



A spiral-bound notebook with a white cover and lined pages is shown against a dark blue background with small white specks. The notebook is open to a page with horizontal blue lines. The text 'Poetry Month' is written in large, bold, red letters. Below it, 'April, 2021' is written in smaller red letters, flanked by two short yellow horizontal lines. A yellow sticky note is attached to the bottom left of the page with a white clip, containing the text 'It doesn't have to rhyme!' and a red curved line. On the right side of the page, there are two rectangular blocks: a light orange one on top and a yellow one below it. A small white tab is visible at the top right corner of the page.

# Poetry Month

April, 2021

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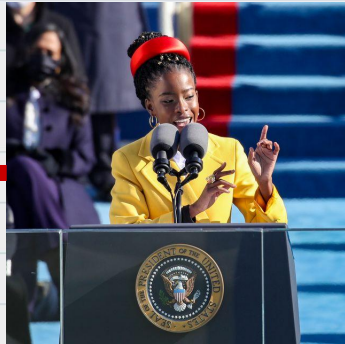
# **This is an Interactive Book List**

Click on the cover of each book to read descriptions and reviews on [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)

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## Amanda Gorman (1998-present)

Amanda S. C. Gorman is an American poet and activist. She is best known for the recitation of her poem "The Hill We Climb" at the inauguration of President Joe Biden in 2021. Gorman was the first person to be named National Youth Poet Laureate. She studied sociology at Harvard College, graduating cum laude in 2020 as a member of Phi Beta Kappa.



[Click this photo to see a video of Amanda Gorman.](#)

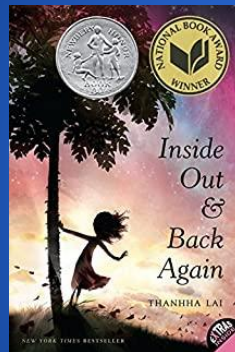
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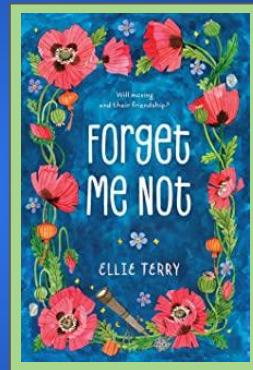
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Starr Rose



***Red, White,  
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LaRocca

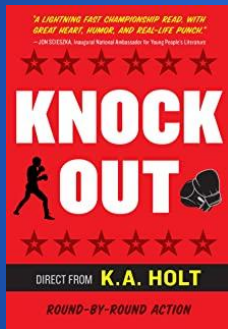


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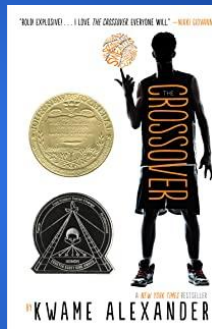


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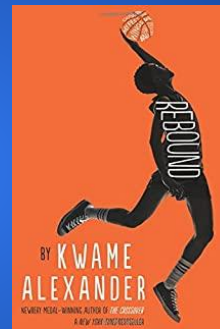
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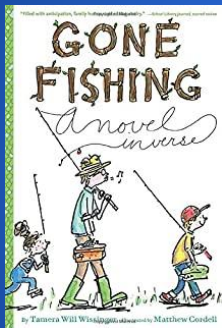


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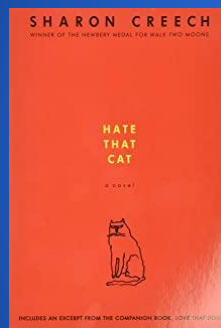
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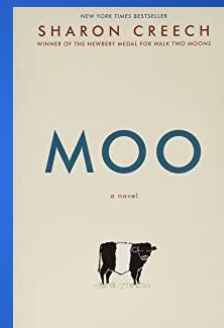
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Wissinger



***Love That Dog***  
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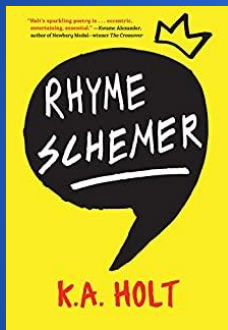


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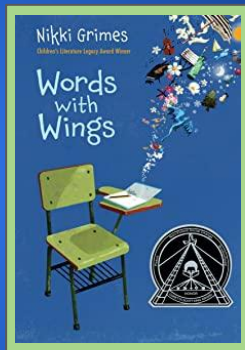


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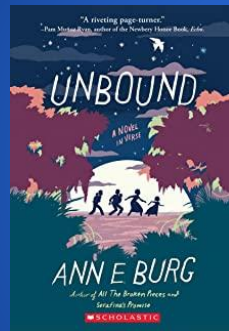
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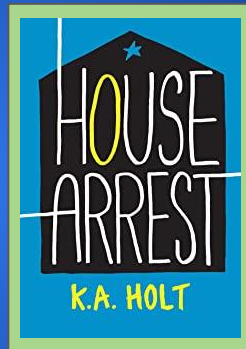
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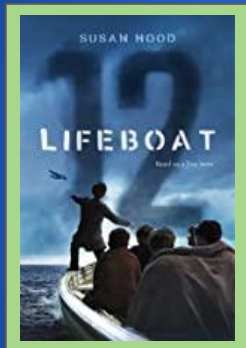


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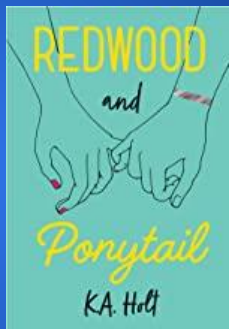


***House Arrest***  
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***Lifeboat 12***  
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Hood



***Redwood and  
Ponytail***  
by K.A. Holt



***The Places  
We Sleep***  
by Caroline  
Brooks  
DuBois

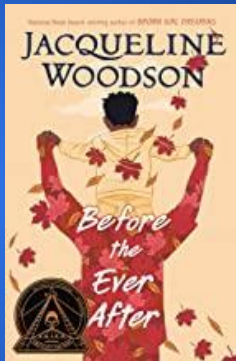


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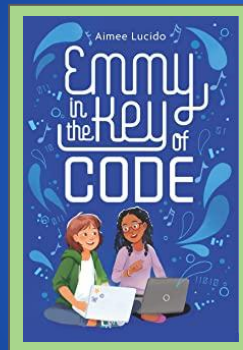
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***Other Words  
for Home***  
by Jasmine  
Warga



***Before the Ever  
After***  
by Jacqueline  
Woodson



***Emmy in the  
Key of Code***  
by Aimee  
Lucido



***A Slip of a Girl***  
by Patricia Reilly  
Giff

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***Under the  
Broken Sky***  
by Mariko  
Nagai



***Closer to  
Nowhere***  
by Ellen  
Hopkins



***The Land of  
the Cranes***  
by Aida Salazar



***The Last Fifth  
Grade of Emerson  
Elementary***  
by Laura Shovan

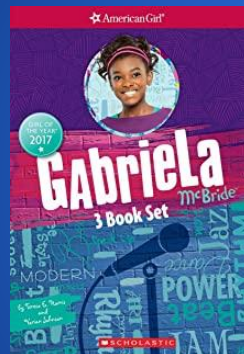
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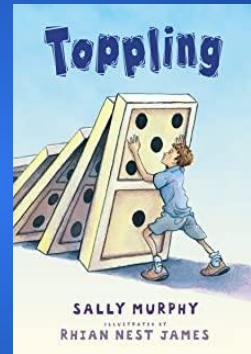
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***Flying in a  
Cage*  
by Melody J.  
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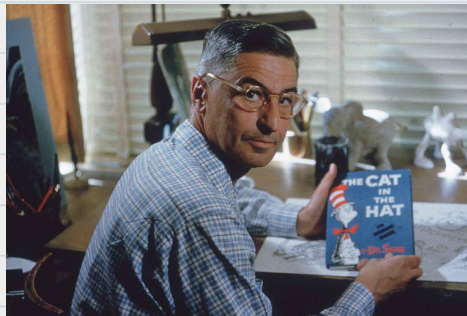
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3-Book Box Set*  
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Harris and  
Varian  
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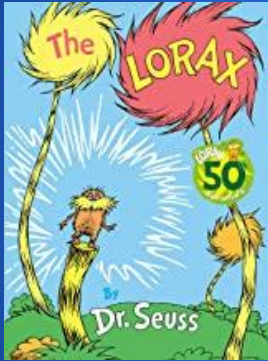
***Toppling*  
by Sally Murphy  
and Rhian Nest  
James**

## Dr. Seuss (1904-1991)

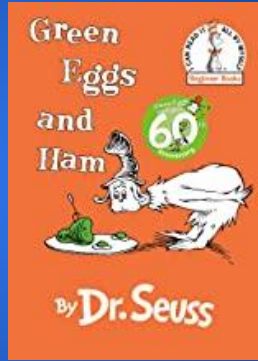
Born Theodor Seuss Geisel, Dr. Seuss is best known for writing and illustrating over 60 highly imaginative books for children. Dr. Seuss was a graduate of Dartmouth College in Massachusetts. During World War II, he served with Frank Capra's Signal Corps. This group made animated training films. He also drew propaganda posters for both the Treasury Department and the War Production Board. Dr. Seuss' first book *And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street*, was rejected 27 times before it was finally published!



