Draper, Sharon M.
**COPPER SUN**
Captured in Africa and sold into sexual slavery in 18th century America, Amari finds an ally in Polly, a white indentured servant.

Forman, Gayle
**IF I STAY**
In a coma from the accident that killed her family, Mia looks back over her life and must decide whether to stay or go.

Green, John
**LOOKING FOR ALASKA**
The nucleus of Pudge’s boarding school friends is razor-sharp, sexy, and self-destructive Alaska, who has perfected the arts of pranking and evading school rules.

Green, John
**WILL GRAYSON, WILL GRAYSON**
Two boys with difficult love lives and a shared name accidently meet and hilariously change the direction of each others’ lives.

Hornby, Nick
**SLAM**
For 16-year-old Sam, life is about to get extremely complicated. He and his ex-girlfriend Alicia have gotten themselves into a bit of trouble. Sam is suddenly forced to grow up and struggle with the familiar fears and inclinations that haunt us all.

Johnson, Angela
**THE FIRST PART LAST**
The love of 16-year-old Bobby’s life is his baby daughter.

Lindner, April
**JANE**
In this contemporary retelling of “Jane Eyre,” an orphaned nanny becomes entranced with her magnetic and brooding employer, a rock star with a torturous secret from his past.

Lockhart, E.
**THE DISREPUTABLE HISTORY OF FRANKIE LANDAU-BANKS**
Frankie, tired of being underestimated, takes on the male secret society at her exclusive boarding school.

Lynch, Chris
**INEXCUSABLE**
Keir knows he is a good guy, and he really loves Gigi, so how can she claim he raped her?

Peet, Mal
**TAMAR**
15-year-old Tamar uncovers the shocking truth about her beloved grandfather, a member of the Dutch resistance during WWII.

St. James, James
**FREAK SHOW**
Billy Bloom is gay, but it’s mostly theoretical, as he hasn’t had much experience. When he moves to a new school, Billy’s efforts to fit in and stand out at the same time are both hilarious and heartrending.

Smith, Andrew
**IN THE PATH OF FALLING OBJECTS**
While hitchhiking across New Mexico, two brothers become involved with a pregnant girl and her companion, a jealous psychopath.

Soto, Gary
**AFTERLIFE**
A young man is murdered, but that’s just when his life becomes interesting as he finally sees that people love him.

Stork, Francisco X.
**MARCELO IN THE REAL WORLD**
Sheltered Marcelo discovers love and exposes injustice when he is forced to work at his father’s law firm over the summer.

Whitney, Daisy
**THE MOCKINGBIRDS**
A powerful group of students are in charge of meting out justice at Alex’s school, and when she is date raped, she turns to them.

Williams-Garcia, Rita
**JUMPED**
Leticia overhears Dominique’s plans to beat up Trina after school and must decide whether or not to get involved.

Zusak, Markus
**THE BOOK THIEF**
Narrated by Death and set in Nazi Germany, this is the powerful tale of a scrappy foster child with an affinity for forbidden books.

Zusak, Markus
**I AM THE MESSENGER**
After capturing a bank robber, nineteen-year-old cab driver Ed Kennedy begins receiving mysterious messages that direct him to addresses where people need help, and he begins getting over his lifelong feeling of worthlessness.
THE FANTASTIC

Anderson, M. T.
FEED
When everyone is connected to a vast computer network through a brain implant, a malfunctioning feed can be deadly.

Bacigalupi, Paolo
SHIP BREAKER
In a futuristic world, teenaged Nailer scavenges copper wiring from grounded oil tankers for a living, but when he finds a beached clipper ship with a girl in the wreckage, he has to decide if he should strip the ship for its wealth or rescue the girl.

Bray, Libba
BEAUTY QUEENS
When a plane crash strands thirteen teen beauty contestants on a mysterious island, they struggle to survive, to get along with one another, to combat the island’s diabolical occupants, and to learn their dance numbers in case they are rescued in time for the competition.

Donnelly, Jennifer
REVOLUTION
While in Paris doing research for her senior project, Andi becomes obsessed with the 200-year-old diary of another desperate teen.

Fisher, Catherine
INCARCERON *
Finn awakens in a huge sentient prison that no one from Outside enters, and from which no from Inside ever escapes.

Hale, Shannon
BOOK OF A THOUSAND DAYS
Fifteen-year-old Dashti, sworn to obey her sixteen-year-old mistress, the Lady Saren, shares Saren’s years of punishment locked in a tower, but then brings her safely to the lands of her true love, where both must hide who they are as they work as maids.

Hardinge, Frances
LOST CONSPIRACY
Neither Arilou nor her younger sister Hathin is exactly what she seems, and they live a lie that is carefully constructed and jealously guarded.

McBride, Lisa
HOLD ME CLOSER, NECROMANCER
College drop-out Sam works at a burger joint and has a slacker lifestyle until he learns he’s a necromancer—the hard way.

McKinley, Robin
SUNSHINE
On her day off from work at the coffeehouse, Sunshine is captured by vampires who leave her as bait in their own internal war.

Ness, Patrick
THE KNIFE OF NEVER LETTING GO *
Todd must flee his home town, a settlement where there are no women and all the men can hear each others’ thoughts.

Pearson, Mary
THE ADORATION OF JENNA FOX
Jenna awakens from an 18-month-long coma with no memory of her past or the car crash she could not have medically survived.

Pfeffer, Susan Beth
LIFE AS WE KNEW IT *
When a meteor hits the moon, the catastrophic results to life on earth are chronicled in Miranda’s desperate diary.

Reeve, Philip
FEVER CRUMB *
Is the mystery of Fever, adopted daughter of Dr. Crumb, the key to the secret that lies at the heart of post-technology London?

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. 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.

Stiefvater, Maggie
SHIVER *
When a yellow-eyed boy appears on her porch, Grace knows that he is the wolf who has been living in the nearby woods for years.

Werlin, Nancy
IMPOSSIBLE
Pregnant Lucy must perform three impossible tasks to break the Elfin Knight’s curse that will doom her unborn daughter.

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