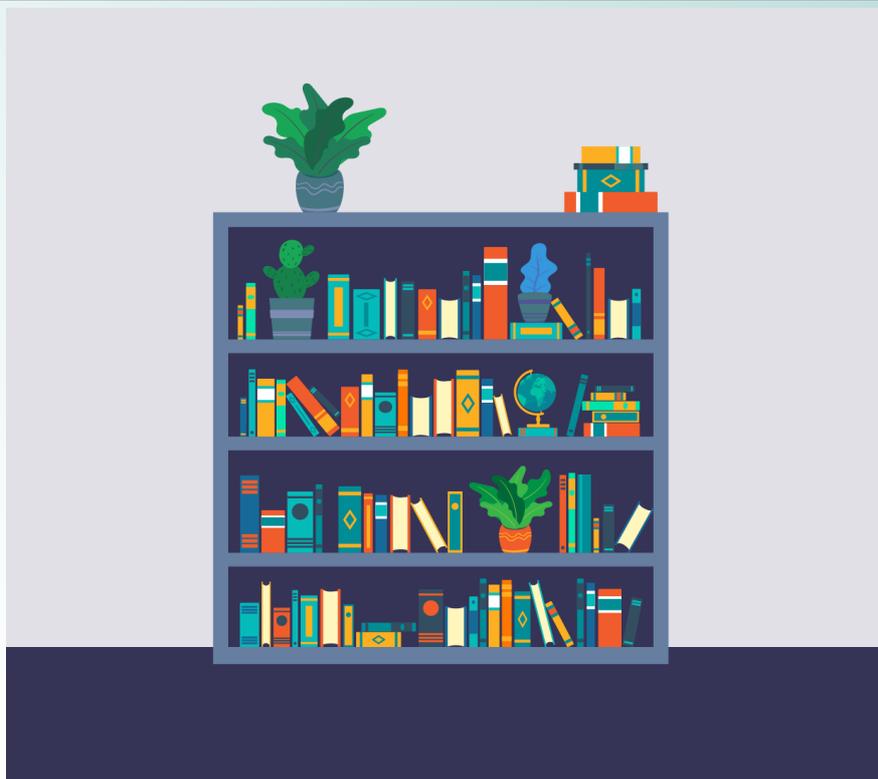


PIXL Reading

Suggested Reading List Years 10 & 11

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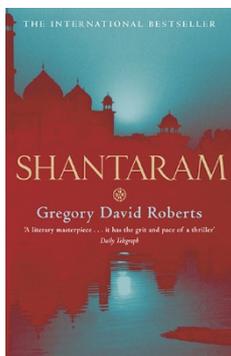


Modern Classics

<p>Shortlisted for the 2014 COSTA Children's Book Award</p> <p>THE GHOSTS OF HEAVEN</p> <p>MARCUS SEDGWICK</p>	<p>'BIG, ABSORBING, SMART' NICK HORNBY</p> <p>TWENTY YEARS TWO PEOPLE</p> <p>ONE DAY</p> <p>DAVID NICHOLLS</p> <p>BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF STAYERS FOR TEN</p> <p>'INCREDIBLY MOVING' MARION KEYES</p> <p>'A WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL BOOK' THE TIMES</p>	<p>David Mitchell</p> <p>CLOUD ATLAS</p> <p>'An impossible dance of genres... an original, exhilarating and extraordinary' The Times</p>	<p>THE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER</p> <p>SHANTARAM</p> <p>Gregory David Roberts</p> <p>'A literary masterpiece... it has the grit and pace of a thriller' <i>Daily Telegraph</i></p>
<p>BERYL BAINBRIDGE</p> <p>THE BOTTLE FACTORY OUTING</p> <p>SHORTLISTED FOR THE BOOKER PRIZE</p> <p>'An outrageously funny and terrifying novel!' GRAHAM GREENE</p>	<p>The Color Purple</p> <p>Alice Walker</p> <p>With a new introductory letter by Alice Walker</p>	<p>Flowers for Algernon</p> <p>DANIEL KEYES</p> <p>'A masterpiece of poignant brilliance... heartbreaking' Guardian</p>	<p>'A masterpiece. Written in the midst of terror, but with such clarity, such energy, Seghers is a writer of rare insight' Financial Times</p> <p>THE SEVENTH CROSS</p> <p>'Not only an important novel, but an important historical document' Financial Times</p> <p>ANNA SEGHERS</p>
<p>SAINT DEATH</p> <p>MARCUS SEDGWICK</p> <p>INTERNATIONAL AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR</p>	<p>★ What would you sacrifice for someone you've loved forever?</p> <p>Midwinterblood</p> <p>MARCUS SEDGWICK</p>	<p>★</p> <p>Marcus Sedgwick</p> <p>REVOLVER</p> <p>Razor sharp, psychological thriller set in a snowy Arctic wilderness</p>	<p>IAIN BANKS</p> <p>The Crow Road</p> <p>'The most imaginative novelist of his generation' THE TIMES</p>
<p>(Akala)</p> <p>ONLY ONE VOICE KILL THE BOY</p> <p>THE DARK LADY</p>	<p>RANI & SUKH</p> <p>Bali Rai</p>	<p>VANESSA CURTIS</p> <p>The Stolen Ones</p> <p>What if EVERYTHING you thought you knew was a LIE?</p>	

Modern Classics - Hachette

	<p>The Ghosts of Heaven, by Marcus Sedgwick – RRP £7.99 <i>ISBN: 9781780622217</i></p> <p>The spiral has existed as long as time has existed. It's there when a girl walks through the forest, the moist green air clinging to her skin. There centuries later in a pleasant green dale, hiding the treacherous waters of Golden Beck that take Anna, who they call a witch. There on the other side of the world, where a mad poet watches the waves and knows the horrors they hide, and far into the future as Keir Bowman realises his destiny. Each takes their next step in life. None will ever go back to the same place. And so their journeys begin...</p>
	<p>One Day, by David Nicholls – RRP £8.99 <i>ISBN: 9780340896983</i></p> <p>Twenty years, two people, ONE DAY.</p> <p>'I can imagine you at forty,' she said, a hint of malice in her voice. 'I can picture it right now.'</p> <p>He smiled without opening his eyes. 'Go on then.'</p> <p>15th July 1988. Emma and Dexter meet for the first time on the night of their graduation. Tomorrow they must go their separate ways. So where will they be on this one day next year? And the year after that? And every year that follows?</p>
	<p>Cloud Atlas, by David Mitchell – RRP £9.99 <i>ISBN: 9780340822784</i></p> <p>Souls cross ages like clouds cross skies . . .</p> <p>Six interlocking lives – one amazing adventure. In a narrative that circles the globe and reaches from the 19th century to a post-apocalyptic future, Cloud Atlas erases the boundaries of time, genre and language to offer an enthralling vision of humanity's will to power, and where it will lead us.</p>

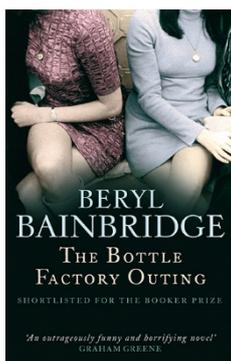


Shantaram Gregory, by David Roberts – RRP £10.99

ISBN: 9780349117546

A novel of high adventure, great storytelling and moral purpose, based on an extraordinary true story of eight years in the Bombay underworld.

'In the early 80s, Gregory David Roberts, an armed robber and heroin addict, escaped from an Australian prison to India, where he lived in a Bombay slum. There, he established a free health clinic and also joined the mafia, working as a money launderer, forger and street soldier. He found time to learn Hindi and Marathi, fall in love, and spend time being worked over in an Indian jail. Then, in case anyone thought he was slacking, he acted in Bollywood and fought with the Mujahedeen in Afghanistan . . . Amazingly, Roberts wrote Shantaram three times after prison guards trashed the first two versions. It's a profound tribute to his willpower... At once a high-kicking, eye-gouging adventure, a love saga and a savage yet tenderly lyrical fugitive vision.' Time Out

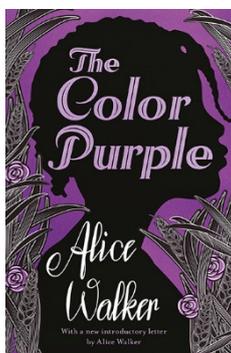


The Bottle Factory Outing, by Beryl Bainbridge – RRP £8.99

ISBN: 9780349123714

Freda and Brenda spend their days working in an Italian-run wine-bottling factory. A work outing offers promise for Freda and terror from Brenda; passions run high on that chilly day of freedom, and life after the outing never returns to normal.

Inspired by author Beryl Bainbridge's own experiences working at a London wine-factory in the 1970s, The Bottle Factory Outing examines issues of friendship and consent, making the novel timelier than ever. Readers will be dazzled by this offbeat, haunting yet hilarious Guardian fiction prize-winning novel.



