

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

(Recommended titles available in the Marin School Library with reading level by grade.)

Younger Readers Nonfiction (Grade Level K-3)

Adedjouma, D. (1996). *The Palm of my Heart: poetry by African American children*. RL 2.8

Hughes, L. (2009). *My people*. RL 2.8

In Daddy's Arms I am Tall: African Americans celebrating fathers. (1997). RL 2.8

Keats, E. (1962). *The snowy day*. RL 3.2

Obama, B. (2010). *Of Thee I Sing: a letter to my daughters*.

Ramsey, A. (2010). *Ruth and the green book* RL 3.1.

Woodson, J. (2012). *Each Kindness*. RL 2.8

Woodson, J. (2001). *The Other Side*. RL 2.4

Woodson, J. (2005). *Show Way*. RL 2.4

Woodson, J. (1997). *We had a picnic this Sunday past*. RL 3.2

Older Readers Nonfiction (Grade Level 3-8)

King, M. L. (1997). *I Have a Dream*. RL 8.5

Zeinert, K. (1997). *The Amistad Slave Revolt and American Abolition*. RL 6.0

Lowery, L. (1987). *Martin Luther King Day*. RL4.5

Hamilton, V. (1995). *Her Stories: African American folktales, fairy tales, and true tales*. RL 4.3

Hamilton, V. (1985). *The People Could Fly: American Black folktales*. RL 4.3

Lester, J. (1994). *John Henry*. RL. 4.5

Lester, J. (1972). *The Knee-high Man and other tales*. RL 5.0

Lester, J. (1987). *The Tales of Uncle Remus: adventures of Brer Rabbit*. RL6.3

Everett, G. (1991). *Li'l Sis and Uncle Willie: a story based on the life and paintings of William H. Johnson*.
RL 4.6

Lawrence, J. (1993). *The Great Migration: an American story*. RL 5.5

Ryan, P. (2002). *When Marian Sang: the true recital of Marian Anderson the voice of a century*. RL4.6

Barasch, L. (2004). *Knocking on Wood: starring Peg Leg Bates*. RL 4.5

Sandler, M. (2006). *Tennis: victory for Venus Williams*. RL 6.0

Golenbock, P. (1990). *Teammates*. RL 6.5

McKissack, P. (1994). *Black diamond: the story of the Negro baseball leagues*. RL 6.9

O'Connor, J. (1989). *Jackie Robinson and the story of all-black baseball*. RL 4.0

Dunbar, P. (1999). *Jump back, Honey: the poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar*. RL 4.0

Greenfield, E. (2011). *The Great Migration: journey to the North*. RL 4.4

Greenfield, E. (1978). *Honey, I love, and other love poems*. RL 4.4

Greenfield, E. (1988). *Nathaniel Talking*. RL 4.5

Greenfield, E. (1991). *Night on Neighborhood Street*. RL 4.7

Grimes, N. (1999). *My man Blue: poems*. RL 5.6

Hughes, L. (1995). *The Block*. RL 4.0

Myers, W. (1993). *Brown angels: an album of pictures and verse*. RL 4.9

Myers, W. (1997). *Harlem: a poem*. RL 4.5

Nelson, M. (2001). *Carver, a life in poems*. RL 8.1

Rochelle, B. (2001). *Words with wings: a treasury of African-American poetry and art*. RL 4.8

Shore, D. (2006). *This is the Dream*. RL 4.3

Angelou, M. (1994). *Soul looks back in wonder*. RL 5.2

Hudson, W. (1993). *Pass it on: African-American poetry for children*. RL 4.3

Lewis, J. (2006). *Black cat bone: the life of blues legend Robert Johnson*. RL 5.7

Bedesky, B. (2006). *Peary & Henson: the race to the North Pole*. RL 7.0

- Bolden, T. (2003). *Portraits of African-American heroes*. RL 8.0
- Hansen, J. (1998). *Women of hope: African Americans who made a difference*. RL 8.8
- Haskins, J. (1995). *Black eagles: African Americans in aviation*. RL 7.2
- Monceaux, M. (1999). *My heroes, my people: African Americans and Native Americans in the West*. RL 8.0
- Pelz, R. (1990). *Black heroes of the Wild West*. RL 6.6
- Bolden, T. (2001). *Tell all the children our story: memories and momentos of being young and Black in America*. RL 6.3
- Myers, W. (1991). *Now is your time!: the African-American struggle for freedom*. RL YA
- Nelson, K. (2011). *Heart and soul: the story of America and African Americans*. RL 5.8
- Hamilton, V. (1993). *Many thousand gone: African Americans from slavery to freedom*. RL 6.4
- Bolden, T. (2005). *Maritcha: a nineteenth-century American girl*. RL8.2
- Cox, C. (1993). *The forgotten heroes: the story of the Buffalo Soldiers*. RL 6.6
- Schlissel, L. (1995). *Black frontiers: a history of African American heroes in the old west*. RL 6.1

Biographies

Hank Aaron	Muhammad Ali	Marian Anderson
Louis Armstrong	Benjamin Banneker	Jim Beckworth
Ruby Bridges	John Brown	Kobe Bryant
George Washington Carver	Bessie Coleman	Claudette Colvin
Donald Crews	Dave the potter	Frederick Douglas
Rickey Henderson	Langston Hughes	Mae Jemison
Scott Joplin	Michael Jordan	Coretta Scott King
Martin Luther King	Spike Lee	Joe Louis
Osceola Mays	Willie Mays	Elijah McCoy
Barack Obama	Michelle Obama	Shaquille O'Neal
Jesse Owens	Rosa Parks	Bass Reeves
Wilma Rudolph	Leon Tillage	Sojourner Truth
Harriet Tubman	Neil deGrasse Tyson	Madam C. J. Walker
Maggie L. Walker	Phillis Wheatley	Venus and Serena Williams
Oprah Winfrey	Tiger Woods	Jacqueline Woodson

African American Authors

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
Victoria Bond
Christopher Paul Curtis
Eloise Greenfield
Angela Johnson
Walter Dean Myers
Calvin Ramsey
Eleanora Tate
Angela Watkins
Rita Williams-Garcia

Dauida Adedjouma
Misty Copeland
Sharon Draper
Nikki Grimes
Julius Lester
Marilyn Nelson
Faith Ringgold
Mildred Taylor
Carole Weatherford
Jacqueline Woodson

Debbie Allen
Donald Crews
Whoopie Goldberg
Bell Hooks
Patricia McKissack
Andrea Pinkney
Natasha Anastasia Tarpley
Mildred Pitts Walter
Mary Williams