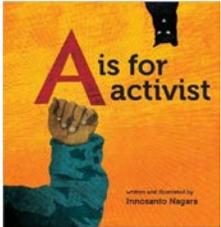
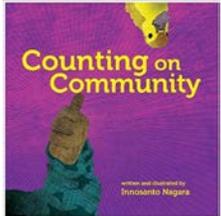
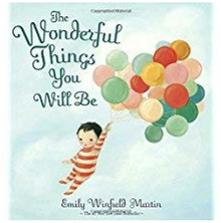
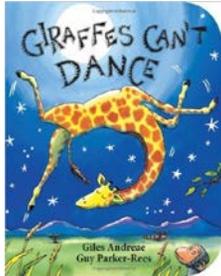
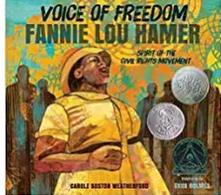
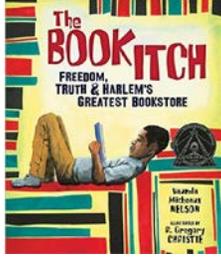
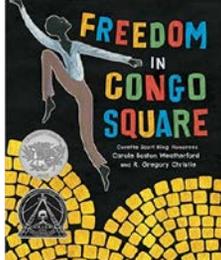
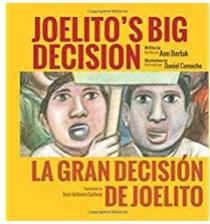
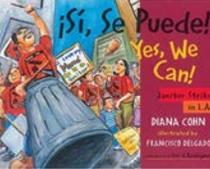
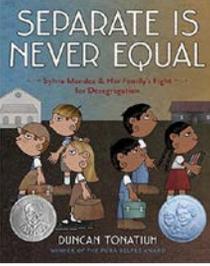
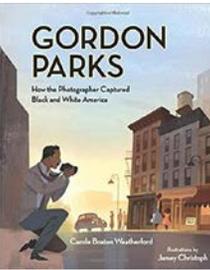
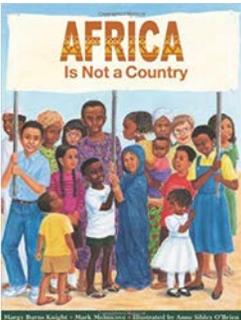
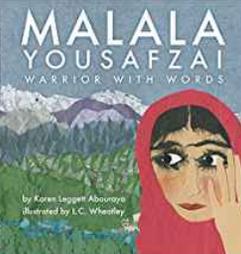
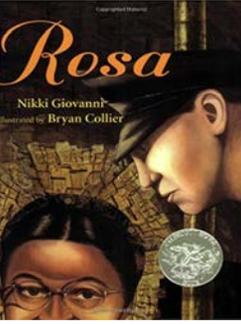


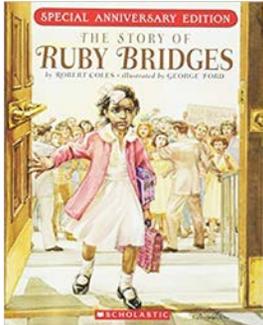
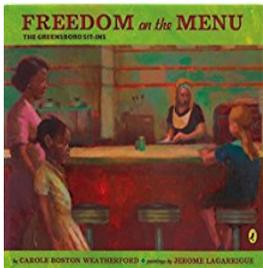
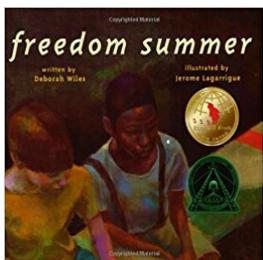
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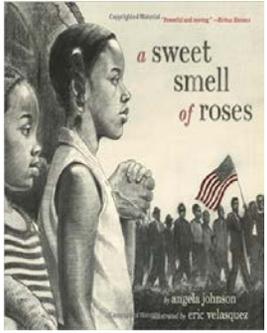
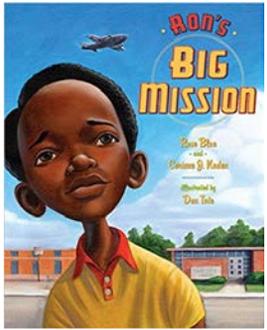
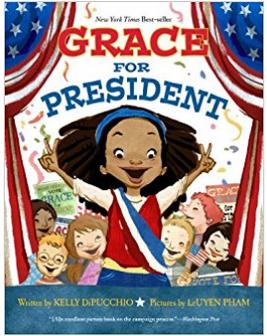
TITLE OF BOOK	AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR	BOOK COVER	BOOK DESCRIPTION
A is for Activist	Nagara, Innosanto		<p><i>A is for Activist is an ABC board book written and illustrated for the next generation of progressives: families who want their kids to grow up in a space that is unapologetic about activism, environmental justice, civil rights, LGBTQ rights, and everything else that activists believe in and fight for.</i></p>
Counting on Community	Nagara, Innosanto		<p><i>Counting on Community is Innosanto Nagara's follow-up to his hit ABC book, A is for Activist. Children are encouraged to recognize the value of their community, the joys inherent in healthy eco-friendly activities, and the agency they possess to make change.</i></p>
The Wonderful Things You Will Be	Martin, Emily Winfield		<p><i>From brave and bold to creative and clever, Emily Winfield Martin's rhythmic rhyme expresses all the loving things that parents think of when they look at their children.</i></p>

