# YEAR 9 - SUGGESTED READING LIST

## Genre: Relationships/Friendships

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<td>Keil, Melissa</td>
<td>The Secret Science of Magic</td>
<td>Sophia is a former child prodigy and maths mastermind. She can’t figure out why all these mysterious playing cards keep turning up inside her textbooks. Joshua, an amateur magician, thinks the time is perfect to tell Sophia how he feels about her.</td>
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<td>Kemmerer, Brigid</td>
<td>Letters to the Lost</td>
<td>When Declan finds a haunting letter left beside a grave, he starts to write back. Soon, he is sharing his pain with a perfect stranger. But when real life interferes with their secret life of letters, Juliet and Declan discover truths that might tear them apart.</td>
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<td>French, Jackie</td>
<td>I am Juliet</td>
<td>I am Juliet closely follows the well-known and loved plot of the play, but we also see the point of view of Rob, the thirteen-year-old boy who is the first to play the role of Juliet on the Elizabethan stage.</td>
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<td>Wood, Fiona</td>
<td>Six Impossible Things</td>
<td>Fourteen-year-old Dan Cereill is not quite coping with moving house, new school hell, a mother with a failing wedding cake business and an impossible crush on the girl next door. His life is a mess.</td>
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<td>O’Sullivan, Joanne</td>
<td>Between Two Skies</td>
<td>Evangeline Riley has her best friends, Kendra and Danielle; her wise, beloved Mamere; and back-to-back titles in the under-sixteen fishing rodeo. When hurricane Katrina comes, everything changes and she finds Tru, a fellow refugee.</td>
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<td>Clark, Catherine</td>
<td>Eleven Things I Promised</td>
<td>Frances has one week to do everything on the Fix-It List. However, it becomes increasingly difficult for Frances to keep the one promise that she knows she absolutely must obey - to not tell anyone the truth about Stella’s accident.</td>
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<td>Wood, Laura</td>
<td>A Sky Painted Gold</td>
<td>Lou has always wondered about the grand Cardew house which has stood empty for years. When owners arrive for the summer she is quite swept off her feet and into a world of moonlit cocktail parties and glamour beyond her wildest dreams.</td>
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<td>Beale, Fleur</td>
<td>End of the Alphabet</td>
<td>Ruby Yarrow is 14 and is a good girl who helps a lot at home. When Ruby’s best friend Tia tells her to stop being a doormat, it gets Ruby thinking. How do you start standing up for yourself?</td>
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<td>Lawrence, Ashley</td>
<td>Inside the Tiger</td>
<td>Bel writes to a Death Row prisoner as an easy way out of an assignment. But now he's written back and she finds herself falling for the boy with ragged hair, shackles and a terrible past.</td>
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<td>Silvera, Adam</td>
<td>They Both Die at the End</td>
<td>When Death-Cast calls Mateo Torrez and Rufus Emeterio to give them the news that they are going to die today, they meet up for one last great adventure - to live a lifetime in a single day.</td>
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<td>Daddo, Andrew</td>
<td>Just Breathe</td>
<td>Hendrix’s father wants to see Hendrix run for Australia at the Olympics. But when Hendrix literally bowls Emily over on a training run, he just can’t get her out of his head and his training regime suffers as he falls for her. But Emily has a deadly secret that she’s reluctant to share.</td>
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<td>Marchetta, Melina</td>
<td>Saving Francesca</td>
<td>Francesca is stuck at St. Sebastian’s, a boys' school that pretends it’s co-ed by giving the girls their own bathroom. She still misses her old friends, and, to make things worse, her mother has had a breakdown and can barely move from her bed.</td>
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<td>Dessen, Sarah</td>
<td>That Summer</td>
<td>For Haven, this is the summer where everything changes. Dad is remarrying. Her sister Ashley is planning a wedding of her own. They’re both moving on, but then Ashley’s ex, the charming Sumner Lee, arrives in town. (eBook + print copy)</td>
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<td>Sutherland, Kristal</td>
<td>Our Chemical Hearts</td>
<td>Henry Page has never been in love. Then he meets the new girl, Grace Town, who wears oversized boys’ clothing and is hiding crushing secrets. She’s hardly who Henry expected his dream girl to be, but when the two are chosen to edit the paper together, sparks fly.</td>
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<td>Forman, Gayle</td>
<td>If I Stay</td>
<td>In a coma following a car accident that killed her parents and brother, Mia, a gifted cellist, weighs whether to live with her grief or join her family in death.</td>
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<td>Crowley, Kath</td>
<td>Words in Deep Blue</td>
<td>Henry and Rachel were best friends once, before Rachel moved to the sea. Now, she’s back, working at the bookstore, grieving for her brother Cal. She’s looking for the future in the books people love, and the words that they leave behind.</td>
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<td>Zorn, Claire</td>
<td>One Would Think the Deep</td>
<td>After his mum’s death, Sam goes to live with his aunt, Lorraine, in her dilapidated house on the coast of New South Wales. As Sam navigates his grief, he also has to forge a new identity with a family as unfamiliar to him as the new home in which he suddenly finds himself.</td>
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<td>Weetman, Nova</td>
<td>Everything is Changed</td>
<td>Lifelong friends Jake and Alex are torn apart when they make a terrible split-second decision that ends in tragedy. Jake wants to confess but Alex just wants to move on with life. He’s got a cool new girlfriend, fancy new house and posh new school, and doesn’t want his future to be ruined by a mistake in his past.</td>
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<td>Yoon, Nicola</td>
<td>Everything, Everything</td>
<td>This is the story of a teenage girl who’s literally allergic to the outside world. When a new family moves in next door, she begins a complicated romance that challenges everything she’s ever known.</td>
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<td>Han, Jenny</td>
<td>To All the Boys I’ve Loved Before</td>
<td>Lara writes love letters to all her secret crushes, but never sends them. Then one day her secret letters are mailed, and suddenly, Lara Jean’s love life goes from imaginary to out of control.</td>
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<td>Condon, Bill</td>
<td>A Straight Line to my Heart (eBook)</td>
<td>This is a funny, poignant, heart-warming story of first love, first job, friends, family and the inevitability of change in the first summer out of school.</td>
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<td>Stiefvater, Maggie</td>
<td>All the Crooked Saints</td>
<td>Any visitor to Bicho Raro, Colorado, is likely to find a landscape of dark saints, forbidden love, scientific dreams, miracle-mad owls and one or two orphans. At the heart of this place you will find the Soria family, who all have the ability to perform unusual miracles.</td>
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<td>O’Donnell, Kate</td>
<td>Untidy Towns</td>
<td>Addie’s grandad offers her a job at the local historical society. It’s dusty and messy, like her hometown, like her new life. Then she accidentally kisses Jarrod, the boy who spends his days getting into trouble.</td>
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<td>Carless, Victoria</td>
<td>The Dream Walker</td>
<td>Lucy Hart has been counting the days till she can get out of Digger’s Landing -- a small Queensland fishing hamlet home to fifteen families. But when the fish stop biting, like they did when her mum was still around, Lucy realises she isn’t the only one with a secret.</td>
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<td>Millard, Glenda</td>
<td>The Stars at Oktober Bend</td>
<td>A powerful, captivating story about Alice, who is reaching out to express herself through her beautiful-broken words, and Manny who is running to escape his past. When they meet they find the tender beginnings of love and healing.</td>
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<td>Abdel-Fattah, Randa</td>
<td>When Michael Met Mina</td>
<td>Mina fled Afghanistan with her mother via a refugee camp, a leaky boat and a detention centre. Michael's parents have founded a new political party and want to stop the boats. When Mina wins a scholarship to Michael’s private school, their lives crash together blindingly.</td>
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<td>Moloney, James</td>
<td>Mallee Boys</td>
<td>As Sandy and Red deal with their mother’s death, dirt-biking, footy, friendship and girls, both boys must work out who they want to be. The Mallee, where they live, may seem like the middle of nowhere, but it turns out this is going to be one hell of a year.</td>
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<td>Herrick, Steven</td>
<td>Simple Gift (verse novel)</td>
