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Heroes of the Valley Jonathan Stroud
2009-01-01 Listen then, and I'll tell
you again of the Battle of the Rock.
But none of your usual wriggling, or
I'll stop before I've begun . . .

Halli loves the old stories from when
the valley was a wild and dangerous
place - when the twelve legendary
heroes stood together to defeat the
ancient enemy, the bloodthirsty
Trows. Halli longs for adventure but

these days the most dangerous thing in the valley is boredom. He tries to liven things up by playing practical jokes. But when one of his jokes goes too far, he reawakens an old blood feud and finds himself on a hero's quest after all. Along the way he meets a ruthless thief, a murderous rival, and a girl who may just be as fearless as he is . . . Jonathan Stroud has created an epic saga with a funny, unique spin, and an unforgettable anti-hero.

We Are the Ship Kadir Nelson
2008-01-08 Using an "Everyman" player as his narrator, Kadir Nelson tells the story of Negro League baseball from its beginnings in the 1920s through the decline after Jackie Robinson crossed over to the majors in 1947. Illustrations from oil paintings by artist Kadir Nelson.

Leverage Joshua C. Cohen 2011-02-17 A timely book about bullies, their victims, and a high school football team where winning is the only thing that matters This intense sports novel will strike a chord with those who followed the tragic football stories that broke in 2011. In this heart-pounding debut, Joshua C. Cohen conveys the pressures and politics of being a high school athlete in a way that is both insightful and compelling. At Oregrove High, there's an extraordinary price for victory, paid both on and off the football field, and it claims its victims without mercy. When the unthinkable happens, an unlikely friendship is at the heart of an increasingly violent, steroid-infused power struggle. This is a book that will stay with readers long after they turn the last page.

American Born Chinese Gene Luen Yang
2006-09-06 A tour-de-force by rising
indy comics star Gene Yang, American
Born Chinese tells the story of three
apparently unrelated characters: Jin
Wang, who moves to a new neighborhood
with his family only to discover that
he's the only Chinese-American
student at his new school; the
powerful Monkey King, subject of one
of the oldest and greatest Chinese
fables; and Chin-Kee, a
personification of the ultimate
negative Chinese stereotype, who is
ruining his cousin Danny's life with
his yearly visits. Their lives and
stories come together with an
unexpected twist in this action-
packed modern fable. American Born
Chinese is an amazing ride, all the
way up to the astonishing climax.
American Born Chinese is a 2006

National Book Award Finalist for
Young People's Literature, the winner
of the 2007 Eisner Award for Best
Graphic Album: New, an Eisner Award
nominee for Best Coloring and a 2007
Bank Street - Best Children's Book of
the Year. This title has Common Core
Connections

Rikers High Paul Volponi 2010-02-04
An unflinching story about justice,
courage, and the life of one young
man behind bars. It started out as an
innocent day for Martin, but it
quickly turned into his worst
nightmare--arrested for something he
didn't even mean to do. And five
months later, he is still locked up
in jail on infamous Rikers Island.
Just when things couldn't get worse,
Martin gets caught in a fight between
two prisoners, and his face is
slashed. He's scarred forever, but

one good thing comes from the attack: Martin is transferred to a part of Rikers where inmates must attend high school. When he meets his caring and understanding teacher, will Martin open up and learn from his situation? Or will he be consumed by prison and getting revenge on his attackers? "Volponi, who taught on Rikers Island for six years, writes with an authenticity that will make readers feel Martin's fear."--Publishers Weekly "Volponi . . . brings to life a believable range of teachers, COs, and inmates and portrays power, hierarchies, and race relations both outside and inside the jail walls with unflinching realism."--School Library Journal "With down-to-earth language based on his own experiences . . . Volponi captures the reader."--VOYA