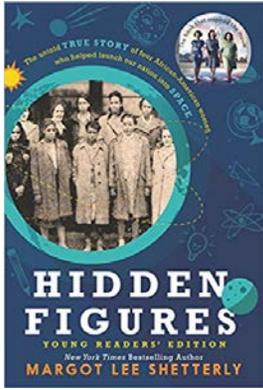
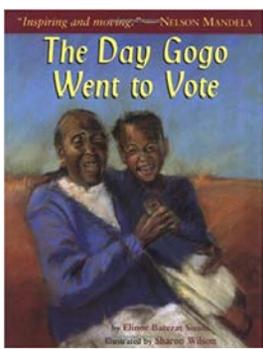
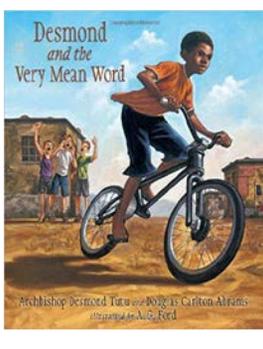
<p>Giraffes Can't Dance</p>	<p>Andreae, Giles</p>		<p><i>With crooked knees and thin legs, it's harder for a giraffe than you would think. Gerald is finally able to dance to his own tune when he gets some encouraging words from an unlikely friend.</i></p>
<p>Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer</p>	<p>Weatherford, Carole Boston</p>		<p><i>Stirring poems and stunning collage illustrations combine to celebrate the life of Fannie Lou Hamer, a champion of equal voting rights.</i></p>
<p>The Book Itch: Freedom, Truth, and Harlem's Greatest Bookstore</p>	<p>Nelson, Vaunda Micheaux</p>		<p><i>Read the story of how Lewis Michaux Sr. and his bookstore fostered new ideas and helped people stand up for what they believed in.</i></p>
<p>Freedom in Congo Square</p>	<p>Weatherford, Carole Boston</p>		<p><i>This poetic, nonfiction story about a little-known piece of African American history captures a human's capacity to find hope and joy in difficult circumstances and demonstrates how New Orleans' Congo Square was truly freedom's heart.</i></p>

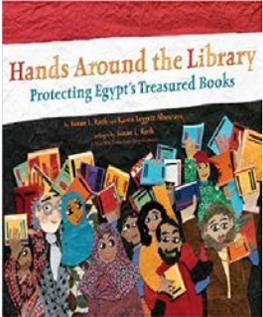
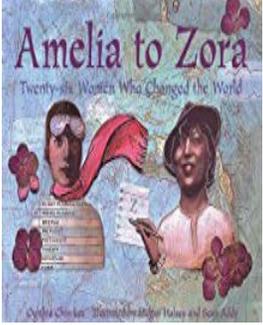
<p>Joelito's Big Decision: La Gran Decision</p>	<p>Berlak, Anne</p>		<p><i>Joelito's friend Brandon and his family are among the crowd, and soon the boy comes to understand their situation. Joelito realizes that it is important that he stand next to and support his friend so that others can have a better life.</i></p>
<p>¡Si, Se Puede! / Yes, We Can!: Janitor Strike in L.A.</p>	<p>Cohn, Diane</p>		<p><i>¡Sí, Se Puede! / Yes, We Can! is a bilingual fictional story set against the backdrop of the successful janitors' strike in Los Angeles in 2000.</i></p>
<p>Separate Is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez and Her Family's Fight for Desegregation (Jane Addams Award Book)</p>	<p>Tonatiuh, Duncan</p>		<p><i>Almost 10 years before Brown vs. Board of Education, Sylvia Mendez and her parents helped end school segregation in California.</i></p>
<p>Gordon Parks: How the Photographer Captured Black and White America</p>	<p>Weatherford, Carole Boston</p>		<p><i>This picture book biography of Gordon Parks highlights the growth of his career as a photographer.</i></p>

<p>Africa Is Not a Country</p>	<p>Knight, Margy Burns / O'Brien, Ann Sibley</p>		<p><i>Enter into the daily life of children in the many countries of modern Africa. Countering stereotypes, Africa Is Not a Country celebrates the extraordinary diversity of this vibrant continent as experienced by children at home, at school, at work, and at play.</i></p>
<p>Malala Yousafzai: Warrior with Words</p>	<p>Aboutaya, Karen Leggett and Wheatley, L.C.</p>		<p><i>The inspiring, true story of Malala Yousafzai, a young Pakistani girl who stands up and speaks out for every child's right to education. Malala's story is more than a biography of a brave and outspoken teenager. It is a testament to the power of education to change the world for boys and girls everywhere.</i></p>
<p>Rosa</p>	<p>Giovanni, Nikki / Collier, Bryan</p>		<p><i>Fifty years after her refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama, city bus, Mrs. Rosa Parks is still one of the most important figures in the American civil rights movement. This tribute to Mrs. Parks is a celebration of her courageous action and the events that followed.</i></p>