<td>A compelling story of Billy, who trades the soulless tyranny of his father’s home and the tediousness of high school for a life of no fixed address.</td>
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<td>Jonsberg, Barry</td>
<td>The Whole Business with Kiffo and the Pitbull</td>
<td>Part quirky journal, part detective fiction, this wild and witty novel is a comedy about two unlikely friends who are drawn into a dramatic series of events through their mutual mistrust of their new English teacher.</td>
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<td>Groth, Darren</td>
<td>Exchange of Heart</td>
<td>Since the sudden death of his younger sister, Munro Maddux has been experiencing flashbacks. But on a student exchange in Australia he intends to move beyond his troubled past.</td>
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<td>Geda, Fabio</td>
<td>In the Sea there are Crocodiles</td>
<td>One night before putting him to bed, Enaiatollah’s mother tells him three things: don’t use drugs, don’t use weapons, don’t steal. The next day he wakes up to find she isn’t there and he has been left alone in Pakistan to fend for himself.</td>
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<td>Fleischman, Paul</td>
<td>Whirligig</td>
<td>While traveling to each corner of the country to build a whirligig in memory of the girl whose death he caused, Brent finds forgiveness and atonement.</td>
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<td>Fraillon, Zana</td>
<td>The Bone Sparrow</td>
<td>Subhi is a refugee. Born in an Australian permanent detention centre after his mother fled the violence of a distant homeland, life behind the fences is all he has ever known.</td>
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<td>Harrison, Jane</td>
<td>Becoming Kirrali Lewis</td>
<td>Kirrali is an Aboriginal girl adopted into a white family, and she’s cool with that. But when she moves to the city to start university, a whole lot of life-changing events spark an awakening that no one sees coming, least of all herself.</td>
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<td>Kasmer, Elizabeth</td>
<td>Becoming Aurora</td>
<td>When Rory (Aurora) is sentenced to community service at an aged care facility, she meets Jack, a boxing champion. Through her new friendships, Rory learns more about the migrant community and she finds not only a new pack, but herself as well.</td>
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<td>Thomas, Angie</td>
<td>The Hate You Give</td>
<td>Starr lives in two worlds: the poor neighbourhood where she was born and the posh high school in the suburbs. After witnessing her friend's death at the hands of a police officer, Starr’s life is complicated when the police and a local drug lord try to intimidate her.</td>
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<td>Hawke, Rosanne</td>
<td><em>The Messenger Bird</em></td>
<td>When Tamar discovers an old handwritten sheet of music and allows herself to play piano again, she meets gifted violinist Nathaniel, who may just hold the key to her future. With no one else to turn to, Tamar is unwittingly drawn into a journey through time and music.</td>
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<td>Hayes, Rosemary</td>
<td><em>Mixing It</em></td>
<td>Fatimah is a devout Muslim. Steve is a regular guy who has never given much thought to faith. They happen to be walking in the same street when a terrorist bomb explodes. Steve is badly injured and Fatimah tries to help him but gets into trouble for it.</td>
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<td>Gibbons, Alan</td>
<td><em>An Act of Love</em></td>
<td>A story of two ordinary boys growing up in an extraordinary time - our time. A time of terror, when atrocities don't happen in the TV reports about people in faraway places. Rioting, fighting, maiming, and killing are happening here, on our doorstep.</td>
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<td>Kirk, Hayley S.</td>
<td><em>Divine Clementine</em></td>
<td>When Clementine witnesses the death of her eccentric aunt Stella, she feels as though her world will never be the same again. But after reading Stella's diaries, she learns that Stella was Bi-polar and Clementine feels betrayed by her family who knew all along.</td>
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<td>McDowell, Rebecca</td>
<td><em>This is not a Drill</em></td>
<td>Emery and Jake are teenagers helping to tutor some first-grade kids when a man with a gun walks into the classroom. Now they are at the centre of a deadly hostage crisis.</td>
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<td>Pitcher, Annabel</td>
<td><em>My Sister Lives on the Mantelpiece</em></td>
<td>When Jamie's sister died everyone kept saying it would get better with time. Five years on, it's worse than ever. Dad drinks, Mum has gone and Jamie is left with questions that he must answer for himself.</td>
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<td>Evans, Alwyn</td>
<td><em>Walk in my Shoes</em></td>
<td>After a perilous and terrifying journey from war-torn Afghanistan, Gulnessa and her family find themselves in Australia, a place they know nothing about. They are exhausted and traumatised, and soon discover that their struggle isn’t over yet.</td>
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<td>Henry Jones, Eliza</td>
<td><em>P is for Pearl</em></td>
<td>Following a strange disturbance at the cafe where she works, Gwen is forced to confront what happened to her family all those years ago. And she slowly comes to realise that people aren’t as they first appear and that like her, everyone has a story to tell.</td>
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<td>Thurloe, Helen</td>
<td><em>Promising Azra</em></td>
<td>Azra’s dreams of finishing high school in Sydney and going to university are threatened by her uncle’s plans to marry her off to an older cousin she has never met - will she have to choose between her family and her happiness?</td>
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<td>Coelho, Paulo</td>
<td><em>The Alchemist. A story about following your dream</em></td>
<td>A tale of discovery, meaning and personal growth. In this adventure story, a young shepherd boy learns how to live his dreams.</td>
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<td>Atkins, Clair</td>
<td><em>Between Us</em></td>
<td>Anahita is passionate, curious and determined. She is also an Iranian asylum seeker who is only allowed out of detention to attend school. But is she a genuine refugee or a queue jumper?</td>
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<td>Harry, Pip</td>
<td><em>Because of You</em></td>
<td>Tiny is a homeless girl living on the streets in Sydney. At a temporary homeless shelter she meets Nola, a high school student on volunteer placement. Both girls share their love of words through the Hope Lane writing group. Can they share their secrets, too?</td>
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<td>MacLeod, Doug</td>
<td>Tigers on the Beach</td>
<td>Adam thinks Samantha could be the one for him. But first he has to sort out his parents crumbling marriage, and stop getting into embarrassing situations involving public nudity. It can’t be that hard, can it?</td>
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<td>Flynn, Pat</td>
<td>Don’t Kiss Girls and Other Silly Stories</td>
<td>Tony Ross is an ordinary 13-year-old boy with big dreams: he wants to prove he’s as good as his best mate Kane and he wants to kiss Ashleigh Simpkin. But plans don’t always go the way we dream them in our head. Tony finds this out when he ends up dead.</td>
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<td>North, Ryan</td>
<td>Romeo and or Juliet. A Chooseable Path Adventure</td>
<td>This choose-your-own-path version of Romeo and Juliet lets you decide where the plot goes every time you read. You might play as Romeo, or as Juliet, or as both of them at the same time. You might even unlock additional playable characters.</td>
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<td>Rennison, Louise</td>
<td>Withering Tights. The Misadventures of Tallulah Casey</td>
<td>Laugh your tights off at the (VERY) amateur dramatic antics of Talullah and her mates. Boys, snogging and bad acting guaranteed. Six weeks of parent-free freedom.</td>
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<td>Cohn, Rachel</td>
<td>Sam and Ilsa’s Last Hurrah</td>
<td>Sam and Ilsa Kehlmann are throwing a final graduation party. The rules are simple: each twin gets to invite three guests, and the other twin doesn’t know who’s coming until the partiers show up at the door. What could possibly go wrong?</td>
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<td>Sparrow, Rebecca</td>
<td>The Year Nick McGowan Came to Stay</td>
<td>When the moody Nick McGowan comes to live with them, Rachel labels him as hopeless and having a bad attitude. Nick pegs Rachel as uptight and having bad taste in music. However, a secret from Nick’s past will draw them together and makes it a year that Rachel will never forget.</td>
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<td>Daddo, Andrew</td>
<td>One Step</td>
<td>When his English teacher reads out Dylan’s creative writing piece to the class, revealing him to be a sensitive and promising writer, it sets off a chain of events, including unlikely interest from a few hot girls which sends Dylan on a frantic roller coaster of emotions.</td>
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<td>Beck, Nina</td>
