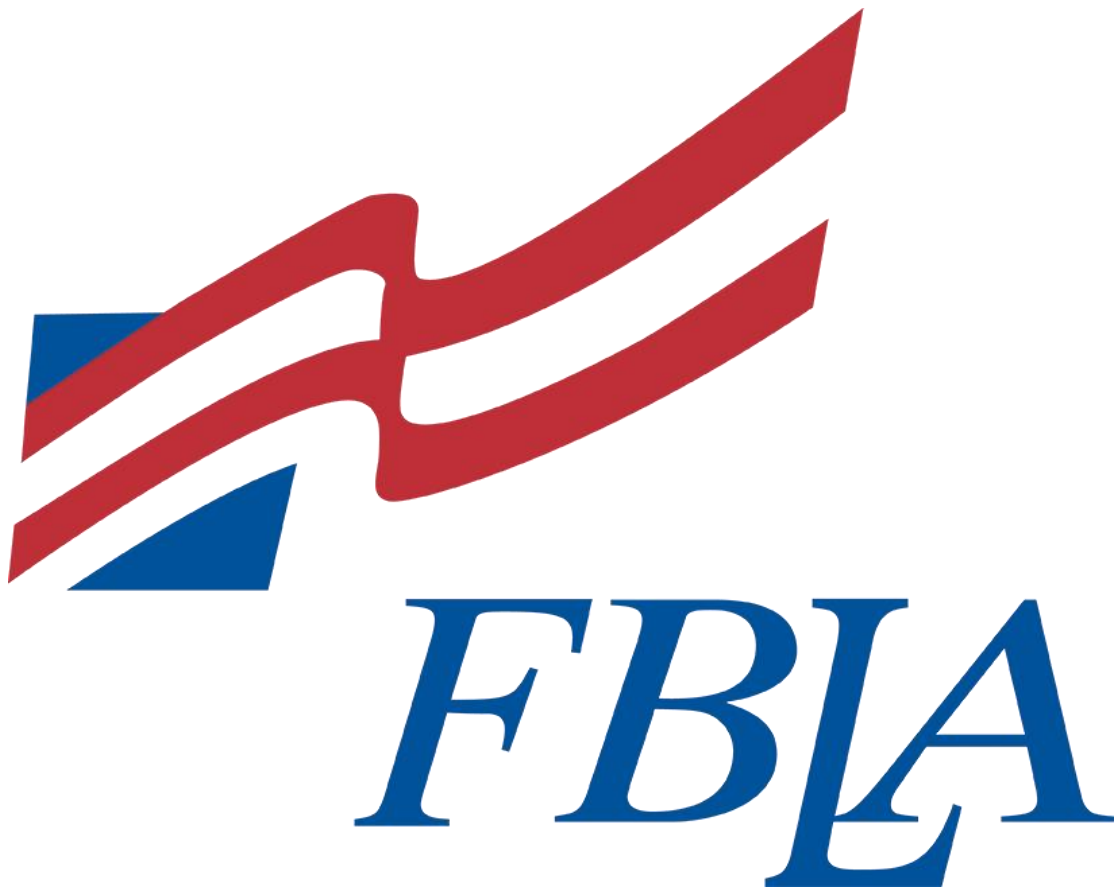


Book Summary Data



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*****Note: The summaries for most of the books are listed below but additional books have been added since then and their summaries have not been included in this data sheet. However, the summaries for those books are available in the application itself.**

The Giver:

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The Giver, the 1994 Newbery Medal winner, has become one of the most influential novels of our time. The haunting story centers on twelve-year-old Jonas, who lives in a seemingly ideal, if colorless, world of conformity and contentment. Not until he is given his life assignment as the Receiver of Memory does he begin to understand the dark, complex secrets behind his fragile community.