Just Write: Here's How! Walter Dean Myers 2012-04-24 After writing more than one hundred books, it still amazes me that I have been lucky enough to spend most of my life doing what I truly love: writing. What makes a writer? The desire to tell a story, a love of language, an eye for detail, practice, practice, practice. How well should you know your characters? Do you need to outline before you write? How important is length? Now Walter Dean Myers, the new National Ambassador for Young People's Literature and New York Times bestselling and award-winning author, walks you through the writing process. Includes: Examples from his writing and reading experiences Walter's six-box and four-box outlines for writing fiction and nonfiction Excerpted pages from

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Walter's own notebooks An afterword by Ross Workman, Walter's teen coauthor of kick Writing tips from both Walter and Ross Anyone can be a writer, with a little help from Walter Dean Myers!

Backfield Boys John Feinstein
2017-08-29 In Backfield Boys, renowned sports journalist and New York Times–bestselling author John Feinstein tells a thrilling story of friendship, football, and a fight for justice. Freshman footballers Jason Roddin and Tom Jefferson are a perfect pair: Jason is a blazing-fast wide-receiver, while his best friend Tom has all the skills a standout quarterback needs. After summer football camp at an elite sports-focused boarding school, the boys are thrilled to be invited back with full-ride scholarships. But on day

one of practice, they're shocked when the team's coaching staff makes Tom, a black kid, a receiver and Jason, a white kid, a quarterback. Confronted with mounting evidence of deep-seated racial bias, the boys speak out, risking their scholarships and chances to play. As tensions ratchet up with coaches and other players, Tom and Jason must decide how much they're willing to lose in a conflict with powerful forces that has nothing—and everything—to do with the game they love.

Speak Laurie Halse Anderson
2011-05-10 The extraordinary, groundbreaking novel from Laurie Halse Anderson, with more than 2.5 million copies sold! The first ten lies they tell you in high school. "Speak up for yourself--we want to know what you have to say." From the

first moment of her freshman year at Merryweather High, Melinda knows this is a big fat lie, part of the nonsense of high school. She is friendless, outcast, because she busted an end-of-summer party by calling the cops, so now nobody will talk to her, let alone listen to her. As time passes, she becomes increasingly isolated and practically stops talking altogether. Only her art class offers any solace, and it is through her work on an art project that she is finally able to face what really happened at that terrible party: she was raped by an upperclassman, a guy who still attends Merryweather and is still a threat to her. Her healing process has just begun when she has another violent encounter with him. But this time Melinda fights back, refuses to

be silent, and thereby achieves a measure of vindication. In Laurie Halse Anderson's powerful novel, an utterly believable heroine with a bitterly ironic voice delivers a blow to the hypocritical world of high school. She speaks for many a disenfranchised teenager while demonstrating the importance of speaking up for oneself. Speak was a 1999 National Book Award Finalist for Young People's Literature.

That's My Team! Paul Volponi
2019-08-09 This interactive book compels both reluctant and sports-crazed readers to its pages by examining how various teams from a range of sports received their names. Teen and pre-teen readers will gain knowledge of history, science, literature, math, and a slew of other subjects through the lens of notable

sports teams.

Hit Count Chris Lynch 2016-05-24 “I hit him so hard, the clash of helmets and pads sounded like a gunshot across the field. I crushed him with the hit, held on to him and crushed him again when I slammed him into the ground . . . I had arrived.” Arlo Brodie loves being at the heart of the action on the football field, getting hit hard and hitting back harder. Arlo’s dad cheers him on, but his mother quotes head injury statistics and refuses to watch games. Arlo’s girlfriend tries to make him see how dangerously he’s playing; when that doesn’t work, she calls time out on their relationship. Even Arlo’s coaches begin to track his hit count, ready to pull him off the field when he nears the limit. But for Arlo the