<td>This Girl isn’t Shy, She’s Spectacular</td>
<td>Samantha Owens is sick of being a good girl. Then Sam meets D, the gorgeous, wicked boy who once broke her friend’s heart. Sam is supposed to hate D., but she can’t. And D. can’t seem to stay away from Sam, who never wanted things to get this complicated.</td>
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<td>Bauer, Michael Gerard</td>
<td>The Pain, my Mother, Sir Tiffy and Me</td>
<td>Maggie Butt is facing not only a stranger taking over her mother’s life but her own as well. And then there’s the cat, senior subject choices, the dream date and Cyber Boy, the geek in the library to contend with as well. It’s going to be an interesting year.</td>
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<td>Skuse, C J</td>
<td>Rock-Oholic</td>
<td>Jody loves Jackson Gatlin, and she’s right at the front at his only UK rock concert. But she finds herself taking home more than a poster. What happens if you’ve got a rock-god in your garage who doesn’t want to leave?</td>
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<td>Herrick, Steven</td>
<td>Slice. Juicy moments from my impossible life</td>
<td>Darcy can cope with parents, parties and punch-ups. He can handle his infatuation with the beautiful Audrey, even the misadventures of kayaking on a school excursion. He’s a teenage boy, he can deal with it. If only he’d learn to keep his mouth closed.</td>
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<td>Chase, Lil</td>
<td>Secrets, Lies &amp; Locker 62</td>
<td>When Maya starts at a new school she is assigned Locker 62. Locker 62, where pupils post their darkest secrets: there’s the popular girl who has fallen for the class geek; the pupil who hates her life so much she plans to run away - could the secrets in Maya’s locker be her new chance to be the cool girl?</td>
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| **French, Jackie**  
*A Rose for the Anzac Boys*  
It is 1915. Desperate to do their bit for the war effort and to also avoid the boredom of 'finishing' school in England, New Zealander Midge Macpherson and her friends Ethel and Anne start a canteen in France, caring for the wounded soldiers returning from the front. |
| **Dowswell, Paul**  
*Sektion 20*  
Alex lives in East Berlin. The Cold War is raging and he and his family are forbidden to leave. But the longer he stays the more danger he is in, and the Stasi are watching him…. |
| **Lasky, Kathryn**  
*Night Witches. A Novel of World War II*  
When her mother is killed, Valya is left with one burning desire: to join up with her older sister, a member of the famous and feared Night Witches—a brigade of young female pilots. But first she has to get past the German blockade and find the Night Witches' base. |
| **Lawson, Sue**  
*Freedom Ride*  
Robbie knows bad things happen in Walgaree. But it’s nothing to do with him. That’s the way the Aborigines have always been treated. But in the summer of 1965 racial tensions in the town are at boiling point. |
| **Master, Irfan**  
*A Beautiful Lie*  
Set in India in 1947 at the time of the partition of India and Pakistan. The main character is Bilal, who is determined to protect his dying father from hearing the news of partition—news that he knows will break his father’s heart. |
| **Savit, Gavriel**  
*Anna and the Swallow Man*  
Anna Lania is just seven years old when the Germans take her father and suddenly, she’s alone. Then she meets the Swallow Man. When he summons a bright, beautiful swallow down to his hand to stop her from crying, Anna is entranced. |
| **Sepetys, Ruta**  
*Between Shades of Gray*  
Lina and her family are sent to Siberia, where her father is sentenced to death in a prison camp. While Lina fights to survive, she begins creating pictures that can - she hopes - be secretly sent to him. |
| **Dowswell, Paul**  
*Wolf Children*  
Hitler’s Third Reich has fallen, and Berlin is in ruins. Otto and his ragtag gang of kids have banded together in the desperate, bombed-out city and find themselves caught between invading armies, ruthless rival gangs and a strange Nazi war criminal who stalks them. |
| **Honeyman, Kay**  
*Fire Horse Girl*  
When Jade Moon, born in the unlucky year of the Fire Horse, and her father immigrate to America in 1923 and are detained at Angel Island Immigration Station, Jade Moon is determined to find a way through and prove that she is not cursed. |
| **McWatters, Nikki**  
*Liberty*  
Liberty is an action-filled account of three women, all living in different times but descended from one female bloodline, who find themselves fighting forces that threaten their freedom. |
| **Hooper, Mary**  
*Fallen Grace*  
Having given birth to an illegitimate child, Grace Parkes travelled to the famed Brookwood Cemetery to place her small infant’s body in a rich lady’s coffin. This is the way that Grace can think of to give something at least to the little baby who died at birth. |
| **Kephart, Beth**  
*Going Over*  
February 1983, and Berlin is divided by a barricade separating east from west. Ada lives West Berlin. Stefan lives in East Berlin. Bound by love and separated by circumstance, their only chance for a life together lies in a high-risk escape. |
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<td>Dowd, Siobhan</td>
<td>Bog Child</td>
<td>Set in the 1980’s, Fergus finds a bog body of a small girl and names her “Mel”. Radio carbon dating reveals that Mel lived around AD 80. At night Fergus dreams about Mel and realises that Mel was probably murdered because of her dwarfism.</td>
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<td>Kerr, Philip</td>
<td>The Winter Horses</td>
<td>Kalinka, a Ukrainian Jewish girl on the run from the Nazis, finds unlikely help from two rare Przewalski horses.</td>
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<td>Klein, Lisa</td>
<td>Cate of the Lost Colony</td>
<td>When her forbidden romance with Sir Walter Raleigh is discovered, young Lady Catherine is banished to Roanoke in the New World. Raleigh pledges to come for Cate, but just as Cate discovers a new love in Manteo, a Croatoan Indian, Raleigh sets sail for the New World.</td>
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<td>Landman, Tanya</td>
<td>Buffalo Soldier</td>
<td>In a terrifyingly lawless land, where the colour of a person’s skin can bring violent death, Charley disguises herself as a man and joins the army. It’s only when she is posted to Apache territory that she begins to learn what it is to be truly free.</td>
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<td>McWatters, Nikki</td>
<td>Liberty</td>
<td>Set in 1472, 1797 and the 1960’s, Liberty is an action-filled account of three women, all living in different times but descended from one female bloodline, who find themselves fighting forces that threaten their freedom.</td>
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<td>Gleeson, Libby</td>
<td>1918 (Series)</td>
<td>With Russia out of the war, the Germans have sent all the troops to the Western Front. Almost defeated, a small group of Australians fight to hold the enemy back at Villers Brettonneux. Weary after years of fighting, Ned and his mates know that the war will be lost if they can’t turn the tide.</td>
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<td>Selzer, Anita</td>
<td>I Am Sasha</td>
<td>In wartime Poland, many Jewish boys are hauled off to camps or shot. To prevent Sasha being discovered, his mother turns her 12-year-old son into a girl, Sala. Clothes, voice, hair, manners - all must be transformed.</td>
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<td>Moloney, James</td>
<td>The Love that I have</td>
<td>Margot works in the mailroom of Sachsenhausen concentration camp. When told to burn the letters of the prisoners, Margot steals a few and finds herself drawn to their heartrending words of hope, of despair, and of love.</td>
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<td>Rushby, Pamela</td>
<td>Sing a Rebel Song</td>
<td>Maggie McAllister and her family are caught up in the Barcaldine, Queensland shearers’ strike in 1891. Maggie plays a part through her writing. Her friends do not see things the same way, and, for Maggie, singing a rebel song may have heartbreaking consequences.</td>
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<td>Morris, Heather</td>
<td>The Tattooist of Auschwitz. Young Adult Edition</td>
<td>Based on the true story of Lale and Gita Sokolov, two Slovakian Jews, who survived Auschwitz and made their home in Australia. Lale was given the job of tattooing the prisoners and he used his position to exchange jewels and money taken from murdered Jews for food to keep others alive.</td>
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<td>Pulman, Felicity</td>
<td>Rosemary for Remembrance</td>
<td>This is Janna’s journey as she goes in search of her unknown father. With England in the grip of civil war, secrets abound, loyalties change and Janna encounters the darkest side of human nature.</td>
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<td>Donnelly, Jennifer</td>
<td>Revolution (eBook)</td>
<td>Andi’s privileged New York life is shattered by her brother’s accidental death; Alexandrine is desperately struggling to save a young boy from the ravages of the French Revolution. Through a diary, they forge an unlikely connection which might just hold the key to one of their survivals.</td>
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**Genre: Animals**

