

Social Justice Unit - Choose Book Assignment

This unit will focus on social justice issues through the lenses of race, gender, and socioeconomic status. Together, we will read *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee as well as a number of essays, poems, speeches and informational text to supplement the text.

To Kill a Mockingbird was written in the 1960s and takes place in the 1930s in Southern Alabama. Your task is to find a novel that addresses one of the above lenses and offers a different perspective.

Your end task, will be a synthesis essay that pulls these ideas together and answers the following prompt:

In what manner does equality reflect the idea of justice? Think about and answer this question through at least one of the following lenses - gender, race, socioeconomic, historical, and psychological (human behavior).

You will need to have your book completed by the end of the second week of Quarter 4.

Here are some places to help you get started with thinking of a book:

- ★ [Good Reads](#)
- ★ [YA Book List](#)
- ★ [Google List](#)
- ★ [PBS: "10 Books Besides To Kill a Mockingbird that Tackle Racial Injustice"](#)
- ★ [SocialJusticeBooks.org](#)
- ★ [BookRiot.com](#)
- ★ [SeattleBiblioCommons](#)
- ★ [EpicReads](#)
- ★ [Amazon](#)