winning plays, the cheering crowds, and the adrenaline rush are enough to convince him that everything is OK-- in spite of the pain, the pounding, the dizziness, and the confusion. “Powerful.” –The New York Times Book Review “Sharp.” –Sports Illustrated “Heart-pounding.” –Washington Independent Review of Books “A powerful provocative look at the dark side of popular sports and their potential cost.” –Publishers Weekly “This unflinching examination of the price of athletic power with plenty of bone-crunching play-by-play action, is both thought-provoking and formidable.” –The Horn Book Magazine A Booklist 2015 Top Ten Sports Books for Youth A Junior Library Guild Selection
The London Eye Mystery Siobhan Dowd
2008-09-04 When Ted and Kat watched

their cousin Salim get on board the London Eye, he turned and waved before getting on. After half an hour it landed and everyone trooped off - but no Salim. Where could he have gone? How on earth could he have disappeared into thin air? Since the police are having no luck finding him, Ted and Kat become sleuthing partners. Despite their prickly relationship, they overcome their differences to follow a trail of clues across London in a desperate bid to find their cousin. And ultimately it comes down to Ted, whose brain works in its own very unique way, to find the key to the mystery. This is an unputdownable spine-tingling thriller!

Whale Talk Chris Crutcher 2009-09-22
"A truly exceptional book."—Washington Post There's bad

news and good news about the Cutter High School swim team. The bad news is that they don't have a pool. The good news is that only one of them can swim anyway. Bestselling author Chris Crutcher's controversial and acclaimed novel follows a group of outcasts as they take on inequality and injustice in their high school. "Crutcher's superior gifts as a storyteller and his background as a working therapist combine to make magic in Whale Talk. The thread of truth in his fiction reminds us that heroes can come in any shape, color, ability or size, and friendship can bridge nearly any divide."—Washington Post T.J. Jones hates the blatant preferential treatment jocks receive at his high school, and the reverence paid to the varsity lettermen. When he sees a member of the wrestling

team threatening an underclassman, T.J. decides he's had enough. He recruits some of the biggest misfits at Cutter High to form a swim team. They may not have very much talent, but the All-Night Mermen prove to be way more than T.J. anticipated. As the unlikely athletes move closer to their goal, these new friends might learn that the journey is worth more than the reward. For fans of Andrew Smith and Marieke Nijkamp. "Crutcher offers an unusual yet resonant mixture of black comedy and tragedy that lays bare the superficiality of the high-school scene. The book's shocking climax will force readers to re-examine their own values and may cause them to alter their perception of individuals pegged as 'losers.'"—Publishers Weekly
American Library Association Best

Book for Young Adults New York Public Library Books for the Teen Age
Features a new afterword by Chris Crutcher

Streetball Is Life Paul Volponi
2020-10-22 From award-winning young adult author Paul Volponi comes the true story of his unforgettable summer spent proving himself as a legitimate New York City streetballer, only later discovering that he had gained a set of skills that would enhance his life off the court, as well. During the sweltering summer of seventeen-year-old Paul Volponi's life, he had only one goal—he wanted, no, needed to become a legitimate and respected New York City street basketball player. It was a passion that consumed him night and day, and at times even isolated him from his friends and family. So he

entered through the gates of the Proving Ground, the roughest streetball yard in the city. It was a place where the fouls resembled felonies, and the atmosphere mirrored that of the Roman Coliseum more than Madison Square Garden. It was where teens and adults contested pickup games with a ferocity seemingly greater than that of the NBA Finals. The Proving Ground was a difficult place to cultivate friendships and an easy environment to make enemies. This is the story of Paul's summer-long initiation at the Proving Ground. It is truly a streetball testament of a teenager who wanted more than anything else to earn his stripes in streetball society. Only what he didn't understand at the time was that this experience would deliver to him, as it does today for

so many young adults, a set of skills that would enhance his life far beyond the boundaries of a basketball court.

