhoods: a young woman whose affair detonates across an apartment complex, a ragtag baseball team, a group of young hustlers, hurricane survivors, a local drug dealer who takes a Guatemalan teen under his wing, a reluctant chupacabra. Bryan Washington's brilliant, viscerally drawn world vibrates with energy, wit, and the infinite longing of people searching for home. With soulful insight into what makes a community, a family, and a life, *Lot* explores trust and love in all its unsparing and unsteady forms.
- 9-12 Waters, Tawni. *Beauty of the Broken*. New York: Simon Pulse, 2014. F
W318B
- As if her parents' heavy drinking and her father's abuse--which nearly killed her half-brother, Iggy--were not enough, fifteen-year-old Mara is caught kissing her girlfriend, Xylia, by the preacher's son and becomes terrified that her own life is at risk.
- 7-12 Weyr, Garret. *My Heartbeat*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Co., 2002. F
W548M
- As she tries to understand the closeness between her older brother and his best friend, fourteen-year-old Ellen finds her relationship with each of them changing.
- 9-12 Whaley, John Corey. *Highly Illogical Behavior*. New York: Dial Books, 2016. F
W553H
- Agoraphobic sixteen-year-old Solomon has not left his house in three years, but Lisa is determined to change that--and to write a scholarship-winning essay based on the results.
- 7-12 Winters, Julian. *How to Be Remy Cameron: A Novel*. New York: Interlude Press, 2019. F
W7365H
- Everyone on campus knows Remy Cameron: he's the out-and-proud, super-likable guy who friends, faculty, and fellow students alike admire for his cheerful confidence. Under pressure to write an A+ essay defining who he is and who he wants to be, Remy embarks on an emotional journey toward reconciling the outward labels people attach to him with the real Remy Cameron within.

8-12 Yee, Paul, W. Y Park, and Michael Solomon. *Money Boy*. Toronto: Groundwood Books/House of Anansi Press, 2011. F Y3526M

Young immigrant Ray Liu is struggling to adjust to North American life. When his father discovers Ray has been cruising gay websites, the teen is kicked out of the family home. He heads to downtown Toronto, where the harsh reality of street life hits him.

NONFICTION

8-12 Alsenas, Linas. *Gay America: Struggle for Equality*. New York: Amulet Books, 2008. 306.76 AL783G

Milestones of gay and lesbian life in the United States are brought together in the first-ever nonfiction book on the topic published specifically for teens. Profusely illustrated with period photographs, first-person accounts offer insight as each chapter identifies an important era.

11-12 Baez, John, Jennifer Howd, and Rachel Pepper. *The Gay and Lesbian Guide to College Life: A Comprehensive Resource for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Students and Their Allies*. New York: Random House, 2007. 378.198 B1458G

Offers no-nonsense guidance to LGBT students, their families, and allies on how to make the most of their college experience.

7-12 Bausum, Ann. *Stonewall: Breaking Out in the Fight for Gay Rights*. New York: Viking, an imprint of Penguin Group, 2015. 306.76 B3287S

A dramatic retelling of the Stonewall riots of 1969, introducing teen readers to the decades-long struggle for gay rights.

9-12 Bausum, Ann. *Viral: The Fight Against Aids In America*. New York: Viking, an imprint of Penguin Random House LLC, 2019. 362.196 B3287V

Groundbreaking narrative nonfiction for teens that tells the story of the AIDS crisis in America. Thirty-five years ago, it was a modern-day, mysterious plague. Its earliest victims were mostly gay men, some of the most marginalized people in the country; at its peak in America, it killed tens of thousands of people. The losses were staggering, the science frightening, and the government's inaction unforgivable. The AIDS Crisis fundamentally changed the fabric of the United States. *Viral* presents the history of the AIDS crisis through the lens of the brave victims and activists who demanded action and literally fought for their lives. This compassionate but unflinching text explores everything from the disease's origins and how it spread to the activism it inspired and how the world confronts HIV and AIDS today.

