

Fiction

Adlington, L.J.

Cherry Heaven

The last birthday I ever had, years ago, was the one where I got shot instead of presents. I wasn't killed before and I won't get dead now. Run, run as fast as I can, can't catch me 'cause I got a plan! Don't anyone get in my way.

Anderson, M.T.

Feed

A book filled with identity crises, consumerism, and starcrossed teenage love in a futuristic society where people connect to the Internet via feeds implanted in their brains.

Atwood, Margaret

The Handmaid's Tale

In a dystopian future, as a handmaid to a high ranking official, Offred is forced to act as a surrogate mother. But Offred can remember an earlier time, and she isn't willing to give up hope for her future.

Bloor, Edward

Taken

When Charity Meyers is taken, she knows better than to panic at first. As the hours of her imprisonment tick by, Charity realizes that no training could have prepared her for what the kidnapers really want or worse, who they turn out to be.



Collins, Suzanne

Hunger games

Katniss is a 16yearold girl living in the remains of what used be the United States. Long ago, the district waged war on the capitol and lost As part of the surrender terms, each district agreed to send one boy and one girl to appear in an annual televised event called, "The Hunger Games." The terrain, rules, and level of audience participation may change but one thing is constant: kill or be killed.

Doctorow, Cory

Little Brother

Marcus' whole world changes when he and his friends get caught in the aftermath of a terrorist attack on San Francisco. In the wrong place at the wrong time, Marcus and his crew are apprehended by the Department of Homeland Security. He knows that no one will believe his story, which leaves him only one option: to take down the DHS himself.

DuPrau, Jeanne

City of Ember (sequels; movie)

Built as an underground refuge for the human race, the city of Ember begins to deteriorate as its lights start to flicker. When Lina finds part of an ancient message, she's sure it holds a secret that will save the city. She and her friend Doon must decipher the message before the lights go out on Ember forever.

Farmer, Nancy

The House of the Scorpion

Some see Matt as a beast. But for El Patron, Matt is a guarantee of eternal life, for they share the same DNA. Matt tries to understand his existence while facing sinister characters.

Hoffman, Alice

Green Angel

Haunted by grief and her past, fifteen year old Green retreats into her ruined garden. She struggles to survive emotionally and physically on her own.

Lowry, Lois

Gathering Blue

Suddenly orphaned and physically disabled, Kira is mysteriously removed from her squalid village to live in the palatial Council Edifice, where she is expected to use her gifts as a weaver to do the bidding of the all powerful Guardians.

Malley, G.R.

The Declaration

In the year 2140, longevity drugs have all but eradicated old age. That means Anna should never have been born. Nor should any of the children she lives with. This searing debut novel asks readers to imagine a dystopian world where they might not be allowed to exist.

Meyer, Stephenie

The Host

A story of love and betrayal in a future with the fate of humanity at stake, featuring what may be the first love triangle involving only two bodies.

Nix, Garth.

Shade's Children

In a savage future world, four young fugitives attempt to overthrow the bloodthirsty rule of the Overlords with the help of Shade, their mysterious mentor.

O'brien, Robert
Z For Zachariah

Seemingly the only person left alive after the holocaust of a war, a young girl is relieved to see a man arrive into her valley until she realizes that he is a tyrant and she must somehow escape.

Pearson, Mary E
Adoration of Jenna Fox

Seventeen year old Jenna has been told that is her name. She has just awoken from a coma, they tell her, and she is still recovering from a terrible accident in which she was involved a year ago. But what happened before that? Jenna doesn't remember her life. Or does she? And are the memories really hers?

Pfeffer, Susan
Life As We Knew It

Through journal entries sixteen year old Miranda describes her family's struggle to survive after a meteor hits the moon, causing worldwide tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.

Philbrick, Rodman
The Last Book in the Universe

After an earthquake has destroyed much of the planet, an epileptic teenager nicknamed Spaz begins the heroic fight to bring human intelligence back to the Earth of a distant future.

Reeve, Philip.
Mortal Engines (sequels)

Tom, an apprentice in the Guild of Historians, saves his hero, Head Historian Thaddeus Valentine, from a murder attempt by the mysterious Hester Shaw only to find himself thrown from the city and stranded with Hester in the Out Country. As they struggle to follow the tracks of the city, the sinister plans of London's leaders begin to unfold

Rosoff, Meg
How I Live Now

Fifteen year old Daisy is sent from Manhattan to England to visit her aunt and cousins she's never met: three boys near her age, and their little sister. Her aunt goes away on business soon after Daisy arrives. The next day bombs go off as London is attacked and occupied by an unnamed enemy.

Stephens, J. S.
The Big Empty

After half of the world's population is killed by a plague, seven teenagers seek a better life in a nightmarish future by deciphering coded messages and trying to avoid the Slashers.

Westerfeld, Scott
Uglies (sequels)

In Tally's world, a 16th birthday brings an operation, transforming one from a repellent Ugly to an attractive Pretty. Turning Pretty is all Tally has ever wanted. Her friend Shay would rather risk life on the outside. When Shay runs away, Tally must make a terrible choice.

Wyndham, John
The Chrysalids

The terrifying story of a world paralyzed by genetic mutation. In a community where deviations are rooted out as abominations, David's ability to communicate by "thought shapes" is a dangerous secret. When his ability is discovered, the results are horrific.

It's the End of the World!



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