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Step One: Educate Yourself

... **Being Brown** by Rosemary Brown.....One woman's story about being Black in Canada. Relevant to black females..... **Sans Souci** by Dionne Brand..... **The Temple of my Familiar** by Alice Walker....Alice Walker has an uncanny way of putting her finger on the pulse of what it is to be Black. It is a self-awareness novel..... **A Small Place** by Jamaica Kinkaid..... **Black Boy** by Richard Brown.....Black males must read.....powerful stuff..... **Lionheart Gal**: A collection by Sister Vision Press..... **Sula** by Toni Morrison.....It portrays the relationship between two Black women and how fragile their relationship is..... **My Green Hills of Jamaica** by Claude McKay..... **Black Pearls: Blues Queens of the 1920's** by Daphne Duval Harrison.....Gives a view of some of the forgotten great blues singers in the early part of the 20th century **Two Thousand Season** by Oyi Kwei Omah **First A nalogy of Black Poetry and Prose** by Ed Inspiring collection of ideas, values and attitudes from the Black perspective in Canada **The African Origin of Civilization** by Cheik Anta Diop **Black Skin, White Masks** by Franz Fanon This book offers an anguished and elegant description of psychological effects of colonialism on the colonized **No Man in the House** by Cecil Foster **God's Bits of Wood** by O. Sombre Provides reader with good understanding of the experience of colonialism (the struggles, the self-determination, etc.)

"...reading changed forever the course of my life. As I see it today, the ability to read awoke inside me some long dormant craving to be mentally alive."

Malcolm X

..... **Black Jacobians** by C.L.R. James **The Ideology of Racism** by Samuel Kennedy Yeboah Reader is given a lot of information on African history (eg. Egypt) **Wretched of the Earth** by Franz Fanon **How Europe Underdeveloped Africa** by Walter Rodney Gives reader a good understanding of capitalism in Africa **Dust Tracks on a Road** by Zora Neale Hurston **Blacks in American Films and Television** by Donald Bogle Tells of the contributions Africans have made to the American silver screen.....



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