Spring Reads 2020

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Title, Creators, Format	Cover	Overview
Title: Look Both Ways: A Tale Told in Ten Blocks (Unabridged) Creators: Jason Reynolds, Heather Alicia Simms, Chris Chalk, et. al. Format: OverDrive MP3, OverDrive Listen	A ver tort innes bestvelling author A source of the sourc	Ten short stories paint a picture of what happens one particular afternoon after the dismissal bell at Latimer Middle School. Each tale focuses on one student or group of friends. However, each story has its own center, and readers learn a great deal about each character in just a few lines. (Fiction, Story Stories)
Title: New Kid Creators: Jerry Craft, Jesus Del Orden, Nile Bullock, et. al. Format: OverDrive MP3, OverDrive Listen	<text></text>	Jordan Banks takes readers down the rabbit hole and into his mostly white prep school in this heartbreakingly accurate middle-grade tale of race, class, microaggressions, and the quest for self-identity. He may be the new kid, but as an African American boy from Washington Heights, that stigma entails so much more than getting lost on the way to homeroom. (Graphic Fiction)

Title: Sal and Gabi Break the Universe, Book 1 Creators: Carlos Hernandez Format: Kindle, Overdrive Read, Adobe EPUB	RICK RIORDAN PRESENTS CRECK RORDAN CRECK RIORDAN PRESENTS CRECK RIORDAN PRESENTS CRECK RIORDAN PRESENTS	Salvador Vidón is the new kid at Miami's magnet school Culeco Academy of the Arts but being at a special school doesn't protect Sal from trouble. Bullies are everywhere, but seventh-grader Sal knows just how to handle a difficult kid like Yasmany Robles. Obviously, you deal with a bully by opening a portal into another universe, taking a raw chicken from it, and planting it in the bully's locker. But you cannot just go opening portals into other universes without some consequences. (Science fiction)
Title: Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky, Book 1 Creators: Kwame Mbalia Format: Kindle, Overdrive Read, Adobe EPUB		Chicago seventh grader Tristan Strong travels to Alke, where African American folk characters are gods. Tristan has just lost his first boxing match. It's unsurprising, given he's mourning the death of his best friend, Eddie, and struggling with accompanying survivor guilt, but unacceptable for someone from a boxing family. On the ride to summer exile with his grandparents in the Alabama countryside, Tristan begins reading Eddie's story journal. Somehow, the journal allows Tristan to see folk heroes John Henry and Brer Rabbit sending an unseen someone off on a mission. (Fantasy)
Title: Restart Creators: Gordon Korman Format: Kindle, Overdrive Read, Adobe EPUB		Will a bully always be a bully? That's the question eighth-grade football captain Chase Ambrose has to answer for himself after a fall from his roof leaves him with no memory of who and what he was. When he returns to Hiawassee Middle School, everything and everyone is new. (Fiction)

Title: City of Ghosts Cassidy Blake Series, Book 1 Creators: Victoria Schwab Format: Kindle, Overdrive Read, Adobe EPUB	<text></text>	Since a near-death experience a year ago, Cassidy Blake can see ghosts. She can enter the Veil, the curtain between the worlds of the living and the dead. Her best friend, Jacob, is one of the "corporeally challenged." Cass' parents, paranormal-nonfiction authors known as the Inspecters, have big news: The family is off to Scotland to film the first episode of their self-titled docuseries about haunted places. (Paranormal Adventure)
Title: Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus: Life of a Cactus Series, Book 1 (unabridged) Creators: Dusti Bowling, Karissa Vacker Format: OverDrive MP3, OverDrive Listen	DUSTI BOWLING INSIGNIFICANT Events The Edge OF CASSING HEALD BY ACHES	"Now that I'm thirteen years old, I don't need much help with anything. True story." Aven's adoptive parents have always encouraged her independence. She's never felt self- conscious among her friends in Kansas, playing soccer and guitar and mischievously spinning wild yarns about losing her arms. But when her father suddenly gets a job managing Stagecoach Pass, a run- down theme park in Arizona, tales of alligator wrestling can't stop her new classmates' gawking. (Mystery)
Title: Other Words for Home (Unabridged) Creators: Jasmine Warga, Vaneh Assadourian Format: OverDrive MP3, OverDrive Listen		Jude never thought she'd be leaving her beloved older brother and father behind, all the way across the ocean in Syria. But when things in her hometown start becoming volatile, Jude and her mother are sent to live in Cincinnati with relatives. (Verse)

Title: Allies (Unabridged) Creators: Alan Gratz, Jamie Cline, Vaneh Assadourian, et. al. Format: OverDrive MP3, OverDrive Listen	<text></text>	Gratz weaves together fictionalized accounts of individual experiences of D-Day, the "beginning of the end of the Second World War." The action begins just before dawn on June 6, 1944 and ends near midnight that same day. (Historical Fiction)
Title: Blended (Unabridged) Creators: Sharon M. Draper Format: OverDrive MP3, OverDrive Listen	SHARON M. DRAPER Wew York Times bestselling author of Out of My Mind blended	Isabella is a gifted 11-year-old pianist. She is also caught between two parents who have divorced. Every week now sees what Isabella calls the "Great Exchange," a ritual when she is handed off at the mall from one parent to another. Living in two places with different rules, each parent with a new partner, is a psychological juggling act. Isabella is also becoming ever more aware of her identity as a biracial child, with a black dad and white mother. (Realistic Fiction)