

Diversity

Diversity enriches our lives and opens our minds. This reading list is inspired by our work with the Anthony Walker Foundation. If you read one book this year, make it one of these.



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KS3

Steady For This, Nathanael Lessore

A heartfelt exploration of resilience and connection as a young boy navigates the challenges of growing up and finding his place in the world.

The Boy Lost in the Maze, Joseph Coelho

A poignant tale of a boy's journey through a labyrinth of emotions and experiences, seeking clarity and self-discovery.

Saffiyah's War, Hiba Noor Khan

Set against a backdrop of conflict, this gripping narrative follows Saffiyah as she confronts the harsh realities of war while striving for hope and change.

El Deafo, Cece Bell

A charming graphic memoir that highlights the challenges and triumphs of growing up with a hearing impairment, as the author embraces her unique superpower.

Me, My Dad and the End of the Rainbow, Benjamin Dean

A touching story about a boy's quest to understand his father's struggles and their relationship during a pivotal moment in their lives.

The Fastest Boy in the World, Elizabeth Laird

A vibrant coming-of-age story about a young boy in Ethiopia whose dreams of becoming a runner reflect his hopes and determination.

Wonder, RJ Palacio

A powerful tale of acceptance and kindness as a boy with facial differences navigates the complexities of school and friendship.

The Amazing Edie Eckhart, Rosie Jones

An inspiring story about a spirited girl who embraces her individuality and faces challenges with creativity and confidence.

KS4+

Boy Like Me, Simon James Green

A heartfelt exploration of identity and self-acceptance as a boy grapples with his feelings and relationships in a world that often feels overwhelming.

The Hate U Give, Angie Thomas

A compelling narrative about a teenage girl who witnesses a police shooting and finds her voice amidst the turmoil of activism and social justice.

Booked, Kwame Alexander

A rhythmic and engaging story that intertwines soccer, poetry, and the challenges of adolescence as a young boy navigates his passions and relationships.

Orangeboy, Patrice Lawrence

A gripping tale of a young boy caught in a dangerous world of gang violence, exploring themes of love, loyalty, and the quest for a better life.

Felix Ever After, Kacen Callender

A transformative coming-of-age story about a transgender teen navigating love, identity, and self-acceptance in a world that can be both supportive and challenging.

A Quiet Kind of Thunder, Sara Barnard

A tender exploration of love and communication as a shy girl and a boy with selective mutism forge a deep connection in their quest for understanding.