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Choice Board



A Treason of Thorns

by Laura E Weymouth

When 17-year-old Violet Sterling's father dies, she becomes the caretaker for Burleigh House, one of the six sentient Great Houses whose magic governs the well-being of England. Burleigh House is sick and its magic is spiraling out of control because of its enslavement to a line of cruel kings. Violet must find the House's long-hidden deed and unbind Burleigh from the king's control to save it from destruction — but the House is commanded to prevent this.

Fun Fact: This book is one of the nominees for the 2021 Red Maple Award from the Forest of Reading, a celebration of Canadian books and authors.

Learn and Share

- 1. A crime against the king is called _
- 2. The name of the King's daughter is _____
- 3. Why did Violet's father bring Wyn to Burleigh House?

LAURA E. WEYMOUTH Author of The Light Between Worlds

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Answers: 1. Treason 2. Esperanza 3. To replace him as Caretaker of Burleigh House.

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Hints: BURLEIGH MORTAR ENGLAND SENTIENT DEVOTION HEARTSTONE VIOLET CARETAKER IVY HOUSE MAGIC THORNS EXILE UNBINDING

Answers:

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Raybearer by Jordan Ifueko eBook on **Hoopla**

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l Hope You're Listening

by Tom Ryan

When Delia "Dee" Skinner was seven years old, her best friend Sibyl "Sibby" Carmichael was kidnapped during a game of hide-andseek in the woods surrounding their suburban neighborhood. Now age 17, Dee is the Seeker, the incognito voice behind popular missing-persons podcast, Radio Silent. With the help of her listening community, called the Laptop Detective Agency, Dee has solved many mysteries, yet she refuses to investigate Sibby's disappearance despite provocations from a needling journalist. When a young child goes missing from Dee's childhood home, her anonymous world is upended as she searches for connections to Sibby's case.

Author Info: Author Tom Ryan lives all across Canada because his husband works in the military. Their home base is deep in the countryside of Cape Breton where they own a farmhouse. It's Tom's favourite place on earth where he feels most inspired.

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Learn and Share

Sibby created the podcast Radio Silent. If you created a podcast, what would it be about? What are you passionate about? Brainstorm some ideas.

Dee disguises her voice and calls herself The Seeker. If you were to remain anonymous, what would be your alter-ego?

Design

Podcasts have artwork or a logo. Design artwork or a logo for your podcast, based on the ideas you brainstormed.



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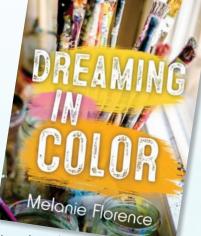


IT'S A DIGITAL WORLD!

Dreaming in Color

by Melanie Florence

Jennifer McCaffrey has been working hard on her art for years and is thrilled when she is accepted to a prestigious art school. The school is everything she always thought it would be, mostly. There is one group of kids who resent her and say she only got in because of her skin color. Jen, who loves to create new pieces of artwork that incorporate her Indigenous heritage, finds herself a target when the group tells her to stop being "so Indian". The night before the big art show at school, Jen's beading art project is defaced. Jen must find a way not to let the haters win.



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Author Info: The author of Dreaming in Color, Melanie Florence, is of Cree and Scottish heritage, just like the book's character, Jen.

Learn and Share

Think of a time when you were negatively targeted or bullied. Was it like Jen's experience? Jen used art and exercise (jumping on her trampoline) to work out her feelings. What do you do to boost your mood?

Here's a list of activities that could help bring some positive vibes during tough times:

- Get enough sleep.
- Say kind things to yourself.
- Exercise or go for a walk.
- Focus on your strengths.
- Do something that makes you smile.
- Listen to your favourite (cheerful) song.

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- Look at or be in nature.
- Do something you love, even for a minute or two.
- Ask for help.

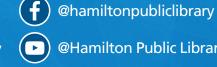
From the book The Stress Reduction Workbook for Teens. Find the eBook at teens.hpl.ca/hpl-online

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ADAM GARNET JONES

Search Words: ARTWORK

ARTWORK BEADWORK CANVAS CREE INDIGENOUS PAINT PIYESIS PORTFOLIO POWWOW SCHOOL TRADITION WARRIOR

Answers:



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WHALE RIDER

The Field Guide to the North American Teenager

by Ben Philippe

Norris Kaplan is a 16-year-old Black French-Canadian who starts high school in Austin, Texas. As he's adjusting to his new surroundings, he creates a 'field guide' for his fellow students. Norris' descriptions of his fellow students are influenced by different elements of his own identity: his Haitian heritage, racial identity and views on traditional American high school stereotypes.

Fun Fact: This book was Hamilton Public Library's Teen Top Novel 2019 winner.