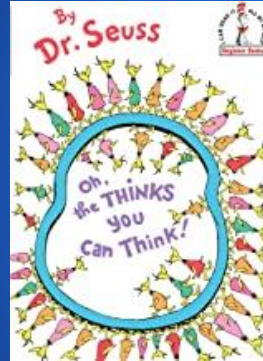
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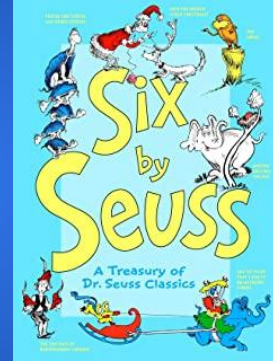
*The Lorax*  
by Dr. Seuss



*Green Eggs and Ham*  
by Dr. Seuss

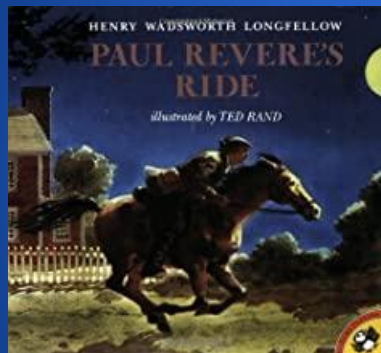


*Oh, the Things You Can Think!*  
by Dr. Seuss

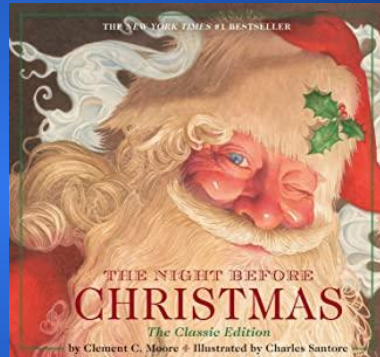


*Six by Seuss: A Treasury of Dr. Seuss Classics*  
by Dr. Seuss

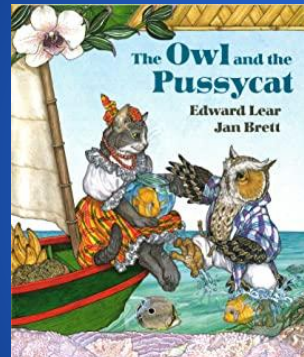
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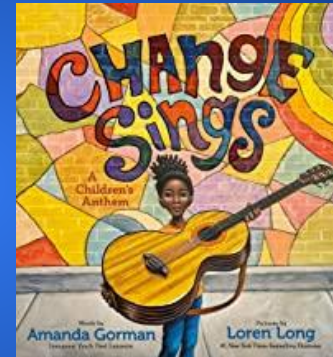
***Paul Revere's  
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by Henry  
Wadsworth  
Longfellow



***The Night Before  
Christmas***  
***Hardcover: The  
Classic Edition*** by  
Clement Moore

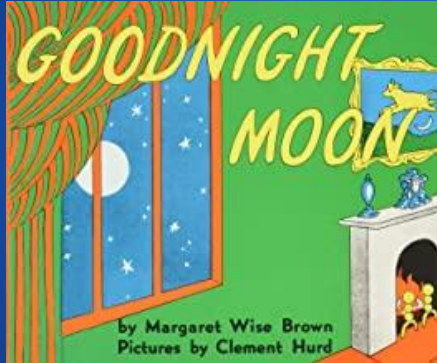


***The Owl and  
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Lear and Jan  
Brett

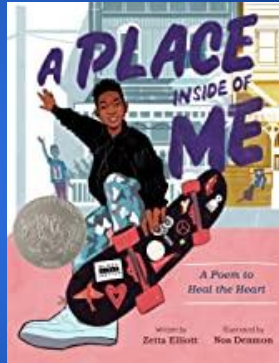


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***A Children's***  
***Anthem***  
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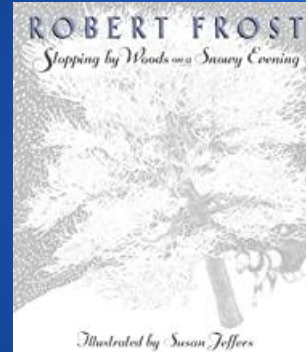
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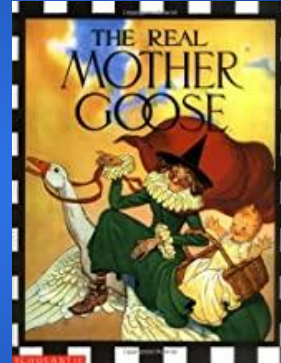
***Goodnight  
Moon***  
by Margaret  
Wise Brown



***A Place Inside of  
Me: A Poem to  
Heal the Heart***  
by Zetta Elliott



***Stopping by  
Woods on a  
Snowy Evening***  
by Robert  
Frost

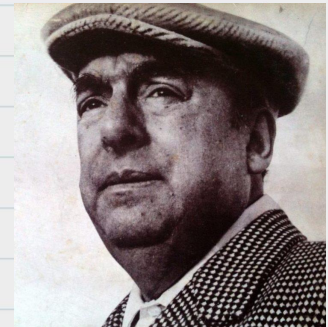
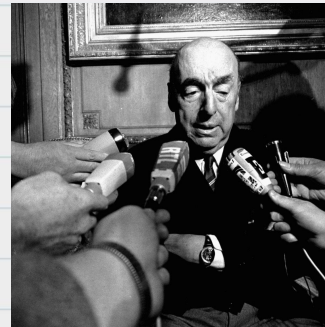


***The Real Mother  
Goose***  
by Blanche  
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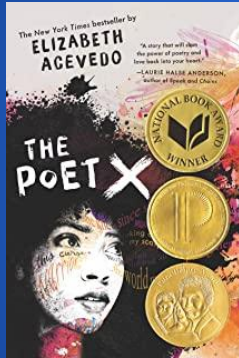
## Pablo Neruda (1904–1973)

Born in Chile, Ricardo Eliécer Neftalí Reyes Basoalto was already recognized as a poet at the age of 13 when he won a contest he had entered. He used Pablo Neruda at first as his pen name but later he legally changed his name. An extremely complex man; Neruda's careers as both a Poet and a Diplomat/Politician brought him to the attention of the world. Neruda won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1971. Nearly 100 years after its publication Neruda's book of mature love poems *Veinte poemas de amor y una canción desesperada* (Twenty Love Poems and A Desperate Song) is still the bestselling book of poetry in the Spanish language.

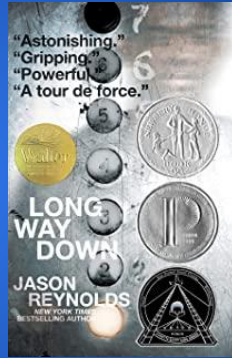
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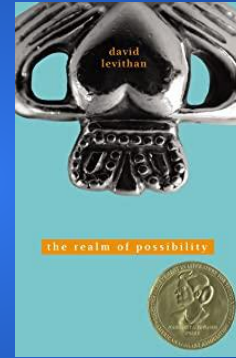
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by Elizabeth  
Acevedo



*Long Way Down*  
by Jason  
Reynolds

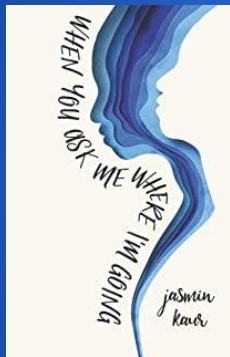


*Punching the Air*  
by Ibi Zoboi  
and Yusef  
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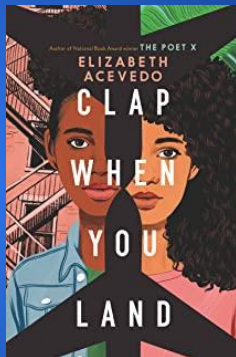


*The Realm of Possibility*  
by David  
Levithan

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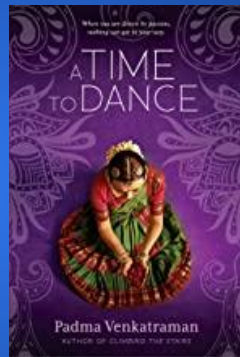
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***Clap When You  
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by Elizabeth  
Acevedo

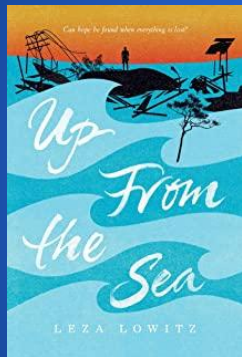


***Finding Baba  
Yaga: A Short  
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***A Time to Dance***  
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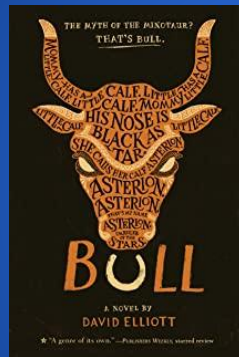
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***White Rose***  
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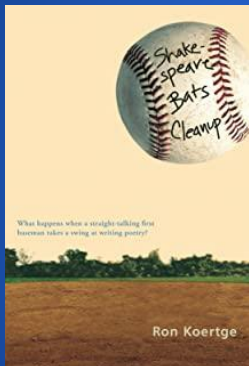


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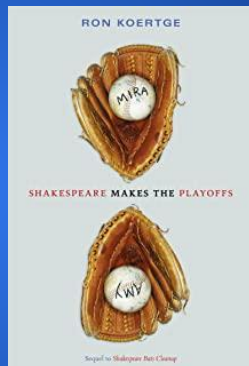


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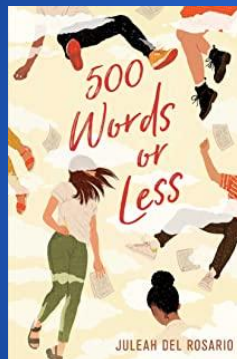
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Bats Cleanup***  
by Ron Koertge



