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**#DiverseReading2020 issued at the Frankfort Community Public Library
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Frankfort, IN— The advent of a New Year is the perfect opportunity to set fresh goals and intentions, including how much and what to read. This year, the Frankfort Community Public library is inviting you to broaden your horizons by reading stories featuring diverse characters and places with a new Reading Challenge.

#DiverseReading2020 is an Instagram program from the Library's Teen Department, which is also available on Facebook. Simply read books from each category and then share your thoughts. Post a "shelfie" (a photo of the book you read on your bookshelf or yourself with the book) on Instagram or Facebook. Be sure to tag us in the post and use the hashtags #DiverseReading2020, #myFCPL, or #myFCPLReadingChallenges. Those participating earn chances to win prizes throughout the year. If social media is not your thing, that is okay, too. Copies of the Reading Challenge maybe picked up at the Library or our Branches in Michigantown, Mulberry, and Rossville. Be sure to follow our social media and blogs as we tackle diverse reading in the New Year. Expect book reviews and reading suggestions to pop up throughout 2020.

Exploring diverse selections is an excellent way to follow the advice of Atticus Finch in *To Kill a Mockingbird*, who suggested Scout "learn a simple trick." In order to understand other people, Atticus explained that you must "climb into his skin and walk around in it". Reading is a unique opportunity to do just that, a chance to travel beyond Clinton County in a world of books, and learn about different places, different lives, and new perspectives.

For more information, contact Rachel at rmilburn@myfcpl.org or (765) 654-8746. You can find us on Instagram @MyFCPL and @TheYALibraran. We are excited to hear about your experiences with reading diverse materials! ###