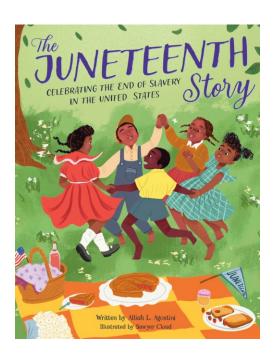


THE JUNETEENTH STORY



Book Summary:

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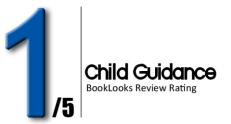
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	For what would span over 300 years, more than 400,000 African people were stolen from their homes and made to help build the country that became this "free" America. Though some tried to fight back, they and many of their descendants were enslaved, brutally forced to work for no pay, and denied their basic rights.
	As the 1900s arrived, new laws spread throughout the South, limiting Black people's rights and keeping Black and white people separate. Called Jim Crow laws, these rules made it hard for many Black people to have access to opportunities like good jobs and education. Black people couldn't even enjoy parks where only whites were allowed, forcing many Juneteenth festivities to be held far outside of town.
	2020: Juneteenth gets the national spotlight as the country witnesses the brutal, race- driven murder of George Floyd at the hands of the police in May 2020, inspiring a surge of Black Lives Matter protests and acknowledgement of the Juneteenth emancipation holiday.