***Shakespeare  
Makes the  
Playoffs***  
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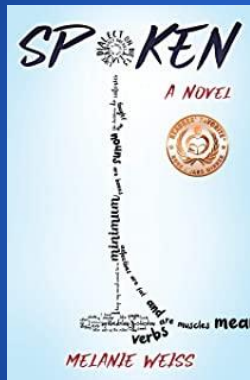


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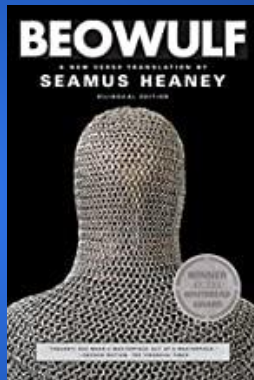


***Turtle under Ice***  
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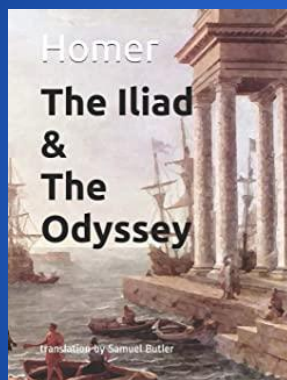
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***Spoken:***  
***A Novel***  
by Melanie  
Weiss



***Beowulf:***  
***A New Verse***  
***Translation***  
by Seamus  
Heaney



***The Iliad & the***  
***Odyssey***  
by Homer and  
Samuel Butler  
(Translator)



***The Black***  
***Flamingo***  
by Dean Atta

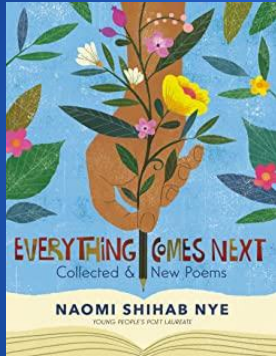
## Gabriela Mistral(1889-1957)

The daughter of a poet, Gabriela Mistral was a teacher, poet and diplomat from Chile. In 1945 she became the first Latin American author to receive a Nobel Prize in Literature.

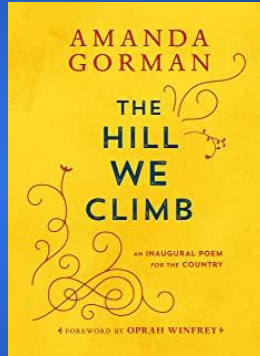
Mistral's own formal education ended when she was a teenager. A lack of qualified teachers provided the opening she needed to become a teacher, a job at which she excelled. Mistral went on to work in education in both Chile and Mexico and as a Professor of Spanish Literature in the USA and Puerto Rico. Mistral was a member of the LGBTQ+ community, but was unable to reveal that fact during her own lifetime.



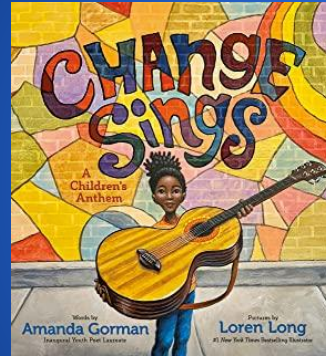
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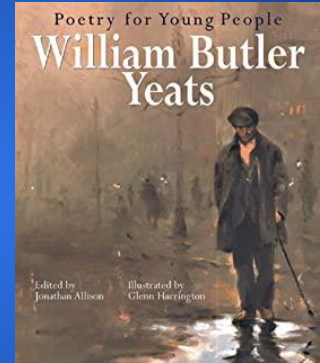
***Everything  
Comes Next:  
Collected and  
New Poems***  
by Naomi  
Shihab Nye



***The Hill We  
Climb: An  
Inaugural Poem  
for the Country***  
by Amanda  
Gorman

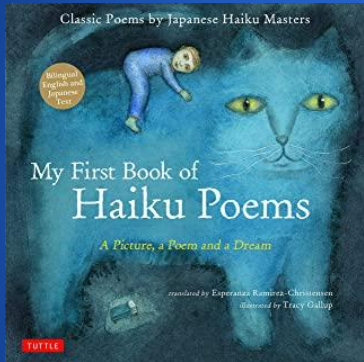


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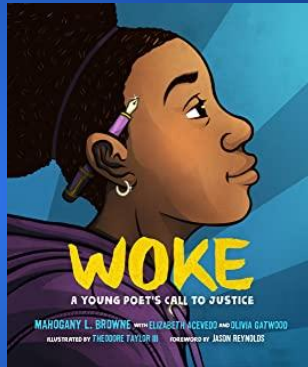


***Poetry for Young  
People: William  
Butler Yeats***  
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Allison and Glenn  
Harrington

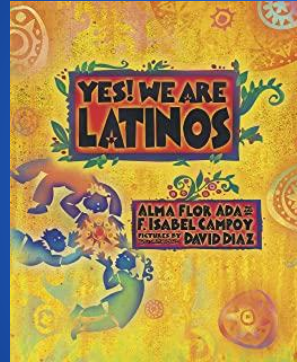
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by Esperanza Ramirez-Christensen



***Woke: A Young Poet's Call to Justice***  
by Mahogany L. Browne, Elizabeth Acevedo, et al.

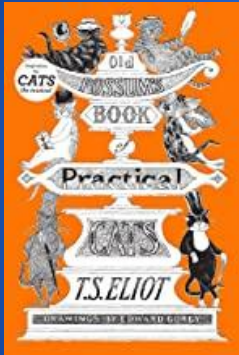


***Yes! We Are Latinos: Poems and Prose About the Latino Experience***  
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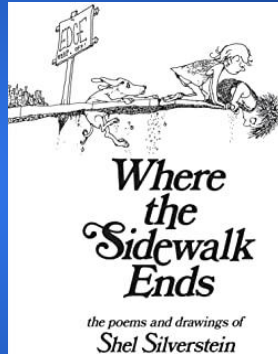


***#NotYourPrincess: Voices of Native American Women***  
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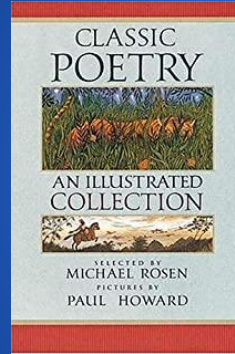
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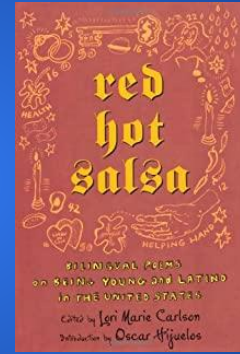
***Old Possum's  
Book of  
Practical Cats  
by T. S. Eliot  
and Edward  
Gorey***



***Where the  
Sidewalk Ends:  
Poems and  
Drawings  
by Shel  
Silverstein***

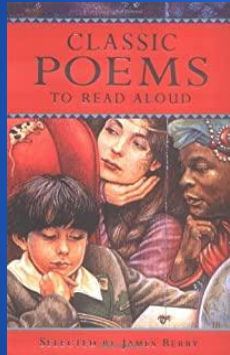


***Classic Poetry:  
An Illustrated  
Collection  
by Michael  
Rosen***

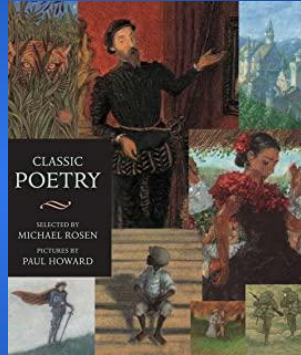


***Red Hot Salsa:  
Bilingual Poems on  
Being Young and  
Latino in the  
United States  
by Lori Marie  
Carlson***

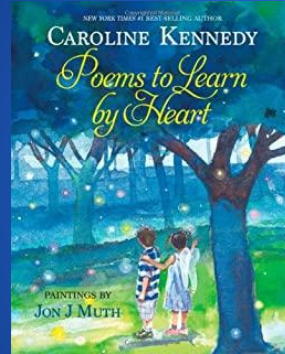
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***Classic Poems  
to Read Aloud***  
by James  
Berry



***Classic Poetry:  
Candlewick  
Illustrated  
Classic***  
by Michael  
Rosen

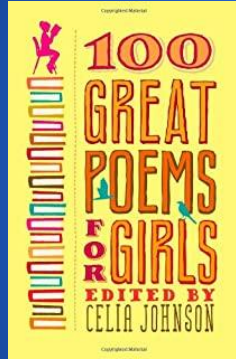


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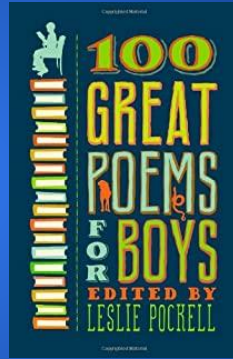


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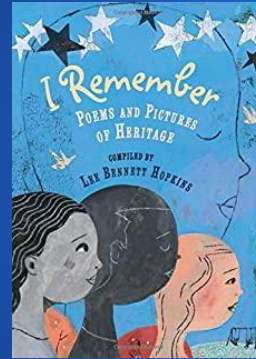
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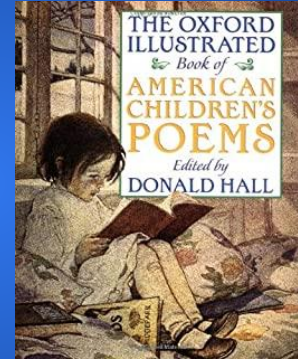
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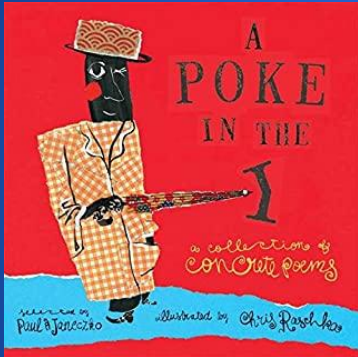