9-12 Bors, Matt. *Be Gay, Do Comics!: Queer History, Memoir, and Satire From* 306.76

	<i>The Nib</i> . San Diego, CA: IDW, 2020.	B35
	The dream of a queer separatist town. The life of a gay, Jewish Nazi-fighter. A gender reveal party that tears reality apart. These are just some of the comics you'll find in this massive queer comics anthology from The Nib. [This book] is filled with dozens of comics about LGBTQIA + experiences, ranging from personal stories to queer history to cutting satire about pronoun panic and brands desperate to co-opt pride. Featuring more than 30 of today's top indie cartoonists.	
7-8	Bronski, Michael, and Richie Chevat. <i>A Queer History of the United States for Young People</i> . Boston: Beacon Press, 2019.	306.76 B7894Q
	Through engrossing narratives, letters, drawings, poems, and more, the book encourages young readers, of all identities, to feel pride at the accomplishments of the LGBTQ people who came before them and to use history as a guide to the future.	
PreK-3	Carr, Jennifer, and Ben Rumbak. <i>Be Who You Are</i> . Bloomington, IN: AuthorHouse, 2010.	306.768 C2305B
	Nick was born in a boy's body but has always felt like a girl inside. Nick's family supports him when he says he no longer wants to be called a boy or dress like a boy; "Always remember to be who you are, Nick. Remember that we love you, and we are so proud of you." (p. 17) Nick's parents find a group for families like theirs. With their support, Nick expresses a desire to be addressed as "she," and then to be named "Hope." Based on the author's experiences with her own children.	
7-12	Chastain, Zachary. <i>Statistical Timeline and Overview of Gay Life</i> . Broomall, Pa.: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011.	306.76 C388S
	The history of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community is one of pride and a rich sense of heritage in the midst of prejudice, oppression, and misunderstanding. Seeing the development of the LGBT identity and community over time, a person is struck by the bravery of individual LGBT people and the community itself in its struggle for dignity, civil rights, and acceptance by society. It is a story of human suffering, secret lives, and rejection-but ultimately one of a fight for freedom and visibility that is a part of the proud heritage of expanding civil rights and "the pursuit of happiness" that is the story of America at its best.	
9-12	Craig, Joe. <i>A Guy's Guide to Sexuality and Sexual Identity in the 21st Century</i> . New York, NY: Rosen Pub, 2012.	155.3 C8445G
	Dispels traditional myths about masculinity; explores the mass media's portrayal of masculinity and femininity, sexual double standards, and teenage male sexuality in both heterosexual and homosexual boys.	
8-12	Dawson, James. <i>This Book is Gay</i> . Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks, 2015.	306.76 D325T

Lesbian. Bisexual. Queer. Transgender. Straight. Curious. This book is for everyone, regardless of gender or sexual preference. This book is for anyone who's ever dared to wonder.

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| 5-12 | Fields, Julianna. <i>Gay and Lesbian Parents</i> . Broomall, PA: Mason Crest Publishers, 2010. | 306.874-086
F4607G |
| | Same-sex marriage is an often-debated topic these days. When children are added to the picture, the issue can become even more controversial. The families in this book have thought about issues like these. Except for those families who already had children when they came out as being homosexual, they have had to go through artificial insemination or adoption in order to have children. These families are intentional, and they think a lot about how to give their children the best possible lives. | |
| 7-12 | Garden, Nancy. <i>Hear Us Out! Lesbian and Gay Stories of Struggle, Progress and Hope, 1950 to the Present</i> . New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2007. | 306.76
G1673H |
| | In this unique history, Nancy Garden uses both fact and fiction to explore just what it has meant to be young and gay in America during the last fifty years. For each decade from the 1950s on, she discusses in an essay the social and political events that shaped the lives of LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender) people during that era. Then, in two short stories, she explores the emotional experiences of young gay people coming of age during those times, giving vivid insight into what it really felt like. | |
| 10-12 | <i>Homosexuality</i> . Farmington Hills, Mich.: Greenhaven Press/Gale, Cengage Learning, 2011. | 306.76
H754 |
| | A compendium of opinion from global sources on homosexuality and same-sex marriage. | |
| PreK-3 | Jopling, Heather, and Alyson Demoe. <i>Ryan's Mom Is Tall</i> . Coburg, Ontario: Nickname Press, 2006. | 306.87
J749R |
| | This book will help parents, teachers, and librarians to educate and expose young children to a variety of family relationships in today's society. | |
| PreK-3 | Kilodavis, Cheryl, and Suzanne DeSimone. <i>My Princess Boy: A Mom's Story About a Young Boy Who Loves to Dress Up</i> . New York: Aladdin, 2011. | 306.778
K558M |
| | A nonfiction picture book about acceptance to give children and adults a tool to talk about unconditional friendship. | |
| 9-12 | Kuhn, Betsy. <i>Gay Power!: The Stonewall Riots and the Gay Rights Movement, 1969</i> . Minneapolis, MN: Twenty-First Century Books, 2011. | 306.76
K9554G |

Explores the decades of discrimination and abuse that gay people endured in earlier eras. Also learn how gay people continue to fight for equal rights and recognition.

