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# 10 books to read in honor of Black History Month



### **LE CHEMIN DE JADA (FRENCH ONLY)**

AUTHOR: Laura Nsafou et Barbara Brun
PUBLISHING HOUSE: Cambourakis

Twin sisters born with different-coloured skin learn to appreciate their differences in a tale that weaves in elements from African storytelling.



## LE GRAIN DE SABLE : OLIVIER LE JEUNE, PREMIER ESCLAVE AU CANADA (FRENCH ONLY)

AUTHOR: Webster
PUBLISHING HOUSE: Septentrion

In 1629, 10-year-old Olivier is taken from the island of Madagascar to be a slave in Quebec City. He is the first person of African descent to have resided permanently in Quebec.



#### **GHOST**

AUTHOR: Jason Reynolds
PUBLISHING HOUSE: Atheneum/Caitlyn Dlouhy
Books

Ghost was chosen to be part of his school's track team. But when he runs, no one knows whether he's running to win-or to escape his past.



#### **HAIR LOVE**

AUTHOR: Matthew A. Cherry
PUBLISHING HOUSE: Penguin Young Readers Group

Zuri's dad decides to learn how to do his daughter's hair to make her proud of her beautiful curls.



#### **SULWE**

AUTHOR: Lupita Nyong'o
PUBLISHING HOUSE: Simon & Schuster Books for
Young Readers

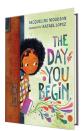
In this beautiful picture book, Sulwe has an adventure in the sky that will make her love her dark skin.



#### **OSCAR LIVES NEXT DOOR**

AUTHOR: Bonnie Farmer
PUBLISHING HOUSE: Owlkids Books Inc.

This picture book tells a fascinating story inspired by the life of Oscar Peterson, the famous Montreal pianist.



### THE DAY YOU BEGIN

AUTHOR: Jacqueline Woodson
PUBLISHING HOUSE: Penguin Young Readers Group

It's not easy to feel like you're different from everyone else. But diversity is what makes life so beautiful!



# VIOLA DESMOND WON'T BE BUDGED!

**AUTHORS:** Jody Nyasha Warner and Richard Rudnicki

**PUBLISHING HOUSE:** Groundwood Books Ltd

The inspiring story of Viola Desmond, an important icon in the fight against racial discrimination in Canada and beyond.



## **AMARI AND THE NIGHT BROTHERS**

AUTHOR: B.B. Alston
PUBLISHING HOUSE: Balzer + Bray

When Amari discovers that her missing brother was an agent of the Bureau of Supernatural Affairs, she jumps at the chance to find him.



# CHANGE SINGS: A CHILDREN'S ANTHEM

AUTHOR: Amanda Gorman
PUBLISHING HOUSE: Penguin Young Readers Group

In this lyrical tale, a young girl and other characters discover that they have the power to change the world.