**Heffernan, John**  
*Midnight Zoo*  
Two gypsy boys stumble across a town that has been reduced to smoking rubble, and a zoo that is still intact. When the boys take shelter in the zoo, they discover a menagerie of talking animals.

**Morpugo, Michael**  
*War Horse*  
In the deadly chaos of the First World War, one horse witnesses the reality of battle from both sides of the trenches. Bombarded by artillery with bullets knocking riders from his back, Joey tells a powerful story of the truest friendships surviving in terrible times.

**Leonard, Dion**  
*Finding Gobi*  
Dion Leonard, an ultramarathon runner, unexpectedly stumbled across a little stray dog while competing in a gruelling 155 mile race across the Gobi Desert. This was the start of a roller coaster journey that would change their lives forever. *(Non-fiction)*

**Grogan, John**  
*Marley & Me*  
The story of a family in the making and the wondrously neurotic dog who taught them what really matters in life. Is it possible for humans to discover the key to happiness through a bigger-than-life, bad-boy dog? Just ask the Grogans.

**Myron, Vicki**  
*Dewey. The small town library cat who touched the world*  
Abandoned in a library book drop slot in the dead of winter, this remarkable kitten miraculously survived the coldest night of the year. Dewey gained worldwide fame as a symbol of hope, warming the hearts of all with his tail...or rather, his tale.

**Nowra, Louis**  
*Into That Forest*  
From one of Australia’s foremost literary talents, this is an unforgettable and heartbreaking story about two young girls living in the wild with Tasmanian Tigers, and the attempts by two men to bring the girls back into the human world.

**Lomer, Kathryn**  
*What Now Tilda B?*  
Tilda Braint is nearly sixteen, restless and having trouble figuring out what on earth she’s supposed to do next. When two seals land in the middle of Tilda’s life, they turn it upside down. They’re a long way from home but for Tilda, the seals turn out to be in exactly the right place at the right time.

**Ellis, Deborah**  
*The Cat at the Wall*  
On Israel’s West Bank, a cat sneaks into a small Palestinian house that has just been commandeered by two Israeli soldiers. The cat was once a 13-year old girl dealing with the typical teenage problems. But that was before she died and came back to life as a cat.

**Adams, Richard**  
*Tales from Watership Down*  
Tales From Watership Down relates some of the great folk stories well known to all rabbits. Stories such as the eight enchanting tales about the rabbits of the Down-- Hazel, Fiver, Bigwig, and their companions.

**Gallico, Paul**  
*Thomasina*  
When Mary’s cat, Thomasina, falls ill, her father wants to put the cat down. Heartbroken, Mary falls dangerously ill herself and it is only when Thomasina miraculously returns that Mary is pulled back from the brink of death.

**Ness, Patrick**  
*And the Ocean was our Sky*  
With harpoons strapped to their backs, the proud whales of Bathsheba’s pod fight in the ongoing war against the world of men. When they attack a ship on the surface they are led on a final, vengeful hunt that will forever change the worlds of both whales and men.

**St John, Lauren**  
*The One Dollar Horse*  
Casey’s dream is to win the world’s greatest Three Day Event: The Badminton Horse Trials. She learns the hard way that no matter how high you jump, or how fast you gallop, you can never outrun the past.
Classics/Golden Oldies

Alcott, Louisa May
Little Women
Sisters Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy manage to live rewarding lives despite their father’s absence at war and a lack of money. A story of high spirited and resourceful girls which highlights both the strengths and weaknesses of human nature. (Relationships)

Golding, William
Lord of the Flies
After a plane crash, a group of boys set up a fragile community on a previously uninhabited island. After a while the boy’s childish fear turns into something deeper and more primitive. (Social Justice/Humanities)

Tolkien, J.R.R.
Lord of the Rings (Series)
Tolkien’s work of imaginative fiction has been labelled both a heroic romance and a classic of fantasy fiction. In it, he created a vast new mythology in an invented world. (Fantasy / Adventure)

Wells, H.G.
War of the Worlds
An English astronomer, in company with an artilleryman, a country curate and others, struggle to survive the invasion of Earth by Martians in 1894. (Science Fiction)

Hinton, S.E.
The Outsiders
Ponyboy is a greaser, and proud of it, until one terrible night when his friend Johnny kills a soc. The murder gets under Ponyboy’s skin, causing his world to crumble and teaching him that pain feels the same whether a soc or a greaser. (Humanities)

Christie, Agatha
The Body in the Library
Colonel Bantry has found the strangled body of a beautiful blonde woman lying on his library hearth. When Miss Marple takes an interest, though, the tale becomes far more convoluted and sordid than the genteel Bantrys could have imagined. (Crime)

Cormier, Robert
The Chocolate War
In Trinity High School a secret society called The Vigils exist who give different boys “assignments” to carry out. The annual Chocolate Sale fundraiser is coming up and potential headmaster, Brother Leon, enlists the help of The Vigils to prove he can take care of the school. (Humanities)

Austen, Jane
Pride and Prejudice
Mr. and Mrs. Bennet have five girls and are hopeful that at least the eldest two, Jane and Elizabeth, will be married soon. However, when Mr Darcy arrives to visit their neighbour, the single Mr Bingley, their relationships become complicated. (Relationships)

Bronte, Charlotte
Jane Eyre
Jane is an orphan living with a family that dislikes her. She excels at school, becomes a governess and falls in love with Edward Rochester. After he deceives her, Jane goes to Marsh End, where she regains her spirituality and discovers her own strength. (Relationships)

Bronte, Emily
Wuthering Heights
The story follows the life of Heathcliff, from childhood to his death in his late thirties. He rises in his adopted family, is then reduced to the status of a servant, eventually running away when the young woman he loves marries another. He returns later to get revenge on the two families that he believed ruined his life. (Relationships)

Cormier, Robert
We all Fall Down
They entered the house at 9:02 P.M. and trashed their way through it. At 9:46 P.M. Karen Jerome made the mistake of arriving home early. Thrown down the basement stairs, Karen slips into a coma. The trashers slip away, but The Avenger has seen it all. eBook. (Humanities)

Solzhenitsyn, Alexander
One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich
The story of a Soviet labour-camp inmate Ivan Denisovich Shukhov, it graphically describes his struggle to maintain his dignity in the face of communist oppression in one of Stalin’s forced work camps. (Humanities)
# Classics/Golden Oldies

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<td>Orwell, George</td>
<td>Animal Farm</td>
<td>An allegory of the events of the Russian Revolution of 1917. It deals with the ideas of freedom, rebellion and the corrupting nature of power. (Humanities)</td>
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<td>Bradbury, Ray</td>
<td>Fahrenheit 451</td>
<td>Guy Montag is a fireman who takes pleasure in burning illegally owned books and the homes of their owners. However, he begins to question his oppressive society and eventually joins an underground network of intellectuals dedicated to rebuilding a cultural society. (Science Fiction)</td>
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<td>Shelley, Mary</td>
<td>Frankenstein</td>
<td>When Victor Frankenstein succeeds in giving life to a new being, it’s not the perfect specimen he imagines that it will be. Instead it is a hideous monster rejected by all and it seeks revenge through murder and terror. (Horror)</td>
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<td>Homer</td>
<td>The Odyssey</td>
<td>Homer’s epic poem of the adventures of Odysseus from his capture by the nymph Calypso to his return to his home in Ithaca disguised as a beggar. (Non-Fiction)</td>
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<td>Smith, Dodie</td>
<td>I Capture the Castle</td>
<td>The story covers six months during which Cassandra Mortmain and her family emerge from poverty to relative comfort due to changing circumstances. eBook. (Relationships)</td>
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<td>Dickens, Charles</td>
<td>A Tale of Two Cities</td>
<td>In A Tale of Two Cities, Charles Darnay tries to escape his heritage as a French aristocrat in the years leading up to the French Revolution. During the Revolution, he’s captured, but Sydney Carton, a man who looks like Darnay, takes his place and dies on the guillotine. (Historical Fiction)</td>
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<td>Clarke, Arthur C</td>
<td>2001. A Space Odyssey</td>
<td>A group of ape-like creatures discover the use of bones as a weapon. Jump forward thousands of years, and an American expedition finds a mysterious black monolith on the Moon. Another expedition is sent to Jupiter, where a second monolith has been discovered. (Science Fiction)</td>
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<td>Austen, Jane</td>
<td>Emma</td>
<td>Emma Woodhouse is perfectly content with her life. She loves interfering in the romantic lives of others, however, when she attempts to arrange a suitable match for her protegee Harriet, her carefully laid plans soon unravel and have consequences that she never expected. (Relationships)</td>
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<td>Steinbeck, John</td>
<td>Of Mice and Men</td>
<td>George and his mentally disabled friend Lennie have nothing in the world except each other and a dream that one day they will have some land of their own. They work on a ranch in California’s Salinas Valley, but their hopes are doomed as Lennie, struggling against extreme cruelty, accidentally kills someone. (Humanities)</td>
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<td>Moloney, James</td>
<td>A Bridge to Wiseman’s Cove</td>
<td>The people of Wattle Beach do their best to grind Carl Matt under foot. Why are the Matts such pariahs? The answer lies in Wiseman’s Cove, a short ride across the strait where Carl finds refuge in the most unlikely place. Wiseman’s Cove has been waiting for Carl - waiting a long time. (Humanities)</td>
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<td>Lindsay, Joan</td>
<td>Picnic at Hanging Rock</td>
<td>A class of young women from an exclusive private school go on an excursion to the isolated Hanging Rock. The excursion ends in tragedy when four girls and a teacher mysteriously vanish after climbing the rock. Only one girl returns, with no memory of what has become of the others. (Mystery)</td>
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<td>Hemingway, Ernest</td>
<td>The Old Man and the Sea</td>
<td>This powerful and dignified story about a Cuban fisherman’s struggle with a great fish has the universal appeal of a struggle between man and the elements, the hunter with the hunted. (Humanities)</td>
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# Genre: Adventure/Action/Survival

