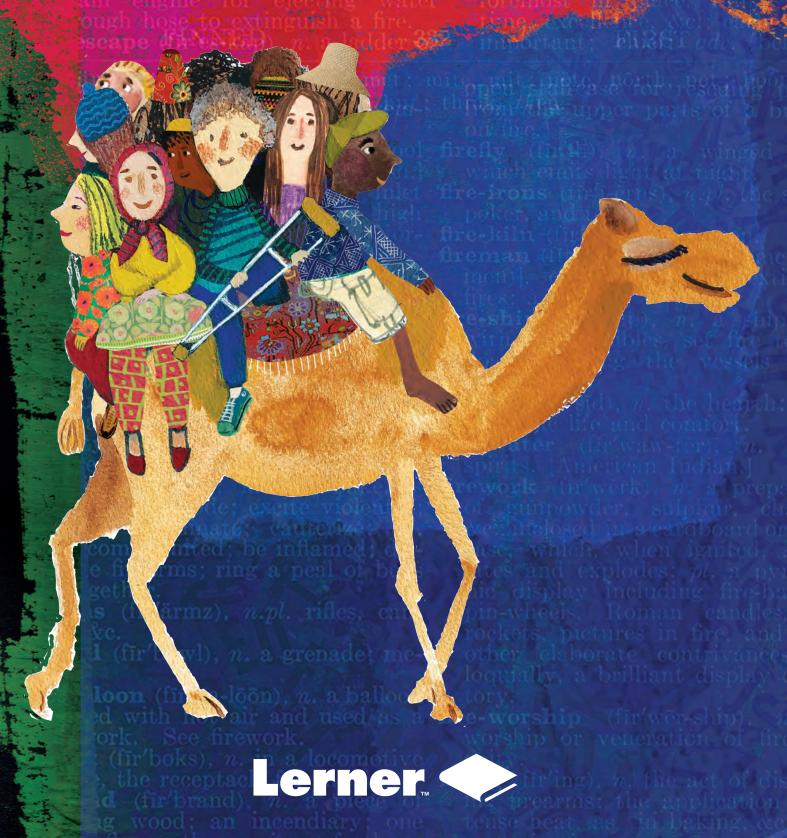


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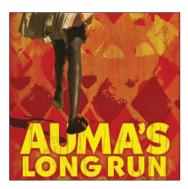
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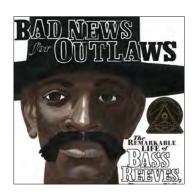
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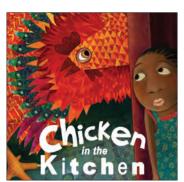
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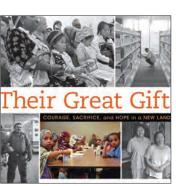


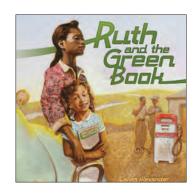






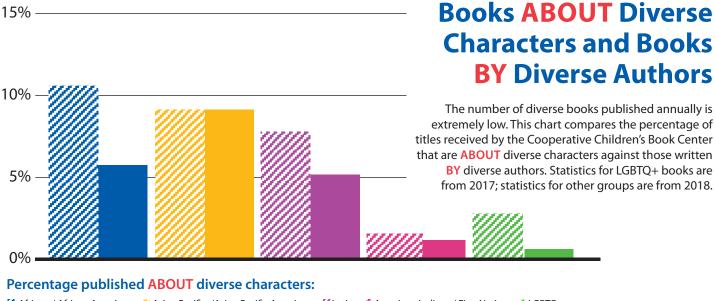








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#### Percentage published BY diverse authors:

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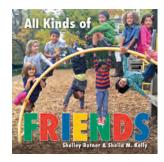


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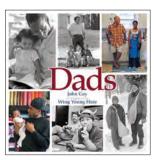
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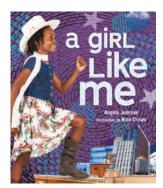
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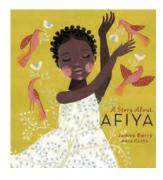
Ashok Banker illus. Sandhya Prabhat