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-Ibi Zoboi, National Book Award Finalist BEN PHILIPPE

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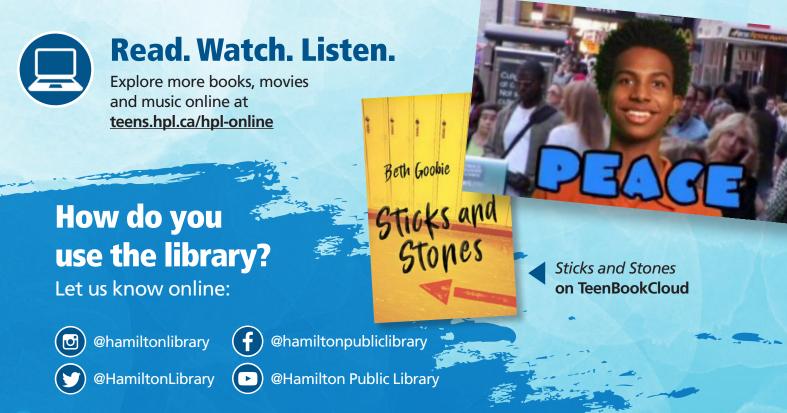
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Learn and Share

- 1. Norris categorizes his fellow students as stereotypes (like jocks, cheerleaders and loners). What are some of the problems that happen because Norris sees them this way?
- 2. Fitting in is one of the major themes of this book. How do Norris and his mother try to fit in into their new city?



Word Puzzle

Across

- 2 What was just a "fun high school curricular" for Aarti?
- 4 What is Liam's tattoo?
- 6 What was the last name of Norris' favourite teacher?
- 8 What is the author's last name?
- 9 Where did Norris and his mother move?
- **11** To which Hogwart's house did Norris belong?
- 12 What are Maddie and Aarti?
- **13** This thing was responsible for Norris and Liam meeting.

Down

- 1 What is the name of Norris' favourite hockey team?
- 3 What does Norris love?
- 4 Norris has a problem with excess _____.
- 5 How did Norris first learn about U.S. high school culture?
- 7 When Norris first meets Aarti Puri, he thinks of her as a _____ Pixie Dream Girl.
- 8 Where does everything go wrong for Norris?
- **10** What flavour pie is most popular at the Boneyard?

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Strangers

by David A. Robertson

Ten years after a tragic event drove him away, Cole Harper is summoned home to Wounded Sky First Nation. He returns to find his community in crisis: people have been murdered, a strange illness is spreading among the residents and Cole must confront his traumatic past.

This book blends Indigenous storytelling and mystery. It's the first book in The Reckoner Series.

Fun Fact: Author David A. Robertson won the 2021 Freedom to Read Award.

Mindful Activities

1 Cole experiences panic attacks and anxiety. When he is stressed, he practices this mindful breathing technique:

Breathe in through your nose, right into your stomach, for five seconds. Hold that breath for one second. Then slowly exhale through your mouth for seven seconds. Try to take 10 breaths like this.



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2 Even though he feels alone sometimes, Cole has a support system of family members, friends and other people. These are people who he can talk to and who care about him.

Who is currently part of your support system? You can print their names if you like, but the most important thing is just to think about who supports you and what they do to make you feel supported.*

Family Member	Friends	Other People				

*This activity is modified from *The PTSD Workbook for Teens* available on **Hoopla** and *Overdrive* at <u>teens.hpl.ca/hpl-online</u>

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In addition to writing novels, author David A. Robertson has also written graphic novels. Turn your favourite scene from *Strangers* into a graphic novel using the panels below.



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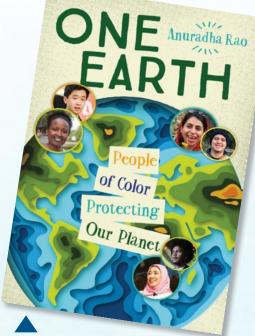
One Earth: People of Color Protecting Our Planet

by Anuradha Rao

One Earth: People of Color Protecting Our Planet by Anuradha Rao introduces readers to 20 environmental defenders who are Black, Indigenous and People of Colour. As teens, these environmental defenders cared about the environment and have grown to be leaders in their fields.

Look For These Words:

Environmental Sustainability: avoidance of depletion of natural resources, to maintain an ecological balance.



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Can Do For The

ENVIRONME

Social Justice: equal access to wealth, opportunities and privileges within a society. For more words and phrases, check out the glossary at the back of this book.

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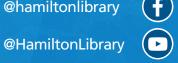
- 1 What is an environmental defender?
- 2 How do the culture and backgrounds of these environmental defenders give them the ability to bridge differences?
- 3 Environmental defender Nancy Huizer was inspired by the motto, "Better neighbourhoods, same neighbours." Think about your neighbourhood/community and brainstorm a list of ways you can make positive changes to encourage environmental sustainability.

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