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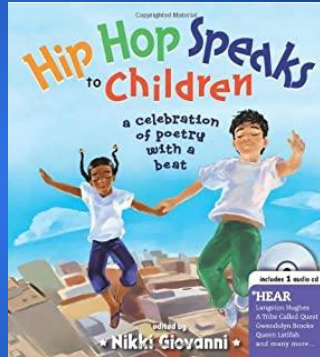


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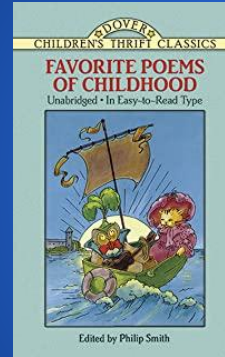
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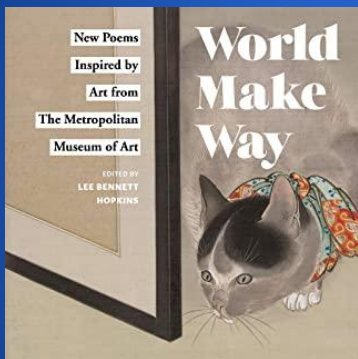


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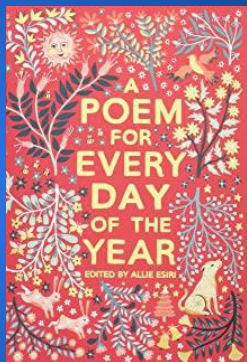


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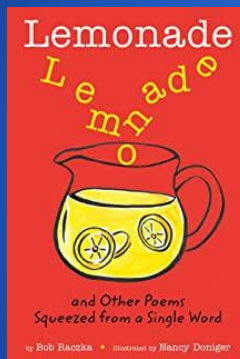
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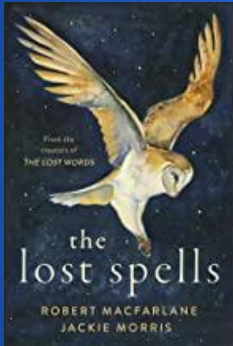


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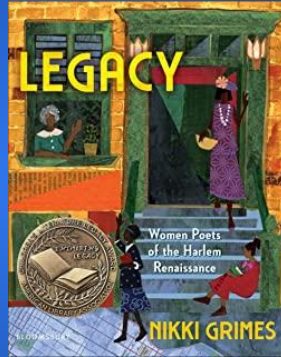


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***Concrete Poems***  
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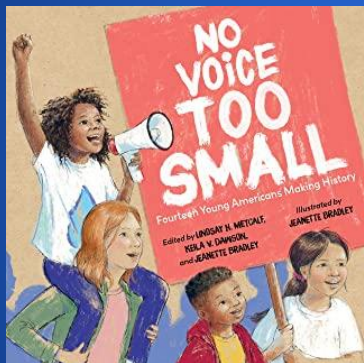


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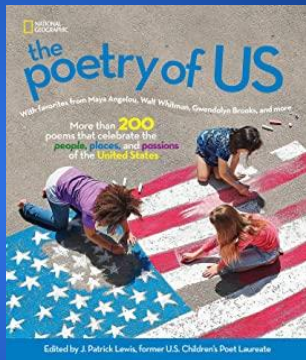


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***Fictional Stories***  
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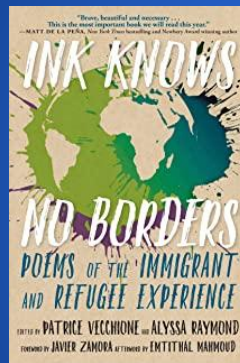
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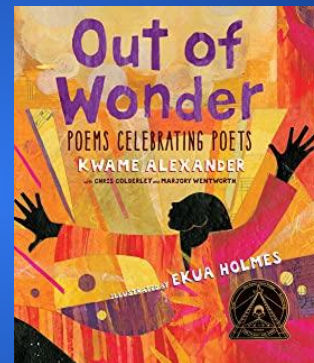
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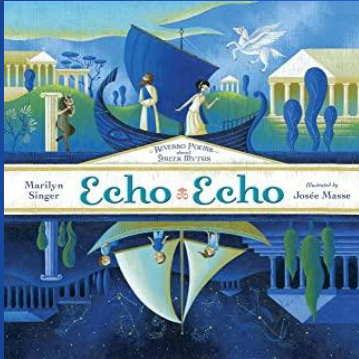


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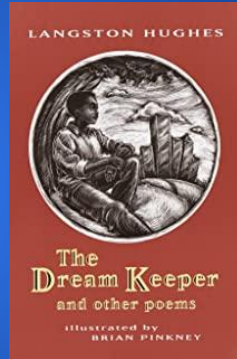


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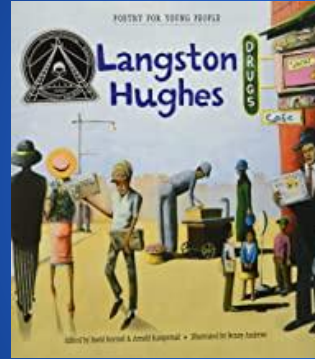
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***Reverso Poems***  
***About Greek Myths***  
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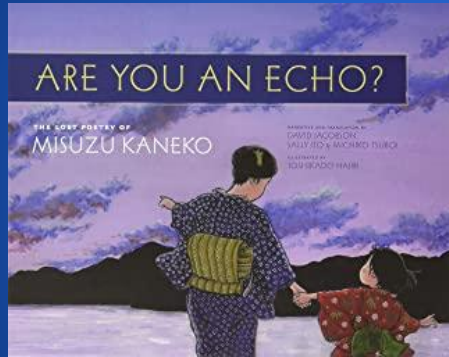


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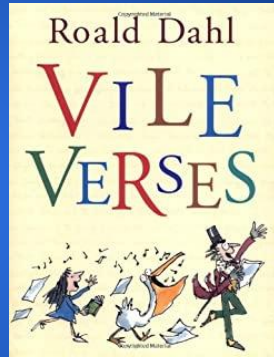


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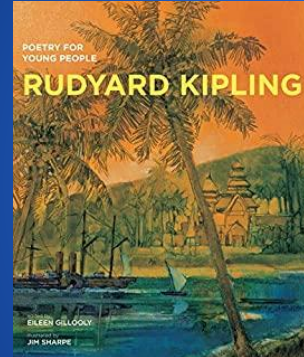
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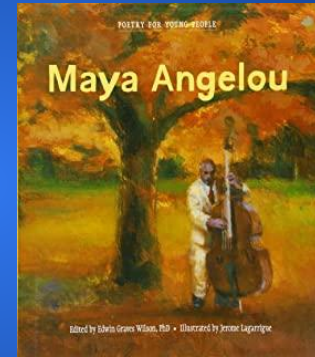
***Are You an Echo?:  
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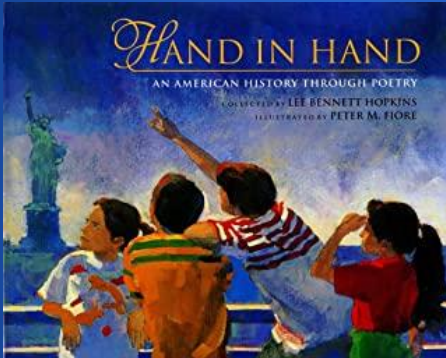


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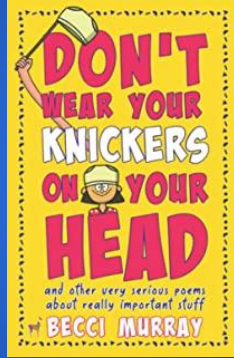


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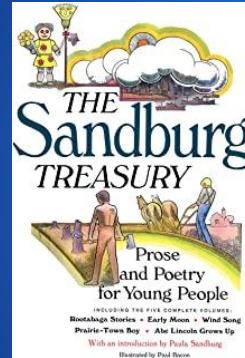
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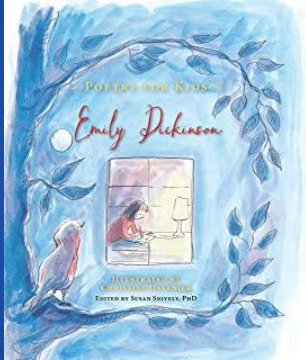


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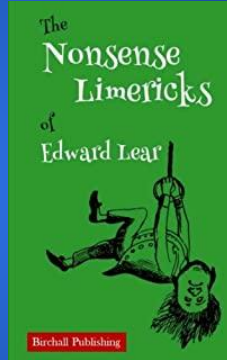


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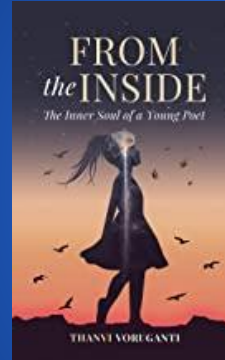
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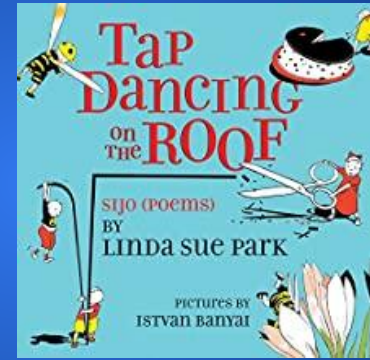
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Kids: Emily  
Dickinson  
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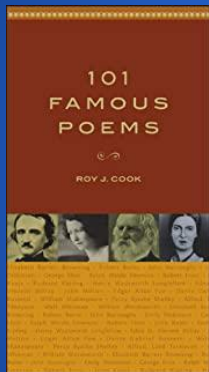
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Sijo (Poems)  
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## Phillis Wheatley (c.1753-1784)

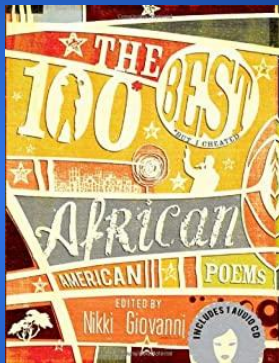
Phillis Wheatley was captured in West Africa as a child of approximately seven. She was sold into slavery in Boston, Massachusetts to the family of John Wheatley. Recognizing her intelligence, the Wheatley family taught Phillis to read and write. She was thirteen when her first poem was published. A London abolitionist helped Phillis publish her first book of 28 poems in 1773. The Wheatleys freed Phillis sometime before their deaths, but she was never able to raise the funds needed to publish her second collection of poetry. Phillis died in poverty and most of the poems intended for her second book have been lost.



