
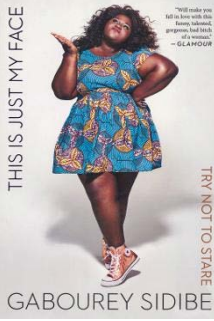
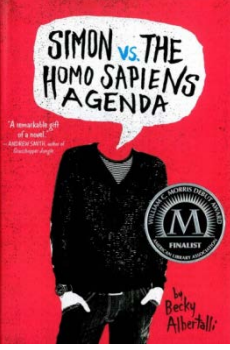

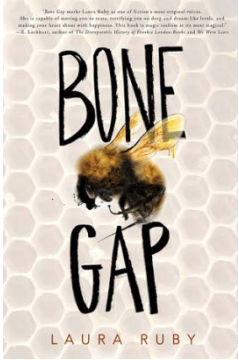


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	<p>Tucholke, Genevieve. <i>Wink Poppy Midnight</i>. “Every story needs a hero. Every story needs a villain. Every story needs a villain.” Midnight, a sweet young man, is caught between his loyalty to Poppy--a sassy, rebellious heartbreaker--and, Wink--the meek, kind mysterious neighbor. As Midnight’s affection for Wink grows, Poppy’s hold on him grows stronger. Who has Midnight’s best interest at heart--can you see through the deception? (Realistic fiction, Mystery)</p>
	<p>Sidibe, Gabourey. <i>This is Just My Face: Try Not to Stare</i> Actress and Oscar-nominated Gabourey Sidibe discusses themes of her life including rise to fame, friends, crazy family, other celebs, haters, race, and weight. (Memoir)</p>
	<p>Albertalli, Becky. <i>Simon vs. The Homo Sapiens Agenda</i>. Sixteen year old Simon has a secret email correspondence going on with another boy. Simon, who is not openly-gay, accidentally leaves his email open on a computer in the library and walks away. Emails fall into the wrong hands, and are used as a bargaining chip for another student to get Simon to do his bidding with a cute girl. Simon has to figure out a way to step out of his comfort zone on his own instead of being forced to. Check out this incredibly funny and moving book! (Realistic Fiction, LGBT).</p>
	<p>Cline, Ernest. <i>Ready Player One</i>. The year is 2044 and Wade Watts is living in a junkyard, his only solace is when he can hideout and slip into the virtual world of OASIS. Wanting to escape his wretched reality, Wade, an avid gamer, embarks on a mission to find the hidden “Easter eggs” within OASIS and inherit the fortune promised to the winner by the eccentric creator. Upon finding the first clue, Wade becomes a marked man and must win the game to save his own life. (Science Fiction)</p>



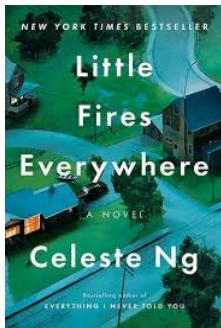
Ruby, Laura. ***Bone Gap.***

No one is surprised when Roza goes missing. It's not the first time someone has disappeared through the gaps. Finn O'Sullivan knows that Roza's disappearance is shrouded in danger, but no one seems to believe him. Dive into the tales of Bone Gap--a place of woe, melancholy, and a future that is uncertain, but is intertwined with love and forgiveness. (Fantasy)



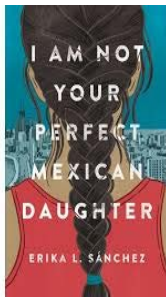
Dellaira, Ava. ***Love Letters to the Dead.***

Laurel's first English assignment is to write a letter to a dead person. Her first letter to Kurt Cobain, her sister's favorite, but she does not turn it in. Laurel chooses to continue writing to dead people--Amy Winehouse, Heath Ledger, Judy Garland--about the hardships of being a teenager and, most importantly, May's tragedy. Laurel's letter-writing proves to be cathartic and allows her to face her own tragedy and come to terms with what happened to May. (Realistic Fiction)



