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[Outreach](#) is the act of providing services to any populations who might not otherwise have access to those services as well as raising awareness of existing services. While librarians do this every day, it is especially critical in May when we prepare

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Webinars

05/03/2018
[Music, Maps, and Minds: Digital Learning Beyond Classroom Walls](#)

INFOhio
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 Eastern

05/30/2018
[Twitch for Teens](#)
 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 Eastern

May 2018 Celebration Weeks and Promotional Events

The links below will show you how to

for summer activities.

One way libraries navigate outreach is through community partnerships. [It Takes a Village: Strategies for Successful Partnerships](#), a webinar presented by Amy Alderman from Calhoun County, shows how one library system can connect with organizations to provide a flourishing "village" for children and families.

How do you reach out into your communities? Contact Jana Fine at jana.fine@dos.myflorida.com and share your outreach stories.



Get Caught Reading

May is [Get Caught Reading](#) month. This nationwide campaign encourages and promotes the fun of reading. Teachers and librarians can see ways to use posters of TV and sports stars, authors and beloved book characters reading a book. [Every Child a Reader](#) provides an [order form](#) that allows you to choose up to twelve posters.

Manga Café

Komi, Naoshi. *Nisekoi: False Love*. (2014-2018). San Francisco, CA: Viz Media.

Raku Ichijo's father is the leader of the Shuei-Gumi Yakuza gang-- the rough-and-tumble Chitoge Kirisaki is the daughter of the rival gang's leader. They can't stand each other, but they're going to have to spend more time



bring these promotions to your library. Don't forget to share your activities with others.

[Foster Care Month](#)

[Get Caught Reading Month](#)

[National Pet Month](#)

May 6 - 12
[National Pet Week](#)

May 13 - 19
[National Transportation Week](#)

May 18
[Endangered Species Day](#)

May 21 - 28
[National Backyard Games Week](#)

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[International Day of](#)

together because their fathers have arranged their marriage to create peace between the gangs. But Raku's got his own plans for his love life. Quirky side characters like Chitoge's overprotective bodyguard, meddlesome gang members, school festivals and secret missions help to keep the pace moving quickly.

Nisekoi: False Love is a madcap series filled with comedy, action and romance. It gets more and more outrageous with each volume. The series never loses its laugh-out-loud humor, even as the plot gets more complicated. There is minimal violence and profanity, but heavy fan service and sexual innuendo make this title suitable for older teens. With some hard selling, this series could appeal to both boys and girls. A high-quality title recommended for libraries looking to add to their romantic comedy manga. The series has 25 volumes and an anime.

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Pierce, Tamora. *Tempests and Slaughter*.

(2018). New York: Random House Children's Books.

Tempests and Slaughter is an all-around crowd pleaser for anyone ages ten and older. Arram Draper is a gifted young man who does not seem to fit in anywhere, especially in his mage boarding school where everyone is much older.

His luck changes when he becomes fast friends with another gifted and outcast mage student, Prince Ozorne and the beautiful and talented Varice.

All of these characters might come across as too formulaic if it were not for Tamora Pierce's brilliant writing. Instead, it's full of strong female heroes and inclusive diversity. Each main character's story could stand alone, but the plot is richer when they are interwoven. The novel also has a lot of inventive vocabulary and geography, hence a useful six-page glossary. There seems to be a PG-Rated *Game of Thrones* vibe to the novel, as well. There is violence, intrigue, fantastical settings, magical creatures, gods, love, adventure and much more.

Tempests and Slaughter is the first book in a brand new series by Pierce, and it covers four years of Arram, Ozorne and Varice's attendance at The Imperial University of Carthak. Many of the chapters are cleverly prefaced with new class schedules for Arram, and the 455-page story is a satisfying length for anyone who wishes to lose themselves in a new and richly textured world!

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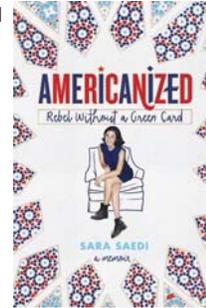
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Saedi, Sara. *Americanized*. (2018). New York: Alfred A. Knopf.

Imagine being thirteen and finding out that you are not an American citizen. Sara Saedi is just a normal teenage girl thinking of prom, clear skin and boys. One day, while her older sister is applying for a job, she and her sister discover that they were born in Iran. Sara has many worries that come to mind; not only getting her green card but also being a teenager.