The Crucible:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/0143129473/ref=mp_s_a_1_2?ie=UTF8&qid=1515719431&sr=8-2&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=the+crucible&dpPI=1&dpID=51aPBr4ivL&ref=plSrch

One of the true masterpieces of twentieth-century American theater, *The Crucible* brilliantly explores the threshold between individual guilt and mass hysteria, personal spite and collective evil. It is a play that is not only relentlessly suspenseful and vastly moving, but that compels readers to fathom their hearts and consciences in ways that only the greatest theatre can.

The Odyssey:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/0393089053/ref=mp_s_a_1_2?ie=UTF8&qid=1515719510&sr=8-2&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=the+odyssey&dpPI=1&dpID=511ztJeNubL&ref=plSrch

The first great adventure story in the Western canon, *The Odyssey* is a poem about violence and the aftermath of war; about wealth, poverty, and power; about marriage and family; about travelers, hospitality, and the yearning for home.

ACT:

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The Official ACT Prep Guide, 2018 Edition, Revised and Updated is the must-have resource for college bound students. The guide is the go-to handbook for ACT preparation and the only guide from the makers of the exam. The book and online content includes the actual ACT test forms (taken from real ACT exams). In addition, this comprehensive resource has everything students need to know about when they are

preparing for and taking the ACT. The book contains information on how to register for the exam, proven test-taking strategies, ideas for preparing mentally and physically, gearing up for test day, and much more.

SAT:

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Review every skill and question type needed for SAT success – now with eight total practice tests. The 2018 edition of The Official SAT Study Guide doubles the number of official SAT® practice tests to eight – all of them created by the test maker. As part of the College Board's commitment to transparency, all practice tests are available on the College Board's website, but The Official SAT Study Guide is the only place to find them in print along with over 250 pages of additional instruction, guidance, and test information.

The Great Gatsby:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B010WF0PDY/ref=mp_s_a_1_9_a_it?ie=UTF8&qid=1515719880&sr=8-9&keywords=the+great+gatsby&dpPI=1&dpID=41F0H%2BdAPRL&ref=plSrch

The Great Gatsby, F. Scott Fitzgerald's third book, stands as the supreme achievement of his career. This exemplary novel of the Jazz Age has been acclaimed by generations of readers. The story of the fabulously wealthy Jay Gatsby and his love for the beautiful Daisy Buchanan, of lavish parties on Long Island at a time when The New York Times noted "gin was the national drink obsession," is an exquisitely crafted tale of America in the 1920s.

Macbeth:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/1411400372/ref=mp_s_a_1_4?ie=UTF8&qid=1515720045&sr=8-4&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=macbeth+shakespeare&dpPI=1&dpID=51fB%2BZ7NLhL&ref=plSrch

This is the most extensively annotated edition of Macbeth currently available, offering a thorough reconsideration of one of Shakespeare's most popular plays. A full and accessible introduction studies the immediate theatrical and political contexts of Macbeth's composition and treats such celebrated issues as whether the Witches compel Macbeth to murder and whether Lady Macbeth is herself a witch. An extensive, well-illustrated account of the play in performance examines several cinematic versions, such as those by Kurosawa and Roman Polanski, and other dramatic adaptations.

Romeo and Juliet:

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In *Romeo and Juliet*, Shakespeare creates a violent world, in which two young people fall in love. It is not simply that their families disapprove; the Montagues and the Capulets are engaged in a blood feud.

To Kill a Mockingbird:

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Set in the small Southern town of Maycomb, Alabama, during the Depression, *To Kill a Mockingbird* follows three years in the life of 8-year-old Scout Finch, her brother, Jem, and their father, Atticus--three years punctuated by the arrest and eventual trial of a young black man accused of raping a white woman. Though her story explores big themes, Harper Lee chooses to tell it through the eyes of a child. The result is a tough and tender novel of race, class, justice, and the pain of growing up.

The Color Purple:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/0156028352/ref=mp_s_a_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1515720467&sr=8-1&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=the+color+purple&dpPI=1&dpID=51d0meRFk8L&ref=plSrc_h

Published to unprecedented acclaim, *The Color Purple* established Alice Walker as a major voice in modern fiction. This is the story of two sisters—one a missionary in Africa and the other a child wife living in the South—who sustain their loyalty to and trust in each other across time, distance, and silence. Beautifully imagined and deeply compassionate, this classic novel of American literature is rich with passion, pain, inspiration, and an indomitable love of life.

