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Support a Reading Culture and
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High School Collections

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SIXTEEN EMPOWERING TEXT COLLECTIONS AND CLASSROOM RESOURCES

The Magic Within Us • Blast From the Past • Read the Movie • Who Am I? • We Are Here • Student Activism • Scene of the Crime
• In the Real World • Me vs. Who You See • Good Trouble • Must Be Love on the Brain • American Mosaic • Searching for Home
• Amplifying the Voices of the Global Majority • Great Power & Great Responsibility • Perspectives, Voices, and Points of View

“Literacy is not just the ability to read, but a means of access. Access to liberty, access to empowerment, and access to worlds and futures we sometimes cannot imagine for ourselves. This idea of access is what guided much of our thinking when putting together this collection of texts.”

— Ronell Whitaker, ELA & LRC Curriculum Director & Co-Creator, PRH High School Collections

At Penguin Random House Education we believe that all students are readers. We understand the value of literacy and the importance of creating a reading culture for students. Unfortunately, many students do not see themselves as readers often due, ironically, to the books that they are required to read—books of little interest or relevance to their lives.

The Penguin Random House High School Collections will change that paradigm.

The Penguin Random House High School Collections are an exploration of a wide array of voices from a variety of vantage points. These expertly curated collections have been created to not only broaden book selection for all students, but also to reflect their lived realities and interests in an ever-changing landscape.

Educators themselves, the contributors of these collections truly believe that one of the most valuable and enduring gifts we can give a young person is the opportunity to develop a reader identity through the power of reading choice.

Meet the Educator-creators:



Lorena Germán is a nationally awarded middle and high school anti-bias and anti-racist educator and co-founder of #DisruptTexts and Multicultural Classroom.



Cicely Lewis is an educator, librarian, and author. Her award-winning Read Woke challenge won the MAE Award for Best Literature Program for Teens and she was named the 2020 *School Library Journal* Librarian of the Year. She is also a PRH Teacher Awards for Literacy recipient.



Morgan Taylor has been teaching secondary English for ten years and currently works as an instructional coach in Los Angeles, CA. She also co-founded Little Classroom Library, a grassroots organization that works to help public school teachers create their own independent reading initiatives.



Julia E. Torres is a librarian and veteran language arts teacher in Denver, Colorado. She was a 2020 *Library Journal* Mover and Shaker and recipient of the Colorado NCTE Affiliate's 2020 Secondary Educator of Excellence Award.



Ronell Whitaker is a high school English curriculum director in Chicago, IL with over fifteen years of experience and is a champion for comics in the classroom. He is a founding member of the Lit-X teacher cohort.

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“[W]hen students shifted from assigned reading to choice reading, there was ‘increased reading volume, a reduction in students failing the state test, and changes in peer relationships, self-regulation, and conceptions of self.’” – Ivey, G. (2015)*

The Penguin Random House High School Collections give educators the opportunity to go beyond the literary canon to incorporate a wide range of texts that represent different experiences, characters, and cultures we have in our schools. Unifying themes including belonging, identity, and resiliency also allows teachers to make connections to current curricula.

It is vital that time is provided for students to freely select and read books of high interest, focus on fostering and affirming students’ reader identities, and include a large selection of fiction and non-fiction stories, and graphic novels at varying levels.

It’s a simple equation, access plus reading choice will:

- increase overall engagement.
- improve academic performance.
- build lifelong readers and learners.
- better prepare students to participate in an everchanging and demanding world.

These collections and the included comprehensive Educator Handbook provide teachers with the books and resources to diversify and enrich reading environments for all students.

*Ivey, G. (2015). “Engaged Reading as a Collaborative Transformative Practice” —Gay Ivey, Peter H. Johnston, 2015. Retrieved June 12, 2023, from Journal of Literacy Research website: <https://prhlink.com/fmrefit>.

Each Grade-Level Collection includes:

- 45 Fiction and Nonfiction Books (fifteen titles, three copies each) allow students to read the same text, but even students who read different titles can still connect with one another and share their collective reading experiences.
- Educator Handbook provides pedagogical resources to help educators incorporate the themes into their curriculum/ELA block including suggested activities, thematic connections, and essential questions.



