

Celebrate

Black

History

Month

... by reading fiction and non-fiction books by Black authors, with Black characters and about Black experiences.

Here's a sample of what you can find in the library, feel free to come in and discover other titles!

Fiction

- *Ace Of Spades*, by Faridah Àbíké-Íyímídé – Freshly selected as part of the elite prefects, Devon and Chiamaka start Senior Year confidently. Until someone named Spades starts sharing secrets about Devon and Chiamaka's pasts, which could endanger their carefully planned futures. What started as an annoying prank soon turns into a dangerous, and potentially deadly, game.
- *The Black Kids*, by Christina Hammonds Reed - A must-read for fans of *The Hate U Give*. LA, 1992. It's the end of high school, Ashley and her friends spend most of the time at the beach, dreaming about the possibilities of the approaching summer. This perfect life comes to an end when four police officers are acquitted after beating a black man half to death. The violent aftermath spares no one, not even Ashley and her sheltered life.
- *Girls Rule*, by Alesha Dixon - Pearl moves into 10 Downing Street when her mum becomes UK's first female Black Prime Minister. Unfortunately, her mum's partner soon moves in with his daughter Izzy. The two girls hate each other instantly and will do anything to split their parents up. That is, until their sabotaging start to impact Pearl's mum's career. Will they realise they might have more in common than they think?
- *Indigo Donut*, by Patrice Lawrence – Indigo lives with her foster mum after being found by her dead mother. Bailey lives with his parents and his main worry is his hair. Despite their differences, sparks fly as soon as they meet in school. That it, until trouble find them and pushes Indigo to question where she really comes from.

Non-Fiction

- *Natives*, by Akala – Read this if you want to get a deeper look into what it means to be Black, from an individual perspective which shines a light on the global experience of an entire community.
- *What White People Can Do Next*, by Emma Dabiri – The clue is in the title! Dabiri's essays inspire the reader to move from empathising to becoming an active ally.
- *You Are Your Best Thing*, edited by Tarana Burke and Brené Brown – A collection of 20 essays from influential Black writers who explore the topics of Black shame and healing, Black life and Black possibility.
- *The Good Immigrant*, by Nikesh Shukla – Still a reference source, this collection of essays vividly portrays the daily struggles 'immigrants' have to face every day, from racist tropes to media misrepresentation.