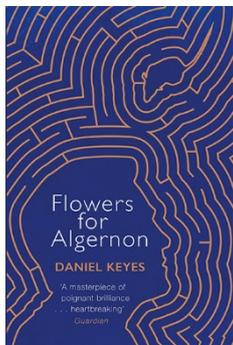
The Colour Purple, by Alice Walker – RRP £8.99

ISBN: 9781474607254

A powerful cultural touchstone of modern American literature, The Color Purple depicts the lives of African American women in early twentieth-century rural Georgia.

Separated as girls, sisters Celie and Nettie sustain their loyalty to and hope in each other across time, distance and silence through a series of letters spanning twenty years, first from Celie to God, then the sisters to each other despite the unknown. Abused repeatedly by the man she calls 'father', Celie has two children taken away from her and is trapped into an ugly marriage. But then she meets the glamorous Shug Avery, singer and magic-maker – a woman who has taken charge of her own destiny.

Gradually Celie discovers the power and joy of her own spirit, freeing her from her past and reuniting her with those she loves. Beloved by generations, The Color Purple broke the silence around domestic and sexual abuse, narrating the lives of women through their pain and struggle, companionship and growth, resilience and bravery.



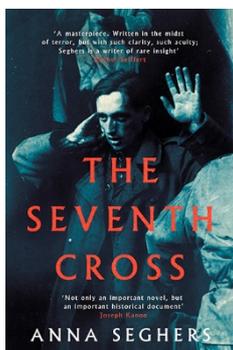
Flowers for Algernon, by Daniel Keyes – RRP £8.99

ISBN: 9781474605731

The classic novel about a daring experiment in human intelligence

Charlie Gordon, IQ 68, is a floor sweeper and the gentle butt of everyone's jokes – until an experiment in the enhancement of human intelligence turns him into a genius.

But then Algernon, the mouse whose triumphal experimental transformation preceded his, fades and dies, and Charlie has to face the possibility that his salvation was only temporary.



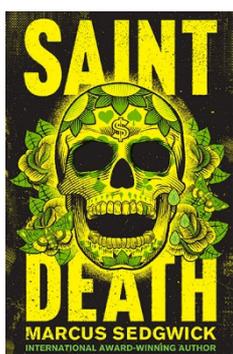
The Seventh Cross, by Anna Seghers – RRP £8.99

ISBN: 9780349010410

Seven prisoners escape from Westhofen concentration camp. Seven crosses are erected in the grounds and the commandant vows to capture the fugitives within a week. Six men are caught quickly, but George Heisler slips through his pursuers' fingers. It becomes a matter of pride to track him down, at whatever cost.

Who can George trust? Who will betray him? The years of fear have changed those he knew best: his brother is now an SS officer; his lover turns him away. Hunted, injured and desperate, time is running out for George, and whoever is caught aiding in his escape will pay with their life.

The Seventh Cross is one of the most powerful and influential novels of the twentieth century, a tense thriller that helped to alert the world to the grim realities of Nazi Germany.

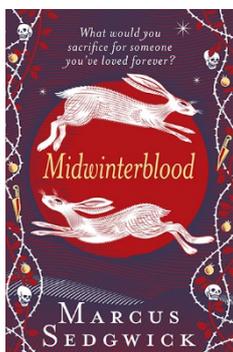


Saint Death, by Marcus Sedgwick – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444011258

Anapra is one of the poorest neighbourhoods in the Mexican city of Juarez – twenty metres outside town lies a fence and, beyond it, America – the dangerous goal of many a migrant. Faustino is one such trying to escape from the gang he's been working for. He's dipped into a pile of dollars he was supposed to be hiding and now he's on the run. He and his friend, Arturo, have only 36 hours to replace the missing money, or they're as good as dead.

Watching over them is Saint Death. Saint Death (or Santissima Muerte) – she of pure bone and charcoal-black eye, she of absolute loyalty and neutral morality, holy patron to rich and poor, to prostitute and narco-lord, criminal and police-chief. A folk saint, a rebel angel, a sinister guardian.

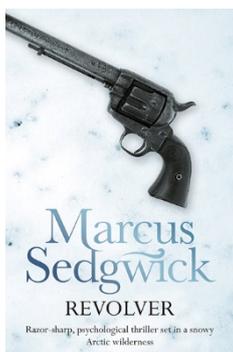


Midwinterblood, by Marcus Sedgwick – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781780620206

Have you ever had the feeling that you've lived another life? Been somewhere that has felt totally familiar even though you've never been there before, or felt that you've known someone, even though you are meeting them for the first time?

Eric and Merle loved and lost one another, and have been searching for each other through time ever since. This novel comprises seven short stories and travels in time, from 2073 back to the days of Viking sagas. Across the different tales, the two souls appear as lovers, mother and son, brother and sister, and artist and child as they come close to finding each other before facing the ultimate sacrifice...



Revolver, by Marcus Sedgwick – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444000054

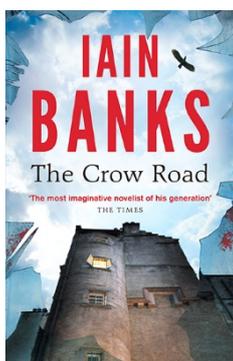
1910. A cabin north of the Arctic Circle. Fifteen-year-old Sig Andersson is alone. Alone, except for the corpse of his father, who died earlier that day after falling through a weak spot on the ice-covered lake. His sister, Anna, and step-mother, Nadya, have gone to the local town for help.

Then comes a knock at the door. It's a man, the flash of a revolver's butt at his hip, and a mean glare in his eyes. Sig has never seen him before but Wolff claims to have unfinished business with his father.

As Sig gradually learns the awful truth about Wolff's connection to his father, his thoughts are drawn to a certain box hidden on a shelf in the storeroom, in which lies his father's prized possession – a revolver.

As the stakes rise and Wolff begins to close in, Sig's choice is pulled into sharp focus.

Should he use the gun?

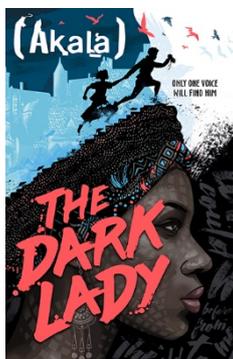


The Crow Road, by Iain Banks – RRP £9.99

ISBN: 9780349139159

'It was the day my grandmother exploded. I sat in the crematorium, listening to my Uncle Hamish quietly snoring in harmony to Bach's Mass in B Minor, and I reflected that it always seemed to be death that drew me back to Gallanach.'

Prentice McHoan has returned to the bosom of his complex but enduring Scottish family. Full of questions about the McHoan past, present and future, he is also deeply preoccupied: mainly with death, sex, drink, God and illegal substances...



The Dark Lady, by Akala – RRP £12.99

ISBN: 9781444943696

A PICKPOCKET WITH AN EXCEPTIONAL GIFT

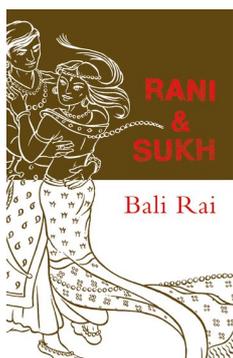
A PRISONER OF EXTRAORDINARY VALUE

AN ORPHAN HAUNTED BY DREAMS OF THE MYSTERIOUS DARK LADY

Henry is an orphan, an outsider, a thief. He is also a fifteen-year-old invested with magical powers ...

This brilliant, at times brutal, first novel from the amazing imagination that is Akala, will glue you to your seat as you are hurled into a time when London stank and boys like Henry were forced to find their own route through the tangled streets and out the other side.

Modern Classics - OUP



Rani and Sukh, by Bali Rai – RRP £9.99

ISBN: 978-0-19-832994-7

Rani and Sukh fall in love, unaware of a dark and sinister mystery binding their families which dates back to 1960s Punjab.

Modern Classics - Usborne



The Stolen Ones, by Vanessa Curtis – RRP £6.99

ISBN: 9781474915038

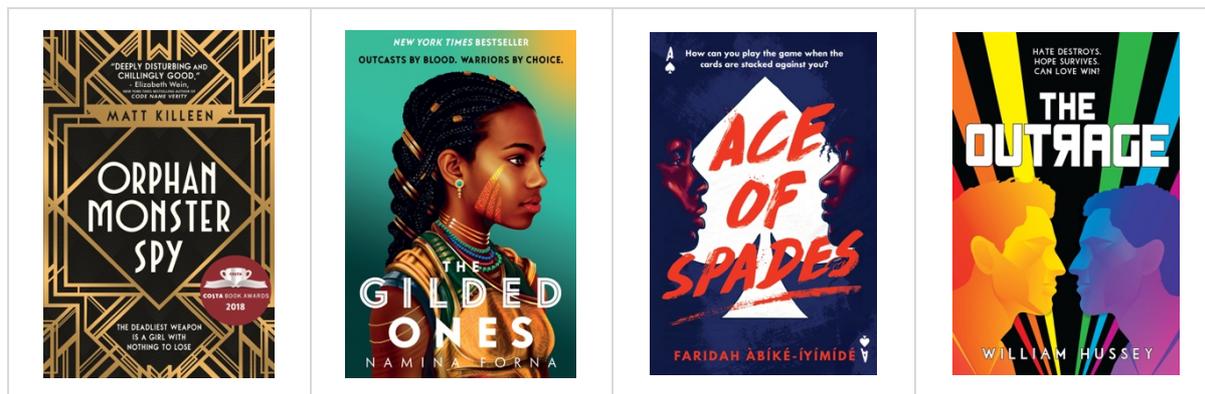
My name is Inge. I am sixteen.