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<td>Reilly, Matthew</td>
<td>Contest</td>
<td>Dr Stephen Swain is has been chosen to represent Earth in an intergalactic fight-to-the-death contest held every one hundred years to determine the greatest species in the galaxy. Seven contestants enter the sealed library, the last one alive leaves.</td>
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<td>Bancks, Tristan</td>
<td>Mac Slater, Cool Hunter</td>
<td>Mac’s just crashed the latest prototype of his flying bike in front of practically the whole school. When the creators of Coolhunters approach him and tell him he’s an Innovator, Mac thinks they’re crazy. He doesn’t have a TV, let alone a mobile. eBook</td>
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<td>Beale, Fleur</td>
<td>Dirt Bomb</td>
<td>Jake’s got two best mates Buzz and Robbie. Robbie has the idea to rescue the old wreck from the ditch and make it into a paddock basher. But Buzz won’t pay for it. Jake needs a game plan.</td>
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<td>Ward, Rachel</td>
<td>Numbers</td>
<td>Jem knows when she looks into someone’s eyes, she can see the exact date they will die. She avoids relationships but when she meets a boy named Spider they become more involved than either of them had planned.</td>
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<td>Pyron, Bobbie</td>
<td>The Dogs of Winter</td>
<td>When Mishka is abandoned on the streets of Moscow he is adopted by a pack of dogs. The creatures quickly become more than just his street companions, they are his family. But he can’t stay hidden from the world forever.</td>
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<td>Rosoff, Meg</td>
<td>How I live Now</td>
<td>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 and does not return after London is attacked and occupied by an unnamed enemy. Daisy and her cousins must find a way to survive in this new world.</td>
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<td>McGahan, Andrew</td>
<td>The Coming of the Whirlpool. Ship</td>
<td>Dow Amber hopes to learn the art of seafaring, but he finds only a fearful people who have been cursed by a monstrous whirlpool that haunts the bay, stealing away their sons. Does his future lie with the mysterious Ship Kings or will he die in the whirlpool?</td>
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<td>Griffin, Paul</td>
<td>Adrift</td>
<td>A group of friends venture out to sea aboard a small boat, however, as the waves rise and the fragile vessel weakens, things go horribly wrong. Adrift at sea for days, who will have what it takes to survive?</td>
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<td>Brian Falkner</td>
<td>Shooting Stars</td>
<td>In 15 years, Egan Tucker has spoken to no one but his mother who has taught him to survive the bush. When she goes to get supplies and doesn’t return, Egan goes to Auckland to try and find his mother’s friend but survival amongst Auckland’s street kids is nothing like living in the bush.</td>
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<td>Newton, Robert</td>
<td>Mr Romanov’s Garden in the Sky</td>
<td>Lexie’s mother is mostly absent, leaving her to fend for herself. She forms an unlikely friendship with a man known as Creeper and they set off on an epic journey, one that will change their lives and the lives of those around them.</td>
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<td>Gardner, Scott</td>
<td>Sparrow</td>
<td>Sparrow is swimming away from his prison life and the promise of freedom. He’ll eat or be eaten, kill or be killed. Sparrow has nothing left to lose. But to survive he’ll need something more potent than desperation. He will need hope.</td>
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<td>Watson, Jessica</td>
<td>Indigo Blue</td>
<td>Alex has been sent to live with her slightly eccentric aunt for her final year of high school. She spends her savings on a rundown little yacht and throws herself into restoring it, meeting Sam, the mysterious sailmakers apprentice, in the process.</td>
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Genre: Fantasy

**Kristoff, Jay**  
*Stormdancer (Series)*

Set in Japan, warrior Yukiko captures a supposedly extinct griffin for the Shogun. However, when she learns of the Shogun’s crimes, she is determined to make him pay -- but what can one girl and a flightless griffin do against the might of an empire?

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**Cashore, Kirsten**  
*Graceling (Series)*

In a world where some people are born with extreme and often-feared skills called Graces, Katsa struggles for redemption from her own horrifying Grace, the Grace of killing, and teams up with another young fighter to save their land from her corrupt uncle, King Randa.

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**Crossley-Holland, Kevin**  
*The Seeing Stone (Series)*

In 1199, Young Arthur de Caldicot practises his tilting and archery, and wants to become a knight. When his father’s friend Merlin gives him a shining black stone, Arthur’s life becomes entwined with that of the other Arthur, who pulls the sword from the stone.

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**Dickinson, Peter**  
*The Ropemaker*

When the magic that protects their Valley starts to fail, Tilja and her companions journey into the evil Empire to find the ancient magician Faheel, who originally cast those spells.

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**Nix, Garth**  
*Sabriel (Series)*

Sent to a boarding school as a young child, Gabriel has had little experience with the random power of Free Magic. When her father, the Abhorsen, goes missing, Gabriel knows she must enter the Old Kingdom to find him.

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**Flanagan, John**  
*The Outcasts (Series)*

When Hal Mikkelson finds himself the leader of a brotherband made up of outcasts, he must step up to the challenge. The Heron brotherband lack strength and numbers, but with inventiveness and courage they might just surprise everyone.

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**Paolini, Christopher**  
*Eragon (Series)*

When Eragon finds a polished blue stone in the forest, he thinks it will buy his family meat for the winter. But when the stone brings a dragon hatchling, Eragon realizes he has stumbled upon a legacy nearly as old as the Empire itself.

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**Hearn, Lian**  
*Across the Nightingale Floor (Series)*

In an imaginary, ancient Japanese society dominated by warring clans, Takeo finds himself a pawn in a political scheme, filled with treacherous warlords, rivalry. He must look inside himself to discover the powers that will enable him to fulfill his destiny.

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**Meyer, Marissa**  
*Renegades (Series)*

The Renegades are a syndicate of humans with extraordinary abilities who emerged from the ruins of a crumbled society and established peace and order where chaos reigned. Nova has a reason to hate the Renegades, and she is on a mission for vengeance.

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**Pullman, Philip**  
*The Book of Dust (Series)*

Malcolm, his daemon Asta, a village girl named Alice and her daemon Ben, become the protectors of the infant Lyra. Malcolm and Alice are pursued by the villain Gerard Bonneville, as they struggle to reach London and Lyra’s father in order to gain protection for the baby.

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**Maas, Sarah**  
*Throne of Glass (Series)*

After serving out a year of hard labour in the salt mines of Endovier, an assassin named Celaena is dragged before Crown Prince Dorian who offers her her freedom on the condition she act as his champion in a competition. In the process she discovers a greater destiny than she could possibly have imagined.

