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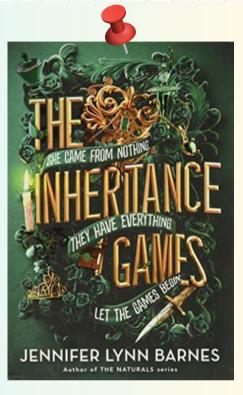
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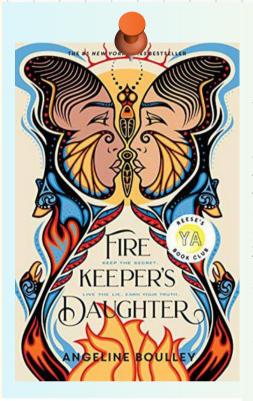
I've read all these books.



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Billionaire Tobias Hawthorne mysteriously leaves his vast fortune to Avery Grambs, a teen living out of her car who doesn't even know who Tobias Hawthorne is-but not without conditions. In order to accept the inheritance, Avery has to move into the sprawling, mysterious Hawthorne House and solve the billionaire's intricately-plotted puzzle... for her own survival. A fast-paced trilogy opener.

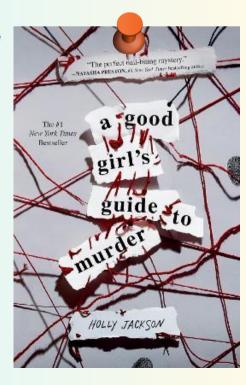


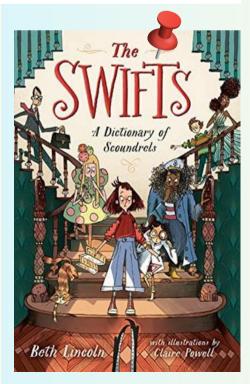


Daunis has spent her life balancing two identities; her father was Ojibwe, from the reservation, and her mom is white, from a wealthy political family. When tragedy strikes, causing her to put off college for a year, she finds herself embroiled in a mystery involving meth on the reservation, sexual assault, and the murder of her lifelong friend. An intense thriller with Ojibwe history and MANY twists and turns. L

THESE ARE MYSTERIES

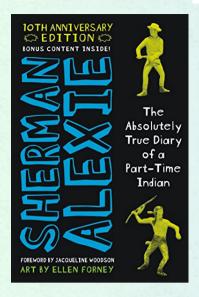
Five years ago, Andie was murdered by her boyfriend Sal Singh, and then Sal died by suicide. Pip has always felt there was something more to the story, and now that she's a senior, she's decided to devote her senior project to discovering the truth. It appears, however, that someone doesn't want the truth discovered. Four book series! 🛕 🗎 🔔



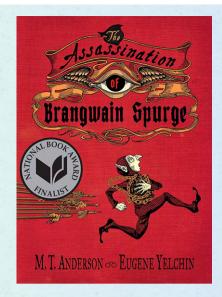


Every member of Shenanigan Swift's family is named from the Sacred Family Dictionary, and expected to live up to their name. When someone gives Arch-Aunt Schadenfreude a deadly push down the stairs at the Swift Family Reunion, Shenanigan decides to investigate. Puzzles, word play, and foul play, Lemony Snicket-style! 🔓 🔒 🛄

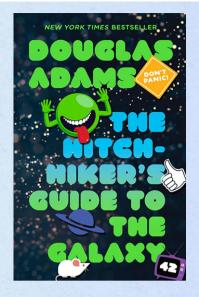
LAUGH-OUT-LOUD FUNNY



Goofy-looking Junior, a dorky cartoonist with a sardonic sense of humor and a decent jump shot, leaves his school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all-white school, where the only other Indian is the school mascot. Dark humor, basketball, best friends.



What happens when an elfin historian and a goblin archivist meet for the first time, after more than a century of war between their communities? A hilarious book about who gets to write history, told from both perspectives (one in words, one in pictures, and one decidedly more biased than the other).



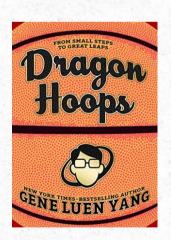
And now for something completely different: Arthur Dent is the last surviving human, rescued by Ford Prefect of the planet Betelgeuse. A zany intergalactic romp with British humor, a healthy dose of philosophy, and references you'll find everywhere.