I live with Mama and Papa in Munich. Food is still rationed, though the war ended over ten years ago.

My boyfriend is Jewish. I have to hide this from my parents.

I think they are hiding something from me, too. Letters arrive every year on my birthday, but they are not addressed to me. They are for a girl named Kasia. This is her story.

Ours and Others' Worlds



Ours and Others' World - Hachette

	<p>Shadow and Bone, by Leigh Bardugo – RRP £7.99 <i>ISBN: 9781510105249</i></p> <p>Soldier. Summoner. Saint. Orphaned and expendable, Alina Starkov is a soldier who knows she may not survive her first trek across the Shadow Fold—a swath of unnatural darkness crawling with monsters. But when her regiment is attacked, Alina unleashes dormant magic not even she knew she possessed.</p> <p>Now Alina will enter a lavish world of royalty and intrigue as she trains with the Grisha, her country's magical military elite—and falls under the spell of their notorious leader, the Darkling. He believes Alina can summon a force capable of destroying the Shadow Fold and reuniting their war-ravaged country, but only if she can master her untamed gift. As the threat to the kingdom mounts and Alina unlocks the secrets of her past, she will make a dangerous discovery that could threaten all she loves and the very future of a nation. Welcome to Ravka . . . a world of science and superstition, where nothing is what it seems.</p>
	<p>Nowhere on Earth, by Nick Lake – RRP £7.99 <i>ISBN: 9781444940459</i></p> <p>It starts with a plane crash.</p> <p>There are survivors: a teenage girl and her little brother. They are running from something. But what?</p> <p>Then the men arrive. They are hunting the girl and boy. And—</p> <p>And that's all we can tell you...</p>



The Life and Death Parade, by Eliza Wass – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781784295271

Strange rituals, hauntings and the occult collide in this darkly memorable YA thriller. Perfect for fans of Louise O’Neill, Sarah Waters and Donna Tartt. One year ago, Kitty’s boyfriend Nikki Bramley visited a psychic who told him he had no future. Now, he’s dead. With the Bramleys grieving inside their rural English home, Kitty sets out to find the psychic who read Nikki his fate. Instead she finds Roan, an enigmatic medium claiming he can speak to the dead. He belongs to the Life and Death Parade – a group that explore the thin veil between this world and the next. Kitty is convinced he’s a charlatan – but the ‘magic’ seems to work. The darkness is lifting. But there are things Kitty can’t ignore – evidence of strange rituals, shadows of the boy she lost, and Kitty begins to suspect that this boy had something to do with Nikki’s death. More, that he may have the very real power to bring him back...



Grace and Fury, by Tracy Banghart – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444941951

In a world where women have no rights, sisters Serina and Nomi face two very different fates: one in the palace, the other on an island prison where women must fight to survive. Serina has spent her whole life preparing to become a Grace – selected to stand by the heir to the throne as a shining example of the perfect woman. But her headstrong and rebellious younger sister has a dangerous secret, and one wrong move could cost both sisters everything.

Can Serina fight? And will Nomi win?



Words in Deep Blue, by Cath Crowley – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444907896

Two teens find their way back to each other in a bookstore full of secrets and crushes, grief and hope – and letters hidden between the pages.

Years ago, Rachel had a crush on Henry Jones. The day before she moved away, she tucked a love letter into his favourite book in his family’s bookshop. She waited. But Henry never came. Now Rachel has returned to the city – and to the bookshop – to work alongside the boy she’d rather not see, if at all possible, for the rest of her life. But Rachel needs the distraction. Her brother drowned months ago, and she can’t feel anything anymore. As Henry and Rachel work side by side – surrounded by books, watching love stories unfold, exchanging letters between the pages – they find hope in each other. Because life may be uncontrollable, even unbearable sometimes. But it’s possible that words, and love, and second chances are enough.



The Summer of Us, by Cecilia Vinesse – RRP £7.99

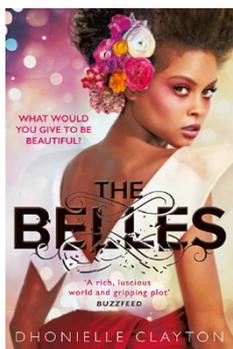
ISBN: 9781510200791

Five friends. Five cities. Two complicated love stories . . . The perfect read for fans of Jennifer E Smith and Sara Barnard.

Aubrey and Rae have been planning their European tour since the moment they met. It was meant to be the perfect way to spend their last summer together before university, but now it's not just the two of them . . .

There's Jonah, Aubrey's seemingly perfect boyfriend, and Gabe, who Aubrey may have accidentally kissed. Then there's Clara, the friend Rae is crushing on, hard, even though there's no hope because Clara is into guys, not girls. And on top of all that Aubrey and Rae's friendship appears to be falling apart. Things are more complicated at eighteen than they were at ten.

Set off on a romantic adventure that embraces warm summer nights, the thrill of first kisses and the bittersweet ache of saying goodbye to the past.



The Belles, by Dhonielle Clayton – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781473223974

Camellia and her sisters control beauty. They are Belles and they can make you 'perfect'. Glossy hair, smooth skin, flawless body. You'll feel better once it's done. The results are worth the pain. And when they fade, the Belles will fix you all over again . . .

But it will cost you.

Are you willing to pay the price?

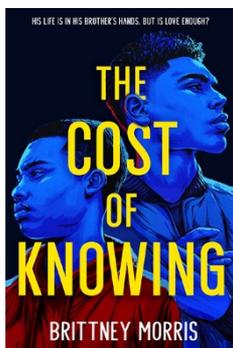


Afterlove, by Tanya Byrne – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444955958

THE LESBIAN LOVE STORY YOU'VE BEEN DYING TO READ. Ash Persaud is about to become a reaper in the afterlife, but she is determined to see her first love Poppy Morgan again, the only thing that separates them is death. Car headlights. The last thing Ash hears is the snap of breaking glass as the windscreen hits her and breaks into a million pieces like stars. But she made it, she's still here. Or is she? This New Year's Eve, Ash gets an invitation from the afterlife she can't decline: to join a clan of fierce girl reapers who take the souls of the city's dead to await their fate. But Ash can't forget her first love, Poppy, and she will do anything to see her again ... even if it means they only get a few more days together. Dead or alive ...

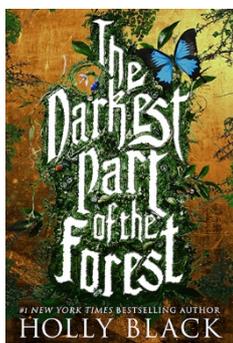
NOT EVEN DEATH CAN TEAR THEM APART.



The Cost of Knowing, by Brittney Morris – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444951745

Sixteen-year-old Alex Rufus lives with his younger brother, Isaiah, in a quiet neighbourhood in Chicago. But recently their neighbours have started calling the cops on anyone who doesn't look like their version of safe. Alex starts avoiding his neighbourhood by taking on more shifts at the local ice-cream shop, Scoops, and spending time with his girlfriend, Talia. But when Alex picks up an old family photo, everything changes: he has an intense vision that Isaiah might die. Alex wants to save Isaiah, but he knows the dangers of the future. How will he protect his brother when the street they grew up on doesn't feel like home anymore? A story that speaks to hard truths about race, prejudice, and the inherent injustice that permeates the world we live in.

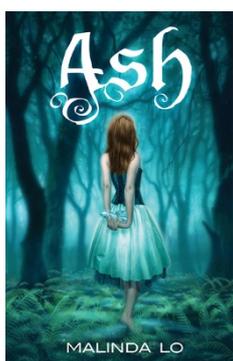


The Darkest Part of the Forest, by Holly Black – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781780621746

Hazel lives with her brother, Ben, in the strange town of Fairfold where humans and fae exist side by side. The faeries' seemingly harmless magic attracts tourists, but Hazel knows how dangerous they can be, and she knows how to stop them. Or she did, once.

In the forest of Fairfold, lies a glass casket. Inside the casket lies a sleeping faerie prince that none can rouse. He's the most fascinating thing Hazel and Ben have ever seen and they dream of waking him. But what happens when dreams come true? In the darkest part of the forest, you must be careful what you wish for...



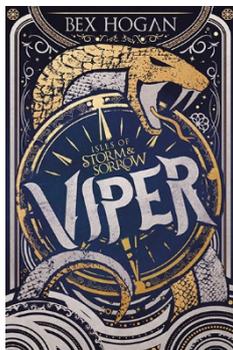
Ash, by Malinda Lo – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9780340988374

In the world of ASH, fairies are an older race of people who walk the line between life and death, reality and magic. As orphaned Ash grows up, a servant in her stepmother's home, she begins to realise that her beloved mother, Elinor, was very much in tune with these underworld folk, and that she herself has the power to see them too.

