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by slave traders. Her family was brutally murdered as she was dragged away to a slave ship and sent to be sold in the Carolinas. There she was bought by a plantation owner and given to his son as a "birthday present". Now, survival is all Amari can dream about. As she struggles to hold on to her memories, she also begins to learn English and make friends with a white indentured servant named Molly. When an opportunity to escape presents itself, Amari and Molly seize it, fleeing South to the Spanish colony in Florida at Fort Mose. Along the way, their strength is tested like never before as they struggle against hunger, cold, wild animals, hurricanes, and people eager to turn them in for reward money. The hope of a new life is all that keeps them going, but Florida feels so far away and sometimes Amari wonders how far hopes and dreams can really take her.

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Ona Judge Outwits the Washingtons Gwendolyn Hooks 2019 "Soon after American colonists had won independence from Great Britain, Ona Judge was fighting for her own freedom from one of America's most famous founding fathers, George Washington. George and Martha Washington valued Ona as one of their most skilled and trustworthy slaves, but she would risk everything to achieve complete freedom. Born into slavery at Mount Vernon, Ona seized the opportunity to escape when she was brought to live in the President's Mansion in Philadelphia. Ona fled to New Hampshire and started a new life. But the Washingtons wouldn't give up easily. After her escape, Ona became the focus of a years-long manhunt, led by America's first president. Gwendolyn Hooks' vivid and detailed prose captures the danger, uncertainty, and persistence Ona Judge experienced during and after her heroic escape."--Provided by publisher.

Seven Slave Narratives, Seven Books Including Frederick Douglass 2015-10-30 In one volume there are seven slave narratives, compelling, harrowing at times and beautiful stories of hope in the midst of deep adversity. 1. Narrative of the Life Of Frederick Douglass An American Slave. Frederick Douglass's eloquently written first autobiography was one of the most persuasive forces for emancipation, as well as for the enlistment of black soldiers in the Union army. It is written beautifully and the story flies past - a dazzling and awful account of slavery. 2. My Bondage and My Freedom. This is Frederick Douglass's second autobiography written ten years after his emancipation and is unparalleled in its scope of the destructive effects of slavery on both individuals and communities. The power of this book is that it delves into the minds of rational "good" people who were slave owners, and discusses the economic conditions that sanctioned slavery's continued existence. 3. Twelve Years A Slave. This narrative was written by Solomon Northrup, a freeman kidnapped from the North, and taken to a work on a plantation in Louisiana, where he lived for 12 years until he was rescued. Violence, sadness, grief, and the treatment of human beings as lower than animals are the themes that run through this famous autobiography. 4. The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano, or Gustavus Vassa, the African. Olaudah Equiano's interesting story provides an insight into a time and situation that few people survived to record or recall, and those that did survive were rarely literate. For this reason, and so many others, Equiano (or Gustavus Vassa as he was later christened) has a unique story to tell. It is an honest and chilling account of a man born free in Africa and sold into slavery, who spends most of life on the high seas until he finally acquires freedom. He relates the experiences of black people in its myriad forms on three continents. 5. Incidents In The Life Of A Slave Girl, Seven Years Concealed. In the pre-civil war period of 1861, Harriet Jacobs was the only black woman in the United States to have authored her own slave narrative, in a call to "arouse the women of the North to a realizing sense of the condition of two millions of women at the South...to convince the people of the Free States what slavery really is." Jacobs hoped that, should the white women of the North know the true conditions of the slave women of the South, they would not fail to answer the call to moral action. With the help of a northern abolitionist, Jacobs published this astounding, poignant record under the pseudonym Linda Brent. 6. Up From Slavery: An Autobiography. Booker T. Washington writes his story modestly but his greatness shines through. He spent his early childhood as a slave on a plantation in the south, but after the Emancipation Proclamation was read from the porch steps of the "Big House," his ambitions to gain an education and make something of himself propelled him through every obstacle to his goal. Booker T. Washington was a tireless promoter of education for his race and founded a school for blacks in Alabama. He made great strides in elevating the sights and prospects of his people. 7. Running A Thousand Miles for Freedom. This is a great story of a married couple who were slaves and escaped to freedom in a unique way. It is a horrifying account of the evil of slavery and the hope of freedom and human rights. A compelling read.