High School Collections Grade 9 - 45 Books (fifteen titles, three copies each)

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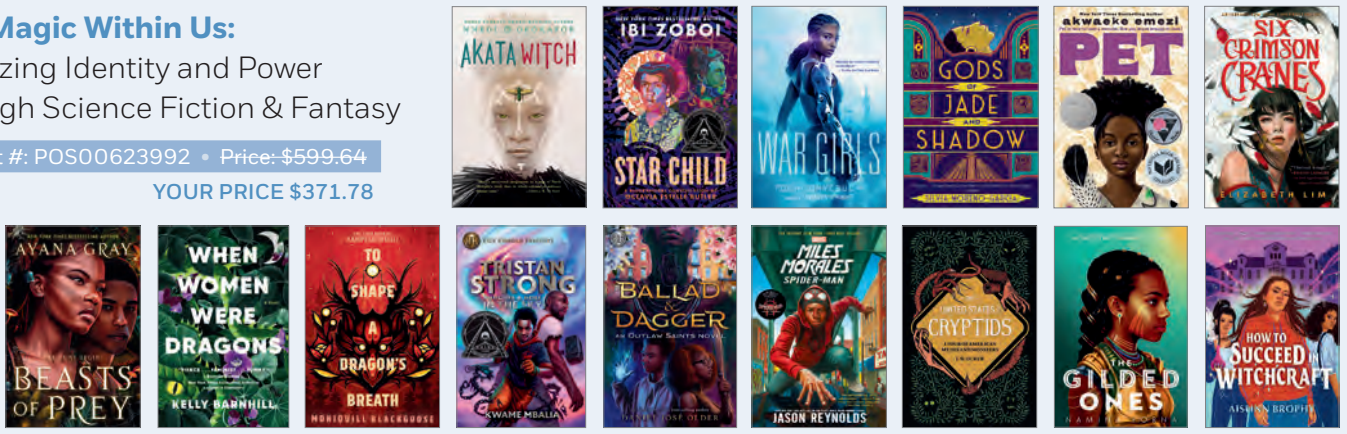


The Magic Within Us:

Analyzing Identity and Power through Science Fiction & Fantasy

Product #: POS00623992 • Price: \$599.64

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Blast from the Past:

Bringing History Alive through Fiction and Nonfiction

Product #: POS00623993 • Price: \$632.52

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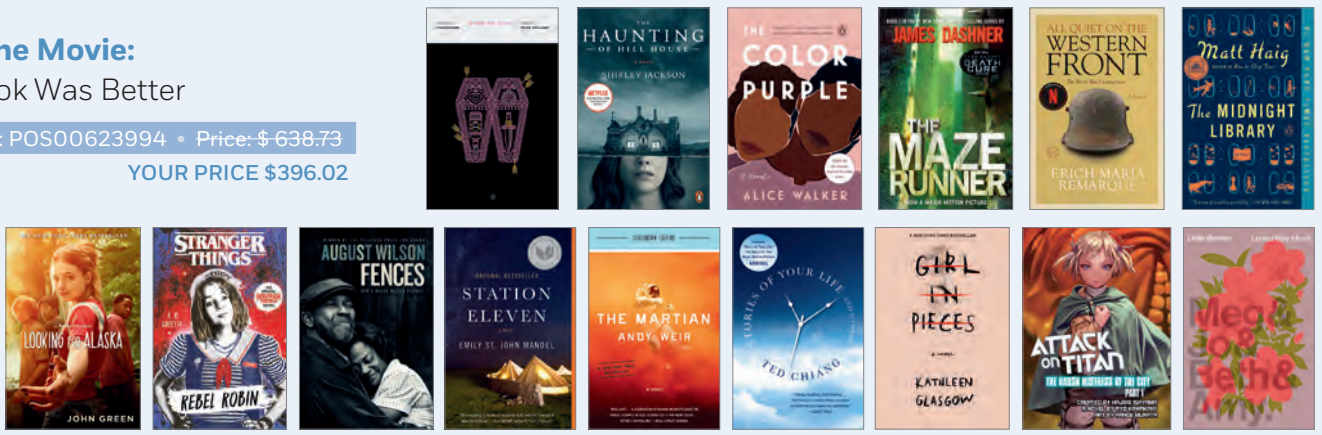