Against the sheer misery of her stepmother's cruelty, greed and ambition in preparing her two charmless daughters for presentation at court, and hopefully royal or aristocratic marriage, Ash befriends one of these fairies – a mysterious, handsome man – who grants her wishes and restores hope to Ash's existence, even though she knows there will be a price to pay. But most important of all, she also meets Kaisa, a huntress employed by the king, and it is Kaisa who truly awakens Ash's desires for both love and self-respect ...

ASH is a fairy tale about possibility and recognizing the opportunities for change. From the deepest grief comes the chance for transformation.



Isles of Storm and Sorrow: Viper, by Bex Hogan – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781510105836

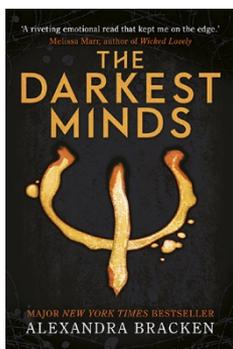
Marianne has been training to be the Viper for her entire life – to serve and protect the King and the citizens of The Twelve Isles – but to become the Viper and protect the islands she loves she must find the strength to defeat her father. Power, politics and pirates collide in this epic fantasy trilogy for fans of Pirates of the Caribbean.

He will make me a killer.

Or he will have me killed.

That is my destiny.

She was born to protect the islands. But can she fight for them if it means losing her family, her home, the boy she loves – and perhaps even her life? A brave heroine. An impossible dilemma. An epic new fantasy trilogy set on the high seas.



The Darkest Minds, by Alexandra Bracken – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781786540249

Ruby is sixteen. She is dangerous. And she is alive. For now.

A mysterious disease has killed most of America's children. Ruby might have survived, but she and the others have emerged with something far worse than a virus: frightening abilities they cannot control. Pressured by the government, Ruby's parents sent her to Thurmond, a brutal state 'rehabilitation camp', where she has learned to fear and suppress her new power. But what if mastering it is a whole generation's only chance for survival?



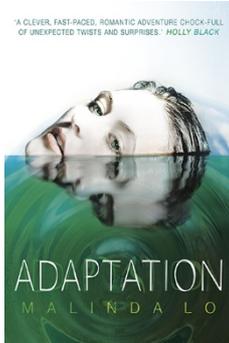
Dark Blue Rising, by Terri Terry – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444957105

The stunning first novel in a new speculative thriller trilogy from the bestselling author of SLATED.

Tabby lives a transient life with her mum Cate, never sticking in one place long enough to make friends.

Until one day, an accident changes everything. Cate is arrested and Tabby realises her life has been a lie: Cate is not her mother. As she adjusts to her new life, Tabby finds herself drawn to the ocean – the only place she feels happy – and enrolls at a swimming summer school to help her heal. But all is not as it seems. She and her new friends are cut off from the outside world and she's plagued by a repeating symbol of interlocking circles that follows her everywhere. As Tabby begins to learn the truth about what the circles mean, and uncovers the terrible lies she's been told about her past, a final twist awaits her – a secret hidden in her DNA...



Adaptation, by Malinda Lo – RRP £6.99

ISBN: 9781444917949

Flocks of birds are hurling themselves at aeroplanes across America. Thousands of people die. Millions are stranded. Everyone knows the world will never be the same. On Reese's long drive home, along a stretch of empty highway at night, a bird flies into their headlights. The car flips over. When they wake up in a military hospital, the doctor won't tell them what happened. For Reese, though, this is just the start. She can't remember anything from the time between her accident and the day she woke up almost a month later. She only knows one thing: she's different now. Torn between long-time crush David and new girl Amber, the real question is: who can she trust?

Modern Classics - Usborne

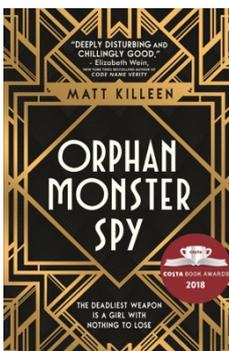


Beauty Sleep, by Kathryn Evans – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781474954877

Laura can't remember who she is. But the rest of the world knows. Because Laura is famous – a dying girl who was frozen until she could be cured. A real-life Sleeping Beauty.

But what happens when you wake up one day and the world has moved on forty years? Could you build a new life – while solving the mystery of what happened to the old one?

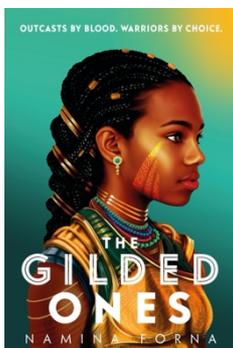


Orphan Monster Spy, by Matt Killeen – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781474942386

Sarah has played many roles – but now she faces her most challenging of all. Because there's only one way for a Jewish orphan spy to survive at a school for the Nazi elite. And that's to become a monster like them.

They think she is just a little girl. But she is the weapon they never saw coming...with a mission to destroy them all.

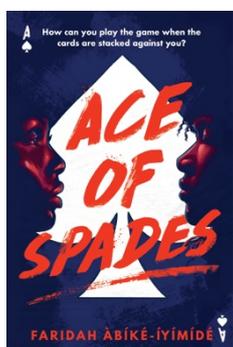


The Gilded Ones, by Namina Forna – RRP £8.99

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Sixteen-year-old Deka lives in Otera, a deeply patriarchal ancient kingdom, where a woman's worth is tied to her purity, and she must bleed to prove it. But when Deka bleeds gold – the colour of impurity, of a demon – she faces a consequence worse than death.

She is saved by a mysterious woman who tells Deka of her true nature: she is an Alaki, a near-immortal with exceptional gifts. The stranger offers her a choice: fight for the Emperor, with others just like her, or be destroyed...



Ace of Spades, by Faridah Abike-Iyimide – RRP £8.99

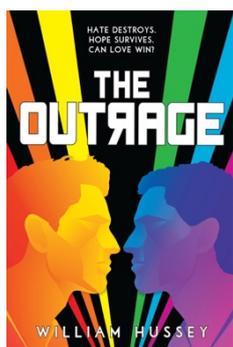
ISBN: 9781474967532

Welcome to Niveus Private Academy, where money paves the hallways, and the students are never less than perfect. Until now. Because anonymous texter, Aces, is bringing two students' dark secrets to light.

Talented musician Devon buries himself in rehearsals, but he can't escape the spotlight when his private photos go public.

Head girl, Chiamaka, isn't afraid to get what she wants, but soon everyone will know the price she has paid for power.

Someone is out to get them both. Someone who holds all the aces. And they're planning much more than a high-school game...



The Outrage, by William Hussey – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781474966184

Welcome to England, where the Protectorate enforces the Public Good. Here, there are rules for everything – what to eat, what to wear, what to do, what to say, what to read, what to think, who to obey, who to hate, who to love. Your safety is assured, so long as you follow the rules.

Gabriel is a natural born rule-breaker. And his biggest crime of all? Being gay.

Gabriel knows his sexuality must be kept secret from all but his closest friends, not only to protect himself, but to protect his boyfriend. Because Eric isn't just the boy who has stolen Gabriel's heart. He's the son of the chief inspector at Degenerate Investigations – the man who poses the single biggest threat to Gabriel's life.

And the Protectorate are experts at exposing secrets.

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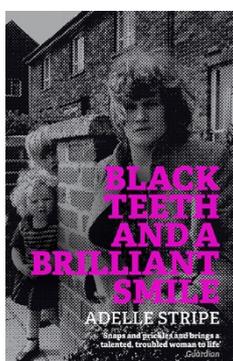
	<p>Frenchman's Creek, by Daphne Du Maurier – RRP £8.99 <i>ISBN: 9780349006598</i></p> <p>Exciting and tender, with magical descriptions of the Cornish coast and marvellously drawn portraits of Dora, her Frenchman and the Cornish gentry, FRENCHMAN'S CREEK is one of Daphne du Maurier's most popular novels.</p>
	<p>Jamaica Inn, by Daphne Du Maurier – RRP £8.99 <i>ISBN: 9780349006581</i></p> <p>Mary Yellan, recently orphaned, goes to live with her aunt at Jamaica Inn – stark and forbidding and standing alone on Bodmin Moor, its very walls tainted with corruption. This is a classic and enthralling story of smuggling and Cornish secrets and Mary, who must observe it all alone.</p>



Rebecca, by Daphne Du Maurier – RRP £8.99

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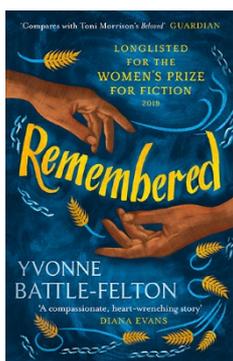
Rebecca is widely regarded as Daphne du Maurier's finest novel. It tells the story of Manderley, an exquisite house with gardens down to the sea, its owner Max de Winter, and his new young wife. And, of course, Rebecca.



