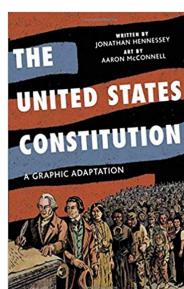
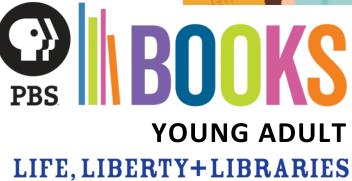
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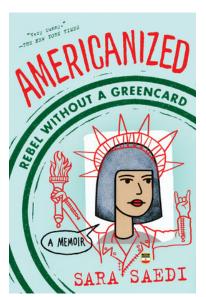






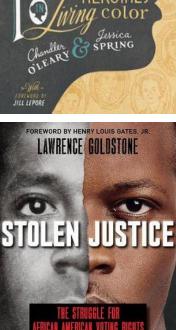


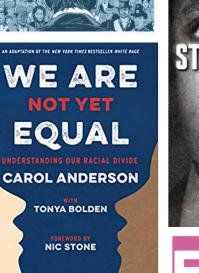












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U.S. DEMOCRACY: 2020 marks an important year for U.S. democracy. This year, America will celebrate the 100-year anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment, officially granting women the right to vote, and our nation will elect our 46th president. Throughout 2020, and in advance of America's 250th anniversary in 2026 known as the "Semiquincentennial," PBS will provide quality programming to highlight what it means to be an engaged citizen in a democratic nation. For a successful democracy, civic engagement is crucial; "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" depends upon it. We hope these books will inspire understanding, voting (or the aspiration to vote at age 18), and engaged citizenship for young adults.

Hope Nation: YA Authors Share Personal

Stories of Inspiration << Rose Brock (Ed.) This book is a compilation of inspiring reflections of struggle and hope by some of today's most prolific YA authors including: Atia Abawi, Renee Ahdieh, Libba Bray, Howard Bryant, Ally Carter, Kate Hart, Ally Condie, Gayle Forman, Romina Garber, I.W. Gregario, Nicola Yoon, Christina Diaz Gonzales, Bendan Kiely, David Levithan, Nic Stone, Alex London, Marie Lu, Julie Murphy, Jason Reynolds, Aisha Saeed, Angie Thomas, Jenny Torres Sanchez, and Jeff Zentner.

The Gettysburg Address: A Graphic Adaption

<< Jonathan Hennessey (Author) Aaron McConnell (Illustrator)

With vibrant and detailed illustrations, this book examines Abraham Lincoln's most famous speech, the Civil War battle that prompted it, and how these events became a defining moment in US history.

We Are Not Yet Equal: Understanding Our Racial Divide

<< Carol Anderson with Tonya Bolden

New York Times bestselling book examines five historical US moments: the end of the Civil War, Reconstruction and the Jim Crow laws; the Great Migration; *Brown v. Board of Education*; the Civil Rights Act of 1964/Voting Rights Act of 1965; the War on Drugs; and President Obama's election and events that followed.

Vote!: Women's Fight for Access to the Ballot Box <<Coral Celeste Frazer

This book celebrates August 18, 2020, which marks the 100^{th} anniversary of the 19^{th} Amendment to the US Constitution and

prohibited the US government from denying citizens the right to vote on the basis of sex. The author explores the 70 year long fight for women's suffrage, and the role it played in the into the civil rights and feminist movements in the 20th century and Americans' continued battle for equality in voting rights today.

Dead Feminists: Historic Heroines in Living Color

<< Chandler O'Leary and Jessica Spring

This national bestselling book combines feminist history and a vision for a better future, highlighting 27 women. With gorgeously illustrated pages and a letterpress-inspired design, this book celebrates trailblazing women that transformed the world.

Stolen Justice: The Struggle for African American Voting Rights << Lawrence Goldstone

This book examines the systematic suppression of the African-American vote throughout US history starting with the post-Reconstruction era. Using the perspectives of various individuals and analyzing acts and legal cases that impacted the Black vote, the author suggests threats to suffrage based on current policies today.

The Voting Booth << Brandy Colbert

This novel takes place on Election Day and offers the different points of view of two black teens, who must overcome various obstacles to cast their first presidential election ballots. Marva and Duke start on a mission for democracy and find romance along the way.

Watch Us Rise

<<Ellen Hagan & Renée Watson (author)

This YA novel features poet Chelsea and actress Jasmine, who are frustrated with their school's lack of interest in social justice issues and started a blog to showcase their progressive writing. This novel demonstrated how artistry and activism can have an important impact.

The United States Constitution: A Graphic Adaption

<< Jonathan Hennessey (Author) Aaron McConnell (Illustrator)

This book uses full color graphic art to illustrate the US Constitution and our critical democratic principles. Through the imagery and words, the reader is able to explore the Constitution's seven articles and 27 amendments to understand its meaning, background, and impact today.

Americanized: Rebel Without a Green Card << Sara Saedi

This humorous memoir tells the true story of an Iranian-American, who discovers that she is an undocumented immigrant as a teenager and the challenges that come with that—fear of deportation, journey toward getting her greencard, and possibly not having a date to the prom!

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