



Lancaster Public Library stands against racism & violence. We believe in the power of books to help create a deeper understanding of the history and impacts of systemic racism, prejudice, discrimination, and inequality.

We have compiled a reading list of anti-racist books, most of which are currently available via our digital collection.

[Americanah](#) by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

[Beloved](#) by Toni Morrison

[Between the World and Me](#) by Ta-Nehisi Coates

[Born a Crime](#) by Trevor Noah

[Dear White America](#) by Tim Wise

[Frying Plantain](#) by Zolika Reid-Benta

[Girl, Woman, Other](#) by Bernardine Evaristo

[Homegoing](#) by Yaa Gyasi

[I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings](#) by Maya Angelou

[If Beale Street Could Talk](#) by James Baldwin

[Just Mercy](#) by Bryan Stevenson

[Kindred](#) by Octavia Butler

[Me and White Supremacy](#) by Layla F. Saad

[Motherhood So White](#) by Nefertiti Austin

[Racism Without Racists](#) by Eduardo Bonilla-Silva

[Raising White Kids](#) by Jennifer Harvey

[Red at the Bone](#) by Jacqueline Woodson

[Sister Outsider](#) by Audre Lorde

[So You Want to Talk About Race](#) by Ijeoma Oluo

[Stamped from the Beginning](#) by Ibram X. Kendi

[Stony the Road](#) by Henry Louis Gates, Jr.



[Such a Fun Age](#) by Kiley Reid

[Tears We Cannot Stop](#) by Michael Eric Dyson

[The Color Purple](#) by Alice Walker

[The Condemnation of Blackness](#) by Khalil Gibran Muhammad

[The Girl with the Louding Voice](#) by Abi Daré

[The New Jim Crow](#) by Michelle Alexander

[The Nickel Boys](#) by Colson Whitehead

[The Other Wes Moore](#) by Wes Moore

[The Street](#) by Ann Petry

[The Warmth of Other Suns](#) by Isabel Wilkerson

[Their Eyes were Watching God](#) by Zora Neale Hurston

[Understanding Jim Crow](#) by David Pilgrim

[Washington Black](#) by Esi Edugyan

[We Were Eight Years in Power](#) by Ta-Nehisi Coates

[What Doesn't Kill You Makes You Blacker](#) by Damon Young

[When Affirmative Action Was White](#) by Ira Katznelson

[White Flight](#) by Kevin Kruse

[White Fragility](#) by Robin DiAngelo