Read the Movie:

The Book Was Better

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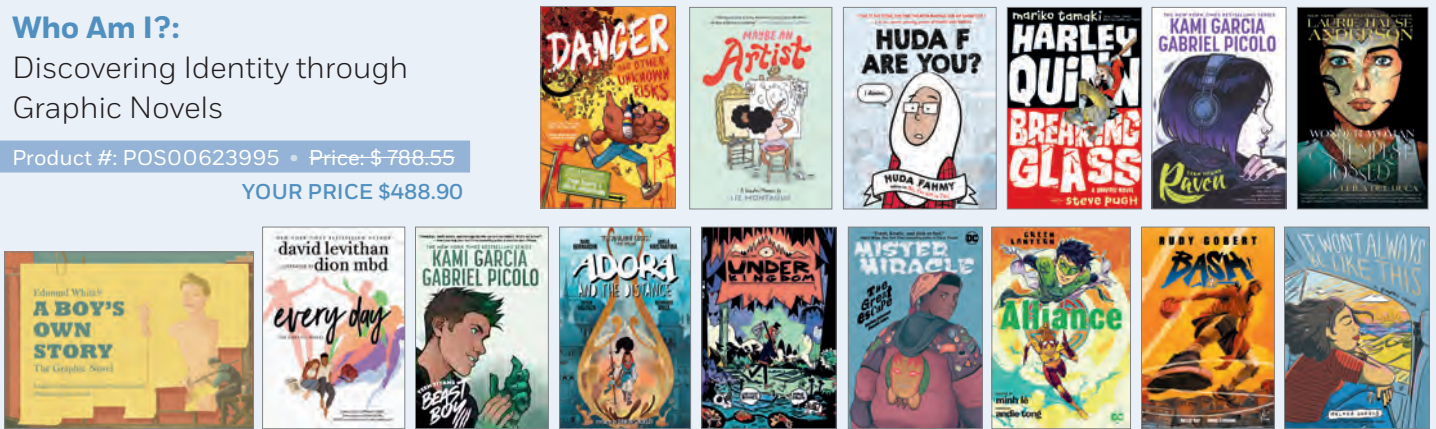


Who Am I?:

Discovering Identity through Graphic Novels

Product #: POS00623995 • Price: \$788.55

YOUR PRICE \$488.90



High School Collections Grade 10 - 45 Books (fifteen titles, three copies each)

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We Are Here:

Overcoming Barriers to Belonging

Product #: POS00623996 • Price: \$668.58

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Student Activism:

The Power of Using Your Voice

Product #: POS00623997 • Price: \$665.58

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Scene of the Crime:

Solving Mysteries & Finding Ourselves

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Memoirs & Creative Nonfiction

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High School Collections Grade 11 - 45 Books (fifteen titles, three copies each)