Henry's Freedom Box Ellen Levine 2016-03-29 A stirring, dramatic story of a slave who mails himself to freedom by a Jane Addams Peace Award-winning author and a Coretta Scott King Award-winning artist. Henry Brown doesn't know how old he is. Nobody keeps records of slaves' birthdays. All the time he dreams about freedom, but that dream seems farther away than ever when he is torn from his family and put to work in a warehouse. Henry grows up and marries, but he is again devastated when his family is sold at the slave market. Then one day, as he lifts a crate at the warehouse, he knows exactly what he must do: He will mail himself to the North. After an arduous journey in the crate, Henry finally has a birthday -- his first day of freedom. **Have You Met Miss Jones?** Tarsha Jones 2008-07-29 "Jonesy," as she's known to her fans, captivates millions of Hot 97 listeners with her daily dish on hip hop and rap celebrity. But within these pages are the juicy scandals that even this no-holds-barred DJ has kept off the airwaves. For the first time, Jones reveals everything—from her volatile upbringing as the child of alcoholic parents to candid stories of her early singing career under Doug E. Fresh's wing (and between his sheets); from bitter feuds with Wendy Williams and shock jocks Star and Buc Wild to friendships with Patti LaBelle and Isaac Hayes; from collaborations with Fat Jiv and Big Pun all the way to catfights with Christina Milian and Beyoncé's mother, Tina Knowles. But more than just a tell-all tale, this inspirational memoir is a testament to the struggles of a black woman trying to succeed in a white-male-dominated industry, where the sharks never stop circling no matter how much you achieve. Jones lets it all hang out and doesn't tiptoe around anyone's feelings—including her own. "Love or loathe her, Tarsha Jones puts it all out there. Politically correct? Not a chance. Boring? Never." –Essence "Heart-wrenching and empowering . . . Women behind the scenes in hip-hop are unabashedly writing about what goes on behind the bling curtain. . . . Now it's Tarsha's turn. Miss Jones, if you please." –LAsplash.com "Provocative reading . . . Jones is a survivor, and you can't help but admire her resiliency. . . . Her writing style is blunt, but with a special flair for the dramatic." –Smooth "Steamy . . . guaranteed to raise eyebrows." –Ebony "If there's one jock that shocks, it's Miss Jones. . . . She's never afraid to reveal the truth." –Rap-Up *Let's Brush Our Teeth!* Alexandra Cassel Schwartz 2021-05-04 "Daniel Tiger likes brushing his teeth every morning and night until they're shiny and clean. He even has a song to help him remember all the places to brush! This storybook comes with a punch-out cardstock toothbrush that readers can use on the pictures throughout the book to "brush" Daniel's teeth up-and-down, side-to-side, and more."-- Amazon.com.