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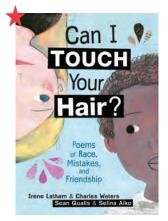
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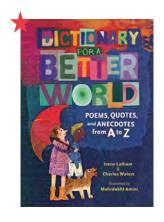
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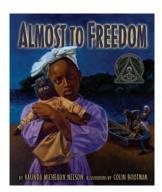
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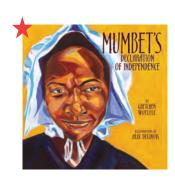


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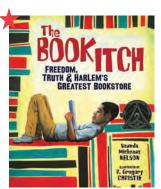
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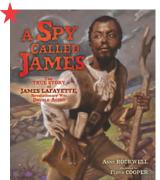
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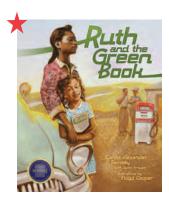
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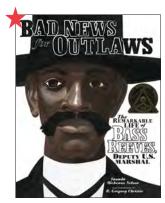


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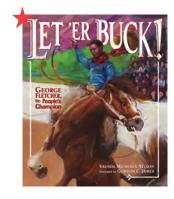
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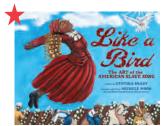
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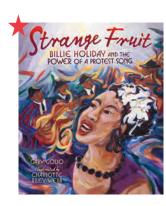
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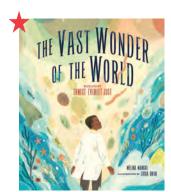
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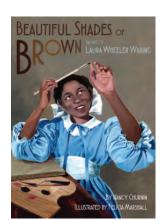
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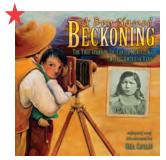
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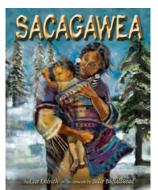


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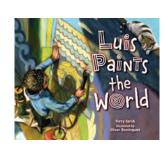


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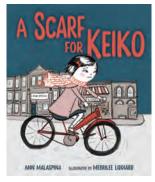
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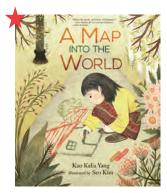
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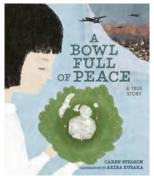
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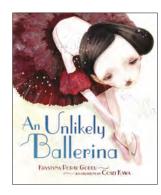
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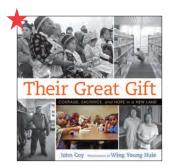
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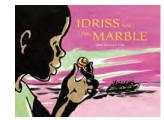


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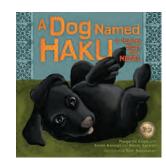
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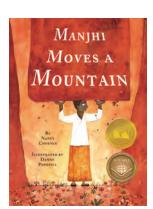
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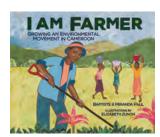
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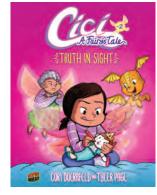
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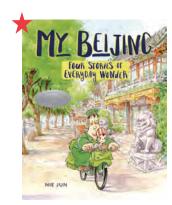
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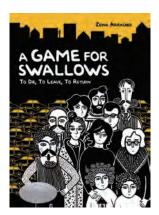
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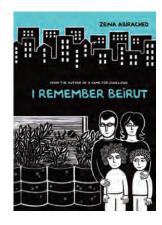
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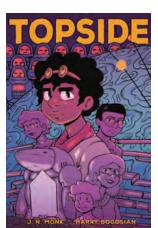
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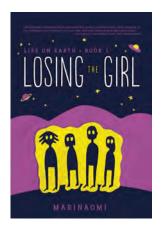
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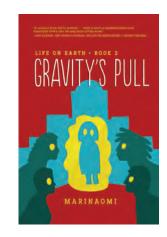
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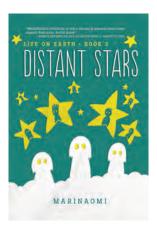
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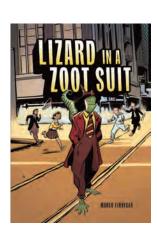
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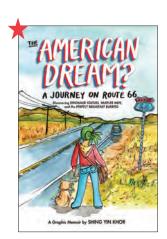
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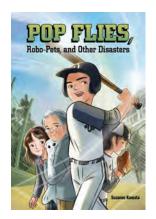
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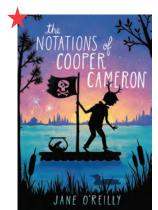


