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The New
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"The price we pay for being ourselves is worth it."

- Eartha Kitt, performing artist and activist

With the rising demand that oppressed peoples educate our oppressors on our oppression, The New Required Reading's mission is to help preserve marginalized people from this taxation while also cultivating equitable representation in history, raising voices that tell positive and affirming stories to dismantle bias, and redistributing the obligation of understanding

"Revolutions can, and often have, begun with reading."
- Arundhati Roy, writer and activist

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"So You Want To Talk About Race" By Ijeoma Oluo, 2018

Dismantling what Toni Morrison described as "the very serious function of racism... distraction". Oluo answers all the questions you shouldn't be asking on Twitter. Catch her here at XOXO this weekend.

"Why Aren't There More Black People in Oregon: A Hidden History" By Walidah Imarisha, 2014

An oral presentation by the editor of "Octavia's Brood" that covers the recent realities of sundown towns, taxation, forced labor, and indoctrination.

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"El Señor Presidente" By Miguel Ángel Asturias, 1947

Some days it can be hard to differentiate between dreams and the warped reality of our current political climate, much like in Asturias' seminal surrealist work and the first "dictator novel".

"Ministry of the Utmost Happiness" By Arundhati Roy, 2018

A textual rumination on resistance. Filled with queer and genderfluid characters that reflect the reality of a country that just overturned the British colonial criminalization of same sex relationships.