Ball Don't Lie Matt de la Peña
2007-12-18 Newbery Award-winning and New York Times bestselling author Matt de la Peña's *Ball Don't Lie* "is a must-read." [The Bulletin] Sticky is a beat-around-the-head foster kid with nowhere to call home but the street, and an outer shell so tough that no one will take him in. He started out life so far behind the pack that the finish line seems nearly unreachable. He's a white boy living and playing in a world where he doesn't seem to belong. But Sticky can ball. And basketball might just be his ticket out . . . if he can only realize that he doesn't have to be the person everyone else expects

him to be. Matt de la Peña's breakout urban masterpiece, *Ball Don't Lie* takes place where the street and the court meet and where a boy can be anything if he puts his mind to it. ★"[An] inspiring story. Sticky is a true original, and de la Peña has skillfully brought him to life."- School Library Journal, Starred "Riveting...Teens will be strongly affected by the unforgettable...basketball action; and the questions about race, love, self-worth, and what it means to build a life without advantages."- Booklist "Stunningly realistic."-VOYA "Gritty and mesmerizing."-Kirkus Reviews "I have never before seen blacktop ball depicted so well. In this novel, you will find its flash, its power, and its elegance without chains. This is powerful stuff."-

Antawn Jamison, forward for the Los Angeles Clippers "Truly authentic in its examination of both the game I love and the invariable missteps toward manhood. You cannot fail to be moved by the eloquence and truth of this story."-Rick Fox, former forward for the Los Angeles Lakers An ALA Best Book for Young Adults An ALA Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers **Black and White** David Macaulay 1990 Four brief "stories" about parents, trains, and cows, or is it really all one story? The author recommends careful inspection of words and pictures to both minimize and enhance confusion.

Marcus and Eddie Paul Volponi 2021 It's been nearly two years since Marcus Brown went to prison alone for a crime that he and his former best friend, Eddie Russo, committed

together. Now Marcus is back home, hoping to rebuild his life, focusing on his family and praying for a basketball scholarship to any school that might take a chance on an ex-con. Meanwhile, Eddie Russo has been living the life of a celebrated college athlete, enjoying all the perks that come with stardom. Will this once inseparable pair ever find common ground again, standing shoulder-to-shoulder while having each other's backs? Find out in Marcus and Eddie, the long-awaited conclusion to the award-winning young adult novel Black and White.

The Young Landlords Walter Dean Myers
1989-10-01 If you were looking for a real ghetto dump, you couldn't beat The Stratford Arms. There was Askia Ben Kenobi throwing karate chops upstairs, Petey Darden making booze

downstairs, and Mrs. Brown grieving for Jack Johnson, who'd died for the third time in a month—and not a rent payer in the bunch. Still, when Paul Williams and the Action Group got the Arms for one dollar, they thought they had it made. But when their friend Chris was arrested for stealing stereos and Dean's dog started biting fire hydrants and Gloria started kissing, being a landlord turned out to be a lot more work than being a kid.

Acceleration Graham McNamee
2012-11-01 It's a hot summer and in the depths of the Toronto Transit Authority's lost and found, 17-year-old Duncan is cataloguing misplaced belongings. And between Jacob, the cranky old man who runs the place, and the endless dusty boxes overflowing with stuff no one will

ever claim, Duncan has just about had enough. Then he finds a little leather book filled with the dark and dirty secrets of a twisted mind, a serial killer stalking his prey in the subway. And Duncan can't stop reading. What would you do with a book like that? How far would you go to catch a madman? A chilling, thrilling read for fans of mysteries and suspense - highlighted during World Book Night 2014.

Real Justice: Convicted for Being Mi'kmaq Bill Swan 2013-03-01 When a black teen was murdered in a Sydney, Cape Breton park late one night, his young companion, Donald Marshall Jr., became a prime suspect. Sydney police coached two teens to testify against Donald which helped convict him of a murder he did not commit. He spent 11 years in prison until he finally got

a lucky break. Not only was he eventually acquitted of the crime, but a royal commission inquiry into his wrongful conviction found that a non-aboriginal youth would not have been convicted in the first place. Donald became a First Nations activist and later won a landmark court case in favour of native fishing rights. He was often referred to as the "reluctant hero" of the Mi'kmaq community.