Black Teeth and a Brilliant Smile, by Adelle Stripe – RRP £8.99

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Best known for her classic black comedy Rita, Sue and Bob Too, Andrea Dunbar wrote three plays before dying at a tragically young age. This new literary portrayal features a cast of real and imagined characters set against the backdrop of the infamous Buttershaw estate during the Thatcher era. A bittersweet tale of the north/south divide, it reveals how a shy teenage girl defied the circumstances into which she was born and went on to become one of her generation's greatest dramatists. Black Teeth and a Brilliant Smile is a poignant piece of kitchen sink noir that tells Dunbar's compelling story in print for the very first time.



Remember, by Yvonne Battle Felton – RRP £8.99

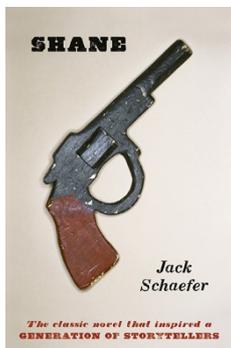
ISBN: 9780349700489

It is 1910 and Philadelphia is burning...

The last place Spring wants to be is in the rundown, coloured section of a hospital surrounded by the groans of sick people and the ghost of her dead sister. But as her son Edward lays dying, she has no other choice.

There are whispers that Edward drove a streetcar into a shop window. Some people think it was an accident, others claim that it was his fault, the police are certain that he was part of a darker agenda. Is he guilty? Can they find the truth?

All Spring knows is that time is running out. She has to tell him the story of how he came to be. With the help of her dead sister, newspaper clippings and reconstructed memories, she must find a way to get through to him. To shatter the silences that governed her life, she will do everything she can to lead him home.



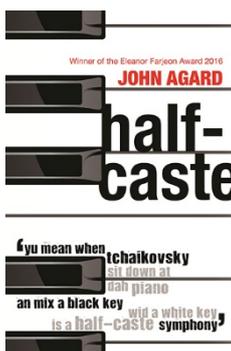
Shane, by Jack Schaefer – RRP £8.99

ISBN: 9781409165668

‘If you read only one western in your life, this is the one’ Roland Smith, author of Peak
He rode into our valley in the summer of 1889, a slim man, dressed in black. ‘Call me Shane,’ he said. He never told us more. There was a deadly calm in the valley that summer, a slow, climbing tension that seemed to focus on Shane.

Seen through the eyes of a young boy, Bob Starrett, SHANE is the classic story of a lone stranger. At first sight, the boy realises there is something unusual about the approaching man, but as Bob gets to know Shane, he realises that there is an inner sadness in him.

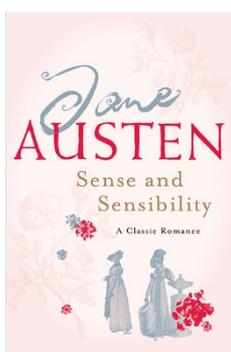
SHANE is the story of a gunfighter who tries to hang up his gun but is drawn to the side of the boy’s family and other homesteaders in their struggle to keep from being forced off their land.



Half-Castle and Other, by John Agard – RRP £6.99

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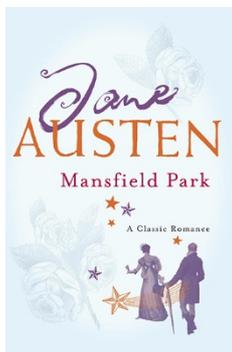
The tensions brought about by differences of race and culture are at the heart of this powerful and entertaining collection by one of Britain’s most exciting and original poets and performers. John Agard, winner of the Queen’s Gold Medal for Poetry, explores the richness of human diversity in the world today.



Sense & Sensibility, by Jane Austen – RRP £8.99

ISBN: 9780755331451

Marianne Dashwood is young, flirtatious and ready to meet a knight in shining armour. Her sister, Elinor, is more restrained – she knows that when it comes to romance, slow and steady wins the race. But while both seem to have found what they want, the path to happiness isn’t as straightforward as they first thought. True love has a habit of breaking the rules and turning up whenever it’s least expected...

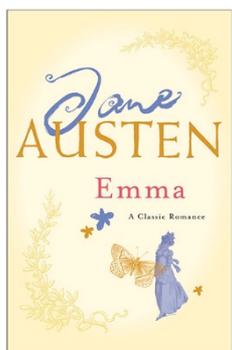


Mansfield Park, by Jane Austen – RRP £8.99

ISBN: 9780755331475

When the gorgeous Henry Crawford and his pretty sister Mary come to Mansfield Park, they've no idea what a disturbance they will cause. There they find the Bertram family, with their beautiful daughters and handsome sons – and Fanny Price.

Eighteen-year-old Fanny has grown up in the shadow of her glamorous relations. In fact, no one seems to remember she's there at all, which is why they don't notice that she's gradually been falling in love. But while she hides a secret passion, she has no idea she's become an object of interest herself for another admirer. As a scandal begins to unfold that will have devastating effects on everyone, Fanny discovers that love will blossom in the most unusual of places...



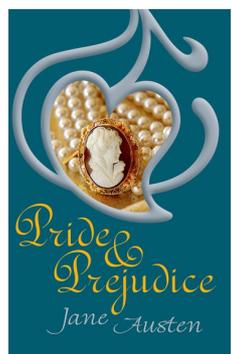
Emma, by Jane Austen – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9780755331482

Like many girls, Emma Woodhouse thinks she knows best. Her heart is in the right place – but her head isn't. Beautiful, clever and rich, she only wants to help others arrange things as she thinks they should be done. Emma has no interest in true love for herself: convinced she's just not destined to find it, she believes she must instead devote herself to playing Cupid for others.

Ignoring the warnings of good family friend Mr Knightley, Emma sets out to find a husband for her favourite new companion, the lovely, shy Harriet Smith. But absolutely nothing goes to plan – and in the process, Emma has a lot of learning to do: about others, but most of all about herself.

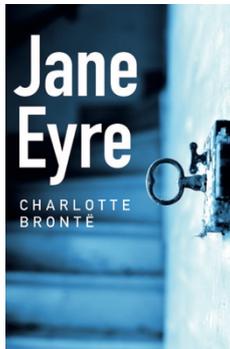
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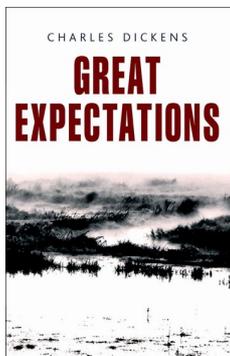


Jane Eyre, by Charlotte Bronte – RRP £7.99

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The classic tale of love, class and self-discovery.

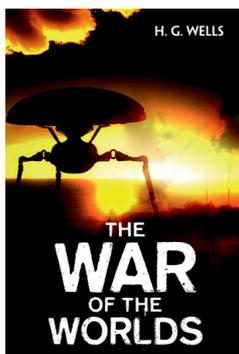
Suffering under the care of both her aunt and the teachers of Lowood School, Jane Eyre's childhood is far from a happy one. Things promise to improve when Jane becomes the governess at Thornfield Hall, but the mystery of what is in the attic looms large, threatening to disrupt the love affair between Jane and the property's owner, Mr Rochester.



Great Expectations, by Charles Dickens – RRP £9.99

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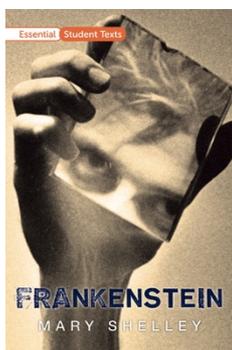
Young Pip lives with his sister and her husband the blacksmith, with few prospects for advancement until a mysterious benefaction takes him from the Kent marshes to London. Pip is haunted by figures from his past and, in time, uncovers not just the origins of his great expectations but the mystery of his own heart.



The War of the Worlds, by H. G. Wells – RRP £9.99

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Nobody suspects that intelligent life exists on other planets until a cylinder falls to Earth and lands in the town of Woking. From this ominous metallic cylinder emerge the unsightly Martians, equipped with terrifying killing machines. Although the Martians initially provoke local curiosity, this rapidly turns to fear as the savage attack begins.

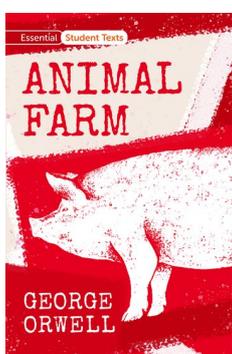


Frankenstein, by Mary Shelley – RRP £7.99

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Inspired by nature and excelling at science, Frankenstein learns how to create life, yet is left so horrified at his creation that he abandons it. Frankenstein is a powerful, disturbing and cautionary tale, as relevant now as when it was written.

This edition of Shelley's classic story comes complete with study notes.