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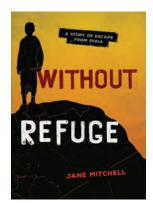


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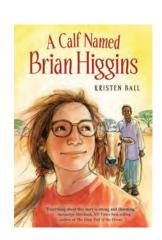
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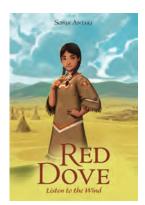
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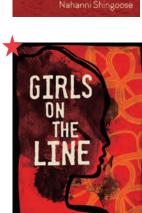
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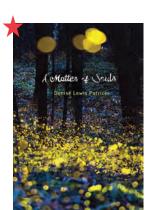
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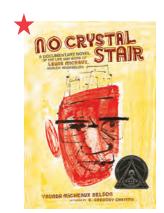
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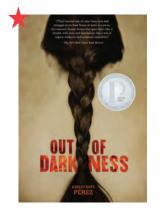
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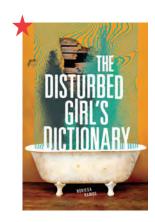


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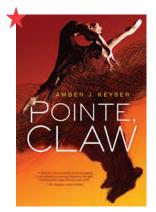


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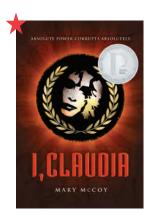
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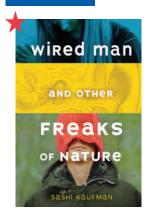
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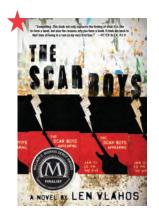
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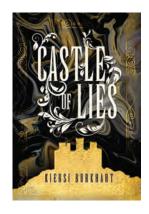


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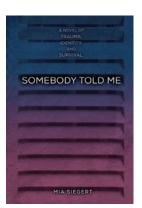


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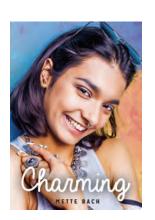
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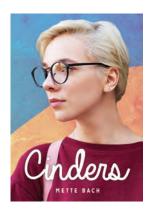
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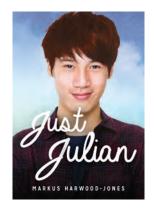


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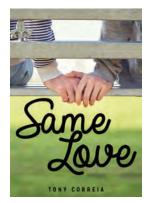
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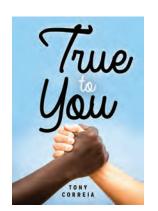
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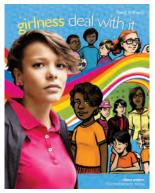
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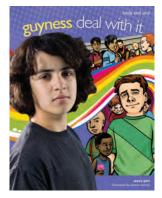
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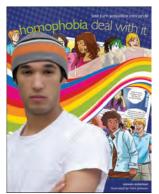
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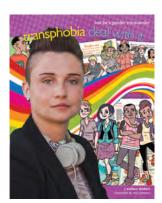
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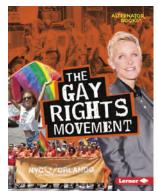
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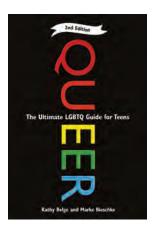
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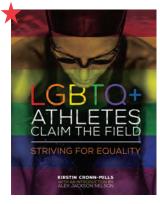
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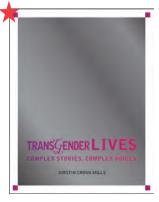