Hurricane Song Paul Volponi 2008-06-12 When Miles's mother remarries, Miles decides to move to New Orleans to be with his father. But he and his father are very different—Miles's dad lives for jazz, while Miles's first love is football. Then Hurricane Katrina hits, and the two must seek refuge in the Superdome. What would normally be a

dream come true for a football fan, this safe haven turns into a nightmare when the power fails and gangs take over. And when his father decides to rebel, Miles must make a choice that will alter their relationship—and their lives—forever. *My Name Is Jason. Mine Too.* Jason Reynolds 2022-06-28 A stunning visual autobiography of two crazy-talented besties, bestselling and award-winning author Jason Reynolds and painter Jason Griffin, who could never be who they are singularly if they weren't who they were together. Once upon a time in America, there were two Jasons. Jason Reynolds and Jason Griffin. One a poet. One an artist. One Black. One white. Two voices. One journey in mind: to move to New York, the city of dreams, to make their own dreams come true.

Willing to have a life not un-hard, so long as it wasn't unhappy. Willing to let the city swallow them whole, so long as it gives them their chance. They had each other. "What if painting was a sin, and the poetry became taboo. And no one ever clapped for me again. My question is, would you?" They clapped. Oh, they clapped. And aren't we glad?

Breaking Point Alex Flinn 2012-03-13 How far would you go to fit in? Paul is new to Gate, a school whose rich students make life miserable for anyone not like them. And Paul is definitely not like them. Then, something incredible happens. Charlie Good, a star student and athlete, invites Paul to join his elite inner circle. All Charlie wants is a few things in return—small things that Paul does willingly. Until one day

Charlie wants something big—really big. Now Paul has to decide how far he'll go to be one of the gang. The electrifying follow-up to Alex Flinn's critically acclaimed debut novel, *Breathing Underwater*, *Breaking Point* is a tale of school violence that explores why and how a good kid can go 'bad'.

Chinese Handcuffs Chris Crutcher
2016-06-28 Dillon is living with the painful memory of his brother's suicide -- and the role he played in it. To keep his mind and body occupied, he trains intensely for the Ironman triathlon. But outside of practice, his life seems to be falling apart. Then Dillon finds a confidante in Jennifer, a star high school basketball player who's hiding her own set of destructive secrets. Together, they must find the courage

to confront their demons -- before it's too late.

The Final Four Paul Volponi
2012-03-01 "Volponi, a multiple award-winning author, keeps the tension high from the first to last page ...The Final Four is definitely a winner." –VOYA, starred review
March Madness is in full swing, and there are only four teams left in the NCAA basketball championship. The heavily favored Michigan Spartans and the underdog Troy Trojans meet in the first game in the semifinals, and it's there that the fates of Malcolm, Roko, Crispin, and M.J. intertwine. As the last moments tick down on the game clock, you'll learn how each player went from being a kid who loves to shoot hoops to a powerful force in one of the most important games of the year. Which team will

leave the Superdome victorious? In the end it will come down to who has the most skill, the most drive, and the most heart. "Volponi nails it when it counts in this dynamic story." –Booklist, starred review "Volponi adroitly renders authentic and inspired basketball action." –The New York Times Book Review

Homestretch Paul Volponi 2009-09-22 A runaway boy with nothing finds everything he needs, including a family, in the most unlikely of places--at a racetrack.

Response Paul Volponi 2009-02-19 Noah and his friends go to a predominantly all-white neighborhood with a plan: steal a car, sell it to a chop shop, and make some fast cash. But that never happens. Instead, Noah, a teen father, becomes the victim of a vicious beating that leaves him with

a fractured skull. The question is, was the attacker protecting his turf, or did he target Noah just because he's black?