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**Westerfield, Scott**  
*Leviathan*

Aleksandar, prince of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, is on the run. Deryn is a commoner, a girl disguised as a boy and is in constant danger of being discovered. Alek and Deryn's paths take them both aboard the Leviathan on a fantastical, around-the-world adventure.
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<td>Maggie Stiefvater</td>
<td><em>The Raven Boys</em> (Series)</td>
<td>Though she is from a family of clairvoyants, Blue’s only gift seems to be that she makes other people’s talents stronger. When she meets Gansey, she discovers that he has talents of his own, and that together their talents are a dangerous mix.</td>
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<td>Rick Riordan</td>
<td><em>Trials of Apollo</em> series</td>
<td>After angering his father Zeus, the god Apollo is cast down from Olympus. Weak and disoriented, he lands in New York City as a regular teenage boy. Apollo needs help, and he can think of only one place to go—an enclave of modern demigods known as Camp Half-Blood.</td>
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<td>Isabel Hoving</td>
<td><em>Dream Merchant</em></td>
<td>Josh Cope is an ordinary boy, except for four things: he is a collector of strange and unusual objects, he can fall asleep whenever and wherever he wants, he can always remember his dreams, and he is a thief.</td>
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<td>Terry Pratchett</td>
<td><em>The Colour of Magic</em> (Series)</td>
<td>This humorous epic adventure takes place in the fantastical realm of Discworld, a flat, round land in an alternate universe. Discworld is held up by four elephants that ride on the back of Great A’Tuin, a giant turtle that swims through the cosmos.</td>
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<td>Neil Gaiman</td>
<td><em>The Ocean at the End of the Lane</em></td>
<td>Dark creatures from beyond the world are on the loose, and it will take everything for the narrator of the story to stay alive. His only defence is three women, on a farm at the end of the lane. The youngest of them claims that her duckpond is an ocean.</td>
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<td>Ambelin Kwaymullina</td>
<td><em>The of Ashala Wolf</em> (Series)</td>
<td>After ‘The Reckoning’ there are people with abilities - Flyers, Firestarters, Rumblers... and society fears them. The government calls them illegals. Ashala Wolf protects a group of illegals and she’ll do anything to keep them safe.</td>
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<td>Lauren Kate</td>
<td><em>Fallen</em></td>
<td>Suspected in the death of her boyfriend, Luce is sent to a Savannah, Georgia, reform school where she meets two intriguing boys and learns the truth about the strange shadows that have always haunted her.</td>
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<td>Laini Taylor</td>
<td><em>Daughter of Smoke and Bone</em> (Series)</td>
<td>Karou, a lovely, enigmatic art student in a Prague boarding school, carries a sketchbook of hideous, frightening monsters - the chimaerae who form the only family she has ever known.</td>
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<td>Patrick Rothfuss</td>
<td><em>The Name of the Wind</em> (Series)</td>
<td>The tale of Kvothe, from his childhood to his daring and successful bid to enter a dangerous school of magic. Kvothe becomes a notorious magician, an accomplished thief, a masterful musician, and an infamous assassin.</td>
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<td>Michael Scott</td>
<td><em>The Alchemyst</em> (Series)</td>
<td>It is said that Nicholas Flamel discovered the secret of eternal life. The records show that he died in 1418. But his tomb is empty and Nicholas Flamel lives. The secret of eternal life is hidden within the Book of Abraham the Mage which he protects. In the wrong hands, it will destroy the world.</td>
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<td>Isobelle Carmody</td>
<td><em>Obernewtyn</em> (Series)</td>
<td>Set in a future world that has been ravaged by a nuclear holocaust, Elspeth Gordie, an orphan, is found to have special powers. Not alone in this, she is quickly discovered and sent off to Obernewtyn, a council farm known to many as a place to which people go, but never return.</td>
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<td>Stephen Fry</td>
<td><em>Mythos</em></td>
<td>The Greek myths are the greatest stories ever told, passed down through millennia and inspiring writers and artists as varied as Shakespeare, Michelangelo, James Joyce and Walt Disney. They are embedded deeply in the traditions, tales and cultural DNA of the West.</td>
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<td>Caswell, Brian</td>
<td><em>Deucalion</em></td>
<td>Across light years of space, millions of settlers have come to the planet Deucalion to build a new future. What does this mean for the Elokoi, who live there first, or for the children of “Icarus” who made the journey for a different reason? And why are the people dying mysteriously?</td>
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<td>Ness, Patrick</td>
<td><em>The Knife of Never Letting Go</em> (Series)</td>
<td>Todd Hewitt is the last boy in Prentissstown, a town where everyone can hear your thoughts. Pursued by Prentiss and mad minister Aaron, Todd and Viola set out across New World searching for answers and seeking a way to warn the ship bringing hopeful settlers from Old World.</td>
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<td>Card, Orson Scott</td>
<td><em>Ender’s Game</em></td>
<td>The Earth is under attack by aliens and the survival of humanity depends on a military genius who can defeat them. Ender Wiggin is a brilliant, ruthless and strategic master, and a child being trained at Battle School. After all, Battle School is just a game. Isn’t it?</td>
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<td>Crichton, Michael</td>
<td><em>Jurassic Park</em></td>
<td>From the DNA that his scientists extract, a billionaire clones and grows dinosaurs in order to open a huge theme park on a remote island. Something goes terribly wrong...</td>
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<td>Roth, Veronica</td>
<td><em>Divergent</em> (Series)</td>
<td>In a future Chicago, Beatrice Prior must choose among five predetermined factions to define her identity for the rest of her life. She discovers that she is an anomaly who does not fit into any one group and that the society she lives in is not perfect after all.</td>
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<td>Westerfeld, Scott</td>
<td><em>Uglies (Series)</em></td>
<td>In a future in which every sixteen-year-old is surgically enhanced, authorities threaten to withhold Tally’s cosmetic makeover unless she agrees to infiltrate the Smoke, rebels who embrace their ugliness.</td>
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<td>Smith, Mark</td>
<td><em>The Road to Winter</em> (Series)</td>
<td>Since a deadly virus and the violence that followed killed his parents and wiped out most of his community, Finn has lived alone on the rugged coast with only his loyal dog Rowdy for company. But Finn’s isolation is shattered when a girl runs onto the beach.</td>
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<td>Black, Cally</td>
<td><em>In the Dark Spaces</em></td>
<td>Before the Crowpeople, Tamara knew she had to stay silent, hidden and keep her baby cousin Gub a secret. But after, Tamara knows nothing. Not why the Crowpeople killed everyone but her, nor whether Gub survived or what will happen to her now.</td>
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<td>Jonsberg, Barry</td>
<td><em>Pandora Jones</em></td>
<td>Pan is one of the survivors of a deadly plague pandemic who have been admitted to The School. Pan suspects there are terrible secrets being kept from the students. To survive she must decide who to trust and risk everything to uncover the truth.</td>
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<td>Blain, Georgia</td>
<td><em>Special</em></td>
<td>Fern Marlow is alone, datawiped and in hiding. Her mobile says she’s Delia Greene, a refuse sorter. Every night she dreams of the past and the life she’s meant to be living, back at Halston, an exclusive school for those wealthy enough to be genetically designed.</td>
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<td>Shusterman, Neal</td>
<td><em>Unwind</em></td>
<td>In a future world where those between the ages of thirteen and eighteen can have their lives “unwound” and their body parts harvested for use by others, three teens go to extreme lengths to uphold their beliefs--and, perhaps, save their own lives.</td>
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<td>Oliver, Lauren</td>
<td><em>Delirium</em> (series)*</td>
<td>Scientists are able to eradicate love, and the government demands that all citizens receive the cure upon turning eighteen. Lena has always looked forward to the day when she'll be cured. With only ninety-five days left until her treatment, Lena does the unthinkable.</td>
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<td>Merle, Claire</td>
<td>The Glimpse</td>
<td>Until the age of fifteen, Ana has lived a privileged existence amongst the Pures, but her whole world crumbles when she finds out that there was a mistake with her Pure test. She is actually one of the Crazies, and one day she will become sick.</td>
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<td>Crockett, S.D</td>
<td>After the Snow</td>
<td>Fifteen-year-old Willo Blake, born after the 2059 snows that ushered in a new ice age, encounters outlaws, halfmen, and an abandoned girl as he journeys in search of his family, who mysteriously disappeared from the freezing mountain that was their home.</td>
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<td>Gray, Claudia</td>
<td>A Thousand Pieces of You (Series)</td>
<td>Marguerite’s mother has invented a device which allows people to leap into other dimensions. When her father is murdered, she suspects his assistant, Paul, who escapes to another dimension. She decides to go after him and discovers the sinister truth behind her father’s death.</td>
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<td>Grant, Michael</td>
<td>Eve and Adam</td>
<td>Evening Spiker is recuperating from an accident in her mum’s medical facility. As she becomes friendly with the lab assistant Solo, she realises that things at Spiker Biotech are not quite as they seem. Together, Solo and Eve uncover a secret so huge it could change the world completely.</td>
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<td>Higgins, Jane</td>
<td>The Bridge</td>
<td>The city is at war. Southside, the hostiles live in squalor and desperation. Cityside, ISIS is in charge. Its job-keep the hostiles at bay. The hostiles have taken the bridges and bombed Nik’s school. Now Nik and Fyffe are on the run and planning to cross the bridge.</td>
