

THIRD TO FIFTH GRADE

1. **Dear Ruby, Hear Our Hearts.** Ruby Bridges; illustrated by John Jay Cabuay. ISBN 9781338753912. Scholastic / Orchard Books. 3rd-5th
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 3. **Call Me Roberto!: Roberto Clemente Goes to Bat for Latinos.** Nathalie Alonso; illustrated by Rudy Gutierrez. ISBN 9781635928112. Astra Books for Young Readers / Calkins Creek. 3rd-5th
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 5. **1,000 Facts About Sharks.** Sarah Wassner Flynn and Dr Phillip S. Lobel. ISBN 9781426371745. Disney Publishing / National Geographic Kids. 3rd-5th
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 8. **All About U.S.** Matt Lamothe and Jenny Volvovski; illustrated by Matt Lamothe. ISBN 9781797213705. Chronicle Books. 3rd-5th
 9. **Cat Out of Water: (A Dr. Seuss Graphic Novel).** Art Baltazar and Dr. Seuss. ISBN 9780593703038. Random House Children's Books / Random House Graphic. 3rd-5th
 10. **What Happened on Thursday?.** Ayo Oyeku; illustrated by Lydia Mba. ISBN 9781662504020. Amazon Publishing / Two Lions. 3rd-5th
- And Yet You Shine: The Kohinoor Diamond, Colonization, and Resistance.** Written and illustrated by Supriya Kelkar. 9781536228298. Candlewick Press. 3rd-5th
- Ayo's Adventure: Across the African Diaspora from Afro to Zulu.** Ain Heath Drew; illustrated by Erin Robinson. ISBN 9798888592113. Barefoot Books. 3rd-5th
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