The Hand You're Dealt Paul Volponi 2008-09-30 When Huck Porter's dad suddenly dies, it feels like nothing will ever make sense again. Huck's "best friend" thinks that Huck should just get over it, the girl he likes won't give him the time of day, and his mom now works all hours at a roadside diner to make ends meet. The only thing that still makes sense for Huck is the game his dad taught him, the game they spent hours playing together: Texas hold'em. Worse than all of that, though, is Huck's math teacher, Mr. Abbott -- a hungry card shark with an ego to match his appetite. He now wears the local poker tournament's first prize, a

silver watch that Huck's dad wore proudly for three years. So Huck hatches a plan to knock Abbott off his throne and win back the watch. Only, bluffing his way into the tournament will mean lying to everyone Huck knows. But as Huck gets deeper in the tournament and starts to lose himself in the cards, he begins to wonder who he'll be when the last hand is played. Raw and gritty, Paul Volponi's novel about grief, family, and poker is an adrenaline rush that starts with a bang and doesn't let up until the final page is turned. A coming-of-age story set at a card table, *The Hand You're Dealt* will leave readers wondering what they would risk in a game.

White is for Magic Laurie Faria Stolarz 2011-01-08 A year has passed

since Stacey Brown saved her best friend from a horrible death. Now she's having nightmares again, haunted by ghosts ... and by a crazed stalker. As she desperately casts healing spells, a new student named Jacob enters her world. To stop a killer, they must join together. But can Jacob be trusted?

Running Full Tilt Michael Currinder 2017-09-05 Praised by Jack Gantos, author of *Dead End in Norvelt*, as "a quick read with a kick at the finish," this debut novel sensitively and memorably captures a teen runner's relationship with his autistic older brother. Like most siblings, Leo and Caleb have a complicated relationship. But Caleb's violent outbursts literally send Leo running. When the family is forced to relocate due to Caleb's

uncontrollable behavior, Leo tries to settle into a new school, joining the cross-country team and discovering his talent for racing and endurance for distance. Things even begin to look up for Leo when he befriends Curtis, a potential state champion who teaches Leo strategy and introduces him to would-be girlfriend, Mary. But Leo's stability is short-lived as Caleb escalates his attacks on his brother, resentful of his sport successes and new friendships. Leo can't keep running away from his problems. But, with a little help from Curtis and Mary, he can appreciate his worth as a brother and his own capacity for growth, both on and off the field. Praise from Jack Gantos, author of *Dead End in Norvelt*, *Hole in My Life* and *The Trouble With Me*: "Currinder's novel,

Running Full Tilt, is a fast-paced convincing drama of a young runner whose legs circle him back to the many conflicts he is trying to escape--but he can't outrun himself. A quick read with a kick at the finish." Praise from Paul Volponi, author of *The Final Four*, *Black and White*, and *Rikers High*: "We feel the inner strength it takes to compete on every page of this splendid narrative, until, as readers, we are running as well--engrossed, and loving every step of the journey." **Dark Dude** Oscar Hijuelos 2009-03-12 He didn't say good-bye. He didn't leave a phone number. And he didn't plan on coming back - ever. In Wisconsin, Rico could blend in. His light hair and lighter skin wouldn't make him the "dark dude" or the punching bag for the whole

neighborhood. The Midwest is the land of milk and honey, but for Rico Fuentes, it's really a last resort. Trading Harlem for Wisconsin, though, means giving up on a big part of his identity. And when Rico no longer has to prove that he's Latino, he almost stops being one. Except he can never have an ordinary white kid's life, because there are some things that can't be left behind, that can't be cut loose or forgotten. These are the things that will be with you forever.... These are the things that will follow you a thousand miles away. For anyone who loved *The Outsiders* -- and for anyone who's ever felt like one -- Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist Oscar Hijuelos brings to life a haunting choice and an unforgettable journey about identity, misidentity, and all that

we take with us when we run away.