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<td>Malley, Gemma</td>
<td>The Killables</td>
<td>Citizens may only enter The City after the ‘evil’ part of their brain has been removed. If they show signs of the evil emerging, they are labelled a “K”. But no one knows quite what that means. Only that they disappear, never to be seen again.</td>
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<td>Dickinson, Peter</td>
<td>Eva (eBook)</td>
<td>Thirteen year old Eva wakes up in the hospital unable to remember anything. Her mother explains that she was in a traffic accident. But Eva senses that there’s something she’s not being told, a price to be paid for being alive.</td>
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<td>Yancey, Rick</td>
<td>The 5th Wave (eBook + print)</td>
<td>After the 1st wave, only darkness remains. After the 2nd, only the lucky escape. And after the 3rd, only the unlucky survive. After 4th wave, only one rule applies: trust no one. Now is the dawn of the 5th wave.</td>
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<td>Zorn, Claire</td>
<td>Sky so Heavy</td>
<td>Fin has a seemingly normal day at school not knowing that on the other side of the world nuclear missiles are being detonated. The next morning, there is no internet, no power and no parents. Fin and his younger brother Max must find a way to survive all on their own.</td>
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<td>Kaufman, Amie</td>
<td>Illuminae (Series)</td>
<td>Two mega-corporations are at war over a planet at the edge of the universe. Kady and Ezra - who are not talking to each other - and the other residents are forced to evacuate. A plague has broken out on the ships and Kady and Ezra will have to work together to fight it.</td>
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<td>Brooks, Kevin</td>
<td>iBoy (eBook)</td>
<td>Before the attack, Tom Harvey was just an ordinary boy. But now fragments of a shattered iPhone are embedded in his brain and it’s having an extraordinary effect.</td>
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<td>Weir, Andy</td>
<td>The Martian. A Novel</td>
<td>I’m stranded on Mars with no way of communication with Earth. I’m in a Habitat designed to last 31 days. If the Oxygenator breaks, I’ll suffocate. If the Water Reclaimer breaks, I’ll die of thirst. If the Hab breaches, I’ll just kind of explode. I’ll eventually run out of food and starve to death.</td>
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<td>McManus, Karen</td>
<td>One of us is Lying</td>
<td>When Simon, creator of the notorious gossip app at Bayview High dies 24 hours before he could post the deepest secrets of four of his classmates, investigators conclude it’s no accident. Everyone has secrets, but how far will they go to protect them?</td>
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<td>Alderson, Sarah</td>
<td>Hunting Lila</td>
<td>Lila can move things just by looking at them. After her special ability is exposed, Lila runs away to her brother in California where he works for a secret organisation which tracks down people like Lila, who have special abilities.</td>
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<td>Horowitz, Anthony</td>
<td>House of Silk</td>
<td>Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson take on a case of a gentleman who is being stalked by a scar-faced man. Intrigued, the pair stumble across the House of Silk, a mysterious entity more deadly than any Holmes has encountered, and a conspiracy that threatens to tear apart the very fabric of society itself.</td>
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<td>Bowe, Steph</td>
<td>All This Could End</td>
<td>Nina doesn’t have a conventional family. Her family robs banks - even she and her twelve-year-old brother Tom are in on the act now. After yet another move and another new school, Nina is fed up and wants things to change. This time she’s made a friend she’s determined to keep.</td>
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<td>Barnes, Jennifer Lynn</td>
<td>Killer Instinct</td>
<td>Someone is copying the country’s most infamous serial killers: Dean’s father. Back at the Naturals HQ, Dean and his friends are being kept away from the murder but Dean knows too much about his father’s crimes not to get involved. Soon the Naturals find themselves in a dangerous race against time.</td>
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<td>Christie, Agatha</td>
<td>Murder on the Orient Express</td>
<td>In the middle of the night, the Orient Express is stopped in its tracks by a snowdrift. Passengers awake to discover that a wealthy American has been brutally stabbed to death in his private compartment which is locked from the inside. Trapped by the snow, the killer must still be on board.</td>
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<td>Kunze, Nansi</td>
<td>Dangerously Placed</td>
<td>Alex Thaler can’t wait to start her work experience placement at Virk in an astonishing virtual office. But when an employee is found murdered, Alex is the prime suspect. Will her friends be able help solve the mystery - before Alex becomes the next victim?</td>
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<td>Henry, April</td>
<td>Girl Stolen</td>
<td>When an impulsive carjacking turns into a kidnapping, Griffin, a high school dropout, finds himself more in sympathy with his wealthy, blind victim, Cheyenne, than with his greedy father.</td>
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<td>Child, Lee</td>
<td>The Midnight Line. Jack Reacher Thriller</td>
<td>When Jack Reacher finds a woman’s Westpoint ring in a pawn shop he decides to track down its owner. All he wants is to find the woman. If she’s OK, he’ll walk away. If she’s not... he’ll stop at nothing.</td>
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<td>Wilkinson, Lili</td>
<td>A Pocketful of Eyes</td>
<td>When a dead body is discovered in the taxidermy department at the museum where Beatrice is interning, she’s determined to use her sleuthing skills to solve the case. Can she sift through the clues to discover if there is a murderer in the midst?</td>
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<td>Marney, Ellie</td>
<td>Every Breath</td>
<td>Rachel and her new neighbour, James, find themselves following the trail of a cold-blooded killer. When they literally end up in the lion’s den, a night at the zoo will never have quite the same meaning again.</td>
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<td>Barker, Kathryn</td>
<td>In the Skin of a Monster</td>
<td>Three years ago, Alice’s identical twin sister took a gun to school and killed seven innocent kids. Now Alice is struggling with her identity, and with life in the small Australian town where everyone was touched by the tragedy. Alice thinks things can’t get much worse until she encounters her sister on a deserted highway.</td>
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<td>Morpurgo, Michael</td>
<td><em>Alone on a Wide, Wide Sea</em></td>
<td>When orphan Arthur Hobhouse is shipped to Australia after WWII he loses his sister, his country and everything he knows. Overcoming enormous hardships, Arthur is finally saved by the people he meets and by his talent for boat-design and sailing.</td>
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<td>Carter, Ally</td>
<td><em>Heist Society (Series)</em></td>
<td>Katarina’s family are thieves. They have stolen priceless art and crown jewels but all Katarina wants is a normal life. When her father is the main suspect in the theft of a mobster’s art collection, Katarina knows her dad needs her help.</td>
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<td>Hill, Anthony</td>
<td><em>Forbidden</em></td>
<td>On a remote Scottish island, music has been banned for a hundred years. All that is about to change because of the courage of one boy and a mysterious old fiddle player. Forbidden is an atmospheric novel, a haunting story of bravery, friendship and the healing power of music.</td>
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<td>Beckett, Bernard</td>
<td><em>Jolt</em></td>
<td>Marko surfaces from a drug-induced haze to find himself hidden from the world in a psychiatric ward. He is certain the ‘Doctor’ means to kill him, and he in turn has vengeful plans of his own. Who can Marko trust and how much time does he have?</td>
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<td>McClintock, Noah</td>
<td><em>Trial by Fire</em></td>
<td>Riley Donovan is the new kid in town. When her next-door neighbour’s barn catches on fire, with him inside it, Riley helps save him. When her neighbour is accused of starting the fire, Riley believes he is innocent and is determined to prove it -- even if it means making powerful enemies.</td>
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<td>Johnson, Maureen</td>
<td><em>The Name of the Star</em></td>
<td>Rory, of Boueuxlieu, Louisiana, is spending a year at a London boarding school when she witnesses a murder by a Jack the Ripper copycat and becomes involved with the very unusual investigation.</td>
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<td>George, Elisabeth</td>
<td><em>The Edge of Nowhere</em></td>
<td>Becca knows what you’re thinking... When her mother abandons her on Whidbey Island, Washington, a fourteen-year-old girl with psychic abilities meets a Ugandan orphan with a secret.</td>
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<td>Jacobsen, Megan</td>
<td><em>Yellow</em></td>
<td>Fourteen-year-old Kirra’s friends bully her, her mother has been an alcoholic since dad left, and now a teenage ghost is speaking to her through a broken phone booth. Things are complicated.</td>
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<td>Lawrence, Michael</td>
<td><em>A Crack in the Line (Series)</em></td>
<td>Alaric and Naia are the same age and live in the same crumbling Victorian Mansion but in different realities at the same time. Will Alaric and Naia be able to use each other to find out the truth about their own lives?</td>
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<td>Wakefield, Victoria</td>
<td><em>Ballad for a Mad Girl</em></td>
<td>Everyone knows that Grace Foley is a bit mad. She’s not afraid of anything—except losing. One night she experiences something she can’t explain. It seems the ghosts of Swanston have granted her an extraordinary gift at a terrible price.</td>
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<td>Gale, Emily</td>
<td><em>The Other Side of Summer</em></td>
<td>Summer’s family is broken after her brother is killed in a train station bombing. When her dad decides that the only answer is to move to the other side of the world, Summer is devastated. Her sister Wren hates her, and her mum is locked in her grief. Who will she talk to?</td>
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**Cassidy, Anne**  
*Looking for JJ*

