

# Censorship: Amplifying the Voices of a Diverse Population

“The Central Rappahannock Regional Library is committed to maintaining a culture where diversity is celebrated and everyone is included”

A **challenge** is an attempt to remove or restrict library materials, resulting from the objections of a group. A **ban** is the removal of material.

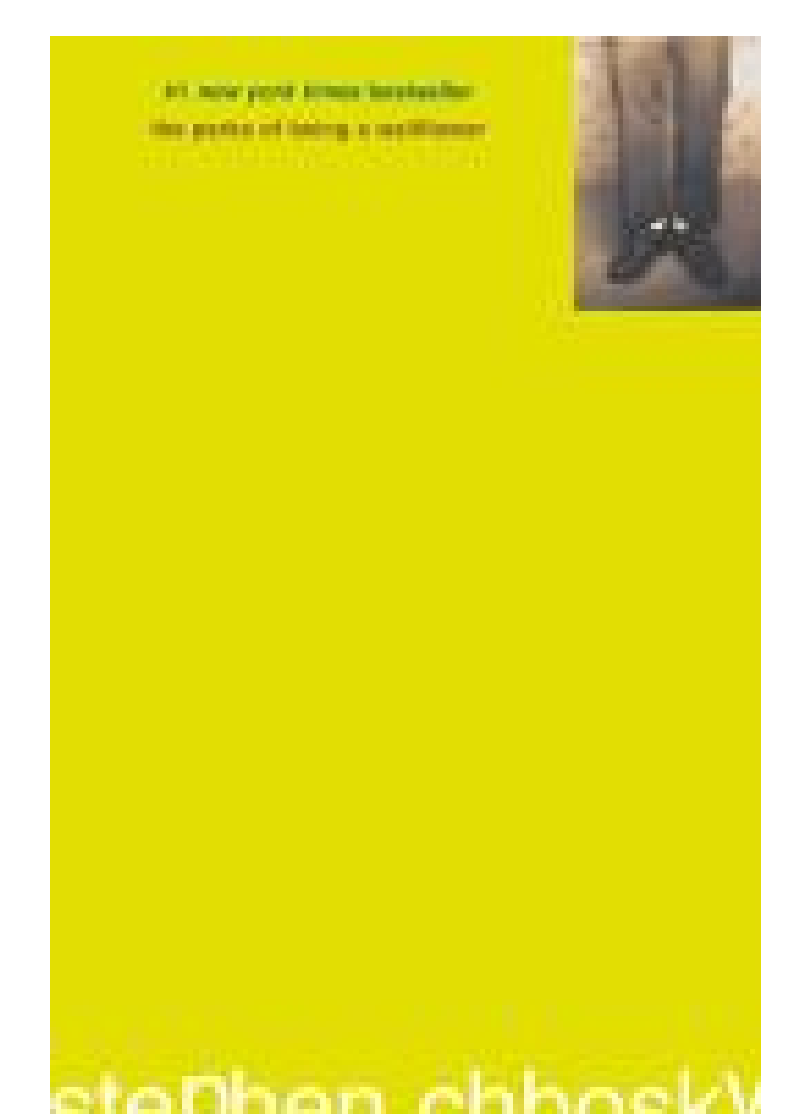
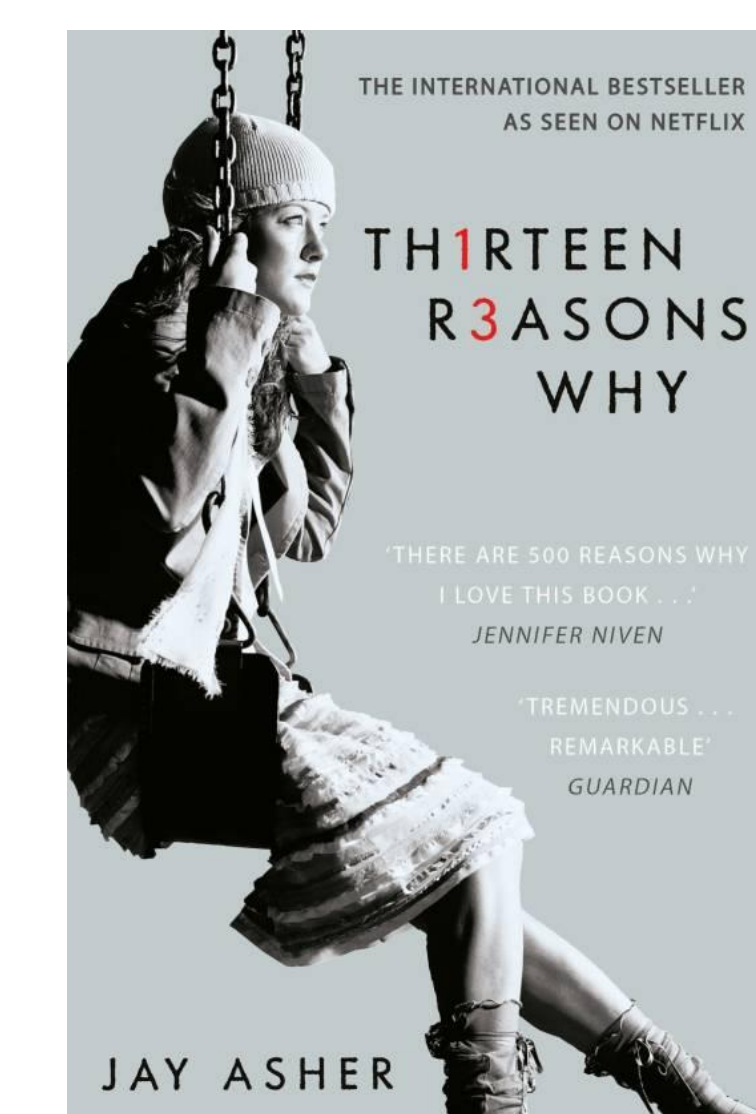
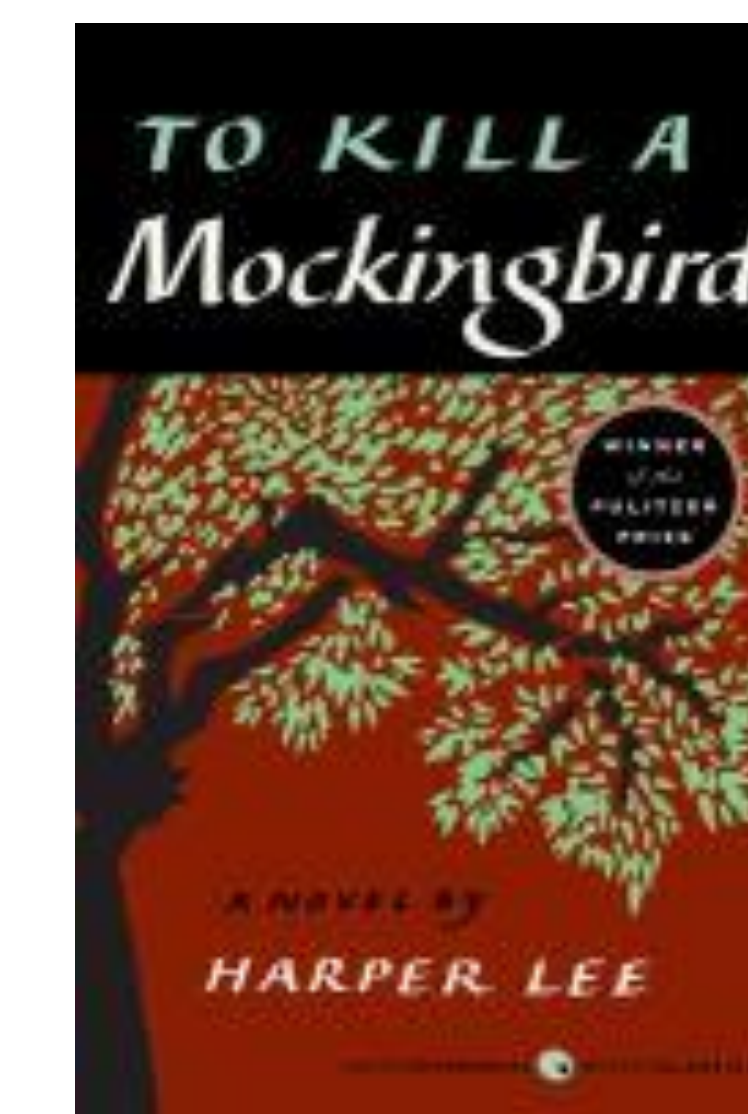
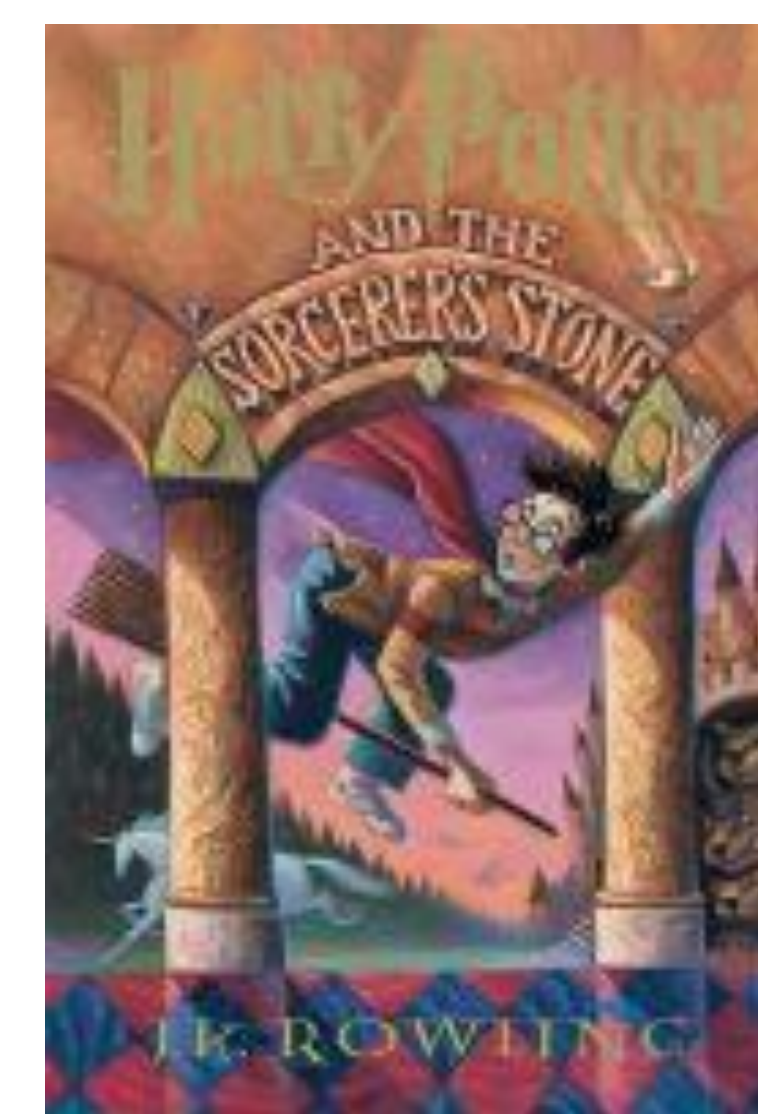
**CRRL is committed to avoid censorship and focus on diversity and inclusion in offered materials and other resources.**

## What topics are subject to censorship?

- Material considered to be “sexually explicit”
- Material containing “offensive language”
- Material determined to be “unsuitable for certain ages”

**Many materials written by/containing references to minority groups (people of color, LGBTQIA+) are subject to censorship.**

**You may recognize these challenged or banned books...**



**CRRL is committed to celebrating our differences! No person shall be subject to discrimination based on their race, sex, color, sexual orientation, religion, or gender identity. We strongly support diversity in our community and collection.**

## Become a hero! Join us and fight censorship in your library:

- Celebrate Banned Book Week from October 1-7
- Challenge yourself! Join our “We Read Banned and Challenged Books 2023”
- Get involved! Check out resources like the “Kid’s Right to Read Project” and “Responding to Book Challenges: A Handbook for Educators”