Ng, Celeste. ***Little Fires Everywhere.***

This one is for more advanced readers, and is a starred review by School Library Journal. In Shaker Heights, a wealthy suburb of Cleveland, drama unfolds between the Richardson family of six and their two tenants who are new to the area. Secrets abound in this story with complex and sympathetic characters. (Mystery/Realistic Fiction)



Sanchez, Erika L. ***I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter.***

A National Book Award Finalist, this story follows Julia - a 15-year old from Mexico who is anxious to gain some teenage independence from her undocumented parents. It's a complex and detailed coming-of-age story that's told in format of a diary. (Realistic Fiction)



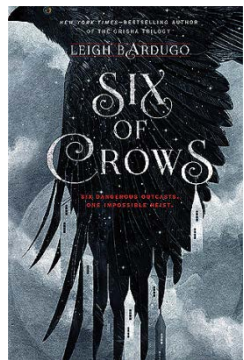
Krakauer, Jon. *Into Thin Air*.

Jon Krakauer narrates his terrifying climbing adventure to the summit of Mount Everest in May of 1996. Once he climbs to the summit, a dangerous storm starts to form and the lives that it affects will never be the same. (Nonfiction)



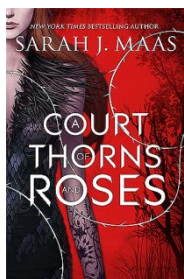
Lewis, John and Andrew Aydin. *March: Books One-Three*.

In this graphic novel trilogy, Congressman John Lewis recounts his first-hand experiences during the Civil Rights Movement. From his childhood in Alabama, to the Bloody Sunday in 1963, Lewis recounts the struggles so many experienced in the fight for civil rights. (Nonfiction)



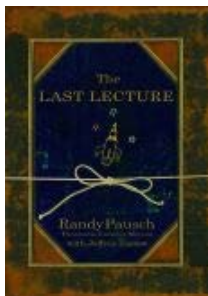
Bardugo, Leigh. *Six of Crows*.

Kaz Brekker is a criminal mastermind living in a city where corruption and crime rule supreme. Kaz is presented with the opportunity of a lifetime--pull of the heist of a lifetime. Kaz must kidnap the creator of a highly addictive substance, which will upset the balance of power. Kaz recruits a group of five other young people to take on the heist. Can the six of them pull off the heist and reap the rewards, or will their personality clashes be their own undoing? This is the first book of a trilogy. (Adventure/Fantasy)



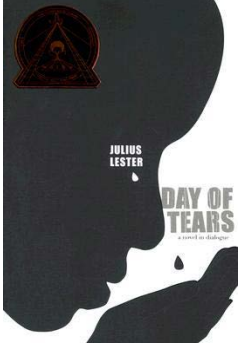
Maas, Sarah. *A Court of Thorns and Roses*.

Taken to a magical kingdom for the murder of a faerie, Feyre's heart gives way to strong feelings for her captor. Surrounded by danger, Feyre must fight to break an ancient curse, or risk losing love forever. (Fantasy)



Pausch, Randy. *The Last Lecture*.

This book is about the reflections of a Carnegie Mellon Computer Science Professor who was asked to give a lecture before he retired. The lecture was given shortly after he was diagnosed with terminal cancer. The lecture he gave was not about dying but rather about the importance of overcoming obstacles, of enabling the dreams of others, of seizing every moment, because "time is all you have... and you may find one day that you have less than you think." (Nonfiction)

	<p>Lester, Julius. <i>Day of Tears</i>. Pierce Butler, notorious gambler and slave owner, hosts a massive slave auction after losing his fortune. He breaks his promise to his most valued slave, Emma, and rips apart her family. This lyrical, heartbreaking tale tells the story of one of the largest slave auctions in history and the tragedy of losing loved ones. (Historical Fiction)</p>
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