The Scarlet Letter:

<https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/1512090565?psc=1>

Like all of Hawthorne's novels, "The Scarlet Letter" has but a slender plot and but few characters with an influence on the development of the story. Its great dramatic force depends entirely on the mental states of the actors and their relations to one another, —relations of conscience, — relations between wronged and wrongers. Its great burden is the weight of unacknowledged sin as seen in the remorse and cowardice and suffering of the Rev. Arthur Dimmesdale.

Of Mice and Men:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B001BC2ZS6/ref=mp_s_a_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1515720755&sr=8-1&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=of+mice+and+men+book+by+john+steinbeck

Over seventy-five years since its first publication, Steinbeck's tale of commitment, loneliness, hope, and loss remains one of America's most widely read and taught novels. An unlikely pair, George and Lennie, two migrant workers in California during the Great Depression, grasp for their American Dream. They hustle work when they can, living a hand-to-mouth existence. For George and Lennie have a plan: to own an acre of land and a shack they can call their own. When they land jobs on a ranch in the Salinas Valley, the fulfillment of their dream seems to be within their grasp. But even George cannot guard Lennie from the provocations, nor predict the consequences of Lennie's unswerving obedience to the things George taught him.

Fahrenheit 451:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B0064CPN7I/ref=mp_s_a_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1515721069&sr=8-1&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=fahrenheit+451

Guy Montag is a fireman. In his world, where television rules and literature is on the brink of extinction, firemen start fires rather than put them out. His job is to destroy the most illegal of commodities, the printed book, along with the houses in which they are hidden.

Montag never questions the destruction and ruin his actions produce, returning each day to his bland life and wife, Mildred, who spends all day with her television "family." But then he meets an eccentric young neighbor, Clarisse, who introduces him to a past where people didn't live in fear and to a present where one sees the world through the ideas in books instead of the mindless chatter of television.

When Mildred attempts suicide and Clarisse suddenly disappears, Montag begins to question everything he has ever known. He starts hiding books in his home, and when his pilfering is discovered, the fireman has to run for his life.

A Separate Peace:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B00JN7BNR0/ref=mp_s_a_1_4?ie=UTF8&qid=1515721153&sr=8-4&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=a+separate+peace

An American classic and great bestseller for over thirty years, *A Separate Peace* is timeless in its description of adolescence during a period when the entire country was losing its innocence to World War II.

Set at a boys' boarding school in New England during the early years of World War II, *A Separate Peace* is a harrowing and luminous parable of the dark side of adolescence. Gene is a lonely, introverted intellectual. Phineas is a handsome, taunting, daredevil athlete. What happens between the two friends one summer, like the war itself, banishes the innocence of these boys and their world.

The Catcher in the Rye:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/0316769487/ref=mp_s_a_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1515721205&sr=8-1&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=the+catcher+in+the+rye&dpPI=1&dpID=51ZxSRLRUpl&ref=pl_Srch

The hero-narrator of THE CATCHER IN THE RYE is an ancient child of sixteen, a native New Yorker named Holden Caulfield. Through circumstances that tend to preclude adult, secondhand description, he leaves his prep school in Pennsylvania and goes underground in New York City for three days.

The boy himself is at once too simple and too complex for us to make any final comment about him or his story. Perhaps the safest thing we can say about Holden is that he was born in the world not just strongly attracted to beauty but, almost, hopelessly impaled on it.

Animal Farm:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B003ZX868W/ref=mp_s_a_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1515721301&sr=8-1&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=animal+farm

In 1984, London is a grim city where Big Brother is always watching you and the Thought Police can practically read your mind. Winston Smith joins a secret revolutionary organization called The Brotherhood, dedicated to the destruction of the Party. Together with his beloved Julia, he hazards his life in a deadly match against the powers that be.