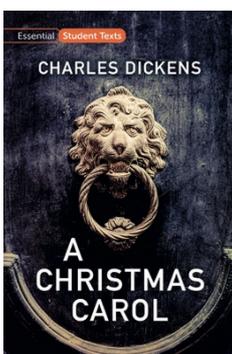


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Dreaming of a life of freedom and equality, the animals of Manor Farm stage an uprising against their negligent human master, Mr Jones. However, their dream rapidly turns sour and most of the animals don't realise that one form of tyranny has replaced another until it is too late.

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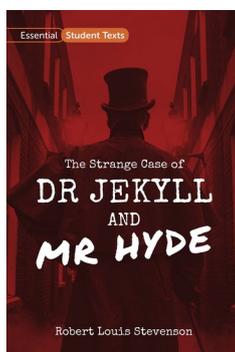


A Christmas Carol, by Charles Dickens – RRP £7.99

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It's Christmas Eve and Scrooge is refusing to join the festivities. A visit from the ghost of Jacob Marley warns Scrooge that three spirits will show him who he really is: but will this be enough to move his stubborn soul?

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A beautiful young lady finds herself in the midst of a mystery and enlists the help of the great detective Sherlock Holmes and his companion Dr Watson. What follows is a tale of treasure, intrigue, betrayal and murder, as they unravel the truth behind her father's disappearance and the mysterious Sign of Four.

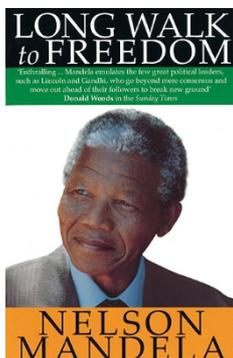
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	<p>The 57 Bus, by Dashka Slater – RRP £7.99</p>
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	<p>One teenager in a skirt. One teenager with a lighter. One moment that changes both their lives forever. Two teenagers growing up in Oakland, California. One, Sasha, was born male but identifies as agender, wears skirts and attends a private school. The other, Richard, is an African American from a poor part of Oakland who attends a rough public school. They have no reason to meet, except for eight minutes every day, they catch the same bus home. And one day, messing about, Richard spies Sasha napping. He flicks the flame of his lighter to Sasha's skirt, and Sasha wakes up in a ball of flame. What happens next, as the victim, the perpetrator and the community struggle to come to terms with their sadness and shock, is a story of recovery, reconciliation, forgiveness and, above all, hope. It's about the power of being true to yourself, bravery and the good and bad in all of us.</p>
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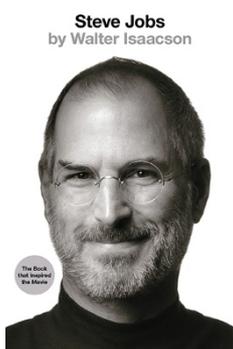
	<p>learning. One of the core principles in this book is that our mental and physical health, or ‘wellbeing’, affects how we perform. It isn’t a luxury or optional extra: it affects every aspect of life. Rest, relaxation and taking time-out from revision can actually help you to learn and perform more effectively.</p>
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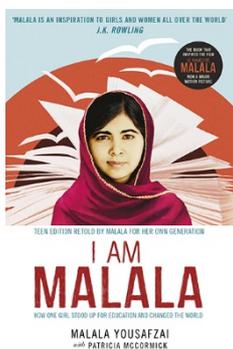
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Based on more than forty interviews with Steve Jobs conducted over two years – as well as interviews with more than a hundred family members, friends, adversaries, competitors, and colleagues – this is the acclaimed, internationally bestselling biography of the ultimate icon of inventiveness.

Walter Isaacson tells the story of the rollercoaster life and searingly intense personality of creative entrepreneur whose passion for perfection and ferocious drive revolutionized six industries: personal computers, animated movies, music, phones, tablet computing, and digital publishing.

Although Jobs cooperated with this book, he asked for no control over what was written, nor even the right to read it before it was published. He put nothing off limits. He encouraged the people he knew to speak honestly. And Jobs speaks candidly, sometimes brutally so, about the people he worked with and competed against. His friends, foes, and colleagues provide an unvarnished view of the passions, perfectionism, obsessions, artistry, devilry, and compulsion for control that shaped his approach to business and the innovative products that resulted.



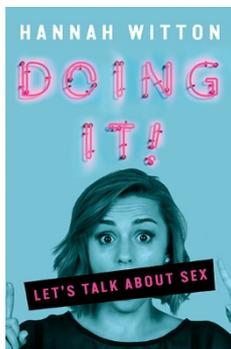
I am Malala, by Malala Yousafzai – RRP £8.99

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When the Taliban took control of the Swat Valley, one girl fought for her right to an education. On Tuesday, 9 October 2012, she almost paid the ultimate price when she was shot in the head at point-blank range.

Malala Yousafzai's extraordinary journey has taken her from a remote valley in northern Pakistan to the halls of the United Nations. She has become a global symbol of peaceful protest and is the youngest ever winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.

I Am Malala will make you believe in the power of one person's voice to inspire change in the world.



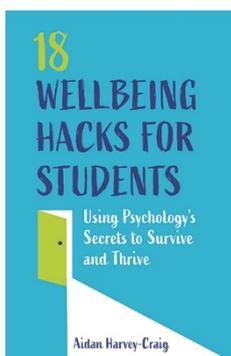
Doing It, by Hannah Witton – RRP £8.99

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Sexting. Virginity. Consent. The Big O ... Let's face it, doing it can be tricky. I don't know anyone (including myself) who has sex all figured out. So I've written a book full of honest, hilarious (and sometimes awkward) anecdotes, confessions and revelations. And because none of us have all the answers, I've invited some friends and fellow YouTubers to talk about their sexuality, too. My book is for everyone, no matter what gender you identify as or who you fancy.

We talk about doing it safely. Doing it joyfully. Doing it when you're ready. Not doing it. Basically, doing it the way you want, when you want. So. Let's do this ...

Doing It candidly and openly explores topics like masturbation, slut-shaming, pornography and consent, as well as how to maintain healthy relationships in a digital age.



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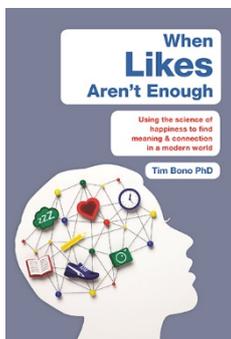
How can the desk in front of you reveal a whole new perspective on your life?

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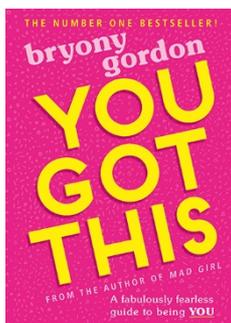
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For a rising generation of young people raised as digital natives in a fast-paced, ultra-connected world, authentic happiness still seems just out of reach.

When Likes Aren't Enough is a masterclass in happiness built for the problems young people face today – from Instagram envy and high-stakes testing, to early burnout, online addiction, stress, and helicopter parents.

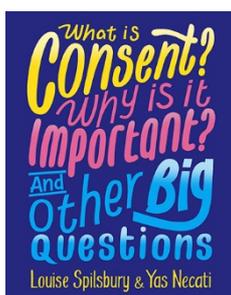
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I wanted to be a unicorn. I wanted to be a lawyer. I wanted to be an astronaut. But the thing I really wanted to be, more than anything else, was a little less like me. It was only recently that I realised not wanting to be me was at the heart of every dumb decision I ever made. And so now I am writing this book containing all the life lessons I wish someone had taught me. A book for the teenage girl in me. And for every teenage girl out there. Because the most powerful thing you can be when you grow up is yourself.

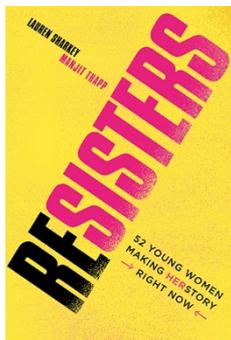


What is Consent? Why is it important? And Other Big Questions by Louise Spilsburg and Yas Necati – RRP £8.99

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What is consent? Why does it matter? How does it affect our daily lives? Why is it such a grey area, sometimes? The concept of consent is easy to oversimplify – yes means yes, and no means no. Often, though, it isn't that black and white. Have you ever said 'yes' to something when, really, you wanted to say 'no'? Or have you ever tried to convince someone to do something they don't want to?

What is Consent? explores how consent works, and why it matters. It explains how consent plays a part in almost every interaction or relationship we have, and how it affects almost every area of life, from healthcare to the law. The book encourages children to think about what consent means to them, and about the importance of personal boundaries – both knowing your own, and respecting other people's. It talks about how to say no, and what to do if you feel your consent has been violated.



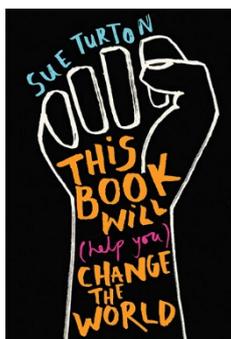
Resisters, by Lauren Sharkey – RRP £8.99

ISBN: 9781526361844

‘We’re not the future. We’re doing it right now.’

