

Fiction

Bennett, Cherie

Life in the Fat Lane

Sixteen-year-old Lara, winner of beauty pageants and Homecoming Queen, is distressed and bewildered when she starts gaining weight and becomes a fat girl.

Block, Francesca

Weetzie Bat (sequels)

Follows the wild adventures of Weetzie Bat and her Los Angeles punk friends, Dirk, Duck-Man and Secret-Agent-Lover Man.

Cabot, Meg

The Princess Diaries (sequels)

Fourteen-year old Mia, who is trying to lead a normal life as a teenage girl in New York City, is shocked to learn that her father is the Prince of Genovia, a small European principality, and that she is a princess and the heir to the throne.

Cashore, Kristin

Graceling

In a world where some people are born with extreme and often-feared skills called Graces, Katsa struggles for redemption from her horrifying Grace of killing and teams up with another young fighter to save their land from a corrupt king.

Chbosky, Steven

The Perks of Being a Wallflower

Caught between trying to love his life and trying to run from it, Charlie is navigating through the strange worlds of love, drugs, "The Rocky Picture Show" and dealing with the loss of a good friend and his favorite aunt.

Galante, Cecilia

The Patron Saint of Butterflies

When her grandmother takes a fourteen-year-old Agnes, her younger brother, and best friend Honey and escapes Mount Blessing, a Connecticut religious commune, Agnes clings to the faith she loves while Honey looks toward a future free of control, cruelty, and preferential treatment.

Haddon, Mark

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time

Despite his overwhelming fear of interacting with people, Christopher, a mathematically-gifted, autistic fifteen-year-old boy, decides to investigate the murder of a neighbor's dog and uncovers secret information about his mother.

Harrar, George

Not as Crazy as I Seem

Devon Brown, 15, may be anxious, even weird, but he knows he's not crazy. He just has a fixation on the number four, an obsession about germs, and an intolerance of untidiness, all of which have afflicted him since his grandfather's death when he was eight. When his parents decide to move to the Boston area, the teen must adjust to a new private school and a new therapist.

Hautman, Pete

Invisible

Doug and Andy are unlikely best friends—one a loner obsessed by his model trains, the other a popular student involved in football and theater—who grew up together and share a bond that nothing can sever.

Howe, James

The Misfits

Four students who do not fit in at their small-town middle school decide to create a third party for the student council elections to represent all students who have ever been called names.

Juby, Susan

Alice, I Think (sequels)

Fifteen-year-old Alice keeps a diary as she struggles to cope with the embarrassments and trials of family, dating, school, work, small life, and a serious case of "outcastitis."

Koertge, Ronald

Stoner & Spaz

A 16-year-old boy with cerebral palsy falls for a beautiful drug addict.

Lekich, John

Loser's Club

All the school losers turn to Alex "Savior" Sherwood to protect them from Jerry Whitman and his extortion ring. But what is a loser, really? This funny, feisty novel delivers some surprises and poses big questions about being true to you.

Lyga, Berry

The Astonishing Adventures of Fanboy and Goth Girl

Fan Boy, a 15-year old geek who keeps a list of high school jocks and others who torment him, pours his energy into creating a great graphic novel. Then he encounters Kyra, Goth Girl, who changes his outlook on almost everything.

McMahon, Jennifer

My Tiki Girl

Fifteen-year-old Maggie, still grieving the loss of her mother in an accident that also gave her a limp, has turned her back on old friends but connects with a new student, Dahlia, who makes her part of her quirky family and plans their future together as roving musicians and lovers.

Plum-Ucci, Carol

What Happened to Lani Garver

The close-knit residents of Hackett Island have never seen anyone quite like Lani Garver. Everything about this new kid is a mystery: Where does Lani come from? How old is Lani? And most disturbing of all, is Lani a boy or a girl?

Spinelli, Jerry

Stargirl (sequel)

In this story about the perils of popularity, the courage of nonconformity, and the thrill of first love, an eccentric student named Stargirl changes Mica High School forever.

Tashjian, Janet

The Gospel According to Larry (sequels)

Seventeen-year-old Josh, a loner-philosopher who wants to make a difference in the world, tries to maintain his secret identity as the author of a web site that is receiving national attention.

Werlin, Nancy

Impossible

When seventeen-year-old Lucy discovers her family is under an ancient curse by an evil Elfin Knight, she realizes that she must perform three impossible tasks before her daughter is born before she breaks the curse and to save them both.

Wittlinger, Ellen

Razzle

After his family moves to Cape Cod, Ken becomes friends with eccentric Razzle and makes her the subject of his photos. When beautiful boy-crazy Harley takes an interest in Ken, it causes a rift between Ken and Razzle which might not heal.

Wolff, Virginia Euwer

Make Lemonade (sequels)

Two young women snared by inner-city poverty—one a single parent, the other her fourteen-year-old babysitter—help each other in a riveting story, as disturbing as it is funny and uplifting.

Graphic Novels**Frampton, Otis**

Oddly Normal (sequel)

Oddly Normal, a half witch with green hair, pointed ears and an aversion to rain, is miserable. She is an outcast at school and her parents are clueless about how abnormal the Normal family is. When her parents disappear, Oddly goes to live with her great-aunt in Fignation.

Naifeh, Ted

Courtney Crumrin and the Night Things (sequels)

Courtney's parents have dragged her out to a high-to-do suburb to live with her creepy Great Uncle Aloysius in his spooky old house. She's not only the new kid in school, but she also discovers strange things lurking under her bed.

Odd One Out

Books about being different



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