

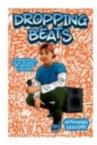




# **DEAR MARTIN**

By Nic Stone

Justyce is a good kid, an honor student, and always there to help a friend—but none of that matters to the police officer who just put him in handcuffs without cause. When faced with injustice, Justyce looks to the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. for answers. But do they hold up anymore? He starts a journal to Dr. King to find out.



#### **DROPPING BEATS**

By Nathanael Lessore

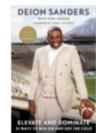
Thirteen-year-old Growls (aka Shaun) is an aspiring rapper who hopes to enter this year's Raptology competition with his best friend, Shanks (aka Zachariah). With some patience, a little luck, and a whole lot of practice, he just might win the Raptology competition and be a hero to both Siobhan and Shanks. Either way, he's ready for this. He's steady for this. It's comeback season and they call him comeback king for a reason.



# YOU OWE YOU: IGNITE YOUR POWER, YOUR PURPOSE, AND YOUR WHY

By Eric Thomas

Eric Thomas moves, inspires, encourages, and challenges people to reach their full potential. No matter your story or your struggle, Eric Thomas, celebrated motivational guru, educator, and problemsolver to many of the top athletes and business leaders—will "help you work harder, discover your real motivation, and crack the code of enduring success"



#### **ELEVATE AND DOMINATE**

**By Deion Sanders** 

A natural-born leader, Deion Sanders demands and expects the best from himself and from those around him, never settling for anything less. Whether it's dealing with intense pressure, using the competition to his advantage, or navigating personal challenges—both physical and emotional—Sanders has conquered it all by applying the hard-earned principles he's learned throughout his life and



# TREATING VIOLENCE: AN EMERGENCY ROOM DOCTOR TAKES ON A DEADLY AMERICAN EPIDEMIC

By Rob Gore, MD

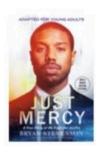
The inspiring story of a Black doctor who was deeply affected by the violence that plagued his Brooklyn childhood and later dedicated himself to addressing trauma and violence as public health issues



#### THE BOY WHO HARNESSED THE WIND

By Rob Gore, MD

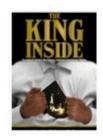
When a terrible drought struck William Kamkwamba's tiny village in Malawi, his family lost all of the season's crops, leaving them with nothing to eat and nothing to sell. William began to explore science books in his village library, looking for a solution. There, he came up with the idea that would change his family's life forever: he could build a windmill. Made out of scrap metal and old bicycle parts, William's windmill brought electricity to his home and helped his family pump the water they needed to farm the land.



## JUST MERCY

By Bryan Stevenson

Stevenson's story is one of working to protect basic human rights for the most vulnerable people in American society—the poor, the wrongly convicted, and those whose lives have been marked by discrimination and marginalization. Through this adaptation, young people of today will find themselves called to action and compassion in the pursuit of justice.

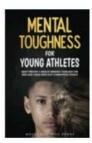


#### THE KING INSIDE

By Angelise Rouse

The King Inside aims to give you a foundation on several areas in life where your decision-making will be challenged. Topics such as family, education, mentorship, friendship, and finances are included to give you an introductory understanding of these critical life issues. Let this one be the start of further research, initiative, and discussions with your parents, teachers, and others to help you succeed. Get ready to unleash the King Inside!





## **MENTAL TOUGHNESS FOR YOUNG**

#### ATHLETES

By Troy Horne and Moses Horne
As of the time of the writing of this book
Moses Horne is a 15-year-old elite athlete who
can talk directly about the triumphs and
struggles of working towards being mentally
tough. We took the long journey of ups and
downs. Along the way, we found the winning
formula thanks to being able to talk with
sports icons personally.



# ASHITA NO JOE: FIGHTING FOR TOMORROW, VOL. 1

ByAsao Takamori
Illustrated by Tetsuya Chiba
Joe Yabuki doesn't need anyone. He makes his
own way and follows his own rules. Who cares if
that old pug sees the makings of a great boxer
in him? The street rats that follow him around are
just hangers on. Joe doesn't need anyone—until
he does. Follow the collected adventures of Joe
Yabuki, in English for the first time.



#### **CONCRETE COWBOY**

By G. Nerri and Jesse Joshua Watson When Cole's mom dumps him in the mean streets of Philly to live with the dad he's never met, the last thing he expects to see is a horse—let alone a stable full of them. He may not know much about cowboys, but what he knows for sure is that cowboys ain't black, and they don't live in the 'hood. But in this 'hood, horses are a way of life, and when the City threatens to shut down the stables, Cole realizes it's time to stand up for what's right —the Cowboy Way.



# MESSENGER: THE LEGEND OF MUHAMMAD ALI

By Marc Bernardin

"Float like a butterfly, sting like a bee."
Muhammad Ali, one of the most revered—and controversial—figures of the twentieth century, immortalized those words with the beauty, strength, and originality of his boxing style. Now, his epic story is retold in this gorgeous, striking graphic novel Messenger that showcases exactly why he became celebrated worldwide as "The Greatest."



#### BEFORE ITS GONE

By Jonathan Vigliotti

What if the breathtaking landscapes you grew up admiring - the towering redwoods, the coral reefs teeming with life, the icy peaks of Alaska - were gone within your lifetime? In BEFORE IT'S GONE, journalist Jonathan Vigliotti embarks on a powerful journey across America's most fragile ecosystems, uncovering the urgent fight to protect them from climate change, wildfires, and human interference. Through gripping storytelling and firsthand reporting, this book is both a wake- up call and a testament to the resilience of those working tirelessly to save what remains - before it's too late.



#### TWENTY-FOUR SECONDS FROM NOW...

By Jason Reynolds

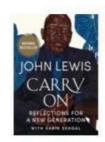
Neon and Aria are about to take a big step in their relationship. Told in reverse, their story traces their journey from their first meeting to this pivotal moment. Along the way, Neon reflects on love, uncertainty, and the challenges of young adulthood.



#### RISING FROM THE ASHES

By Henry Louis Gates Jr.

This is a story about America during and after Reconstruction, one of history's most pivotal and misunderstood chapters. In a stirring account of emancipation, the struggle for citizenship and national reunion, and the advent of racial segregation, the renowned Harvard scholar delivers a book that is illuminating and timely. Real-life accounts drive the narrative, spanning the half century between the Civil War and Birth of a Nation. In introducing young readers to them, and to the resiliency of the African American people at times of progress and betrayal, Professor Gates shares a history that remains vitally relevant today.



# CARRY ON: REFLECTIONS FOR A NEW GENERATION

By John Lewis

Congressman John Lewis was a paragon of the Civil Rights Movement and political leadership for decades. A hero we won't soon forget, Lewis was a beacon of hope and a model of humility whose invocation to "good trouble" continues to inspire millions across our nation.