- 9-12 Kuklin, Susan. *Beyond Magenta: Transgender Teens Speak Out*. 306.76
K958B
- Author and photographer Susan Kuklin met and interviewed six transgender or gender-neutral young adults and represents them before, during, and after their personal acknowledgment of gender preference.
- 8-12 Madrone, Kelly. *GLBTQ: The Survival Guide for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning Teens*. Revised & updated second edition. Minneapolis, Minnesota: Free Spirit Publishing, 2011. 306.76
H8711G
- Describes the challenges faced by gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered teens, offers practical advice, real-life experiences, and accessible resources and support groups.
- 9-12 Moon, Sarah, and James Lecesne. *The Letter Q: Queer Writers' Notes to Their Younger Selves*. New York: Arthur A. Levine Books, 2012. 306.76
L5694
- Collects letters from such famous contributors as Brian Selznick, Michael Cunningham, and Amy Bloom to offer hope and support in the face of prejudice.
- 7-12 Palmer, Bill. *Homophobia: From Social Stigma to Hate Crimes*. Broomall, Pa.: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 306.76
P1822H
- Discusses the history of homophobia and how it appears in modern society.
- 7-12 Palmer, Bill. *A New Generation of Homosexuality: Modern Trends In Gay and Lesbian Communities*. Philadelphia, PA: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 306.76
P1822N
- Discusses trends in modern homosexuality as well as the history of the gay community in America.
- 7-12 Palmer, Bill. *What Causes Sexual Orientation?: Genetics, Biology, Psychology*. Broomall, Pa.: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 306.76
P1822W
- Looks at the causes of sexual orientation.
- 4-7 Pohlen, Jerome. *Gay and Lesbian History for Kids: The Century Long Struggle for LGBT Rights, with 21 Activities*. Chicago, IL: Chicago Review Press, 2016. 323.3264
P754G
- This up-to-date history includes the landmark Supreme Court decision making marriage equality the law of the land. Twenty-one activities enliven the history and demonstrate the spirited ways the LGBT community has

pushed for positive social change.

- 8-12 Prager, Sarah. *Queer, There, and Everywhere: 23 People Who Changed the World*. New York: Harper, 2017. 920.00866 P8842Q
- From high-profile figures like Abraham Lincoln and Eleanor Roosevelt to the trailblazing gender-ambiguous Queen of Sweden and a bisexual blues singer who didn't make it into your history books, these true stories uncover a rich queer heritage that encompasses every culture, in every era.
- PreK-2 Sanders, Rob, and Jamey Christoph. *Stonewall: A Building. An Uprising. A Revolution*. First edition. New York: Random House, 2019. 323.3264 SA565S
- Describes the Stonewall Riots in New York City in 1969, which sparked the gay liberation movement in the United States and details the history of LGBTQ rights since the riots.
- 7-12 Sanna, Emily. *Gay Believers: Homosexuality and Religion*. Broomhall, PA: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 200.86 SA587G
- Discusses religious issues that affect the gay community.
- 7-12 Seba, Jaime. *Being Gay, Staying Healthy*. Broomall, Pa.: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 306.76 SE21B
- From AIDS infection to teen pregnancy, health issues in the gay community affect people of all ages. Learn about how issues of poor self-esteem and even self-loathing can contribute to such health risks as sexually transmitted diseases, drug and alcohol abuse, tobacco use, and depression. Find out how stereotyped images of ultra-thin models contribute to eating disorders and feelings of isolation. Most importantly, learn how LGBT people can lead healthy and productive lives by respecting themselves and each other.
- 7-12 Seba, Jaime. *Coming Out: Telling Family and Friends*. Broomall, PA: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 306.76 SE21C
- An exploration of the experience of coming out and openly acknowledging oneself as being lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender (LGBT).
- 7-12 Seba, Jaime. *Feeling Wrong in Your Own Body: Understanding What It Means to Be Transgender*. Broomall, Pa: Mason Crest Pub, 2011. 306.76 SE21F
- Explores what it means to be a transgender, based on the personal experiences of the men and women who've taken steps to transition.
- 7-12 Seba, Jaime. *Gay Characters In Theatre, Movies, and Television: New Roles, New Attitudes*. Philadelphia: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 791.43 SE21G
- Describes how theater, television, and motion pictures have become more

inclusive of gay, lesbian, and transgender characters and issues throughout the years.