Top Prospect Paul Volponi 2016-09-01
Travis Gardner lives to play quarterback. He's a standout QB by the middle school, and he's prepared to put everything he has into the game. Then Gainesville University's head coach makes Travis a promise: Travis will have a place on the team, and a scholarship to go with it. He just has to get through high school first. As Travis starts ninth grade, he'll have to earn his teammates' trust and dodge opponents aiming to sack the star quarterback. But his biggest challenge might be staying focused in the face of sudden fame. Because now the pressure is on, and Travis has to prove himself with every pass.

Crossing Lines Paul Volponi
2011-06-09 Adonis is a jock. He's on

the football team and he's dating one of the prettiest girls in school. Alan is the new kid. He wears lipstick and joins the Fashion Club. Soon enough the football team is out to get him. Adonis is glad to go along with his teammates . . . until they come up with a dangerous plan to humiliate Alan. Now Adonis must decide whether he wants to be a guy who follows the herd or a man who does what's right. From critically acclaimed author Paul Volponi comes this discussable and finely wrought story of bullies, victims, and the bystanders caught in between.

The Great G.O.A.T. Debate Paul Volponi 2022-03-09 This book expands the horizons of teen and pre-teen readers in an exciting and engaging way, by debating the Greatest of All Time in a variety of categories.

Topics include the greatest athlete of all time, greatest band, greatest inventor, greatest scientist, greatest writer, greatest sci-fi franchise, and more.

Rucker Park Setup Paul Volponi 2008-09-18 Best friends Mackey and J.R. have waited their whole lives to win the basketball tournament at Rucker Park, where their favorite pro ballers squared off against street legends. But the day of their big game, J.R. is fatally stabbed—and it's Mackey's fault, even though he didn't wield the knife. Now Mackey has a score to settle, but the killer is watching his every move.

A Season of Daring Greatly Ellen Emerson White 2017-02-14 Eighteen-year-old Jill Cafferty just made history. Her high school's star pitcher, she is now the first woman

drafted by a major league baseball team. Only days after her high school graduation, she'll join the Pittsburgh Pirates' Class A Short Season team . . . but not everyone is happy to have her there. On top of the pressure heaped on every pitcher, Jill must deal with defying conventions and living up to impossible expectations, all while living away from home for the first time. She'll go head-to-head against those who are determined to keep baseball an all-male sport. Despite the reassurance of coaches and managers alike, a few of her teammates are giving her trouble. The media presence following her at each game is inescapable. And to top it all off, Jill is struggling with the responsibilities of being a national hero and a role model for young women

everywhere. How can she be a role model when she's not even sure she made the right choice for herself? Didn't baseball used to be fun? This literary and engrossing story of a young woman trying to mark out a place for herself in a male-dominated world will captivate fans of Friday Night Lights, The Art of Fielding, John Corey Whaley, and Laurie Halse Anderson.

Black and White Paul Volponi 2006 Two star high school basketball players, one black and one white, experience the justice system differently after committing a crime together and getting caught. An ALA Best Book for Young Adults. Reprint.

Trafficked Kim Purcell 2012-02-16 Hannah has struggled ever since her parents were killed and her beloved uncle vanished. So when she's offered

the chance to leave Moldova and become a nanny for a family in Los Angeles, it seems like a dream come true-and at first it is. But after weeks of working sixteen-hour days and not being able to leave the house, she still hasn't been paid. As things go from bad to worse, Hannah realizes that things are not at all what they seem and she finds herself doing things she never imagined herself capable of. But as she begins uncovering the family's crooked history, she may be exposing more than she bargained on-and putting her life in danger.

Rooftop Paul Volponi 2007-05 Still

reeling from seeing police shoot his unarmed cousin to death on the roof of a New York City housing project, seventeen-year-old Clay is dragged into the whirlwind of political manipulation that follows. Reprint. **Black and White** Paul Volponi 2006 Two star high school basketball players, one black and one white, experience the justice system differently after committing a crime together and getting caught.

Game Seven Paul Volponi 2016-03 "A sixteen-year-old shortstop in Cuba who dreams of playing with the pros must choose between his country and his father who defected to the U.S."-

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