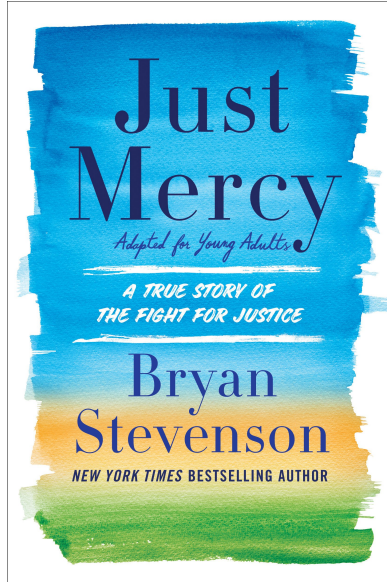


“Just Mercy” (Adapted for Young Adults) by Bryan Stevenson



About *Just Mercy*: 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.



About The Author: Bryan Stevenson is the Executive Director of the Equal Justice Initiative. Since graduating from Harvard Law School and the Harvard School of Government, he has secured relief for dozens of condemned prisoners, argued five times before the Supreme Court, and won national acclaim for his work challenging bias against the poor and people of color. He has won numerous awards, including the MacArthur Foundation "Genius" Grant.



Read Aloud Tips:

- Preface the book by reading age-appropriate articles about the current mass incarceration issue in America.
- As you read, pause to get students reactions. What is truly on their mind?
- This author is dedicated to making change and fighting for social justice, something he believes in. Have students reflect on a time they worked towards making change for something they believe in.

Additional Resources:

Find more information on other books that can be used in your class library at literacy.roosevelt.edu.