George Washington's Presidency Krystyna Poray Goddu 2017-01-01 In 1789, when George Washington took office as the nation's first president, the United States was an experiment that could easily fail. Only a few years earlier, the fledgling democracy had broken away from British rule. The thirteen states were vying for power and had only reluctantly accepted a strong central government. Whoever led that central government would face many challenges. Most Americans believed Washington was the right person for the job. He worked to revive the struggling economy, secure the nation's borders, and gain the respect of other nations. And by inventing many of his duties and powers as he went along, he shaped the presidency into a strong and influential office. *Never Caught* Erica Armstrong Dunbar 2017-02-07 A startling and eye-opening look into America's First Family, *Never Caught* is the powerful story about a daring woman of "extraordinary grit" (The Philadelphia Inquirer). When George Washington was elected president, he reluctantly left behind his beloved Mount Vernon to serve in Philadelphia, the temporary seat of the nation's capital. In setting up his household he brought along nine slaves, including Ona Judge. As the President grew accustomed to Northern ways, there was one change he couldn't abide: Pennsylvania law required enslaved people be set free after six months of residency in the state. Rather than comply, Washington decided to circumvent the law. Every six months he sent the slaves back down south just as the clock was about to expire. Though Ona Judge lived a life of relative comfort, she was denied freedom. So, when the opportunity presented itself one clear and pleasant spring day in Philadelphia, Judge left everything she knew to escape to New England. Yet freedom would not come without its costs. At just twenty-two-years-old, Ona became the subject of an intense manhunt led by George Washington, who used his political and personal contacts to recapture his property. "A crisp and compulsively readable feat of research and storytelling" (USA TODAY), historian and National Book Award finalist Erica Armstrong Dunbar weaves a powerful tale and offers fascinating new scholarship on how one young woman risked everything to gain freedom from the famous founding father and most powerful man in the United States at the time. *Ties That Bound* Marie Jenkins Schwartz 2017-04-06 Behind every great man stands a great woman. And behind that great woman stands a slave. Or so it was in the households of the Founding Fathers from Virginia, where slaves worked and suffered throughout the domestic environments of the era, from Mount Vernon, Monticello, and Montpelier to the nation's capital. American icons like Martha Washington, Martha Jefferson, and Dolley Madison were all slaveholders. And as Marie Jenkins Schwartz uncovers in *Ties That Bound*, these women, as the day-to-day managers of their households, dealt with the realities of a slaveholding culture directly and continually, even in the most intimate of spaces. Unlike other histories that treat the stories of the First Ladies' slaves as separate from the lives of their mistresses, *Ties That Bound* closely examines the relationships that developed between the First Ladies and their slaves. For elite women and their families, slaves were more than an agricultural workforce; slavery was an entire domestic way of life that reflected and reinforced their status. In many cases slaves were more constant companions to the white women of the household than were their husbands and sons, who often traveled or were at war. By looking closely at the complicated intimacy these women shared, Schwartz is able to reveal how they negotiated their roles, illuminating much about the lives of slaves themselves, as well as class, race, and gender in early America. By detailing the prevalence and prominence of slaves in the daily lives of women who helped shape the country, Schwartz makes it clear that it is impossible to honestly tell the stories of these women while ignoring their slaves. She asks us to consider anew the embedded power of slavery in the very earliest conception of American politics, society, and everyday domestic routines.

George Washington and Slavery Fritz Hirschfeld 1997 Because General Washington - the universally acknowledged hero of the Revolutionary War - in the postwar period uniquely combined the moral authority, personal prestige, and political power to influence significantly the course and the outcome of the slavery debate, his opinions on the subject of slaves and slavery are of crucial importance to understanding how racism succeeded in becoming an integral and official part of the national fabric during its formative stages.

January's Sparrow Patricia Polacco 2009 After a fellow slave is beaten to death, Sadie and her family flee the plantation for freedom through the Underground Railroad.

Taking Liberty Ann Rinaldi 2010-05-11 When I was four and my daddy left, I cried, but I understood. He had become part of the Gone. Oney Judge is a slave. But on the plantation of Mount Vernon, the beautiful home of George and Martha Washington, she is not called a slave. She is referred to as a servant, and a house servant at that -- a position of influence and respect. When she rises to the position of personal servant to Martha Washington, her status among the household staff -- black or white -- is second to none. She is Lady Washington's closest confidante and for all intents and purposes, a member of the family -- or so she thinks. Slowly, Oney's perception of her life with the Washingtons begins to crack as she realizes the truth: No matter what it's called, it's still slavery and she's still a slave. Oney must make a choice. Does she stay where she is -- comfortable, with this family that has loved her and nourished her and owned her since the day she was born? Or does she take her liberty -- her life -- into her own hands, and like her father, become one of the Gone? Told with immense power and compassion, *Taking Liberty* is the extraordinary true story of one young woman's struggle to take what is rightfully hers.

The Escape of Oney Judge Emily Arnold McCully 2007-01-23 Young Oney Judge risks everything to escape a life of slavery in the household of George and Martha Washington and to make her own way as a free black woman.

Black Men Built the Capitol Jesse Holland 2007-09-01 The first book of its kind, with comprehensive up-to-date details Historic sites along the Mall, such as the U.S. Capitol building, the White House and the Lincoln Memorial, are explored from an entirely new perspective in this book, with never-before-told stories and statistics about the role of blacks in their creation. This is an iconoclastic guide to Washington, D.C., in that it shines a light on the African Americans who have not traditionally been properly credited for actually building important landmarks in the city. New research by a top Washington journalist brings this information together in a powerful retelling of an important part of our country's history. In addition the book includes sections devoted to specific monuments such as the African American Civil War Memorial, the real "Uncle Tom's cabin," the Benjamin Banneker Overlook and Frederick Douglass Museum, the Hall of Fame for Caring Americans, and other existing statues, memorials and monuments. It also details the many other places being planned right now to house, for the first time, rich collections of black American history that have not previously been accessible to the public, such as the soon-to-open Smithsonian Institution National Museum of African American History and Culture, and the Martin Luther King, Jr., National Monument, as well as others opening over the next decade. This book will be a source of pride for African Americans who live in or come from the D.C., Maryland, and Virginia area as well as for the 18 million annual African American visitors to our nation's capital. Jesse J. Holland is a political journalist who lives in the Capitol Hill neighborhood of Washington, D.C. He is the Congressional legal affairs correspondent for

