



## Social-Emotional Learning Novel Recommendations\*

| Essential Questions  | Novel Recommendations  |
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| <p><b><u>How do teenagers form their identity?</u></b></p> <p>SEL Competency:<br/><b>Self-Awareness</b></p>  | <p><i>Annie John</i> by Jamaica Kincaid<br/> <i>Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe</i><br/> by Benjamin Alire Saenz<br/> <i>The Color of My Words</i> by Lynn Joseph<br/> <i>The Skin I'm In</i> by Sharon Flake<br/> <i>Enchanted Air</i> by Margarita Engle</p>  |
| <p><b><u>When do you know you're fully healed from a painful experience?</u></b></p> <p>SEL Competency:<br/><b>Self-Awareness</b></p>                        | <p><i>A Long Way Gone</i> by Ismael Beah<br/> <i>American Road Trip</i> by Patrick Flores-Scott<br/> <i>Because of the Sun</i> by Jenny Torres Sanchez<br/> <i>Out of My Mind</i> by Sharon Draper<br/> <i>While the Locust Slept</i> by Peter Razor</p>   |
| <p><b><u>What can suffering teach us?</u></b></p> <p>SEL Competency:<br/><b>Self-Management</b></p>  | <p><i>A Stone in My Hand</i> by Cathryn Clinton<br/> <i>Bamboo People</i> by Mitali Perkins<br/> <i>The Fire Next Time</i> by James Baldwin<br/> <i>The 57 Bus: A True Story of Two Teenagers and the Crime That Changed Their Lives</i> by Dashka Slater<br/> <i>They Called Us Enemy</i> by George Takei<br/> <i>The Fault in Our Stars</i> by John Green</p>  |
| <p><b><u>How can you strengthen ties with family members?</u></b></p> <p>SEL Competency:<br/><b>Relationship Skills</b></p>                                  | <p><i>A Raisin in the Sun</i> by Lorraine Hansberry<br/> <i>Ask Me No Questions</i> by Marina Budhos<br/> <i>The Joy Luck Club</i> by Amy Tan<br/> <i>The Color of Water</i> by James McBride<br/> <i>The Glory Field</i> by Walter Dean Myers<br/> <i>Sing, Unburied, Sing</i> by Jesmyn Ward<br/> <i>Love, Hate, and Other Filters</i> by Samira Ahmed<br/> <i>The Best We Could Do</i> by Thi Bui</p>                                     |
| <p><b><u>How can fiction shape our view of ourselves?</u></b></p> <p>SEL Competency:<br/><b>Social Awareness</b></p>   | <p><i>Bad Boy</i> by Walter Dean Myers</p>   |
| <p><b><u>What allows people to persevere to overcome obstacles?</u></b></p> <p>SEL Competency:<br/><b>Responsible Decision-Making and Self-Awareness</b></p> | <p><i>A Long Walk to Water</i> by Linda Sue Park<br/> <i>Black Boy</i> by Richard Wright<br/> <i>The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind</i> by William Kamkwamba<br/> <i>Fire from the Rock</i> by Sharon M. Draper<br/> <i>Ghost</i> by Jason Reynolds<br/> <i>March</i> by John Lewis<br/> <i>A Paradise Built in Hell: The Extraordinary Communities That Arise in Disaster</i> by Rebecca Solnit<br/> <i>I Am Malala</i> by Malala Yousafzai</p> |

\* All titles available on the HMH Into Literature Master Novels List. These are JUST suggested connections.