September 2019 - The top ten books published this month that librarians across the country love.

**Top Pick:**

*Red at the Bone*

A Novel

by Jacqueline Woodson

(Riverhead Books)

“A rich, multigenerational weaving of two families, starting at Melody’s coming-of-age party. She wears the dress her mother didn’t get to wear because she was pregnant with Melody at the time. Alternating narration moves forward and backward in time, reflecting on family, desire, identity, and parenthood. For fans of Jesmyn Ward and Brit Bennett.”

—Julie Graham, Yakima Valley Libraries, Yakima, WA

NoveList read-alike: *Third Girl from the Left* by Martha Southgate

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**Amanda Brill, Rowan Public Library, Salisbury, NC**

NoveList read-alike: *Sweet Disorder* by Rose Lerner

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**Theresa Bond, Middlesex Public Library, Middlesex, NJ**

NoveList read-alike: *99 Nights in Logar* by Jamil Jan Kochai

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**Carol Melichar, Seminole County Public Library, Casselberry, FL**

by Julia Spencer-Fleming

NoveList read-alike: *First Time in Forever* by Sarah Morgan

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**Amanda Brill, Rowan Public Library, Salisbury, NC**

NoveList read-alike: *Kindred* by Octavia Butler

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**Lori Hench, Baltimore County Public Library, Baltimore, MD**

NoveList read-alike: *Third Girl from the Left* by Martha Southgate

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**Juliana Gray and Amanda Quick**

**The Long Call**

by Ann Cleeves

(Minotaur Books)

“In this new series, the introspective detective Matthew Venn of Devon and his team continue their investigation into the recent murder of an adult woman. Connections emerge to Venn’s estranged parents’ religious community and his partner’s workplace: A solid, almost cozy British mystery for fans of Kate Atkinson and Elly Griffiths.”

—Carol Melichar, Seminole County Public Library, Casselberry, FL

NoveList read-alike: *Reverend Clare Ferguson mysteries* by Julia Spencer-Fleming

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**Theresa Bond, Middlesex Public Library, Middlesex, NJ**

NoveList read-alike: *One Day in December* by Josie Silver

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**Amber Greenwood, Edgewood Public Library, Edgewood, MD**

NoveList read-alike: *First Time in Forever* by Sarah Morgan

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**Theresa Bond, Middlesex Public Library, Middlesex, NJ**

NoveList read-alike: *About Me* by Mhairi McFarlane

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**Kelly Currie, Delphi Public Library, Delphi, IN**

NoveList read-alike: *The Turner House* by Angela Flournoy

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**This Tender Land**

by William Kent Krueger

(Atria Books)

“Odie and company escape a sadistic boarding school and travel through Depression-era America, meeting angels, devils—and everyone in between—along the way. It’s like Huck Finn and friends meet the Odyssey. For fans of Wiley Cash’s *This Dark Road to Mercy* and Louise Erdrich’s *The Round House*.”

—Lori Hench, Baltimore County Public Library, Baltimore, MD

NoveList read-alike: *99 Nights in Logan* by Jamil Jan Kochai

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**Mara Bandy-Fass, Champaign Public Library, Champaign, IL**

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**Well Met**

by Jen DeLuca

(Berkley Jove)

“Emily has been through a rough patch and needs a new start. Where better to start than a small town that puts on a Ren Faire every year. At first she thinks it’s silly, but a handsome pirate soon changes her mind. For fans of Red, White, & Royal Blue by Casey McQuiston.”

—Michelle Herring, Naperville Public Library, Naperville, IL

NoveList read-alike: *Hard Days Knight* by Katie Macalister

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Will My Cat Eat My Eyeballs?
by Caitlin Doughty
(W.W. Norton & Company)

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—Erin Manning, Westlake Porter Public Library, Westlake, OH

Read-alike: Stiff by Mary Roach
Read-alike: What If? by Randall Munroe
Read-alike: True or Poo? by Nick Caruso
Read-alike: Quackery by Lydia Kang

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