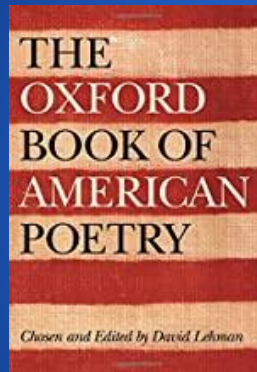
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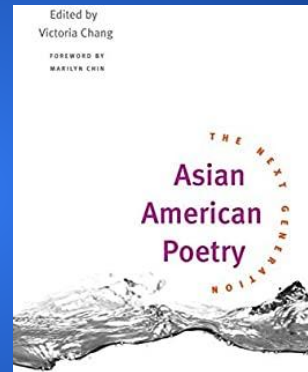
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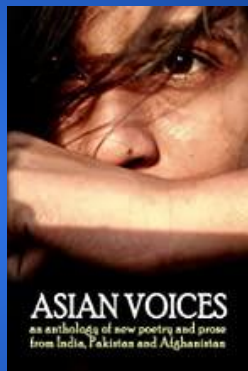


***Asian American  
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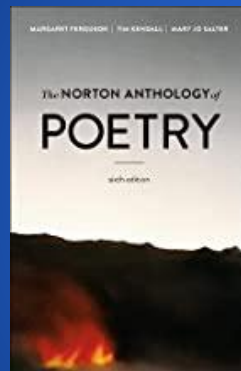
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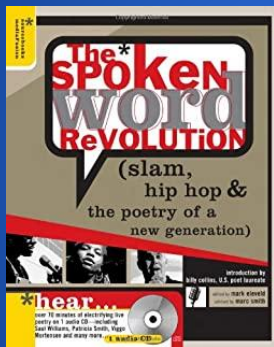


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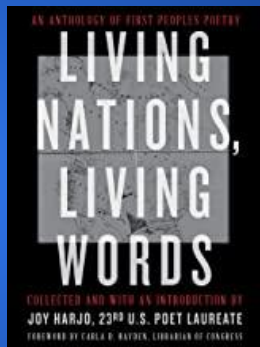


***The Greek Poets: Homer to the Present***  
by Peter Constantine

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*The Spoken  
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by Mark  
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*Living Nations,  
Living Words: An  
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by The Library  
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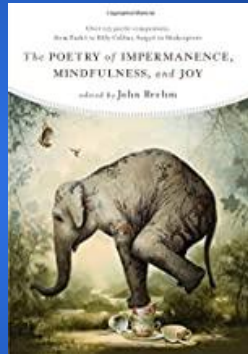


*The Best  
American Poetry  
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by David Lehman

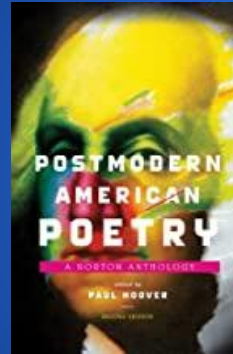
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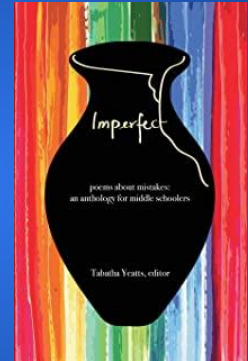
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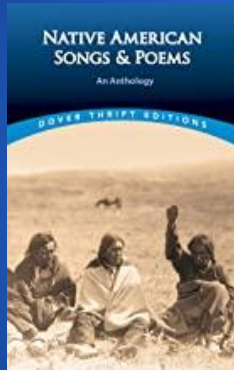


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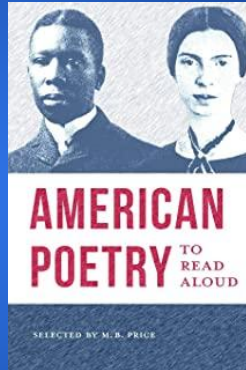


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Yeatts, Margarita  
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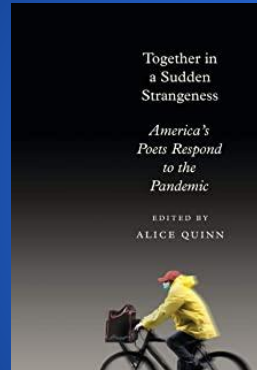
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Aloud: A  
Collection of  
Diverse Poems***  
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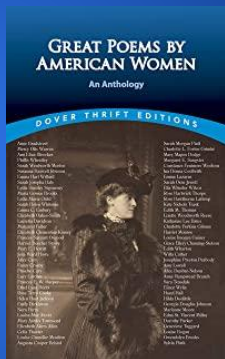


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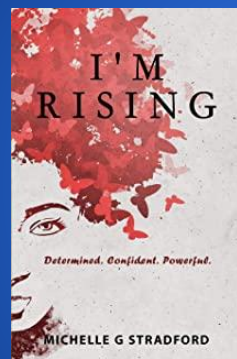
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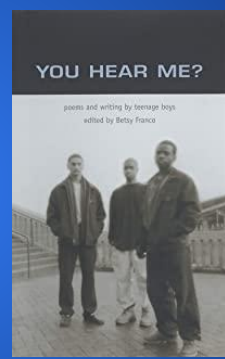
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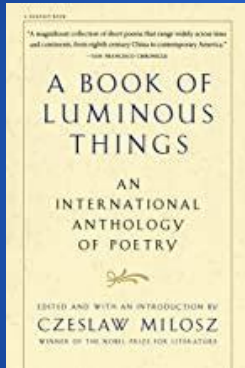


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***You Hear Me: Poems and Writing by Teenage Boys by Betsy Franco and Nina Nickles***

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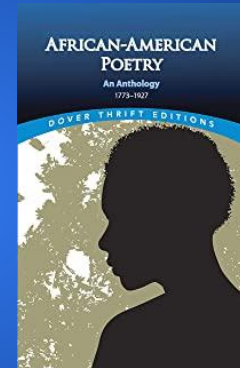
***A Book of Luminous Things: An International Anthology of Poetry by Czeslaw Milosz***



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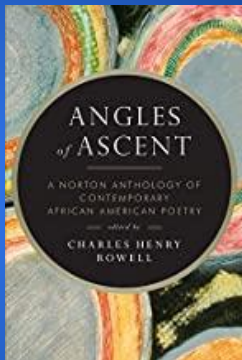


***African-American Poetry: An Anthology, 1773-1927 by Joan R. Sherman***

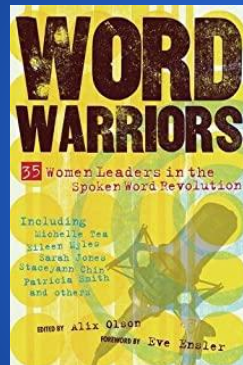
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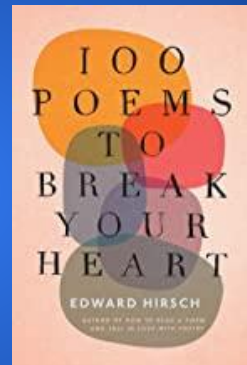
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Anthology of  
Indonesian  
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***Angles of Ascent:  
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African American  
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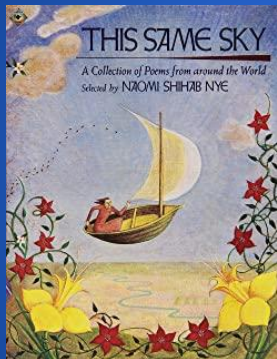


***Word Warriors:  
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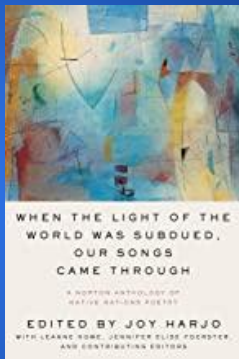


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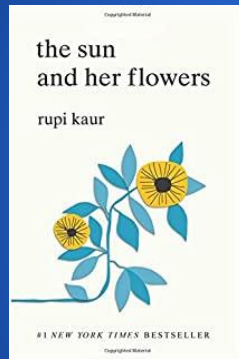
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Shihab Nye***



***When the Light of  
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Subdued, Our  
Songs Came  
Through: A Norton  
Anthology of Native  
Nations Poetry  
by LeAnne Howe***