cost of this lucrative exchange. Shocking and sobering, *Slavery Inc.* is an exceptional book, both for the colossal scope of its enquiry, and for the tenacious bravery with which Cacho pursues the truth. *Never Caught, the Story of Ona Judge* Erica Armstrong Dunbar 2020-08-18 “A brilliant work of US history.” —School Library Journal (starred review) “Gripping.” —BCCB (starred review) “Accessible...Necessary.” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) A National Book Award Finalist for Nonfiction, *Never Caught* is the eye-opening narrative of Ona Judge, George and Martha Washington’s runaway slave, who risked everything for a better life—now available as a young reader’s edition! In this incredible narrative, Erica Armstrong Dunbar reveals a fascinating and heartbreaking behind-the-scenes look at the Washingtons when they were the First Family—and an in-depth look at their slave, Ona Judge, who dared to escape from one of the nation’s Founding Fathers. Born into a life of slavery, Ona Judge eventually grew up to be George and Martha Washington’s “favored” dower slave. When she was told that she was going to be given as a wedding gift to Martha Washington’s granddaughter, Ona made the bold and brave decision to flee to the north, where she would be a fugitive. From her childhood, to her time with the Washingtons and living in the slave quarters, to her escape to New Hampshire, Erica Armstrong Dunbar, along with Kathleen Van Cleve, shares an intimate glimpse into the life of a little-known, but powerful figure in history, and her brave journey as she fled the most powerful couple in the country.

Running a Thousand Miles for Freedom William Craft 2016-07-29 In *Running a Thousand Miles for Freedom* (1860), William Craft recounts the circumstances under which he and his wife escaped from slavery. His account also relates incidents that portray the evils of slavery, including its negative effects on slaveholders, white children sold into slavery, and other slaves. Craft offers tales of cruelty to show that “he who has the power, and is inhuman enough to trample upon the sacred rights of the weak, cares nothing for race or colour,” suggesting that slavery is a product of sadism and not necessarily racial prejudice. To prove this point, Craft recounts the tale of Salomé. Muller, a white German girl sold into slavery in New Orleans after her father's death left her and her sister orphaned. Craft also references other accounts of white children stolen or sold into slavery who later obtained their freedom by either running away or being recognized.The Crafts' story begins with Ellen's experience as a daughter of a slaveholder and a slave. Her father's wife was unhappy that Ellen was thought to be one of her own children, so to distance herself from her husband's illegitimate slave child, she gave Ellen as a gift to her daughter (Ellen's half-sister). This kind sister retained legal possession of Ellen until the couple ran away. Craft's own master, on the other hand, sold off his entire family at different periods to finance outstanding debts. Fortunately, because Craft had already been apprenticed to a cabinet maker, his new master, a cashier at the bank who assumed rights to him, allowed him to continue his trade and earn money for his new master.Throughout the narrative, William quotes sections of law regarding slaves. These excerpts highlight the justifications Southerners made to keep slavery legal and explains why the Crafts were so eager to escape to the North even though neither experienced the extreme physical abuse characteristic of plantation life. Craft introduces a family known as the Slators, whose individual family members were forced into extra-marital relationships and separated from one another before escaping and buying one another's freedom.Determined not to allow any slave owner the opportunity to sell her children, Ellen decides not to have any children while she remains a slave, and this decision strengthens her desire to escape from slavery. Craft tells of struggling for years to find some way to escape before finally coming up with a promising plan: "Knowing slaveholders have the privilege of taking their slaves to any part of the country they think proper, it occurred to me that, as my wife was nearly white, I might get her to disguise herself as an invalid gentleman, and assume to be my master, while I could attend as his slave, and that in this manner we might effect our escape". At first Ellen struggles with the idea. If they were caught, they would be separated and punished, maybe even killed. Yet her desire for freedom overcomes her fears, and Ellen agrees. The pair begins assembling her disguise and arrange with their owners for a period of leave so that they will not be immediately missed.In order to carry out their escape, Ellen dresses as a man with one arm in a poultice sling to avoid having to write, which she has never learned to do, and another sling tied about her face to disguise her beardless and feminine features. On the night of their escape, William recounts that Ellen was so

afraid that she burst into tears, before finally working up the courage to proceed.