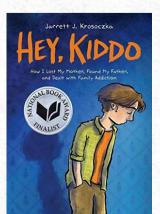


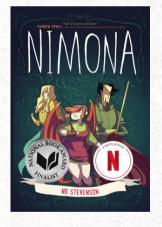
GRAPHIC NOVELS+

A graphic memoir by the author of American Born Chinese, about the basketball team at the high school where he worked in California, weaving in the history of basketball, his own life as a Chinese American, and the trials of a high school team trying to clinch the state title.

Jarrett's mother is a heroin addict; his father is not in the picture. He lives with his grandparents, who love him in their own imperfect way. The honest, unconventional coming-of-age memoir of an artist.





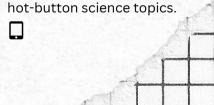


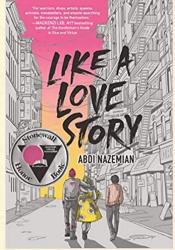


Lord Blackheart, a villain with a vendetta, and his sidekick, Nimona, an impulsive young shapeshifter, must prove to the kingdom that Sir Goldenloin and the Institution of Law Enforcement and Heroics aren't the heroes everyone thinks they are.

Netflix adaptation drops in June. And there's an audiobook?!

Did the moon landing really happen? Is climate change real? How about evolution? An investigative journalism and MythBusters mashup on eight hot-button science topics.



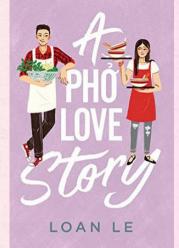


It's 1989, and New York City is the epicenter of the AIDS crisis. Closeted Iranian immigrant teen Reza knows he's gay, but is terrified. He starts dating Judy, an aspiring fashion designer who worships her uncle Stephen, a gay man with AIDS. As Reza develops feelings for Judy's out-and-proud best friend, Art, he tries to find a way out of his deception that won't break Judy's heart—and his closest friendship.

ROMANCE



Teens fall in love, as one finds her footing in the United States after a recent move from Trinidad, and one navigates the onset of her chronic illness. A lyrical love story in two voices, delivering magical realism and a tremendous emotional punch.



For years, the Mais and the Nguyens have been at odds, having owned competing, neighboring pho restaurants. Bao and Linh have avoided each other for most of their lives, but sparks fly when a chance encounter brings them together. Hating -> Dating!

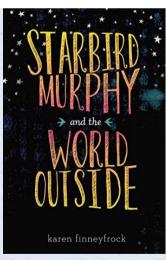


To win the grand prize at the end of their survival course, exbest friends Claire and Bradley trudge through mud, dirt and their messy past, bringing them closer together and sparking a whole new kind of relationship. Witty, swoon-worthy.

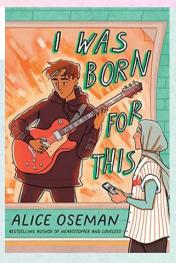
IT COULD HAPPEN?!



Maddie wakes up utterly alone in her evacuated Colorado town, with no power or internet, and only her Rottweiler, George, for company. As the months go by, can her stubborn will to survive carry her through the most frightening experience of her life? A novel-in-verse for fans of *Hatchet* and the *I Survived* series. Heads up, Dog Club!

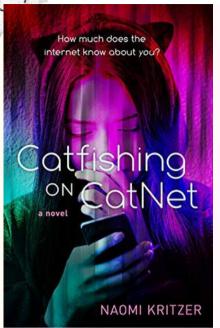


Growing up on the Free Family
Farm, a commune in the woods of
Washington State, Starbird has
never touched a dollar bill, been in a
car, or used a cell phone. When she
gets her "Calling" to be a waitress at
the Free Family's restaurant in
Seattle, she decides to leave behind
the only home she's ever known...
and steps into the World Outside.
Poetic, world expanding.



The Ark, a boy band, is the center of life for super-fan Angel Rahimi, trans front man with serious anxiety Jimmy Kaga-Ricci, and friend/bandmate Rowan, but their relationships become complicated when Jimmy and Angel are unexpectedly thrust together. Fame and fandemonium, from the author of *Heartstopper*.

