Proposed Core Literature Titles

The following summary is provided by the California Department of Education’s “Recommended Literature List”, and the top three Google searches of the book title and author name (e.g. Forget Me Not by Ellie Terry) that produced a description of the title.

| Title: Forget Me Not  
| Author: Ellie Terry  
| First Published: 2017  
| Proposed Grade Level: 7 |

California Department of Education, Recommended Literature List:  
https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/cr/rl/  

This title is not listed on the CDE Recommended Literature List. This list was most recently updated in 2016, whereas Just Mercy was first published in 2017.

Descriptions From Top 3 Google Searches:

Astronomy-loving Calliope June has Tourette syndrome, so she sometimes makes faces or noises that she doesn't mean to make. When she and her mother move yet again, she tries to hide her TS. But it isn't long before the kids at her new school realize she's different. Only Calliope's neighbor, who is also the popular student body president, sees her as she truly is—an interesting person and a good friend. But is he brave enough to take their friendship public?

As Calliope navigates school, she must also face her mother's new relationship and the fact that they might be moving—again—just as she starts to make friends and finally accept her differences.

Ellie Terry's affecting debut will speak to a wide audience about being true to oneself.

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https://us.macmillan.com/books/9781250144010

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