



If you like Monster, try reading...

The First Part Last – Angela Johnson *Fic Joh*

Bobby is a sixteen-year old father raising his baby girl by himself. Follow his story in this powerful novel.

Romiette and Julio – Sharon M. Draper *Fic Dra*

Julio's family has moved to Ohio to get away from the gangs in Texas. Romiette is an African-American girl from a proud family. When the two fall in love, they have to deal with prejudice and threats from a local gang.

Give a Boy a Gun – Todd Strasser *Fic Str*

High-school students Gary and Brendan have been bullied and harassed by the jocks at school. They plot to get even by bringing guns to school. A powerful story that explores different viewpoints and is based on the Columbine shootings.

Jumped – Rita Williams-Garcia *Fic Wil*

Dominique, the tough girl, is going to beat up Trina after school for bumping into her in the hall. Trina doesn't know. Leticia does know. Should she tell Trina? Tense and emotional.

Dope Sick – Walter Dean Myers *Fic Mye*

Lil J is being chased by the police after a drug deal gone bad. He hides in an abandoned building and meets a stranger who makes him think hard about his life. Intense.

Snitch – Allison Van Diepen *Fic Van*

Julia doesn't want anything to do with the gangs in her school until she meets Eric a newcomer who is a Crip. Julia joins the gang, but realizes that her life is spiraling downhill...

Make Lemonade – Virginia Wolff *Fic Wol*

Follow the stories of LaVaughn and Jolly, two inner-city teenagers who are working hard to have better lives. Powerful.

Lockdown – Walter Dean Myers *Fic Mye*

Fourteen-year-old Reese is serving time in juvie jail where he has to deal with a lot of tough stuff. Can he pull himself back from the awful path he's headed down?

Tyrell – Coe Booth *Fic Boo*

Tyrell drops out of school and struggles to take care of his little brother and stay out of drugs. Will he make the right choices?

A Child Called It – David Pelzer *B Pelzer*

This true story tells about the childhood of the author – how he was abused by his mother and how he ultimately overcame his past. Grim, but inspiring.