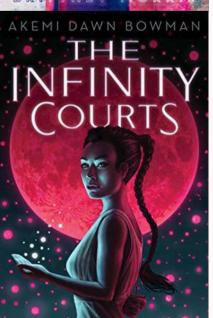
TECH WORLD



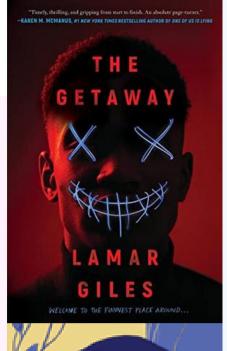
Steph and her mom never stay in one place for long, with Steph's abusive father always on their tail. Her only constant is an online community called CatNet—a social media site where users upload cat pictures—a place she knows she is welcome. What Steph doesn't know is that the admin of the site, CheshireCat, is a sentient Al. When ChesireCat's existence is discovered by outsiders, it's up to Steph and her friends, both online and IRL, to save her. Funny, thrilling, suspenseful... plus, a sequel. \square



Seventeen-year-old Kiera is a gamer who secretly develops an online roleplaying game called Slay. The game is meant to be a safe space for Black gamers – but things start to fall apart when someone gets killed in connection with the game. Ready Player One meets The Hate U Give.



Murdered on the way to her high school graduation party, eighteen-year-old Nami Miyamoto finds herself in an afterlife ruled by Ophelia, a virtual assistant planning to eradicate human existence. High-stakes, dizzyingly clever sci-fi with an AI entity intent on destroying humanity. What could go wrong? Plus, a sequel.







Jay discovers that the mountain resort where he lives and works with his friends and family is also a doomsday oasis for the rich and powerful, who expect top-notch customer service even as the world outside the resort's walls disintegrates. Absolutely gripping, page-turning speculative horror.

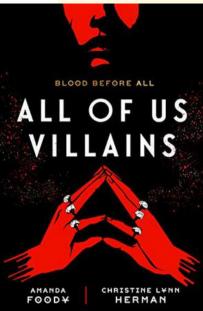
After the Second Civil War, the Pro-Choice and Pro-Life armies compromise: no pregnancy is allowed to be terminated-but when children turn 13, their parents can decide to "unwind" them, as long as all of their organs are repurposed for others. Connor, Risa and Lev are all slated for unwinding for different reasons-but they have other plans. Multiple sequels.

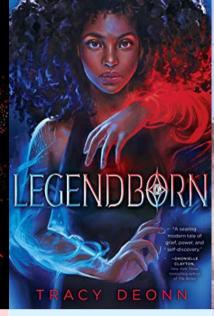
At the elite Medio School for Girls, trainees are destined for one of two roles: Primeras run their husbands' households, and Segundas raise their children. Dani, placed as a Primera for a powerful family's son, is secretly from the other side of the border-where poverty and desperation rule. If caught, she will be sent back. When she gets recruited to spy for the resistance, fighting to bring equality, she must make difficult choices. Mythology, danger, queer love, and a sequel.

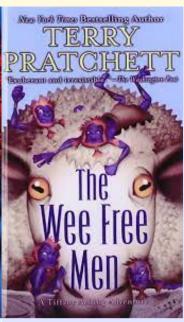
DYSTOPIA

FANTASY









Percy Jackson fans, rejoice–Nico and Will have a book of their own! Demigods Nico di Angelo and Will Solace must endure the terrors of Tartarus to rescue an old friend in this standalone adventure.

Once in a generation, seven wicked families in a remote city select a competitor to fight to the death in a bloody tournament, for exclusive control over a wellspring of high magick that most of the world believes to be long depleted. But—the secret is out. Think *The Hunger Games*, with magick.

After witnessing a magical attack at a residential college program for gifted high schoolers, Bree discovers her own heretofore unseen magical abilities, and swears revenge against the secret society connected to her mother's recent death. A retelling of the Legend of King Arthur.

Young witch-to-be Tiffany Aching, armed only with a frying pan and her common sense, teams up with the Wee Free Men, a clan of fierce, sheepstealing, sword-wielding, six-inch-high blue men, to rescue her baby brother and ward off a sinister invasion from Fairyland.

"As long as Ophelia had scruples, as long as she acted according to her conscience, as long as she could face up to her reflection every morning, she would belong to no one else but herself." A French bestseller, this dark, intriguing adventure-intranslation begins with Ophelia's unexpected arranged engagement. Forced to leave everything she knows, she must follow her mysterious fiancé to the dangerous, icy ark known as Pole. For fans of The Golden Compass. Read all four books in the Quartet.



Linus Baker, a Case Worker at the Department in Charge Of Magical Youth, leads a quiet, solitary life, until the day he is unexpectedly summoned by Extremely Upper Management. His highly classified assignment is evaluating an island orphanage, where six dangerous children reside: a gnome, a sprite, a wyvern, an unidentifiable green blob, a were-Pomeranian, and the Antichrist. Linus must set aside his fears, and determine whether or not they're likely to bring about the end of days. An enchanting story about unlikely chosen family.