Young people are uniting across the world to create change, have their voices heard and stand up for what they believe in.

In this bold and brilliantly inspiring book, Lauren Sharkey profiles the powerful stories and achievements of 52 young women who are working to improve the lives of people across the globe. Some are active in feminist issues like period poverty or political problems such as police brutality and LGBTQ+ rights; while others are working in science, conservation and diversity. Yet whether it be Twitter campaigns or life-saving apps, their great ideas are all changing the world as we know it.

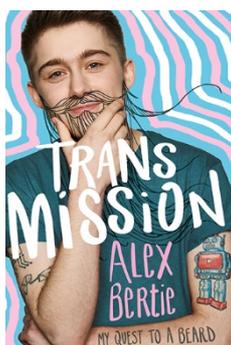


This Book Will (Help You) Change the World, by Sue Turton – RRP £9.99 ISBN: 9781526360908

Protest injustice. Campaign for change. Stand up for your future.

Political turmoil, shocks and upsets have rocked the world in the past few years, and it has never been more important to find your voice and stand up for what you believe in.

From award-winning journalist Sue Turton, with hilarious illustrations from activist illustrator Alice Skinner, this is a powerhouse guide to politics and activism for teens everywhere.



Trans Mission, by Alex Bertie – RRP £9.99

ISBN: 9781526360687

I guess we should start at the beginning. I was born on 2 November 1995. The doctors in the hospital took one look at my genitals and slapped an F on my birth certificate. ‘F’ for female, not fail – though that would actually have been kind of appropriate given present circumstances.

When I was 15, I realised I was a transgender man. That makes it sound like I suddenly had some kind of lightbulb moment. In reality, coming to grips with my identity has taken a long time.

Over the last six years, I’ve come out to my family and friends, changed my name, battled the healthcare system, started taking male hormones and have had surgery on my chest. My quest to a beard is almost complete. This is my story.

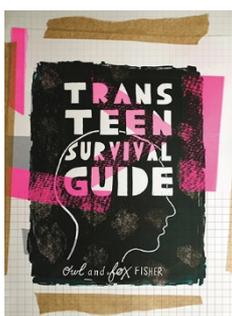


Mary's Monster, by Lita Judge – RRP £12.99

ISBN: 9781526360410

Mary's Monster is the compelling and beautifully illustrated story of Frankenstein's author Mary Shelley – the original rebel girl and an inspiration for everyone from teenage readers to adult. Aged 16 and pregnant, Mary runs away to Switzerland with the married poet Percy Bysshe Shelley. Few people would have guessed that that fateful act would lead to a gothic novel still celebrated 200 years later. But cast out by her family and isolated by society, Mary Shelley created Frankenstein and his monster, forged in the fire of her troubled and tragic life.

Part biography and part graphic novel, Mary's Monster is an engrossing take on one remarkable young woman and her monster.



Trans Teen Survival Guide, by Owl and Fox Fisher – RRP £12.99

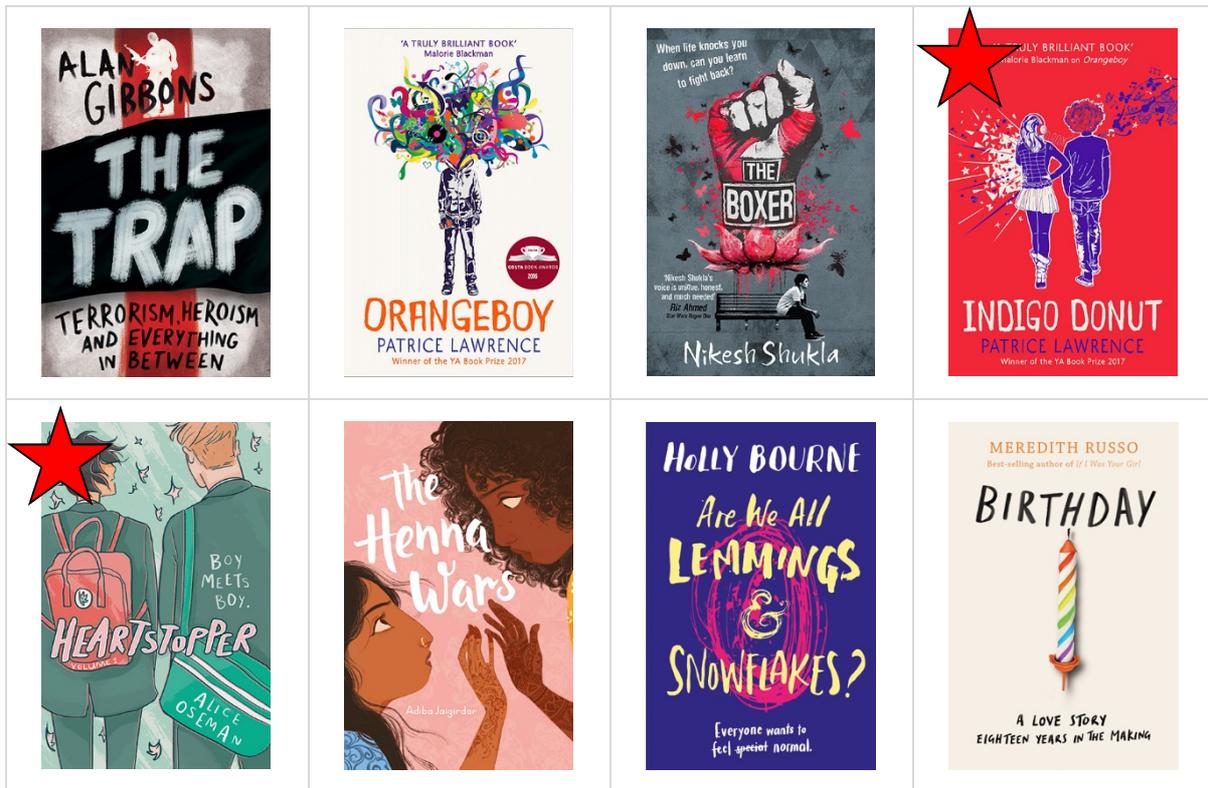
ISBN: 9781785923418

Frank, friendly and funny, the Trans Teen Survival Guide will leave transgender and non-binary teens informed, empowered and armed with all the tips, confidence and practical advice they need to navigate life as a trans teen.

Wondering how to come out to your family and friends, what it's like to go through cross hormonal therapy or how to put on a packer? Trans youth activists Fox and Owl have stepped in to answer everything that trans teens and their families need to know.

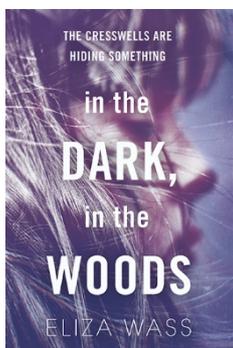
With a focus on self-care, expression and being proud of your unique identity, the guide is packed full of invaluable advice from people who understand the realities and complexities of growing up trans. Having been there, done that, Fox and Owl are able to honestly chart the course of life as a trans teen, from potentially life-saving advice on dealing with dysphoria or depression, to hilarious real-life awkward trans stories.

Key Issues and Concepts



Key Issues and Concepts - Hachette

	<p>The Truth About Alice, by Jennifer Mathieu – RRP £7.99 ISBN: 9781444944747</p> <p>Fans of THIRTEEN REASONS WHY will love this powerful book about stereotypes, secrets and standing up for gender equality, from the author of Zoella Book Club book MOXIE.</p> <p>There are all sorts of rumours about Alice Franklin. And after star quarterback Brandon Fitzsimmons dies in a car accident, the rumours start to spiral out of control blaming Alice for Brandon’s death.</p> <p>In this remarkable novel, four Healy High students – the party girl, the car accident survivor, the ex-best friend and the boy next door – tell all they know.</p> <p>But exactly what is the truth about Alice? In the end there’s only one person to ask: Alice herself.</p>
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In the Dark, In the Woods, by Eliza Wass – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781784299910

An unforgettable thriller from an incredible new author, for fans of *We Were Liars* and *Half Bad*, reminiscent of *The Virgin Suicides*. Father wants sixteen-year-old Castley and her five siblings to hide from the world. Living in a falling-down house deep in the woods, he wants to bury their secrets where no one will ever find them. Father says they are destined to be together forever. In heaven. Father says the sooner they get there, the better. But Castley wants to be normal. She wants to kiss boys and wear jean shorts.

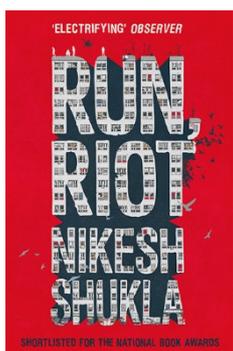
CASTLEY WANTS TO LIVE.



Here the Whole Time, by Vitor Martins – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444958492

Felipe doesn't believe someone like Caio could ever fall for someone like him. But over the next fifteen days, everything will change... If you love Rainbow Rowell and *Heartstopper*, you'll fall for this body-positive love story about the assumptions we make about each other, and the bravery you need to be yourself.



