

*It's Kind of a Funny Story*

By Ned Vizzini

YA FIC Viz

A humorous account of a fifteen-year-old New York teenager's battle with depression and his time spent in a psychiatric hospital.

*Lawn Boy*

By Gary Paulsen

YA FIC Pau

Things get out of hand for a twelve-year-old boy when a neighbor convinces him to expand his summer lawn mowing business.

*Son of the Mob*

By Gordon Korman

YA FIC Kor

YA CD FIC Kor

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

*The Teacher's Funeral: a Comedy in Three Parts*

By Richard Peck

YA FIC Pec

In rural Indiana in 1904, fifteen-year-old Russell's dream of quitting school and joining a wheat threshing crew is disrupted when his older sister takes over the teaching at his one-room schoolhouse after mean, old Myrt Arbuckle " hauls off and dies."

*The Year My Life Went Down the Loo*

By Katie Maxwell

YA FIC Max

Emily finds it difficult to adjust when her family moves from Seattle to England, and e-mails her friend back home all of her troubles.

*The Year of Secret Assignments*

By Jaclyn Moriarty

YA FIC Mor

Three female students from Ashbury High write to three male students from rival Brookfield High as part of a pen pal program, leading to romance, humiliation, revenge plots, and war between the schools.

*24 Girls in 7 Days*

By Alex Bradley

YA FIC Bra

Jack Grammar, average American senior, has no date for the prom until his so-called best friends post an ad in the school newspaper and assemble a list of eager girls, giving him just seven days to meet and date them all before asking one special girl to the prom.

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titles

*The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*

By Sherman Alexie

YA FIC Ale

Junior leaves his troubled school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all-white farm town high school where the only other Indian is the school mascot.

*An Abundance of Katherines*

By John Green

YA FIC Gre

YA FIC CD Gre

Having been recently dumped for the nineteenth time by a girl named Katherine, recent high school graduate and former child prodigy Colin sets off on a road trip with his best friend to try to find some new direction in life while also trying to create a mathematical formula to explain his relationships.



*Alice, I Think*

By Susan Juby

YA FIC Jub

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

*Angus, Thongs, and Full-Frontal Snogging:  
Confessions of Georgia Nicolson*

By Louise Rennison

YA FIC Ren

YA PLAY FIC Ren

Presents the humorous journal of a year in the life of a fourteen-year-old British girl who tries to reduce the size of her nose, stop her mad cat from terrorizing the neighborhood animals, and win the love of handsome hunk Robbie.

*Born Too Short*

By Dan Elish

YA FIC Eli

Thirteen-year-old Matt is so envious of his best friend Keith that he wishes things would go badly for him, and when Keith's fortune changes while at the same time Matt finds his first true girlfriend, Matt is overcome with guilt.



*The Boyfriend List*

By E. Lockhart

YA FIC Loc

A Seattle fifteen-year-old explains some of the reasons for her recent panic attacks, including breaking up with her boyfriend, losing all her girlfriends, tensions between her performance-artist mother and her father, and more.



*A Fate Totally Worse Than Death*

By Paul Fleischman

YA FIC Fle

In this horror novel parody, three self-centered members of Cliffside High School's ruling clique, who are beginning to age rapidly, become convinced that the beautiful new exchange student is the ghost of the girl whose death they caused the year before.

*Flipped*

By Wendelin Van Draanen

YA FIC Van

YA PALY FIC VanDra

In alternating chapters, two teenagers describe how their feelings about themselves, each other, and their families have changed over the years.

*Girls for Breakfast*

By David Yoo

YA FIC Yoo

As he reflects back on his life on his graduation day, Nick Park wonders how much being the only Asian American in school affected his thwarted quest for popularity and a girlfriend.

*I am the Wallpaper*

By Mark Peter Hughes

YA FIC Hug

Thirteen-year-old Floey Packer, jealous of her attractive and popular older sister, shares her home with two younger cousins and experiences a summer vacation filled with embarrassing events, with herself as the star.