

## Recent Books and Articles on Student Activism

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### Memoirs and nonfiction

Born This Way Foundation featuring Lady Gaga. (2020). *Channel kindness: Stories of kindness and community*. New York: Feiwei and Friends.

- Stories by young changemakers: teens who created movements

Bridges, R. (2020). *This is your time*. New York: Delacorte Books for Young Readers.

- [Profile of Ruby Bridges' book about student activists: \*This is Your Time\*](#) (*New York Times*, December 6, 2020)

Cullen, D. (2020). [Parkland: Birth of a movement](#). New York: Harper.

Parkland Student Journalists. (2018). [We say #never again](#). New York: Penguin Random House.

- [Review of \*Parkland\*](#) (*New York Times*, March 11, 2019)
- [David Cullen talks about \*Parkland\*](#) (*New York Times*, March 3, 2019)
- [Reviews of \*Parkland\*](#)
- [Stoneman Douglas HS Hockey Team Bands Together](#) (*Sports Illustrated*, December 17, 2018)
- [Advice from Emma Gonzalez](#) (*New York Times*, October 7, 2018)
- [Time Cover Story: Parkland Students](#) (Link included in Huffington Post Story, April 2, 2018)
- [Parkland Students as Social Media Warriors](#) (*New York Times*, March 11, 2018)

Knauer, B. et al. (2020) [When they call you a terrorist \(young adult edition\): A story of black lives matter and the power to change the world](#). New York: St. Martin's.

Otto, K. (2015). [Everyday ambassador: Make a difference by connecting in a disconnected world](#). New York: Atria books.

- 2017 Kent State University Common Reading Book

Rusch, E. (2020). [You call this democracy? How to fix our government and deliver power to the people](#). New York: HMH Books for Young Readers.

- A YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction Finalist.
- [Review of YA Book: \*You Call This Democracy?\*](#) (*New York Times*, March 8, 2020)

### Fiction

Albertalli, B., & Saeed, A. (2020). [Yes no maybe so](#). New York Balzer and Breed.

- Portrays teen first-time activists.
- [Review of YA Book: \*Yes No Maybe So\*](#) (*New York Times*, May 17, 2020)

Reynolds, J., & Kendi, I.X. (2020). [\*Stamped: Racism, antiracism, and you\*](#). New York: Little, Brown & Co.

Thomas, A. (2017). [\*The hate u give\*](#). New York: Balzer + Bray.

### **Graphic Novels**

Anderson, M.K. (2021). [\*The Black Panther Party: A Graphic Novel History\*](#). New York: Ten Speed Press.

Terry, T. (2021) [\*Come home, Indio: A Memoir\*](#). New York: Street Noise.

- A memoir of a Native American activist.
- [\*Review of The Black Panther Party and Come Home, Indio\*](#) (*New York Times*, February 14, 2021)

Lewis, L. et al. (2016). [\*March\*](#) trilogy. New York: Top Shelf Productions.

- This is a three-part graphic novel about the march on Selma.

### **Books with Teaching Ideas**

Block, J. (2020) [\*Teaching for a living democracy\*](#). New York: Teachers College Press.

“The text offers project-based units of study and classroom practices that allow students to reconfigure understandings of themselves, their capabilities, and their roles in the world. Packed with student voices and the work of youth, this book provides a rich window into classroom practice that challenge authoritarian tendencies while cultivating dignity and agency.”

### **Songs**

“I can’t breathe” H.E.R.

“See Me” Emily King