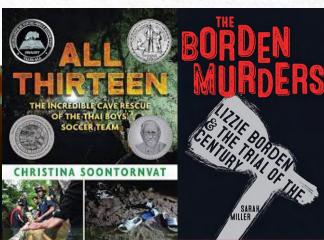
NONFICTION

The NATURAL WORLD of ANIMAL SEXUALITY (AND OTHER ANIMALS)

An incredibly entertaining exploration of samesex sexual behavior in the animal world.

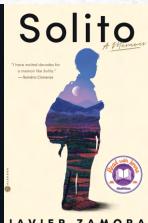


The Milky Way speaks for itself! A witty, engaging, outof-this-world recounting of the history and future of the universe.



Lizzie Borden took an axe / she gave her mother forty whacks / When she saw what she had done / she gave her father fortyone. Did she do it?? Complete with photos/documents from the scene, this is for the true crime

fans.



JAVIER ZAMORA

The gripping story of Zamora's journey to the United States at age 9. The "trip," as his parents called it, was supposed to last two weeks. Instead, it lasted a grueling two months and included a desert crossing, thirst, hunger, and fear as he and other migrants followed a coyote who was paid to lead them to safety.

HISTORICAL FICTION

The suspensful story of

mission that saved 12

boys and their coach

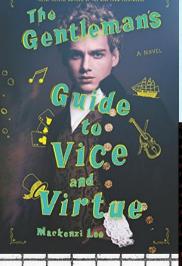
from the flooded Cave

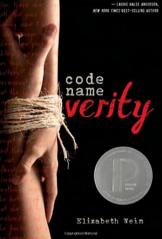
of the Sleeping Lady in

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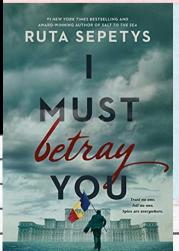
the 18-day rescue

Henry Montague (aka Monty) was born and bred to be an English gentleman, but he has other ideas. On a yearlong Grand Tour of Europe (before he settles down), Monty plans on having as much fun as possible, which includes pirates, highwaymen... and romantically pursuing his traveling companion, Percy. A racy, hilarious 18th century adventure with a modern twist. 🚺 🔲





After her crash-landing in France and capture by the Nazis, a wireless operator for the British (who goes by Queenie, Eva, Verity, and other aliases) reveals bits of code in exchange for reprieve from torture... and to postpone her execution. But what is true, and what isn't? Where is her friend Maddie, and what else is happening while she sits in prison? An intricately-plotted thriller with a shocking end.

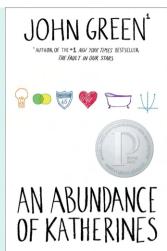


When Cristian is blackmailed by the secret police to become an informer, he's left with two choices: betray everyone and everything he loves-or use his position to creatively undermine the most notoriously evil dictator in Eastern Europe. A gut-wrenching, startling historical thriller about communist Romania and the citizen spy network that devastated a nation. 🞧 🔲

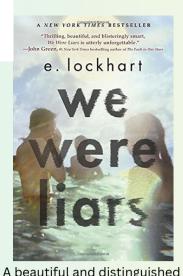
ALL IN A SUMMER



Abigail (she/her/hers) is so excited to spend her summer at Camp QUILTBAG, a retreat for queer and trans kids where she can be herself. Kai (e/em/eir) is not excited, at all. After a bit of a rocky start at camp, Abigail and Kai make a pact: If Kai helps Abigail make new friends, Abigail will help Kai's cabin with the all-camp competition. A summer full of queer crushes and finding community.



On a summer road trip with his best friend Hassan, washed-up child prodigy and anagram aficionado Colin Singleton struggles to derive a mathematical formula to explain why he has been dumped by 19 girls named Katherine, and finds more than he bargained for among the quirky inhabitants of the tiny town of Gutshot, Tennessee. Sarcastic humor, lovable characters.



family. A private island. A brilliant, damaged girl; a passionate, political boy. A group of four friends—the Liars—whose friendship turns destructive. A revolution. An accident. A secret. Lies upon lies. True love.

Read it. And if anyone asks you how it ends, just LIE. (

The truth.



A beautiful and distinguished Everyone who lives near the lake knows the stories about the magical world beneath it, an ethereal landscape rumored to be half-air, halfwater. But two nonbinary, neurodivergent teens, Bastián Silvano and Lore Garcia, are the only ones who've been there. When the lines between air and water begin to blur, they have to stop it, if they want to keep their secrets intact. One problem: They haven't spoken in seven years, and working together means trusting each other with the very things they're trying to hide.

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