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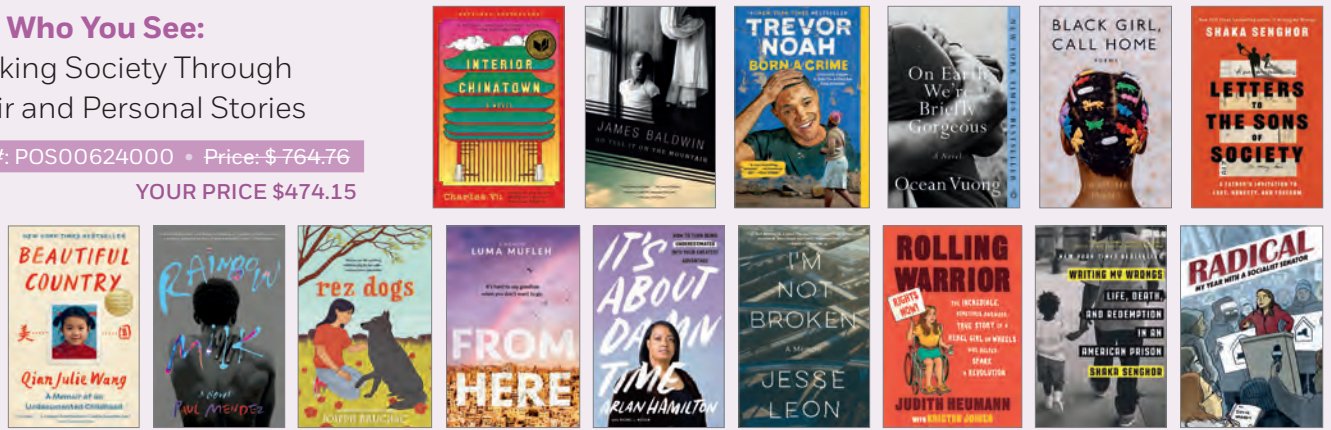


Me vs. Who You See:

Unpacking Society Through Memoir and Personal Stories

Product #: POS00624000 • Price: \$764.76

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Good Trouble:

Challenging Social Norms and Disrupting the Status Quo

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Must Be Love on the Brain:

Exploring Healthy Relationships

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American Mosaic:

Different Perspectives on the American Identity

Product #: POS00624003 • Price: \$935.49

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High School Collections Grade 12 - 45 Books (fifteen titles, three copies each)

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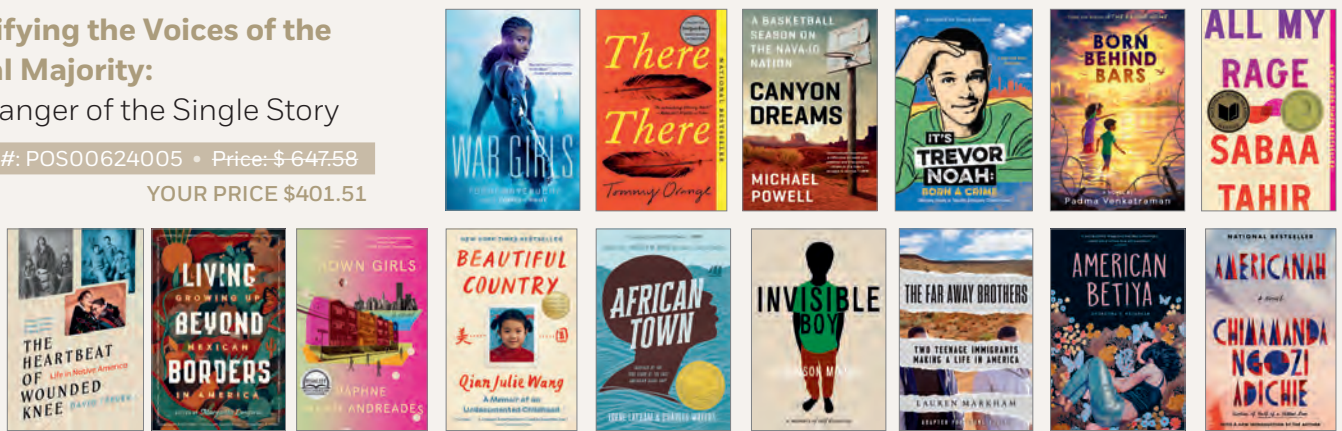
Searching for Home: An Exploration of Places We Call Home