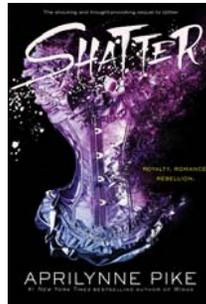
Americanized is a memoir of a thirteen-year-old girl's experience growing up in America not knowing that she is an immigrant from Iran. This book will make you laugh, cry, and most likely you will relate to events. I would recommend this book for ages 13 and up.

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Pike, Aprilynne. *Shatter*. (2018). New York: Random House Books for Young Readers.

In the sequel to *Glitter*, we find Danica in the one place she never expected to be: married to the king. Her escape from the twisted palace of Versailles, where everyone lives like it's the days of Marie Antoinette, was perfectly planned and paid for. Or so she thought.

Danica is betrayed by the man who was supposed to help her leave the palace life behind. But in her new position as Queen, she finds herself strangely intoxicated by

the power she now wields. Can she use her newfound power to free her real love, Saber? Or is the power of being Queen too much to give up?

Aprilynne Pike has woven a world of royalty, romance and rebellion. She's taken the eighteenth century and put her spin on the life that the people of Versailles once lived. The overall book was fast-paced and intriguing. For the kind of content that was in the book, I would recommend this book for ages 16 and up.

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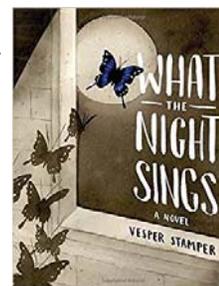
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Stamper, Vesper. *What the Night Sings*. (2018). New York: Borzoi Books published by Alfred A. Knopf.

Vesper Stamper's debut novel *What the Night Sings* is a remembrance of struggle and survival, an ode to those who not only survived but persisted, learning to live and thrive again after the Holocaust. Her teen protagonist, Gerta Rausch, survived one of the darkest periods in modern history using her talents as a musician. She now has to negotiate a new



Jewish identity (she'd been raised to believe she was "German" in an attempt to protect her) along with overcoming the psychological damage of abuse and living for years in a ghetto and death camps. Stamper takes the reader along as Gerta begins to rediscover what her culture and religion mean to her and how she will choose to continue to live, hope and love.

The book arose from Stamper's work pursuing a graduate degree in art, which inspired the tonal images illustrating the story without detracting or distracting. The novel incorporates historical evidence and biographical accounts of two female Holocaust survivors. *What the Night Sings* could be added to tween and teen collections focused on World War II, Holocaust and Jewish studies. Readers will appreciate the larger text and well-paced story. Gerta's story lags slightly, but acceptably, at the point where she must decide her plan of action after liberation by the British.

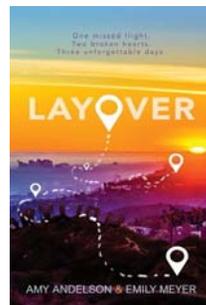
This story creates exposure to history for contextualization and comprehension of the severity and abject conditions Gerta must overcome. As she persists, she develops her concept of self in the world, as a survivor, as an artist, as a wife and as a Jew.

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Anderson, Amy and Emily Meyer. *Layover*. (2018). New York: Crown Books for Young Readers.

Though Flynn Barlow and Amos Abernathy never really bonded as step-siblings, their relationship begins to change when Flynn's mother dies, and Flynn relocates to New York to live permanently with her father's family.

Thought-provoking discussions, music sessions and quiet time together gradually deepen the teens' bond. Then Amos suddenly goes away to boarding school, leaving Flynn confused and upset. Why hasn't he contacted her? Does he

regret their illicit kiss? During the Christmas season, Flynn and Amos (along with their younger half-sister Poppy) are expected to join their parents in Bora Bora. The flight is uneventful until their layover at Los Angeles International Airport. Flynn panics when Poppy blurts out that their parents are about to announce a divorce. How can she lose the only real family she's got left? At Flynn's prompting, the trio flees the airport and spends the next three days AWOL in Los Angeles.

Authors Andelson and Meyer have crafted a story that reads like a Hollywood film where there's swearing, booze, drugs, body piercing, sexual activity and hardly any adults in sight. The adventure, which feels like a fusion of fantasy and reality, never loses pace.

Despite the weighty topics it broaches, *Layover* comes across as a lighthearted story about family, love and rediscovering one's self. Recommended for those who enjoy reading about fractured families, rebellious teens and forbidden romance. This book is suitable for readers aged 15 and older.

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FLYP Forward provides information about the Florida Library Youth Program and Florida's public libraries.

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