

# Juneteenth Reading List

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## Children's Books

[\*Juneteenth for Mazie\*](#) – Floyd Cooper

[\*The Juneteenth Story: Celebrating the End of Slavery in the United States\*](#) – Allilah L. Agostini

[\*What Is Juneteenth?\*](#) – Kirsti Jewel and Who HQ

[\*All Different Now: Juneteenth, the First Day of Freedom\*](#) – Angela Johnson

[\*Opal Lee and What It Means to Be Free: The True Story of the Grandmother of Juneteenth\*](#) – Alice Faye Duncan

[\*Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You\*](#) – Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi

[\*The Night Before Freedom: A Juneteenth Story\*](#) – Glenda Armand

[\*Hidden Black History: From Juneteenth to Redlining \(The Fight for Black Rights\)\*](#) – Amanda Jackson Green

[\*Come Juneteenth\*](#) – Ann Rinaldi

## Adult Books

[\*On Juneteenth\*](#) – Annette Gordon-Reed

[\*Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America\*](#) – Ibram X. Kendi

[\*1619 Project\*](#) – Nikole Hannah-Jones

[\*Juneteenth\*](#) – Ralph Ellison

[\*Four Hundred Souls: A Community History of African America, 1619-2019\*](#) – Edited by Ibram X. Kendi and Keisha N. Blain

[\*The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration\*](#) – Isabel Wilkerson

[\*Envisioning Emancipation: Black Americans and the End of Slavery\*](#) – Deborah Willis and Barbara Krauthamer

[The Brightest Day: A Juneteenth Historical Romance Anthology](#) – Kianna Alexander, Alyssa Cole, Lena Hart, and Piper Huguley

[Sweet Taste of Liberty: A True Story of Slavery and Restitution in America](#) – W. Caleb McDaniel  
\*winner of the Pulitzer Prize\*

[Remembering Slavery: African Americans Talk about Their Personal Experiences of Slavery and Emancipation](#) – edited by Ira Berlin, Marc Favreau, and Steven F. Miller

[How the Word is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery Across America](#) – Clint Smith

## Articles and Blogs

[Nonprofit Organizations You Need to Check Out for Juneteenth](#)

[Celebrating Juneteenth and Continuing to Work in Solidarity for Racial Justice, Equality, and Equity](#)

[We Honor the Black Protestors Who Made Juneteenth a Federal Holiday](#)

[Fulfilling Juneteenth: Why Many Black Americans Are Still Awaiting Emancipation After 157 Years](#)