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Books to Read during **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**



Rooted in the Earth: Reclaiming the African American Environmental Heritage

by Dianne D. Glave

Author Dianne D. Glave traces the history of African Americans' relationship with the environment, emphasizing the unique preservation-conservation aspect of black environmentalism, and uses her storytelling skills to re-create black naturalists of the past.



Who Fears Death by Nnedi Okorafor

Nnedi Okorafor enters the world of magical realism with her World Fantasy Award-winning novel of a remarkable woman in post-apocalyptic Africa.



A Terrible Thing to Waste by Harriet A. Washington

In this book the author Harriet A. Washington tackles the devastating consequences of environmental racism and its assault on the American mind.



Black Nature: Four Centuries of African American Nature Poetry by Camille T. Dungy

Black Nature is one of the first anthology to focus on nature writing by African American poets



Orleans by Sherri L. Smith

Sherri L. Smith delivers an expertly crafted story about a fierce heroine who uses her powerful voice and firm determination to navigate the wasteland of Orleans.



Moor Vol I and II: What they did not teach you in Black History Class by Cosmo Eland Katharine

The author Cosmo EL explains about the Moorish history and bridging the gap between Blacks and Moors.



Mansa Musa and the Empire of Mali by P. James Oliver

During his long reign as Mali's emperor, Mansa Musa led his empire into its Golden Age. P. James Oliver's biography is an exotic tale of gold, glory, and adventure.



Toxic Communities by Dorceta E. Taylor

Drawing on an array of historical and contemporary case studies from across the country, author Dorceta E. Taylor explores controversies over racially motivated decisions in zoning laws, eminent domain, government regulation (or lack thereof), and urban renewal.