<p>The Story Of Ruby Bridges: Special Anniversary Edition</p>	<p>Coles, Robert / Ford, George</p>		<p><i>Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first African American child to integrate a New Orleans school. Ruby's story of courage, faith, and hope is now available in this special 50th anniversary edition with an updated afterword!</i></p>
<p>Freedom on the Menu: The Greensboro Sit-Ins</p>	<p>Weatherford, Carole Boston and Lagarrigue, Jerome</p>		<p><i>This picture book tells a story of desegregation from the viewpoint of one little girl. Growing up in the South, Connie understands that there are places where she and other African Americans can and cannot eat, drink, swim, and use the bathroom. But after Dr. King visits the local college chapel to preach and her older siblings become active in the NAACP, she also knows that her people are working for change. When her brother's friends sit down at a dime-store lunch counter that refuses them service, their act of peaceful protest starts a wave of similar demonstrations that brings better times to their community and throughout the South.</i></p>
<p>Freedom Summer</p>	<p>Wiles, Deborah / Lagarrigue, Jerome</p>		<p><i>Set in Mississippi during the summer of 1964, Wiles's affecting debut children's book about two boys, one white, and the other African-American, underscores the bittersweet aftermath of the passage of the Civil Rights Act.</i></p>

<p>A Sweet Smell of Roses</p>	<p>Johnson, Angela / Velazquez, Eric</p>		<p><i>There's a sweet, sweet smell in the air as two young girls sneak out of their house, down the street, and across town to where men and women are gathered, ready to march for freedom and justice. Inspired by countless children and young adults who took a stand, two Coretta Scott King honorees offer a heart-lifting glimpse of children's roles in the civil rights movement.</i></p>
<p>Ron's Big Mission</p>	<p>Blue, Rose and Naden, Corinne / Tate, Don</p>		<p><i>Nine-year-old Ron loves going to the Lake City Public Library to look through all the books on airplanes and flight. Today, Ron is ready to take out books by himself. But in the segregated world of South Carolina in the 1950s, Ron's obtaining his own library card is not just a small rite of passage. It is a young man's first courageous mission. Here is an inspiring story, based on Ron McNair's life, of how a little boy, future scientist, and Challenger astronaut desegregated his library through peaceful resistance.</i></p>
<p>Grace for President</p>	<p>DiPucchio, Kelly / Pham, LeUyen</p>		<p><i>When Grace's teacher reveals that the United States has never had a female president, Grace decides to be the first. And she immediately starts off her political career as a candidate the school's mock election! Author Kelly DiPucchio not only gives readers a fun introduction to the American electoral system, but also teaches them the value of hard work, courage, and independent thought--and offers an inspiring example of how to choose our leaders.</i></p>

<p>Hidden Figures Young Readers' Edition</p>	<p>Shettely, Margot Lee</p>		<p><i>This book brings to life the stories of Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson, and Christine Darden, who lived through the Civil Rights era, the Space Race, the Cold War, and the movement for gender equality, and whose work forever changed the face of NASA and the country.</i></p>
<p>The Day Gogo Went to Vote</p>	<p>Sisulu, Elinor Batezat</p>		<p><i>Illustrated in rich pastels, this child's-eye view of an important milestone in South African history allows young readers to experience every detail of this eventful day.</i></p>
<p>Desmond and the Very Mean Word</p>	<p>Tutu, Desmond / Ford, A.G.</p>		<p><i>When Desmond takes his new bicycle out for a ride through his neighborhood, his pride and joy turn to hurt and anger when a group of boys shout a very mean word at him. He first responds by shouting an insult, but soon discovers that fighting back with mean words doesn't make him feel any better. With the help of kindly Father Trevor, Desmond comes to understand his conflicted feelings and see that all people deserve compassion, whether or not they say they are sorry.</i></p>

<p>Hands Around the Library: Protecting Egypt's Treasured Books</p>	<p>Abouraya, Karen Leggett / Roth, Susan L.</p>		<p><i>In January 2011, in a moment that captured the hearts of people all over the world, thousands of Egypt's students, library workers, and demonstrators surrounded the great Library of Alexandria and joined hands, forming a human chain to protect the building. They chanted "We love you, Egypt!" as they stood together for the freedom the library represented.</i></p>
<p>Amelia to Zora: Twenty-Six Women Who Changed the World</p>	<p>Chin-Lee, Cynthia and Halsey, Megan</p>		<p><i>Twenty-six amazing women; twenty-six amazing stories. From Amelia Earhart, pilot and adventurer, to Zora Neale Hurston, writer and anthropologist, learn about the hardships and triumphs that inspired each woman to change the world around her. Detailed collages and illustrations draw from various events in the women's lives.</i></p>

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