Animal Farm is Orwell's classic satire of the Russian Revolution -- an account of the bold struggle, initiated by the animals, that transforms Mr. Jones's Manor Farm into Animal Farm--a wholly democratic society built on the credo that All Animals Are Created Equal. But are they?

A Midsummer Night's Dream:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B01G7XFXBY/ref=mp_s_a_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1515721358&sr=8-1-spons&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=a+midsummer+night%27s+dream

A Midsummer Night's Dream is a romantic comedy by William Shakespeare, suggested by "The Knight's Tale" from Geoffrey Chaucer's *The Canterbury Tales*, written around 1594 to 1596. It portrays the adventures of four young Athenian lovers and a group of amateur actors, their interactions with the Duke and Duchess of Athens, Theseus and Hippolyta, and with the fairies who inhabit a moonlit forest. The play is one of Shakespeare's most popular works for the stage and is widely performed across the world.

The Outsiders:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B007ZUV4TO/ref=mp_s_a_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1515721403&sr=8-1&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=the+outsiders

No one ever said life was easy. But Ponyboy is pretty sure that he's got things figured out. He knows that he can count on his brothers, Darry and Sodapop. And he knows that he can count on his friends—true friends who would do anything for him, like Johnny and Two-Bit. But not on much else besides trouble with

the Socs, a vicious gang of rich kids whose idea of a good time is beating up on “greasers” like Ponyboy. At least he knows what to expect—until the night someone takes things too far.

The Outsiders is a dramatic and enduring work of fiction that laid the groundwork for the YA genre. S. E. Hinton's classic story of a boy who finds himself on the outskirts of regular society remains as powerful today as it was the day it was first published.

Lord of the Flies:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B000OCXIRG/ref=mp_s_a_1_3?ie=UTF8&qid=1515721471&sr=8-3&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=lord+of+the+flies

At the dawn of the next world war, a plane crashes on an uncharted island, stranding a group of schoolboys. At first, with no adult supervision, their freedom is something to celebrate. This far from civilization they can do anything they want. Anything. But as order collapses, as strange howls echo in the night, as terror begins its reign, the hope of adventure seems as far removed from reality as the hope of being rescued.

Moby Dick:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B01NBLGUY6/ref=mp_s_a_1_4?ie=UTF8&qid=1515721618&sr=8-4&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=moby+dick&dpI=1&dpID=51UYGG4Y3RL&ref=plSrch

First published as *Moby-Dick; or, The Whale* in 1851, Herman Melville's epic tale about obsession and greed shows no signs of losing popularity in the digital age. The book begins as a straightforward narrative in realistic prose. After the first fifteen chapters, it becomes a complex combination of cetology, philosophy, and adventure narrative written in rhapsodic metaphorical style. A profound symbolic study of good and evil, *Moby Dick* is widely regarded as one of the great American novels.

Kids of Appetite:

<https://www.amazon.com/Kids-Appetite-David-Arnold/dp/0451470788>

When Victor Benucci's father dies, Victor receives an urn with his father's ashes and a list in it. He meets a group of kids who become the Kids of Appetite (KoA) and help Vic go to all the places on his father's list and spread the ashes. One of the KoA, Madeline (Mad) has a troubled past. Mad's uncle is murdered and she and Vic are picked up by the police. Kids of Appetite is the story that takes place between the death of Vic's father and the murder of Mad's uncle. Read KoA and meet all of the Kids of Appetite.

Everything Everything:

<https://www.amazon.com/Everything-Nicola-Yoon/dp/0553496670>

What if you couldn't touch anything in the outside world? Never breathe in the fresh air, feel the sun warm your face . . . or kiss the boy next door? In *Everything, Everything*, Maddy is a girl who's literally allergic to

the outside world, and Olly is the boy who moves in next door . . . and becomes the greatest risk she's ever taken. My disease is as rare as it is famous. Basically, I'm allergic to the world. I don't leave my house, have not left my house in seventeen years. The only people I ever see are my mom and my nurse, Carla. But then one day, a moving truck arrives next door. I look out my window, and I see him. He's tall, lean and wearing all black T-shirt, black jeans, black sneakers, and a black knit cap that covers his hair completely. He catches me looking and stares at me. I stare right back. His name is Olly. Maybe we can't predict the future, but we can predict some things. For example, I am certainly going to fall in love with Olly. It's almost certainly going to be a disaster. Everything, Everything will make you laugh, cry, and feel everything in between. It's an innovative, inspiring, and heartbreakingly romantic debut novel that unfolds via vignettes, diary entries, illustrations, and more.