***The Sun and  
Her Flowers  
by Rupi Kaur***



***The Rose That  
Grew From  
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***Collected  
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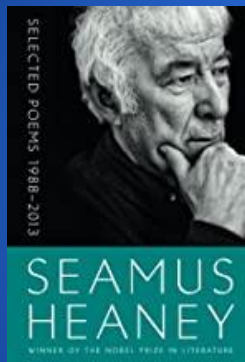


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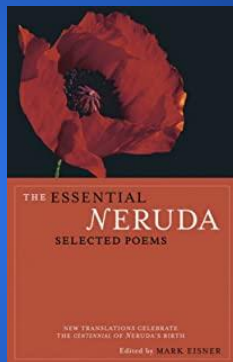


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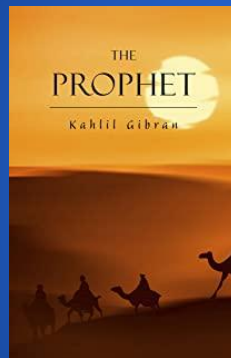
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***The Essential  
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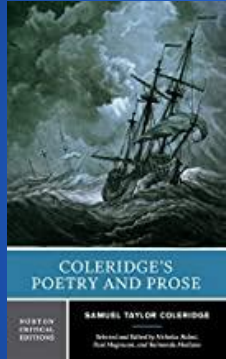


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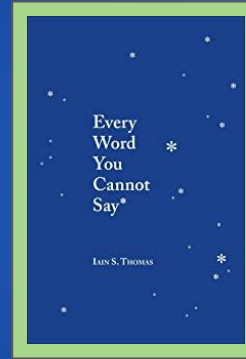
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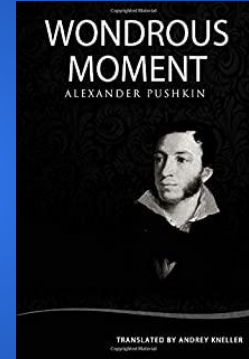
***Coleridge's  
Poetry and  
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***The Prelude,  
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The Excursion***  
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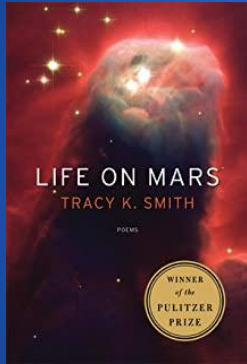


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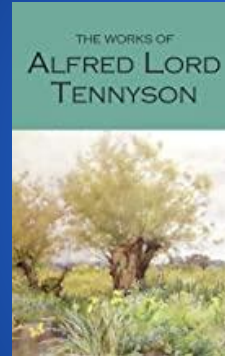
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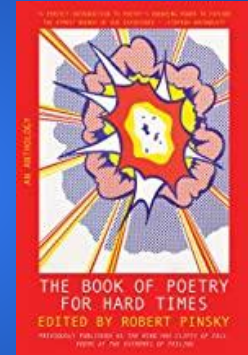
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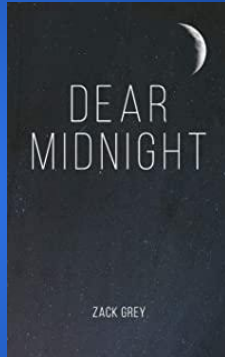


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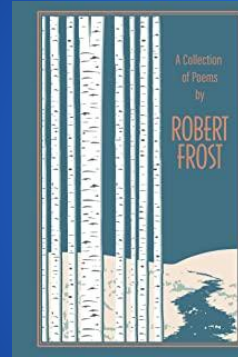
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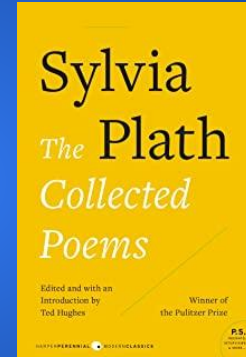
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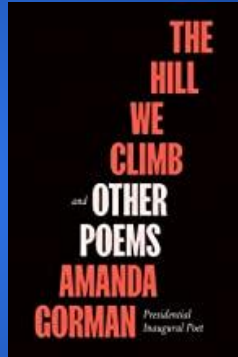


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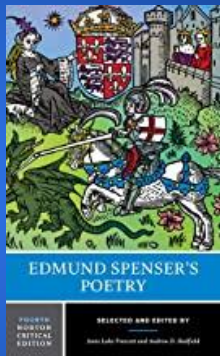


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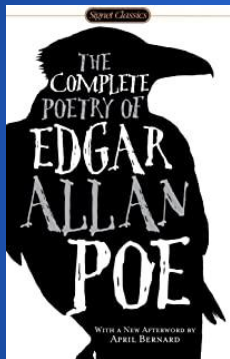


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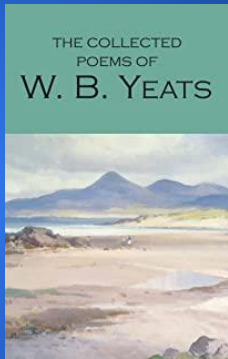


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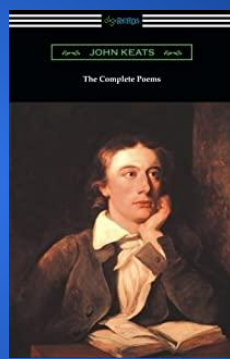
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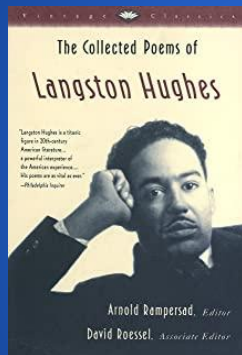


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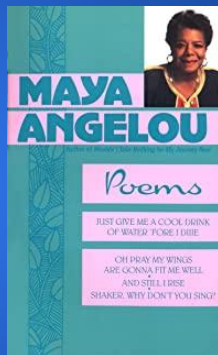


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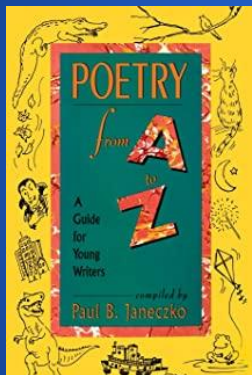
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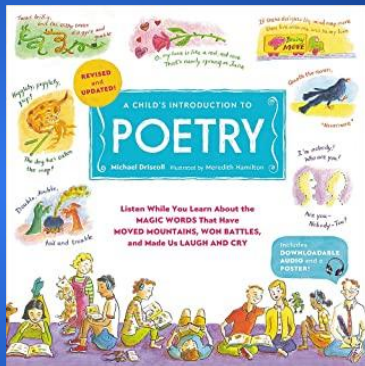
Joy Harjo is a Native American of the Mvskoke Nation. She began writing poetry while a member of the Kiva Club, the University of New Mexico's Native student organization. Harjo earned her MFA at the Iowa Writers' Workshop. She has taught English, Creative Writing, and American Indian Studies at colleges all over the United States. Ms. Harjo is an incumbent Poet Laureate of the United States and the first Native American to hold that title. Harjo is also an accomplished musician and the editor of several well-respected collections of Native American poetry.



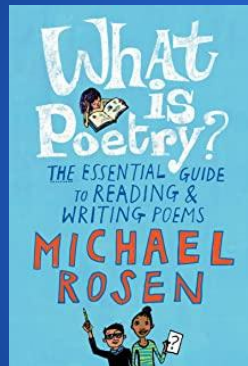
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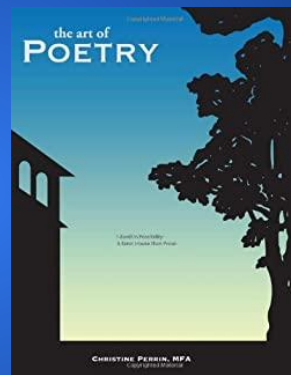
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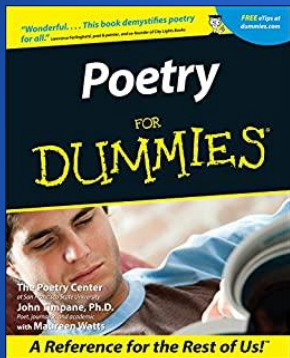


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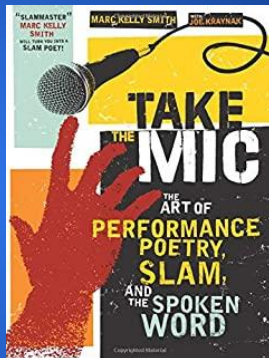


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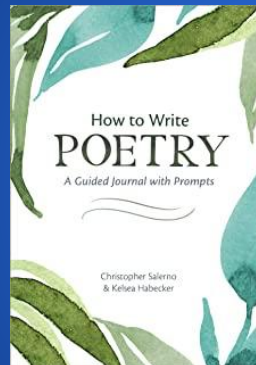
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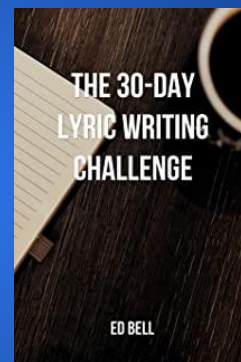
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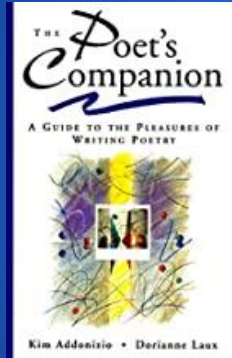