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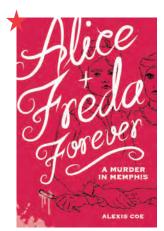
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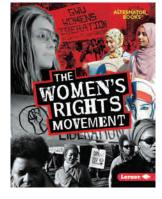
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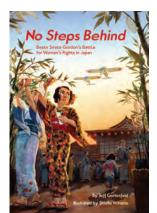


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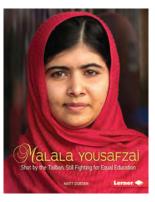
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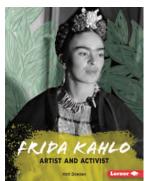
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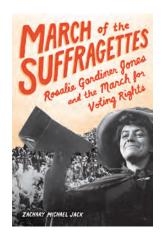
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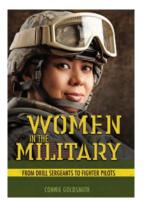
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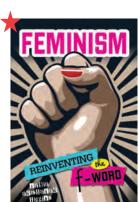
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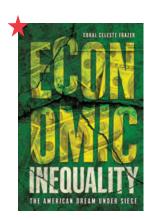
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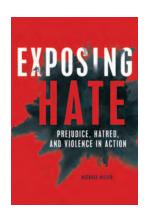
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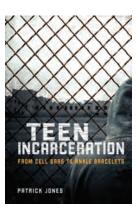
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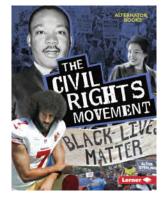
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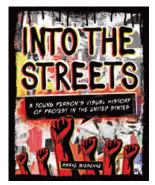
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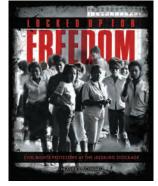
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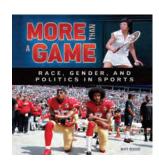
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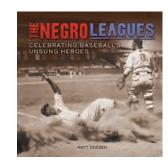
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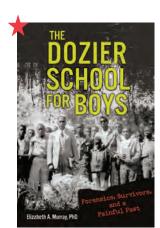
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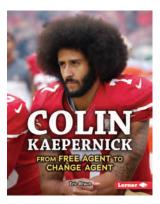
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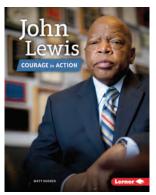
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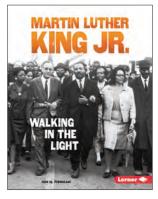
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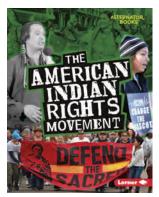
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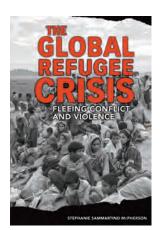
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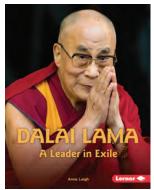
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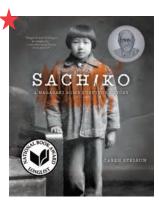
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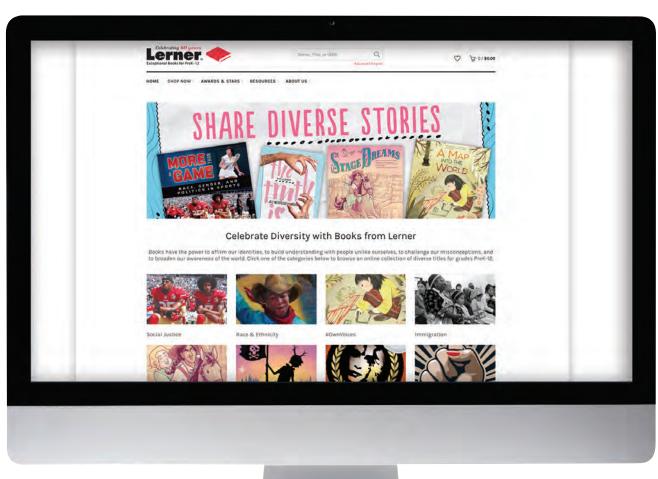
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