Harry Potter and the Cursed Child:

<https://www.amazon.com/Everything-Nicola-Yoon/dp/0553496670>

It was always difficult being Harry Potter and it isn't much easier now that he is an overworked employee of the Ministry of Magic, a husband and father of three school-age children. While Harry grapples with a past that refuses to stay where it belongs, his youngest son Albus must struggle with the weight of a family legacy he never wanted. As past and present fuse ominously, both father and son learn the uncomfortable truth: sometimes, darkness comes from unexpected places.

Holding Up the Universe:

<https://www.amazon.com/Holding-Up-Universe-Jennifer-Niven/dp/0385755929>

Libby Strout lost her mother unexpectedly when she was ten years old. She ate her grief away, becoming morbidly obese and a social media spectacle. Jack Masselin is a popular guy, with lots of cool friends, but he's working hard to hide a secret: he can't recognize any of them from day to day as the result of a neurological condition that causes facial blindness. Jack and Libby's worlds intersect after a bullying incident, and their resulting relationship ultimately enriches both their lives in surprising and wonderful ways.

The Geek's Guide to Unrequited Love:

https://www.amazon.com/Geeks-Guide-Unrequited-Love/dp/1481456539/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920017&sr=1-1&keywords=the+geek%27s+guide+to+unrequited+love

Graham and his best friend, Roxy, are uber geeks. They've been best friends since they were eight, bonding over Harry Potter. They've joined a lot more fandoms since then, but their true love is for The Chronicles of Althena, The Greatest Comic Ever- the one that inspired them to make their own comics. They've never gotten to meet the creator, because he's a J.D. Salinger-level recluse. But they get a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to score tickets, and it will provide the most perfectly epic setting for Graham to confess his true feelings to Roxy...if he can pull it off. If you've ever slaved for hours on the perfect cosplay or cried way too much over fictional characters, this book is for you!

Learning to Swear in America:

https://www.amazon.com/Learning-Swear-America-Katie-Kennedy/dp/1619639114/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920128&sr=1-1&keywords=learning+to+swear+in+america

An asteroid is hurtling toward California. Yuri, a Russian physics genius, has been called to NASA because he is working on a project with antimatter that could win him the Nobel Prize. But Yuri is 17 and can't make older scientists understand how to save the world. Then he meets Dovie, an edgy teen who takes him on an adventure and shows him the world is worth saving.

Three Dark Crowns:

https://www.amazon.com/Three-Dark-Crowns-Kendare-Blake/dp/0062385445/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920185&sr=1-1&keywords=three+dark+crowns%5D

On the island of Fennbirn, every generation brings with it a set of female triplets, all equal heirs to the throne, and each with her own magical abilities. Mirabella can spark flames or conjure up storms. Katherine can ingest poison without fear of death. Arsinoe has control over all natural elements like plants and animals. The three sisters must fight to prove who is most worthy of being crowned queen, so who is the strongest and who will perish at the hands of her own sister?

Tell Me Three Things:

https://www.amazon.com/Tell-Three-Things-Julie-Buxbaum/dp/0553535676/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920286&sr=1-1&keywords=tell+me+three+things

Jessie's mom died two years ago, and now her father has eloped with a woman he met online. He is moving Jessie across the country to LA where the new stepmom lives. She also gets a new stuck-up stepbrother who has zero interest in helping Jessie adjust to life in her new rich-kid school. Yay. Things seem to be falling in place for Jessie's worst year yet when she gets an email from Somebody/Nobody offering to help her navigate life in LA/her new school. Is this a joke, or an actual offer of help? S/N seems to be helpful, and Jessie starts to wonder what it would be like to meet this mystery person.

