

YA CHB

Perks of Being a Wallflower by Stephen Chbosky

High school freshman Charlie becomes a loner after his best friend commits suicide. We know about Charlie through letters he writes to someone of an undisclosed name. He makes friends with seniors, Sam and Patrick, and spends his whole freshman year hanging out with them. Charlie then struggles with drugs and the task of making friends after Sam and Patrick graduate.

YA CRU

Sledding Hill by Chris Crutcher

Billy, recently deceased, keeps an eye on his best friend, 14-year-old Eddie, who has added to his home and school problems by becoming mute. He helps him stand up to a conservative minister and English teacher who is orchestrating a censorship challenge.

YA DEU

High Heat by Carl Deuker

When sophomore Shane Hunter's father is arrested for money laundering at his Lexus dealership, the star pitcher's life of affluence and private school begins to fall apart.

YA DEU

Painting the Black by Carl Deuker

Ryan is thrilled when star athlete Josh Daniels moves in across the street. They play catch for hours and Ryan secretly dreams of catching for the varsity team in the spring. Just before a championship game, Ryan interrupts an assault on a girl in the school. He sees that one of the masked boys is Josh, but telling the authorities proves to be an agonizing decision.

YA GAR

Tartabull's Throw by Henry Garfield

In 1967 an encounter with a mysterious young woman from Maine involves a 19-year-old baseball player in an investigation of a vicious, murderous werewolf.

YA GIL

Playing in Traffic by Gail Giles

Shy and unremarkable, 17-year-old Matt Lathrop is surprised and flattered to find himself singled out for the sexual attentions of the alluring Skye Colby, until he discovers the evil purpose behind her actions.

YA GIL

Shattering Glass by Gail Giles

When Rob, the charismatic leader of the senior class, turns the school nerd into Prince Charming, his actions lead to unexpected violence.

YA HAU

Godless by Pete Hautman

When 16-year-old Jason Bock and his friends create their own religion to worship the town's water tower, what started out as a joke begins to take on a power of its own.

YA HIT

King of Slippery Falls by Sid Hite

While on a single-minded quest to catch an elusive giant trout, sixteen-year-old Lewis Hinton's life in a small Idaho town is turned upside-down when he learns that he is adopted and might be a descendant of French royalty.

YA KLA

You Don't Know Me by David Klass

Fourteen year-old John creates alternative realities in his mind as he tries to deal with his mother's abusive boyfriend, his crush on a beautiful, but shallow classmate and other problems at school.

YA KOR

Son of the Mob by Gordon Korman

Seventeen-year-old Vince's life is complicated by the fact that he is the son of a powerful Mafia boss, a relationship that threatens to destroy his romance with the daughter of an FBI agent.

YA LAN

Blood is Thicker by Paul Langan

Hakeem can't take it anymore. After his dad becomes sick and the family has to move in with his cousin's family, He does all that he can to keep peace with his cousin Savon. Lately, there has been a string of robberies in the area and Savon has been sneaking out at night. One night Hakeem decides to follow him to find out what he is doing.

YA LIT

Hard Love by Ellen Wittlinger

After starting to publish a zine in which he writes his secret feelings about his lonely life and his parents' divorce, sixteen-year-old John meets an unusual girl and begins to develop a healthier personality.

YA LUB

Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie by David Lubar

Scott Hudson has one goal for his freshman year: to survive. To cope with the expected (friends dumping him) and unexpected (mom's pregnant!) changes of his first year of high school, Scott keeps a diary in the guise of writing advice to "Smelly," his unborn brother.

YA LYN

Inexcusable by Chris Lynch

High school senior and football player Keir sets out to enjoy himself on graduation night, but when he attempts to comfort a friend whose date has left her stranded, things go terribly wrong.

YA PEN

Ball Don't Lie by Matt de La Pena

Sticky, 17, white and skinny has spent his life being abused by pimps living with his prostitute mother, bouncing from one foster home to another, and living on the street. The fact that he can ball with the best of them gives him considerable social standing among his mostly black peers until a bad decision leads him to confront dark secrets.

YA TRU

Stuck in Neutral by Terry Trueman

Fourteen year-old Shawn McDaniel, who suffers from severe cerebral palsy and cannot function, relates his perceptions of his life, his family, and his condition, especially as he believes his father is planning to kill him.

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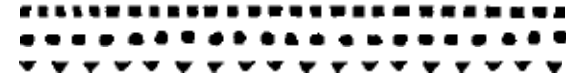
Hard Hit by Ann Turner

A rising high school baseball star faces his most difficult challenge when his father is diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

YA WOL

True Believer by Virginia Euwer Wolf

Living in the inner city amidst guns and poverty, 15-year-old LaVaughn learns from old and new friends, and inspiring mentors, that life is what you make it--an occasion to rise to.



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