Alice Tully is obsessed with a murder case where a 10 year old girl called JJ killed her best friend. Seven years later, JJ has now been released, and has a new identity. Alice knows because she is JJ. Is there any way that she can lead a “normal” life?

**Wolk, Lauren**  
*Wolf Hollow*

Annabelle has lived in quiet Wolf Hollow all her life. When cruel, manipulative Betty arrives in town and accuses gentle loner Toby of a terrible act, Annabelle knows he’s innocent. Then Betty disappears....

**Sedgwick, Marcus**  
*She is not Invisible*

Laureth’s Dad has been acting strangely lately, and now he’s disappeared. Laureth sets off for New York with a burning determination to find her missing father. She has just one clue to follow; his notebook. Does it contain salvation or madness?

**Rosoff, Meg**  
*Picture me Gone*

Mila can read a room, a person, a situation - and tell if you’re happy. When her father’s best friend, Matthew, goes missing, Mila joins in the search. But Matthew cannot be found. Is there something Mila has missed that she could never have imagined?

**Ferris, Fleur**  
*Found*

Beth’s biggest problem is telling her protective father that she has a boyfriend. But when her dad disappears, Beth discovers that he’s not who she thought he was. Her family’s secret past has caught up with them, and someone wants her dead.

**Sachar, Louis**  
*The Cardturner*

When his wealthy uncle, a champion bridge player who has lost his vision, asks Alton to be a cardturner for him, Alton has no idea how much he will ultimately learn from his eccentric relative.

**Jonsberg, Barry**  
*Game Theory*

When Summerlee wins a 7.5-million-dollar lottery, she cuts all ties with her family. But money can cause trouble and when Jamie’s younger sister, Phoebe, is kidnapped for a ransom, Jamie thinks he can use game theory to get Phoebe back.

**Marney, Ellie**  
*White Night*

Bo Mitchell attends a country high school. Aurora (Rory) lives in a commune and is attending ‘normal’ high school for the first time. As Bo is drawn towards Rory he realises that the commune is not a utopia after all and may be more dangerous than anyone could have predicted.

**Shepard, Sara**  
*Pretty Little Liars (Series)*

Everyone has something to hide - especially high school juniors Spencer, aria, Emily and Hanna. But they’ve kept an even bigger secret since their friend Alison vanished. How do I know? Because I know everything about the bad girls they were and the naughty girls they are now. And guess what? I’m telling.

**Abdel-Fattah, Randa**  
*Noah’s Law*

When Noah gets caught mucking up at school, his dad sends him to work at his aunt’s law firm during the holidays to ‘learn responsibility’. Noah becomes involved in a case where a woman has been killed during a mugging gone wrong and comes to realise that things are seldom what they seem.

**Riggs, Ransom**  
*Miss Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children (Series)*

A family tragedy sets Jacob journeying to a remote Welsh island, where he discovers the ruins of Miss Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children, once the home of his late grandfather. Is it possible that these children may still be alive?

**Sutcliffe, William**  
*The Wall*

Joshua lives in a divided city, where a wall and soldiers separate two communities. When Joshua discovers a manhole leading to the other side, an act of kindness from a girl saves his life, but leads to a terrible debt he’s determined to repay. And no one must find out that he’s been there, or the consequences will be unbearable.
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<td>Bashford, Taryn</td>
<td><em>The Harper Effect</em></td>
<td>Harper Hunter’s tennis coach says she doesn’t have what it takes and she’s also in love with her sister’s boyfriend. As Harper’s heart and dreams pull her in different directions, she needs to figure out exactly what she wants. And just how hard she’s willing to fight to get it.</td>
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<td>Flynn, Pat</td>
<td><em>The Line Formation</em></td>
<td>Ozzie knows what he loves: rugby league, the smell of his Pop’s farm when it rains, and Jess. When he becomes a high-school football star in Texas, all this begins to slip away. When America wants you, it’s hard not to want her back. (Print and eBook)</td>
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<td>Klass, David</td>
<td><em>Home of the Braves</em></td>
<td>Joe, the captain of the soccer team, is dismayed when a hotshot player shows up from Brazil and threatens to take over both the team and the girl whom Joe hopes to date.</td>
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<td>Thaiday, Sam</td>
<td><em>Tries Lies and Meat Pies</em></td>
<td>Sam Thaiday is one of rugby league’s most highly regarded and respected players. Often seen as one of the last true larrikins of the game, Sam has entertained Australian fans over his sixteen-year career. (Non-fiction)</td>
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<td>Winton, Tim</td>
<td><em>Lockie Leonard, Human Torpedo</em></td>
<td>Lockie Leonard is new in town and has nothing going for him except that he’s a hot-shot surfer. He falls in love with the beautiful Vicki and, amazingly, she likes him too. Suddenly Lockie is famous and popular, but he still has a lot to learn about love.</td>
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<td>Palmer, Tom</td>
<td><em>Dead Ball</em></td>
<td>When England’s star goalkeeper has a suspicious accident just days before the team’s World Cup qualifier, Danny knows something more sinister is kicking off. Danny is determined to tackle the match-fixing mystery, but an old enemy is also watching - and is ready to settle the score.</td>
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<td>Hyde, Michael</td>
<td><em>Footy Dreaming</em></td>
<td>Ben and Noah play on opposing teams in a footy-obsessed town. They each dream of playing at the G - and this is their make or break season. A novel about footy and friendship.</td>
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<td>Watson, Jessica</td>
<td><em>True Spirit</em></td>
<td>The personal story of the youngest person to sail around the world single-handedly from October 2009 to May 2010 - at the age of 16: 240 days and 23,000 nautical miles. (Non-fiction)</td>
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<td>Forrest, Lisa</td>
<td><em>Making the Most of It</em></td>
<td>Ever since the Olympic gold medallist Angie Taylor had come to visit her primary school, Nina has secretly dreamt of representing Australia and making sporting history. But she is totally unprepared for her dream to become a reality. Suddenly she has big expectations to live up to.</td>
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<td>Glass, Lisa</td>
<td><em>Blue</em></td>
<td>Surfing is Iris’s world and when the ultra-talented Zeke walks into her life, it’s about to become her passion. Over one amazing summer, as Iris is drawn into Zeke’s sphere, she experiences love and new friendships, but also loss, with an intensity she never dreamed of.</td>
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<td>Ashley, Bernard</td>
<td><em>Down to the Wire</em></td>
<td>Ben Maddox is on his way to the Ivory Coast to report on a fragile political situation and break-out by a separatist group. Whilst there he stumbles across another human-interest story in the proposed signing of an African football star for Spurs.</td>
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<td>Burke, J.C.</td>
<td><em>Starfish Sisters</em></td>
<td>Georgia, Kia, Micki and Ace are thrown together at an elite girl’s surfing camp. They’re not friends straight away: there’s jealousy, insecurity, secrets and lies to deal with first. Yet they soon realise that they need to stick together, because their friendship brings out the best in them. But, will they make the grade?</td>
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