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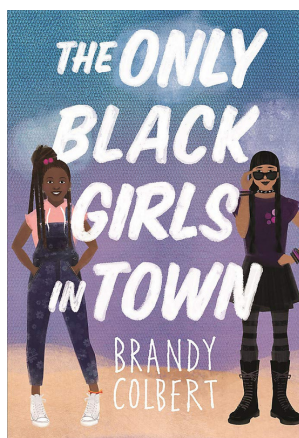
# #BCALABookJoy

## 2021 Summer Reading List

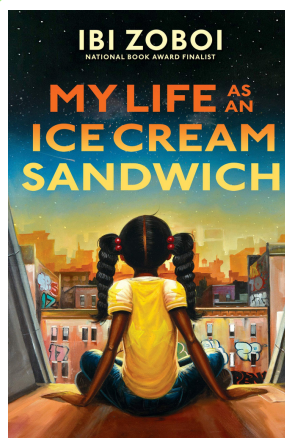
### Middle School



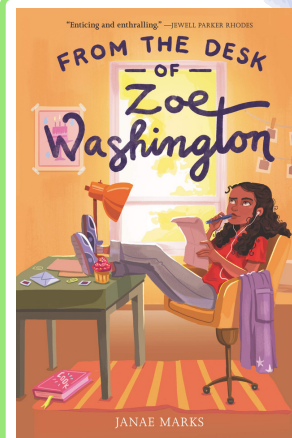
Maureen and Francine Carter are identical twins who do almost everything together. However, one twin wants to establish her own interests and identity.



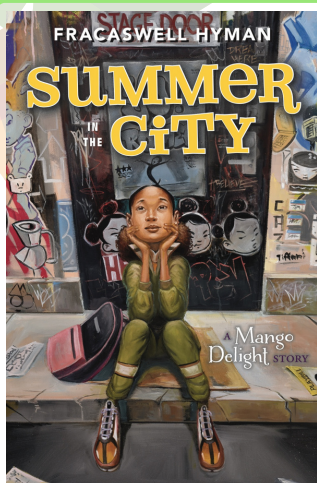
Surfer girl, Alberta, is excited to welcome the new black family to town. For once, she wouldn't be the only one in her grade. The newcomer isn't what this small town expected and the discovery of intriguing journals lead to moments of revelation for both girls.



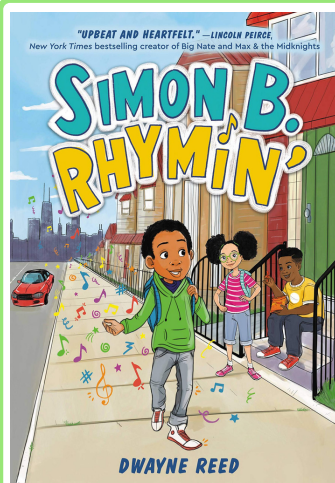
12-year-old Ebony-Grace, a girl whose passion for all things outer space and science fiction leads her to a summertime visit with her father in Harlem; that reveals it to have more in common with her beloved sci-fi adventures than she ever thought possible.



In the summer before seventh grade, Zoe Washington is focused on getting onto her favorite baking show and ignoring her ex-best friend Marcus. All of this change when she gets a letter from her father, whom she has never met. Next thing she knows, Zoe is doing some research, learning some hard truths, and making choices she's never had to before.



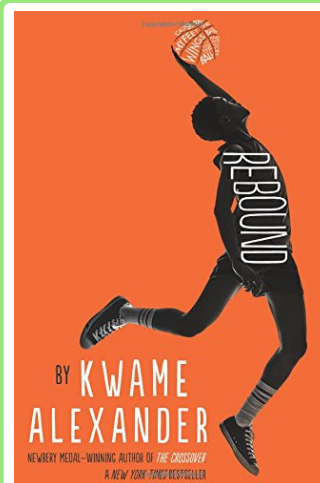
The second in the "Mango Delight" series, this volume follows Mango Fuller as she spends the summer with her aunt in Brooklyn, and auditions for a production of "Romeo and Juliet".



Fifth-grade rapper Simon Barnes, 11, aka Rhymmin' Simon—or, as he'd prefer to be called, the Notorious D.O.G.—decides to focus on housing insecurity for a school presentation. After encountering a kind elderly Black man who often cleans up outside Simon's building, Simon grows curious about the lives of the unhoused people in his community. With the support of his new teacher and his best friends, Simon starts visiting a nearby shelter to collect the stories of the residents.



Amari Peters attends a supernatural summer camp in the hopes of uncovering the secret of her brother's disappearance. Along the way, she learns about other magical creatures and the magic within herself.



12 year old Chuck is sent down south to spend the summer with his grandparents after the sudden death of his father; where he discovers and nurtures his love of jazz and basketball.