- 7-12 Seba, Jaime. *Gay and Lesbian Role Models*. Broomall, Pa.: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 306.76 SE21GAA
- Describes the importance of role models to gay and lesbian youth and introduces readers to some of the most admired gay and lesbian role models in sports, entertainment, and politics.
- 7-12 Seba, Jaime. *Gay Issues and Politics: Marriage, the Military, & Work Place Discrimination*. Broomall, Pa.: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 306.76 SE21GAI
- Discusses political issues that affect the gay community.
- 7-12 Seba, Jaime. *Gay People of Color: Facing Prejudices, Forging Identities*. Broomall, Pa.: Mason Crest Publishers, 2011. 306.76 SE21GAP
- Explores the issues surrounding gay people of color.
- 7-12 Setterington, Ken. *Branded by the Pink Triangle*. Toronto, ON: Second Story Press, 2013. 940.5318 SE782B
- Before the rise of the Nazi party, Germany, especially Berlin, was one of the most tolerant places for homosexuals in the world. But that all changed when the Nazis came to power. The pink triangle sewn onto prison uniforms became the symbol of the persecution of homosexuals, a persecution that would continue for many years after the war. A mix of historical research, first-person accounts and individual stories brings this time to life for young readers.
- PreK Stevenson, Robin. *Pride Colors*. [Victoria, British Columbia]: Orca Book Publishers, 2019. 535.6 ST487P
- In this photographic concept book, babies and toddlers are introduced to the PRIDE flag and the meaning behind each color.
- 6-12 Watson, Stephanie. *Gay Rights Movement*. Minneapolis, MN: ABDO Publishing Company, 2014. 306.76 W337G
- Stonewall -- A time of darkness -- The homophile movement -- The first fight back -- Launch of the gay rights movement -- Going mainstream -- Gay rights in the time of AIDS -- Searching for a voice -- A new era in gay rights.

BIOGRAPHY

- 8-12 Andraka, Jack, and Matthew Lysiak. *Breakthrough: How One Teen Innovator Is Changing the World*. First edition. New York, NY: B AN249A

Harper, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2015.

Teen scientist Jack Andraka chronicles his development of an inexpensive early detection test for pancreatic, ovarian, and lung cancer, and recounts his own personal story of overcoming depression and homophobic bullying. Includes hands-on science experiments.

- 9-12 Black, Dustin Lance. *Milk: A Pictorial History of Harvey Milk*. New York: Newmarket Press, 2009. B
M5998
- Profiles Harvey Milk, one of the first openly gay people to be elected to public office, partially in the words of the people who knew him and describes the making of the biographical film about him, "Milk."
- PreK-3 Herthel, Jessica. *I Am Jazz*. New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Penguin Group (USA) LLC, 2014. B
J444H
- Presents the story of a transgender child who traces her early awareness that she is a girl in spite of male anatomy and the acceptance she finds through a wise doctor who explains her natural transgender status.
- 9-12 Hutchinson, Shaun David. *Brave Face: A Memoir*. First Simon Pulse hardcover edition. New York: Simon Pulse, an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing Division, 2019. B
H974H
- In this courageous and deeply honest memoir, Shaun takes readers through the journey of what brought him to the edge, and what has helped him truly believe that it does get better.
- 9-12 Jackson, Richie. *Gay Like Me: A Father Writes to His Son*. First edition. New York, NY: Harper, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2020. B
J1375J
- When Richie Jackson's eighteen-year-old son came out to him, Jackson was compelled to reflect on his own experiences as a gay man. This is his celebration of embraced identity-- and a powerful warning. Despite the achievements of the past fifty years -- increased visibility of LGBTQ people, the legal right to marry, and more -- bigotry and hatred not only still exist but are ignited by a president and a vice president who have fanned the flames of homophobia with divisive rhetoric. Being gay is a gift, Jackson writes -- but the community cannot afford to be complacent.
- 9-12 Johnson, George M. *All Boys Aren't Blue: A Memoir-Manifesto*. First edition. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2020. B
J6322J
- In a series of personal essays, prominent journalist and LGBTQIA+ activist George M. Johnson explores his childhood, adolescence, and college years in New Jersey and Virginia. From the memories of getting his teeth kicked out by bullies at age five, to flea marketing with his loving grandmother, to his first sexual relationships, this young-adult memoir weaves together the trials and triumphs faced by Black queer boys.

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