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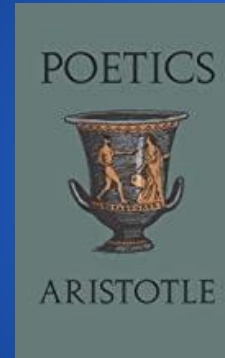
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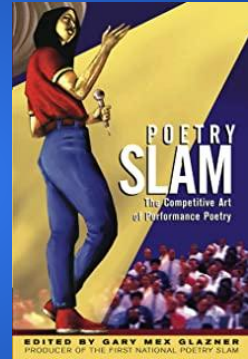
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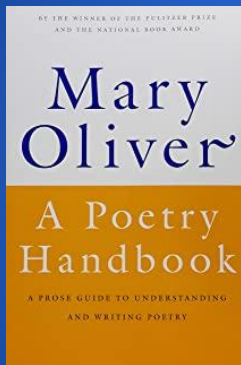


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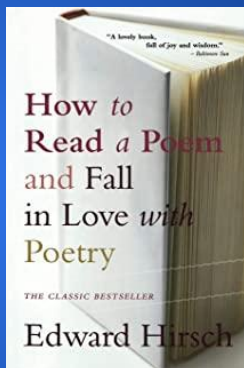


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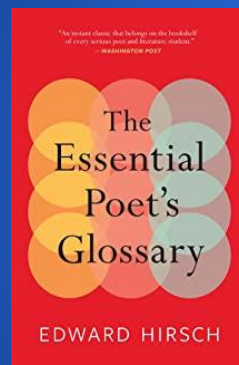
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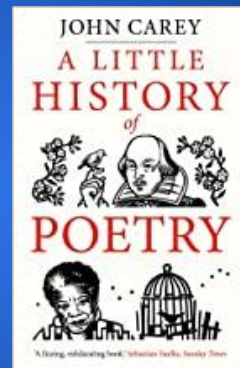
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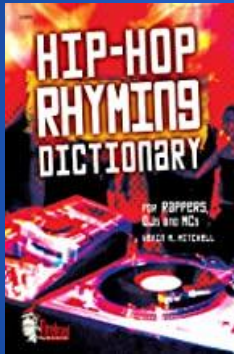


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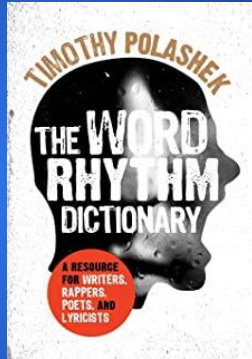


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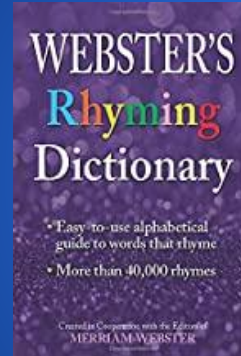
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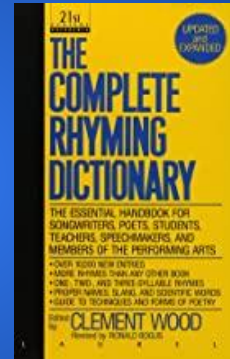
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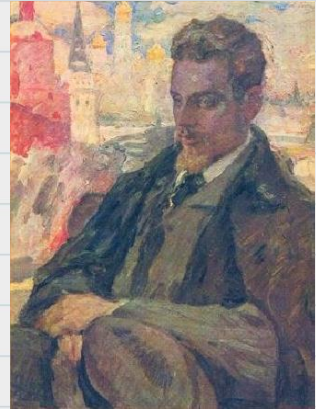
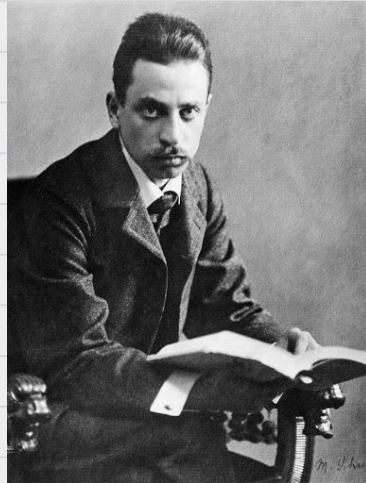
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## Rainer Maria Rilke (1875-1926)

Born in Prague, which at that time was the capital of Bohemia, Rilke is one of the bestselling poets in the United States. His work is often described as mystical and features imagery from Greek Mythology and the Bible. Rilke's travels took him all over Russia, France and Spain and brought him into contact with a number of the best known authors and artists of his time.

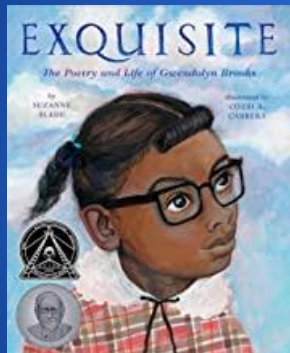


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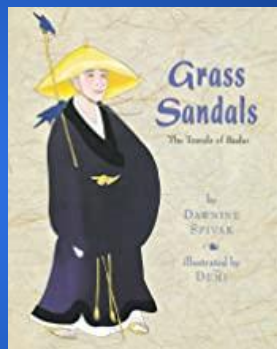


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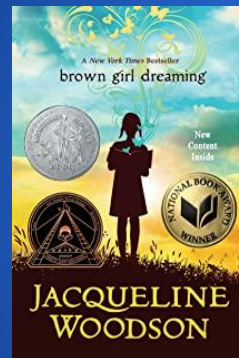
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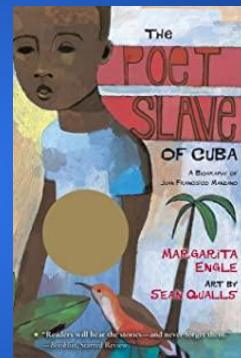
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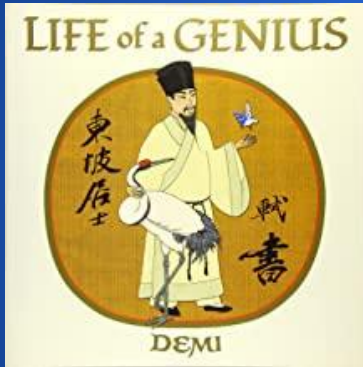


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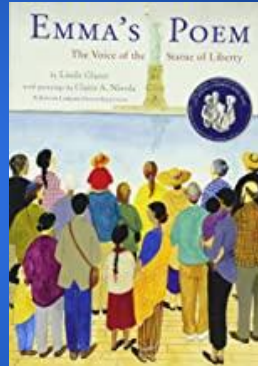


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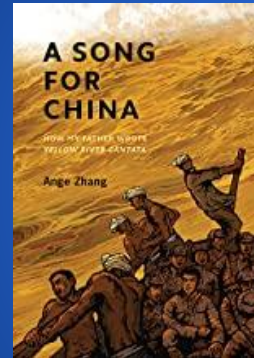
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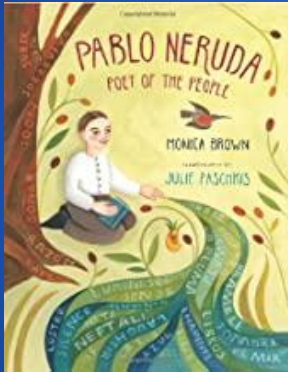


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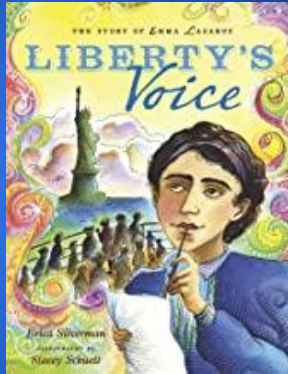


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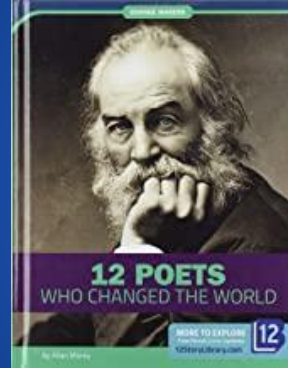
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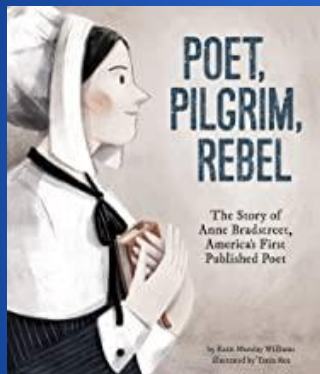


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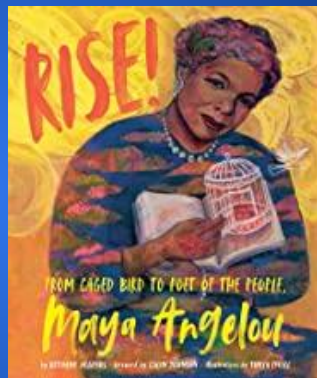


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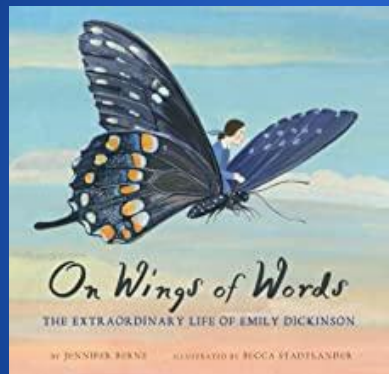
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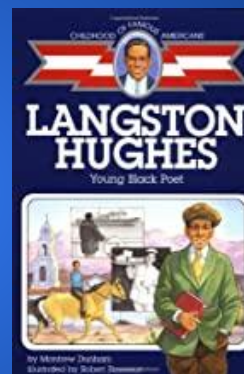
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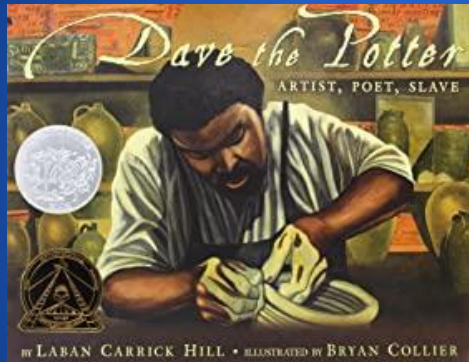


