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The trial of Gerald Stanley in the death of Colten Boushie exposed deep racial divides in our Canadian culture. Boushie was a young Cree man from the Red Pheasant First Nation in Saskatchewan. He and his friends drove onto the farm of Gerald Stanley, a 56-year-old white farmer, in August 2016. When the dust settled, Boushie was dead and Stanley ...

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Aleutian Sparrow by Karen Hesse. In June 1942, seven months after attacking Pearl Harbor, Japanese navy invaded Alaska's Aleutian Islands. For nine thousand years the Aleut people had lived and thrived on these treeless windswept lands. Within days of the first attack, the entire native population living west of Unimak Island was gathered up and evacuated to relocation centers in the dense forests of Alaska's Southeast.

With resilience, compassion, and humor, the Aleuts responded to the sorrows of upheaval and dislocation. This is the story of Vera, a young Aleut caught up in the turmoil of war. It chronicles her struggles to survive and to keep community and heritage intact despite harsh conditions in an alien environment.

Escape! by John Reid. Two teenagers become involved in a dangerous plot to spring a famous prisoner from jail. This book is based on Trotsky's real-life imprisonment in Amherst.

Heart of a Champion by Ellen Schwartz. When war is declared against Japan after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, everything changes for the Sakamoto family. They are banished to an isolated internment camp, and Kenji's hopes of becoming an Asahi baseball player like his brother are overtaken by the harsh reality of his new life.

A Child in a Prison Camp, by Takashima. In December 1941 Canada was at war with Japan. Within a few months, 22,000 men, women, and children of Japanese descent living on Canada's west coast lost their civil rights, their homes, stores, and fishing boats, and were shipped to internment camps, where they would spend the next three years.

Paper Wishes by Lois Sepahban. A novel about a girl whose family is relocated to a prison camp during World War II - and the dog she had to leave behind.

Naomi's Road by Joy Kogawa. Daddy tells her that war is the worst and saddest things in the world. People get hurt and learn to be afraid. It's like the time the burning match made the fire in Naomi's room. It turns friends into enemies. In Canada some people think Japanese Canadians are enemies.

Using Compasses with Maps
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