Rebel of the Sands:

https://www.amazon.com/Rebel-Sands-Alwyn-Hamilton/dp/0147517974/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920353&sr=1-1&keywords=rebel+of+the+sands

Amani Al'Hiza is an expert gunslinger willing to risk everything to escape her desert nation of Miraji. With an uncanny ability to weasel out of trouble, she finds her strength with the aid of a mythical horse and a foreign fugitive. Nonstop action, homage to the Wild West, Hindu lore, Arabian Nights, Navajo mythology, and steampunk combine for a wild ride into the heart of the rebellion of the reigning Sultan.

The Darkest Corners:

https://www.amazon.com/Darkest-Corners-Kara-Thomas/dp/0553521489/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920445&sr=1-1&keywords=the+darkest+corners

One lie told by two little girls who were almost certain that their neighbor had to be the Ohio River Monster. That's all it took to convict Wyatt Stokes. Tessa and Callie have gone their separate ways and never talked about the trial. Now Tessa has to return to her hometown and another body is found that bears the mark of the serial killer they thought was behind bars. What if they were wrong? What if the killer is still at large? What if things aren't always what they seem? Don't read this one before bed.

Highly Illogical Behavior:

https://www.amazon.com/Highly-Illogical-Behavior-Corey-Whaley/dp/0147515203/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920523&sr=1-1&keywords=highly+illogical+behavior

Do you sometimes wish that you could stay at home and never, ever, go out? For Solomon, the only way to control his agoraphobia is to stay inside and avoid any contact with the outside. But what happens if the outside comes in? Solomon's carefully developed rational behavior will be put to a test when a very determined outsider enters his world and brings a friend and a hidden agenda. This book portrays both the difficulties and the life-changing effects of fighting for relationships that are worthy.

Red Queen:

https://www.amazon.com/Red-Queen-Victoria-Aveyard/dp/0062310631/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920595&sr=1-1&keywords=red+queen

Mare Barrow's world is divided by blood—those with common, Red blood serve the Silver-blooded elite, who are gifted with superhuman abilities. Mare is a Red, scraping by as a thief in a poor, rural village, until a twist of fate throws her in front of the Silver court. Before the king, princes, and all the nobles, she discovers she has an ability of her own.

Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda:

https://www.amazon.com/Simon-vs-Homo-Sapiens-Agenda/dp/006234868X/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920652&sr=1-1&keywords=simon+vs+the+homo+sapiens+agenda

Sixteen-year-old and not-so-openly gay Simon Spier prefers to save his drama for the school musical. But when an email falls into the wrong hands, his secret is at risk of being thrust into the spotlight. Now Simon is actually being blackmailed: if he doesn't play wingman for class clown Martin, his sexual identity will become everyone's business. Worse, the privacy of Blue, the pen name of the boy he's been emailing, will be compromised.

The Young Elites:

https://www.amazon.com/Young-Elites-Novel/dp/0147511682/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920747&sr=1-1&keywords=the+young+elites

Adelina Amouteru is a survivor of the blood fever. A decade ago, the deadly illness swept through her nation. Most of the infected perished, while many of the children who survived were left with strange markings. Adelina's black hair turned silver, her lashes went pale, and now she has only a jagged scar where her left eye once was. Her cruel father believes she is a malfetto, an abomination, ruining their family's good name and standing in the way of their fortune. But some of the fever's survivors are rumored to possess more than just scars—they are believed to have mysterious and powerful gifts, and though their identities remain secret, they have come to be called the Young Elites.

All We Have Left:

https://www.amazon.com/All-Have-Left-Wendy-Mills/dp/1619633434/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920802&sr=1-1&keywords=all+we+have+left

Now:

Sixteen-year-old Jesse is used to living with the echoes of the past. Her older brother died in the September 11th attacks, and her dad since has filled their home with anger and grief. When Jesse gets caught up with the wrong crowd, one momentary hate-fueled decision turns her life upside down. The only way to make amends is to face the past, starting Jesse on a journey that will reveal the truth about how her brother died.