Eliza Jumel Burr Diana Rubino 2017-12-12 Providence, Rhode Island, 1775: At the glorious moment of the American nation's birth, little Betsy Bowen is born into grinding poverty. She is raised in a brothel, indentured as a servant, and when her widowed mother is jailed, she toils at backbreaking labour in a workhouse. Like all new Americans, the indomitable Betsy is driven by dreams--of security, of status, of wealth.... But most of all she dreams of being reunited with her father - none other than George Washington, a founding father of the United States of America and the nation's first president. Sharp wits, good humour and a thirst for education help single-minded Betsy reinvent herself, and as Eliza Capet she pursues her quests. She is determined to create her own property empire, conquer the social elite, and above all, to win her dear father's acknowledgment. She also craves love - true romantic love. Though she happily marries French wine merchant Stephen Jumel and makes them both fabulously wealthy, her heart belongs to lawyer, aspiring president, and former Revolutionary War Colonel Aaron Burr. How can Eliza square this circle? How can she find true happiness? What is her ultimate destiny? Based on true events and real people, *Eliza Jumel Burr: Vice Queen of the United States*, is an inspiring story of a woman - of women - trapped in a man's world. With echoes of Daniel Defoe's classic *Moll Flanders*, Rubino has crafted a tale of desperation, ambition, heartache and betrayal, borne with grit, humour, and refusal to compromise with what the heart asks first. Diana Rubino specialises in historical romance, her favourite areas being Medieval and Renaissance England and all American history. She recently completed biographical novels about Alexander Hamilton, Martha Washington's runaway slave Oney Judge, and Nathaniel Hawthorne's wife Sophia. She is a member of Romance Writers of America, the Richard III Society and the Aaron Burr Association.

The Cost of Atonement G. S. Carr 2018-11-17

Trouble Don't Last Shelley Pearsall 2003 Dragged from his bed one night by a fellow slave, eleven-year-old Samuel finds himself on an unexpected, dangerous, and frightening journey north along the Underground Railroad on his way to find freedom in Canada. Reprint.

The Invisibles Jesse Holland 2016-01-01 The Invisibles chronicles the African American presence inside the White House from its beginnings in 1782 until 1862, when President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation that granted slaves their freedom. During these years, slaves were the only African Americans to whom the most powerful men in the United States were exposed on a daily, and familiar, basis. By reading about these often-intimate relationships, readers will better understand some of the views that various presidents held about class and race in American society, and how these slaves contributed not only to the life and comforts of the presidents they served, but to America as a whole.

Policing the Roman Empire Christopher J. Fuhrmann 2012-01-12 Drawing on a wide variety of source material from art archaeology, administrative documents, Egyptian papyri, laws Jewish and Christian religious texts and ancient narratives this book provides a comprehensive overview of Roman imperial policing practices.

Women, Race, & Class Angela Y. Davis 2011-06-29 From one of our most important scholars and civil rights activist icon, a powerful study of the women’s liberation movement and the tangled knot of oppression facing Black women. “Angela Davis is herself a woman of undeniable courage. She should be heard.”—The New York Times Angela Davis provides a powerful history of the social and political influence of whiteness and elitism in feminism, from abolitionist days to the present, and demonstrates how the racist and classist biases of its leaders inevitably hampered any collective ambitions. While Black women were aided by some activists like Sarah and Angelina Grimke and the suffrage cause found unwavering support in Frederick Douglass, many women played on the fears of white supremacists for political gain rather than take an intersectional approach to liberation. Here, Davis not only contextualizes the legacy and pitfalls of civil and women’s rights activists, but also discusses Communist women, the murder of Emmitt Till, and Margaret Sanger’s racism. Davis shows readers how the inequalities between Black and white women influence the contemporary issues of rape, reproductive freedom, housework and child care in this bold and indispensable work.