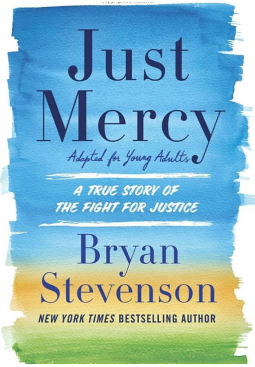


Proposed Core Literature Titles

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. Just Mercy (adapted for young adults) by Bryan Stevenson] that produced a description of the title.

Just Mercy (Adapted for Young Adults)

Proposed Grade Level: 9



Title: **Just Mercy**
Author: **Bryan Stevenson**
First Published: **2018**

Proposed Grade Level: **9**

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 (Adapted for Young Adults) was first published in 2018.

Description From Top 3 Google Searches:

<https://www.amazon.com/Just-Mercy-Adapted-Young-Adults/dp/0525580034>

<https://www.penguinrandomhouse.com/books/567033/just-mercy-movie-tie-in-edition-adapted-for-young-adults-by-bryan-stevenson/>

<https://www.goodreads.com/en/book/show/38251354-just-mercy-adapted-for-young-adults>

The young adult adaptation of the acclaimed, #1 New York Times bestseller Just Mercy--soon to be a major motion picture starring Michael B. Jordan, Jaime Foxx, and Brie Larson and now the subject of an HBO documentary feature!

In this very personal work--adapted from the original #1 bestseller, which the New York Times calls "as compelling as To Kill a Mockingbird, and in some ways more so"--acclaimed lawyer and social justice advocate Bryan Stevenson offers a glimpse into the lives of the wrongfully imprisoned and his efforts to fight for their freedom.

Stevenson's story is one of working to protect basic human rights for the most vulnerable people in American society--the poor, the wrongly convicted, and those whose lives have been marked by discrimination and marginalization. Through this adaptation, young people of today will find themselves called to action and compassion in the pursuit of justice.