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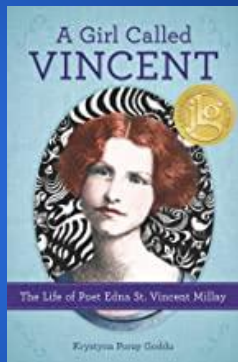


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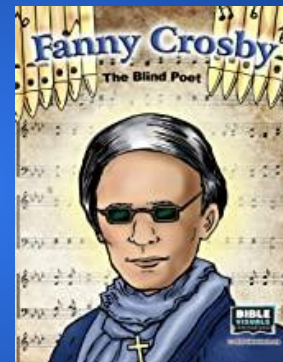
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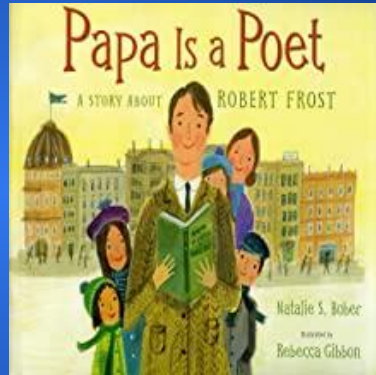


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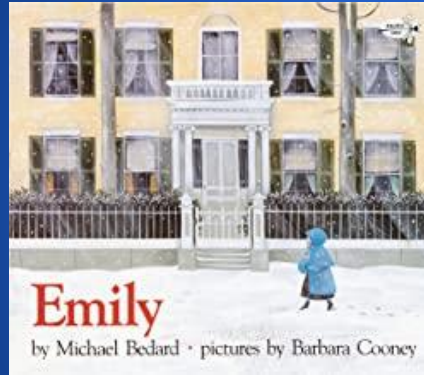
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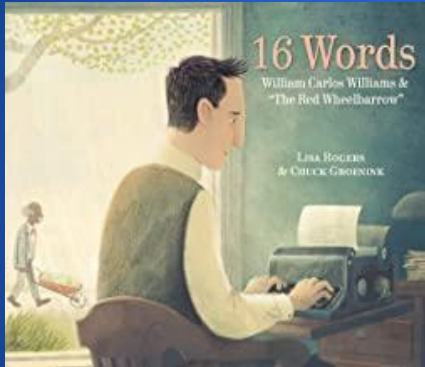


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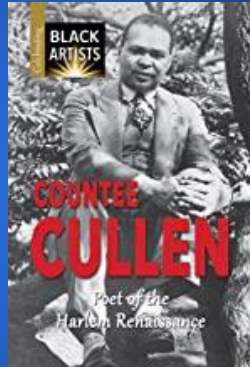


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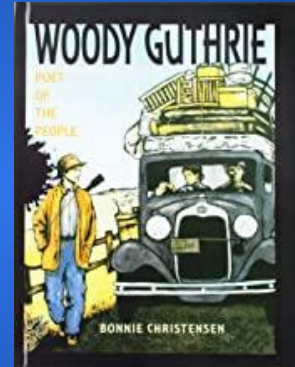
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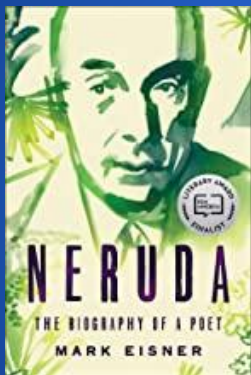
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## Maya Angelou (1928-2014)

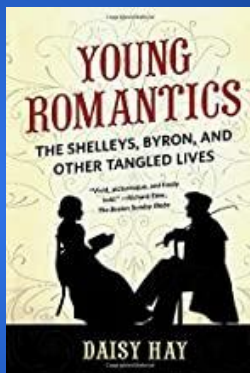
Maya Angelou's published works include a series of seven autobiographies documenting her life, volumes of poetry and essays. Amongst other events in her very full life, Ms. Angelou was active in the Civil Rights Movement, working alongside Malcolm X and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. She recited her poem "On the Pulse of Morning" at the first presidential inauguration of Bill Clinton and was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by Barack Obama in 2011. During her lifetime, Ms. Angelou was awarded over 50 honorary degrees by colleges and universities.



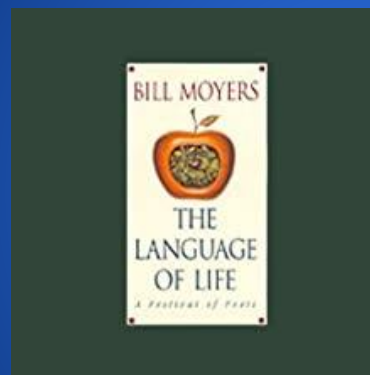
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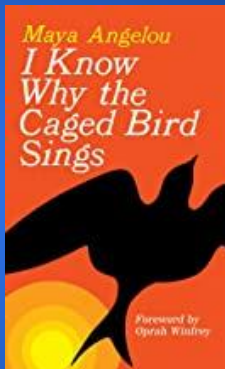


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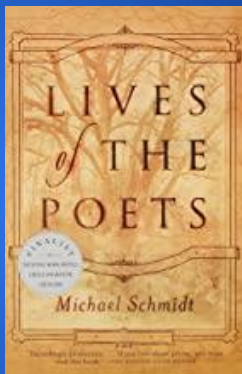


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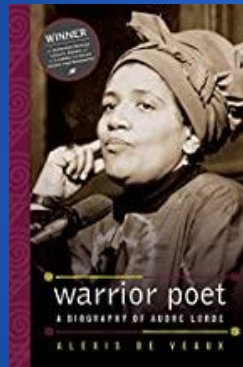
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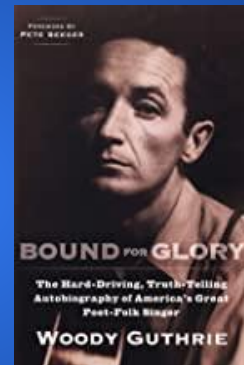
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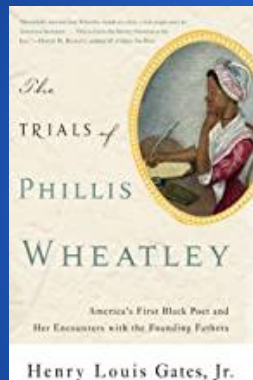


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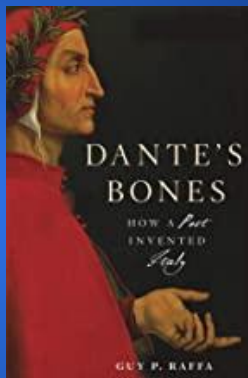


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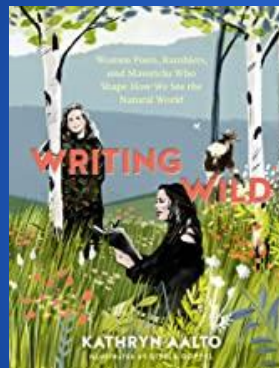
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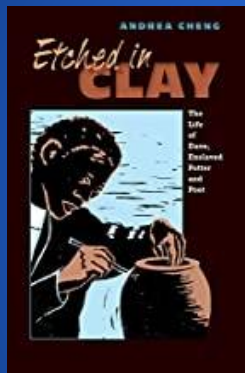


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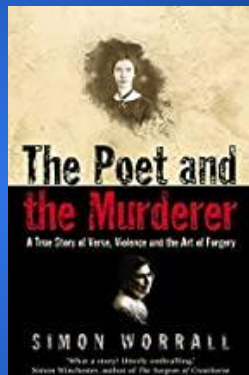


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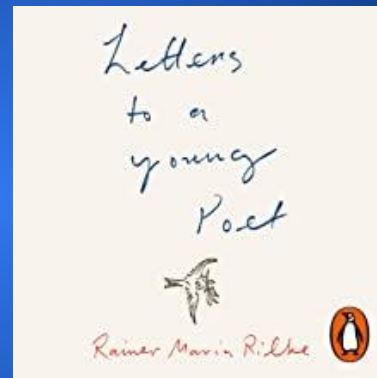
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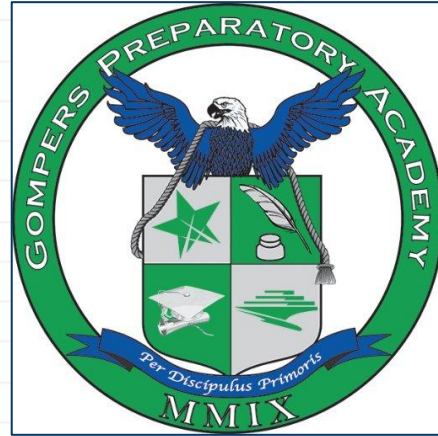
Seamus Heaney was an Irish poet, playwright, translator and member of the Irish Academy. A graduate of Queen's College, Belfast, Heaney first began to publish his poetry during the early 1960's while attending St Joseph's Teacher Training College. In the 1980s and 1990s he was a professor at both Harvard and Oxford Universities. He received the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1995. Mr. Heaney's work mainly focused on the Irish experience and encompassed everything from rural life to the period of political unrest in Northern Ireland known as The Troubles, that spanned the 1960s to late 1990s.



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