Then:

In 2001, sixteen-year-old Alia is proud to be Muslim . . . it's being a teenager that she finds difficult. After being grounded for a stupid mistake, Alia decides to confront her father at his Manhattan office, putting her in danger she never could have imagined. When the planes collide into the Twin Towers, Alia is trapped inside one of the buildings. In the final hours, she meets a boy who will change everything for her as the flames rage around them . . .

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone:

https://www.amazon.com/Harry-Potter-Sorcerers-Stone-Rowling/dp/059035342X/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920924&sr=1-1&keywords=harry+potter+and+the+sorcerer%27s+stone

Harry Potter has no idea how famous he is. That's because he's being raised by his miserable aunt and uncle who are terrified Harry will learn that he's really a wizard, just as his parents were. But everything changes when Harry is summoned to attend an infamous school for wizards, and he begins to discover some clues about his illustrious birthright. From the surprising way he is greeted by a lovable giant, to the unique curriculum and colorful faculty at his unusual school, Harry finds himself drawn deep inside a mystical world he never knew existed and closer to his own noble destiny.

My Lady Jane:

https://www.amazon.com/My-Lady-Jane-Cynthia-Hand/dp/0062391763/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525920984&sr=1-1&keywords=my+lady+jane

At sixteen, Lady Jane Grey is about to be married off to a stranger and caught up in a conspiracy to rob her cousin, King Edward, of his throne. But those trifling problems aren't for Jane to worry about. *Jane* gets to be Queen of England.

Like that could go wrong.

Salt to the Sea:

https://www.amazon.com/Salt-Sea-Ruta-Sepetys/dp/0142423629/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525921035&sr=1-1&keywords=salt+to+the+sea

Winter 1945. WWII. Four refugees. Four stories.

Each one born of a different homeland; each one hunted, and haunted, by tragedy, lies, war. As thousands desperately flock to the coast in the midst of a Soviet advance, four paths converge, vying for passage aboard the Wilhelm Gustloff, a ship that promises safety and freedom. But not all promises can be kept . . .

The Boy in Striped Pajamas:

https://www.amazon.com/Boy-Striped-Pajamas-John-Boyne/dp/0385751532/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1525921081&sr=1-1&keywords=the+boy+in+the+striped+pajamas

Berlin, 1942: When Bruno returns home from school one day, he discovers that his belongings are being packed in crates. His father has received a promotion and the family must move to a new house far, far away, where there is no one to play with and nothing to do. A tall fence stretches as far as the eye can see and cuts him off from the strange people in the distance.

But Bruno longs to be an explorer and decides that there must be more to this desolate new place than

meets the eye. While exploring his new environment, he meets another boy whose life and circumstances are very different from his own, and their meeting results in a friendship that has devastating consequences.

The Serpent King:

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Dillard Early, Jr., Travis Bohannon and Lydia Blankenship are three friends from different walks of life who have one thing in common: none of them seem to fit the mold in rural Tennessee's Forrestville High. Dill has always been branded as an outsider due to his family heritage as snake handlers and poison drinkers, an essential part of their Pentecostal faith. But after his father is sent to prison for sexual abuse of a young parishioner, Dill and his mother become real pariahs. His only two friends are Travis, a gentle giant who works at his family's lumberyard and is obsessed with a Game of Thrones-like fantasy series (much to his alcoholic father's chagrin); and Lydia, who runs a popular fashion blog that's part Tavi Gevinson and part Angela Chase, and is actively plotting her escape from Redneckville, Tennessee.

As the three friends begin their senior year, it becomes clear that they won't all be getting to start a promising new life after graduation. How they deal with their diverging paths could cause the end of their friendship. Until a shattering act of random violence forces Dill to wrestle with his dark legacy and find a way into the light of a future worth living.
