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Highlights: Top 11 Most Challenged Books

- [ALA's Top Eleven for 2018](#)
 - [Free downloads: Video, infographic, shareables, and quotes](#)
- [Responses from Authors of the Top 11 Most Challenged Books](#) | OIF Blog
- [Why are there 11 most challenged books this year?](#) | OIF Blog
- ["George" Tops List of Most Challenged Books of 2018](#) | School Library Journal
- [Banned Books Week 2019: Censorship leaves us in the dark](#) | Banned Books Week
- [Books by John Oliver and Angie Thomas on this year's list of 'Most Challenged' titles](#) | New York Times
- [John Oliver and Captain Underpants among the most "challenged" books of 2018](#) | Fast Company
- [John Oliver's book about a gay rabbit parodies Mike Pence family, becomes one of the most-challenged](#) | Inquisitr
- [More than half of banned books challenged for LGBTQ content](#) | NBC News
- [Don't #%?\\$ My Graphic Novels: Conquering Challenges and Protecting the Right to Read](#) Wednesday, April 24, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. CST - To celebrate [School Library Month](#), AASL has gathered banned author Nick Bruel and school librarians to tell their stories of challenges to graphic novels and comics for this free webinar.

Censorship

- [New law requires Idaho public libraries to filter out porn](#) | Idaho Press
- [Anti-Trump Painting Removed From Art Exhibit In Montclair](#) | The Patch
- [Don't freak out, but some books should be banned from Florida schools: Commentary](#) | Orlando Sentinel
- [Gender politics don't belong in the classroom, but Title IX protections do](#) | Washington Post
- [OIF, ODLIS, and VLA Respond to Hollins University's removal of yearbooks](#) | OIF Blog

Privacy

- [How the Times thinks about privacy](#) | New York Times
- [The Privacy Project](#) | New York Times; "The Times is embarking on this months long project to explore the technology and where it's taking us, and to convene debate about how it can best help realize human potential."
- [A new Senate bill would ban a 'deceptive' practice used by Facebook to get user data, such as phone and email contacts](#) | CNBC
- [Is your pregnancy app sharing your intimate data with your boss?](#) | Washington Post
- [Content groups warn FTC over 'troubling' application of EU privacy laws](#) | Variety

Access

- [The State of America's Libraries 2019](#) | American Libraries

- [Atlanta mayor invites drag queen to read to kids at city hall after library cancels 'drag queen reading hour'](#) | The Hill
- [What e-books at the library mean for your privacy](#) | CNet
- [Washington corrections officials reverse ban, will allow prisoners to get used books in the mail](#) | Seattle Times

Net Neutrality and Broadband Access

- [Net neutrality vote passes house, fulfilling promise by Democrats](#) | New York Times
- [The White House is using fuzzy math to justify net neutrality veto](#) | The Verge
- [When the 'homework gap' hits home: How rural Pa. students learn with limited broadband](#) | Centre Daily
- [U.S. Senate Republican leader calls net neutrality bill 'dead on arrival'](#) | Reuters
- [Getting the E-rate to deliver the high-speed broadband connections schoolchildren need](#) | Benton Foundation
- [Dragons lurk in the details of mapping the digital divide](#) | Multichannel

Copyright

- [Tackling copyright concerns when taking storytime online](#) | School Library Journal

Fake News, Free Press, Social Media

- [Ted Cruz, Twitter executive spar over alleged censorship, shadowbanning of conservatives](#) | Fox News
- [Conservatives aren't being censored—They dominate online](#) | The Daily Beast

Academic Freedom & Campus Speech

- [Students' ban of conservative group prompts outrage. But it's unenforceable, university says.](#) | Chronicle of Higher Education
- [Want free speech on campus? Educate students instead of lecturing administrators](#) | Des Moines Register

First Amendment and Free Speech

- [Anti-Semitic posters found at UNC library. It's second racist incident on campus in 2 weeks.](#) | Charlotte News Observer
- [Will Trump's executive order on free speech scare student activists silent?](#) | Fortune
- [Assange hacking charge limits free speech defense: legal experts](#) | Reuters

Around the Web

- [25 Classic Books That Have Been Banned](#) | Mental Floss
- [2019 Free Expression Awards inspire renewed commitment to diversity and inclusion](#) | Freedom Forum Institute
- [A brief history of porn on the internet](#) | Wired
- [Crazy ex-girlfriend pushed boundaries, but did censorship make it a better show?](#) | Slate
- [16 YA authors who built their careers in libraries](#) | School Library Journal

International Issues

- [This controversial history book is causing a stir in France and beyond. Here's why](#) | Time
- [Barcelona school removes "Little Red Riding Hood" for being sexist](#) | El Pais

ALA News

- [State of America's Libraries 2019 report affirms Libraries = Strong Communities](#)
- [2019 Teens' Top Ten Nominees announced](#)
- [Jefferson wins 2020–2021 ALA Presidency](#)
- [ALA and SAGE Publishing release Libraries Transform tools for promoting critical thinking](#)
- [A handbook for Freedom of Information officers and their colleagues](#)
- [AASL and Scholastic announce 'Pilkey Party @ Your School Library' as part of School Library Month celebration](#)
- [Frank Miller and Tom Wheeler are Auditorium Speakers at the 2019 ALA Annual Conference & Exhibition in Washington, DC](#)
- [Out of Print celebrates National Library Week with disaster relief fundraiser and Star Wars™ READ® materials](#)

- [ALA releases new resources on digital storytelling for National Library Week](#)
- [LITA Presents: Universal Parity to Resources](#)

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