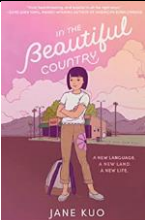
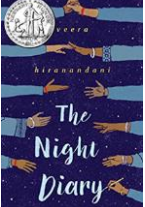




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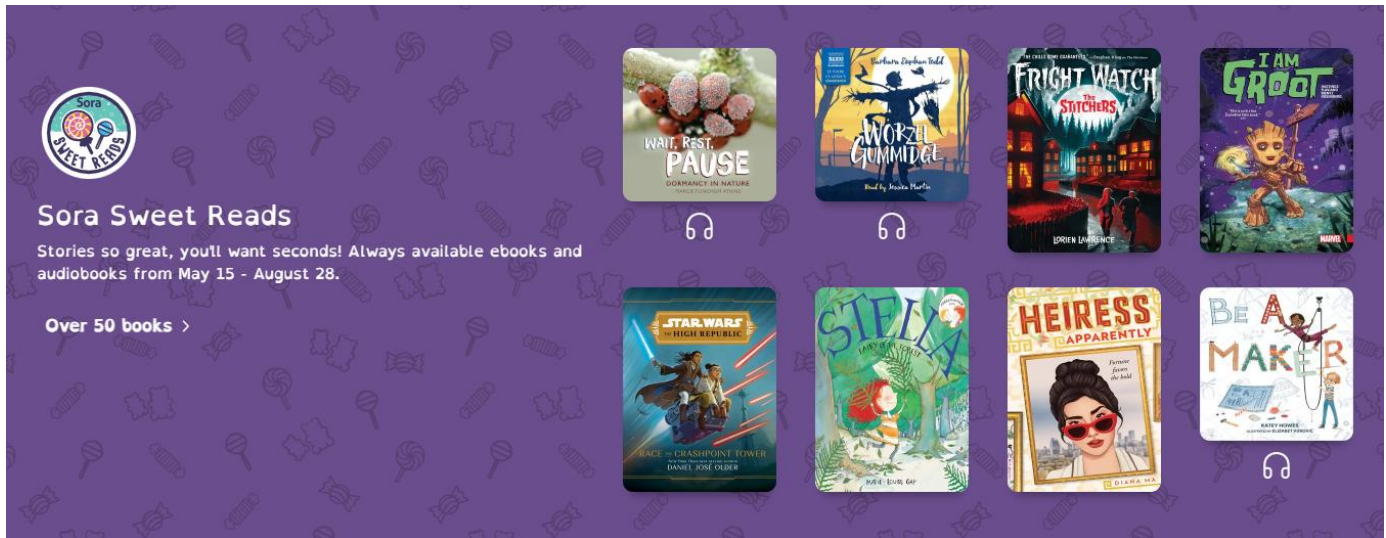
Enjoy the summer and pick up a good book! The books below are only **suggestions**.


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Title/Author	Summary	Available
	<p>In the Beautiful Country –Jane Kuo Anna can't wait to move to the <i>beautiful country</i>—the Chinese name for America...But the beautiful country isn't anything like Anna pictured. Her family can only afford a cramped apartment, she's bullied at school, and she struggles to understand a new language...The version of America that Anna is experiencing is nothing like she imagined. How will she be able to make the beautiful country her home?</p>	SORA WPPL
	<p>Night Diary - Veera Hiranndani Shy twelve-year-old Nisha, forced to flee her home with her Hindu family during the 1947 partition of India, tries to find her voice and make sense of the world falling apart around her by writing to her deceased Muslim mother in the pages of her diary.</p>	SORA WPPL
	<p>Girl in the Blue Coat – Monica Hesse Monica Hesse In 1943 Nazi-occupied Amsterdam, teenage Hanneke--a 'finder' of black-market goods--is tasked with finding a Jewish girl a customer had been hiding, who has seemingly vanished into thin air, and is pulled into a web of resistance activities and secrets as she attempts to solve the mystery and save the missing girl.</p>	SORA WPPL
	<p>Sunshine – Jarrett J. Krosoczka When Jarrett J. Krosoczka was in high school, he was part of a program that sent students to be counselors at a camp for seriously ill kids and their families. Going into it, Jarrett was worried... But instead of the shadow of death, Jarrett found something else at Camp Sunshine: the hope and determination that gets people through the most troubled of times..."</p>	SORA WPPL
	<p>Before the Ever After – Jacqueline Woodson ZJ's friends Ollie, Darry and Daniel help him cope when his father, a beloved professional football player, suffers severe headaches and memory loss that spell the end of his career.</p>	SORA WPPL
	<p>When Stars Are Scattered – By Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed Omar and his younger brother Hassan live in a refugee camp, and when an opportunity for Omar to get an education comes along, he must decide between going to school every day or caring for his nonverbal brother in this intimate portrayal of family and daily life in a refugee camp.</p>	SORA WPPL
	<p>Nyxia– Scott Reintgen Emmett accepts an interstellar space contract but learns en route that to win the promised fortune he and nine other recruits face a brutal competition, putting their very humanity at risk.</p>	SORA WPPL

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- I AM GROOT** by MARVEL
- STAR WARS THE HIGH REPUBLIC** by DANIEL JOSE OLDER
- STEM** by BLOOMSBURY
- HEIRESS APPARENTLY** by DIANA HAAS
- BE A MAKER** by KATEY PERKINS