

## Prison Reading List for a Chauvin-ist Pig

last summer babygirl  
trusted too much she  
landed in Booking and found:

[drumroll please]  
lo and behold!

- 1) even whitegirls need to fear the police
- 2) prison is boring

so I sent her some books in Booking

as you are [likely] not trans like babygirl  
you will be comfortably assigned to  
your designated cis-binary instead of  
the lonely limbo of Booking

then - wow! - you can even share these books  
with the folx you'll meet  
it's kind to share &  
social scientists suggest reading fiction promotes empathy<sup>1</sup>  
[a theory not yet tested on cops]

*Sing, Unburied, Sing*  
[re-read this one  
don't worry -- you'll have time]

*Friday Black*  
[once you see the possible,  
it's hard to unsee]

*Touching Peace*  
\*babygirl's fave in Booking\*  
[non-fiction, but you apparently  
don't yet get the importance of breath]

imagine what would happen if  
police had to first  
become mothers not just  
mothafuckers

1. Kidd, D. C., & Castano, E. (2013). Reading literary fiction improves theory of mind. *Science*, 1239918