

BOOK LIST FROM PHILLIP EASTON, RETIRED TEACHER – NOVEMBER 2019

Books with a Focus on Civil Rights and Post-Civil Rights History

A People's History of the United States (Abridged Teaching Version)

Howard Zinn 2017

A Young People's History of the United States

Howard Zinn 2007

Between the World and Me

Ta-Nehisi Coates 2015

Black Noise: Rap Music and Black Culture in Contemporary America

Tricia Rose 1994

Brainwashed: Challenging the Myth of Black Inferiority

Tom Burrell 2010

Breathe: A Letter to My Sons

Imani Perry 2019

Cultural Literacy: What Every American Needs to Know

E. D. Hirsch, Jr., Joseph F. Kett, and James Trefil 2002

Creating Black Americans: African-American History and Its Meanings, 1619 to the Present

Nell Irvin Painter 2006

Democracy in Black: How Race Still Enslaves the American Soul

Eddie S. Glaude, Jr. 2016

From Amistad to the White House: "Teachable Moments" from 1839 to Within My Lifetime

Kay Harris 2016

In a Shade of Blue: Pragmatism and the Politics of Black America

Eddie S. Glaude, Jr. 2007

More Beautiful and More Terrible: The Embrace and Transcendence of Racial Inequality in the United States

Imani Perry 2011

Soul: Black Power, Politics, and Pleasure

Monique Guillory and Richard C. Green 1997

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Strength to Love

Martin Luther King, Jr. 2010

Teaching to Transgress: Education as the Practice of Freedom

Bell Hooks (bell hooks) 1994

Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America

Michael Eric Dyson 2017

The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America

Richard Rothstein 2017

The Fire Next Time

James Baldwin 1995

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness

Michelle Alexander 2020

We Were Eight Years in Power: An American Tragedy

Ta-Nehisi Coates 2017

When They Call You a Terrorist: A Black Lives Matter Memoir

Patrisse Khan-Cullors and Asha Bandele 2018

White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk about Racism

Robin DiAngelo 2018

Additional Resources

African Americans and Colonial Legislation in the Middle Colonies

Oscar Williams 1998

Black New Jersey: 1664 to the Present Day

Graham Russell Gao Hodges 2019

Complicity: How the North Promoted, Prolonged, and Profited from Slavery

Anne Farrow, Joel Lang, and Jenifer Frank 2006

Complicated Lives: Free Blacks in Virginia, 1619-1865

Sherri L. Burr 2019

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Dreams of Africa in Alabama: The Slave Ship Clotilda and the Story of the Last Africans Brought to America

Sylvianne A. Diouf 2007

Every Tone A Testimony: An African American Aural History

Smithsonian Folkways Recording 2001

In Hope of Liberty: Culture, Community and Protest Among Northern Free Blacks, 1700-1860

James Oliver Horton and Lois E. Horton 1997

I've Got the Light of Freedom: The Organizing Tradition and the Mississippi Freedom Struggle

Charles M. Payne 1995

Lives Bound Together: Slavery at George Washington's Mount Vernon

Edited by Susan P. Schoelwer 2016

Many Thousands Gone: The First Two Centuries of Slavery in North America

Ira Berlin 1998

Outcast: A Story of Slavery in Readington Township, Hunterdon County, New Jersey

Stephanie B. Stevens 2003

Root & Branch: African Americans in New York & East Jersey, 1613-1863

Graham Russell Hodges 1999

Scarlet and Black, Volume 1: Slavery and Dispossession in Rutgers History

Edited by Marisa J. Fuentes and Deborah Gray White 2016

Slavery and the Making of America

James Oliver Horton and Lois E. Horton 2005

Slavery by Another Name: The Re-Enslavement of Black Americans from the Civil War to World War II

Douglas A. Blackmon 2008

Slavery in Philadelphia: A History of Resistance, Denial and Wealth

Phillip Seitz 2014

Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America

Ibram X. Kendi 2016

Sweet Land of Liberty: The Forgotten Struggle for Civil Rights in the North

Thomas J. Sugrue 2008

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The Hemingses of Monticello: An American Family

Annette Gordon-Reed 2008

The History of White People

Nell Irvin Painter 2010

The Long Journey Home: A Bicentennial History of the Black Community of Princeton, New Jersey, 1776-1976

Jack Washington 2005

The Quest for Equality: Trenton's Black Community: 1890-1965

Jack Washington 1993

The Ragged Road to Abolition: Slavery and Freedom in New Jersey, 1775-1865

James J. Gigantino II 2015

The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration

Isabel Wilkerson 2010

"Those Who Labor for My Happiness": Slavery at Thomas Jefferson's Monticello

Lucia Stanton 2012

Underground Railroad in New York and New Jersey

William J. Switala 2006

Understanding and Teaching American Slavery

Bethany Jay and Cynthia Lynn Lyerly, editors 2016

Virginia 1619: Slavery and Freedom in the Making of English America

Edited by Paul Musselwhite, Peter C. Mancall, and James Horn 2019