Product #: POS00624004 • Price: \$638.76
YOUR PRICE \$423.92



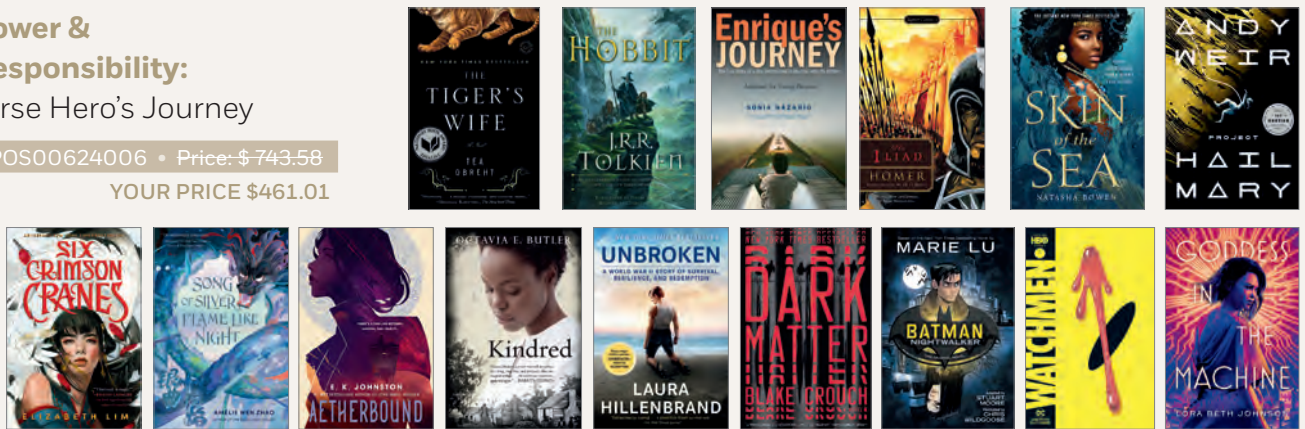
Amplifying the Voices of the Global Majority: The Danger of the Single Story

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Great Power & Great Responsibility: The Diverse Hero's Journey

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Perspectives, Voices, and Points of View: Graphic Novel Stories from Around the World

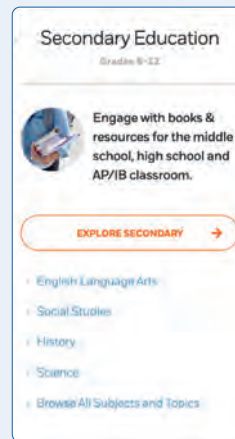
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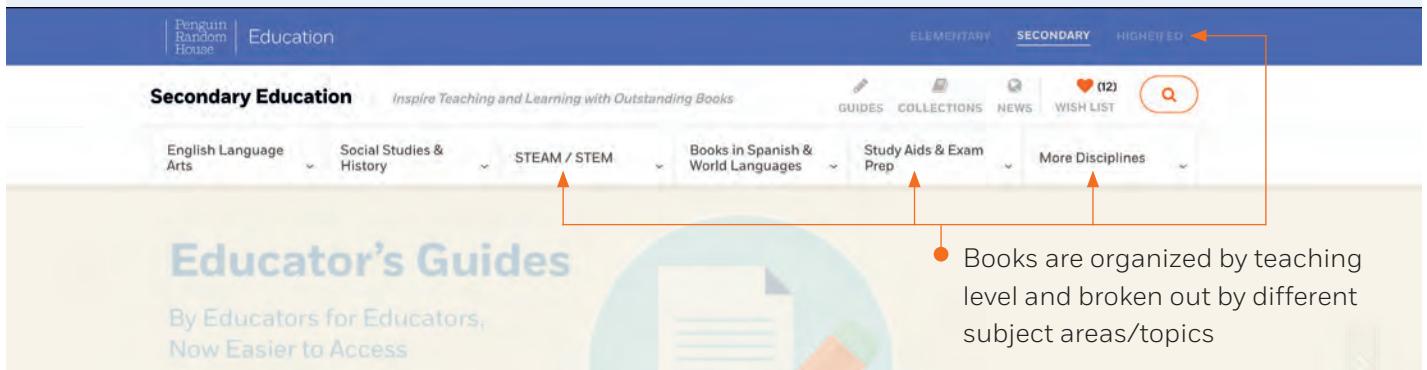
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