Run, Riot, by Nikesh Shukla – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444940688

From the editor of *The Good Immigrant*, an adrenaline-fuelled, powerful YA novel about young people taking charge of their own destiny. A novel about standing up and being counted.

Aspiring MC Taran and her twin brother Hari never wanted to move to Firestone House. But when the rent was doubled overnight and Dad's chemo meant he couldn't work, they had to make this tower block their home. It's good now though; they feel part of something here.

When they start noticing boarded-up flats and glossy flyers for expensive apartments, they don't think much of it – until Hari is caught up in a tragedy, and they are forced to go on the run.

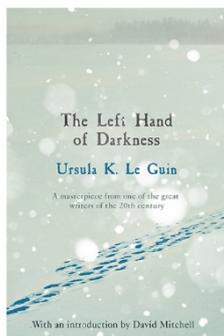
It's up to these teenagers to uncover the sinister truth behind what's going on in the block, before it blows their world apart.



Forgiveness is Really Strange by Masi Noor & Marina Cantacuzino – RRP £10.99 ISBN: 9781785921247

What is forgiveness? What enables people to forgive? Why do we even choose to forgive those who have harmed us? What can the latest psychological research tell us about the nature of forgiveness, its benefits and risks?

This imaginative comic explores the key aspects of forgiveness, asking what it means to forgive and to be forgiven. Witty and intelligent, it answers questions about the health benefits and restorative potential of forgiveness and explains, in easy-to-understand terms, what happens in our brains, bodies and communities when we choose to forgive.

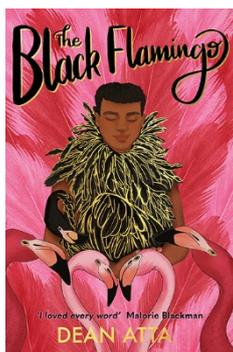


The Left Hand of Darkness by Ursula Le Guin – RRP £8.99 ISBN: 9781473225947

‘Love doesn’t just sit there, like a stone, it has to be made, like bread; remade all the time, made new’

Two people, until recently strangers, find themselves on a long, torturous and dangerous journey across the ice. One is an outcast, forced to leave his beloved homeland; the other is fleeing from a different kind of persecution. What they have in common is curiosity, about others and themselves, and an almost unshakeable belief that the world can be a better place.

As they journey for over 800 miles, across the harshest, most inhospitable landscape, they discover the true meaning of friendship, and of love.



The Black Flamingo, by Dean Atta – RRP £7.99 ISBN: 9781444948608

This is not about being ready, it’s not even about being fierce, or fearless, IT’S ABOUT BEING FREE.

Michael waits in the stage wings, wearing a pink wig, pink fluffy coat and black heels. One more step will see him illuminated by spotlight. He has been on a journey of bravery to get here, and he is almost ready to show himself to the world in bold colours ... Can he emerge as The Black Flamingo?



Slay, by Brittney Morris – RRP £7.99

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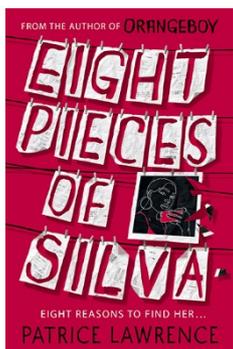
‘We are different ages, genders and traditions ... but tonight we all SLAY’

Black Panther meets Ready Player One. A fierce teen game developer battles a real-life troll intent on ruining the Black Panther-inspired video game she created and the safe community it represents for black gamers.

By day, seventeen-year-old Kiera Johnson is a college student, and one of the only black kids at Jefferson Academy. By night, she joins hundreds of thousands of black gamers who duel worldwide in the secret online role-playing card game, SLAY.

No one knows Kiera is the game developer – not even her boyfriend, Malcolm. But when a teen in Kansas City is murdered over a dispute in the SLAY world, the media labels it an exclusionist, racist hub for thugs.

With threats coming from both inside and outside the game, Kiera must fight to save the safe space she’s created. But can she protect SLAY without losing herself?



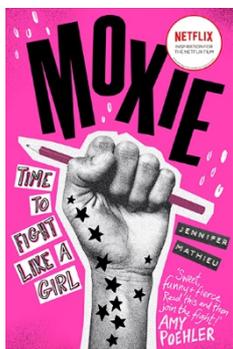
Eight Pieces of Silva, by Patrice Lawrence – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444954746

Becks is into girls but didn’t come out because she was never in. She lives with her mum, stepdad and eighteen-year-old Silva, her stepdad’s daughter. Becks and Silva are opposites, but bond over their mutual obsession with K-pop.

When Becks’ mum and stepdad go on honeymoon to Japan, Becks and Silva are left alone. Except, Silva disappears. Becks ventures into the forbidden territory of Silva’s room and finds the first of eight clues that help her discover her sister’s secret life.

Meanwhile, Silva is on a journey. A journey to make someone love her. He says he doesn’t, but he’s just joking. All she has to do is persuade him otherwise...



Moxie, by Jennifer Mathieu – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444940633

Vivian Carter is fed up. Fed up with her high school teachers who think the football team can do no wrong. Fed up with sexist dress codes, hallway harassment and gross comments from guys during class. But most of all, Viv Carter is fed up with always following the rules.

Viv’s mum was a tough-as-nails, punk rock Riot Grrrl in the ’90s, and now Viv takes a page from her mother’s past and creates Moxie, a feminist zine that she distributes anonymously to her classmates. She’s just blowing off steam, but other girls respond and spread the Moxie message. As Viv forges friendships with other young women across the divides of cliques and popularity rankings, she realises that what she has started is nothing short of a girl revolution.

A page-turning read with a feminist message, for anyone who has ever had to deal with #everydaysexism

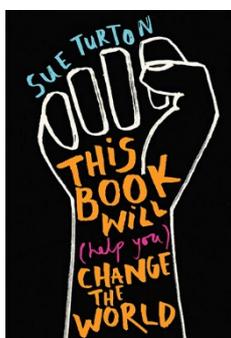


The Survival Game, by Nicky Singer – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444944525

In a world full of checkpoints and controls, can love and hope defy the borders? A searing, timely story, as arresting as it is beautiful.

Imagine a world ... Where there are too many people on a too-hot earth and your only chance of salvation is to journey north. Where you must prove yourself worthy of existence at every turn, at every checkpoint. Where your instincts become your most powerful weapon – even more than the gun in your pocket. Where you find out what it takes to survive. An extraordinary story about survival and what it costs, about the power of small kindnesses to change everything.



This Book Will (Help You) Change the World, by Sue Turton – RRP

£9.99 ISBN: 9781526360908

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The Memory Book, by Lara Avery – RRP £7.99

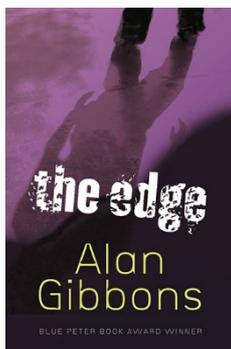
ISBN: 9781784299248

Samantha McCoy has it all mapped out. First she's going to win the national debating championship, then she's going to move to New York and become a human rights lawyer.

But when Sam discovers that a rare disease is going to take away her memory, the future she'd planned so perfectly is derailed before it's started.

Realising that her life won't wait to be lived, Sam sets out on a summer of firsts.

The first party. The first rebellion. The first friendship. The last love.

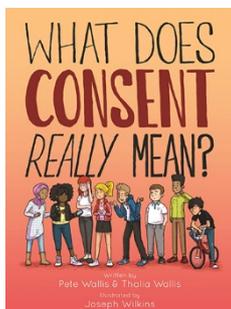


The Edge by Alan Gibbons – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781842550946

We've got to go. Now.

It's early morning and Danny's mother is at his bedside, urging him to get up. They're on the run from Chris, his mother's boyfriend, a violent man who beats them both up, and won't let them go. Chris pursues Danny and his mother from London to the north, where they take refuge with Danny's grandparents. But even there, nothing is safe. Danny is conspicuous as the only mixed-race boy in their small community, and with the ever-present threat of discovery, he has to learn how to live continually on the edge. A tense and chilling story with terrific drama, THE EDGE shows the depth of character and the understanding of the predicaments of children today that gives Alan Gibbons his special quality.

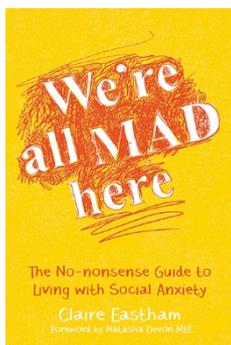


What Does Consent Really Mean?, by Thalia Wallis & Pete Wallis – RRP £14.99 ISBN: 9781848193307

“Consent is not the absence of ‘NO’, it is an enthusiastic YES!!”

While seemingly straightforward, Tia and Bryony hadn’t considered this subject too seriously until it comes up in conversation with their friends and they realise just how important it is.

Following the sexual assault of a classmate, a group of teenage girls find themselves discussing the term consent, what it actually means for them in their current relationships, and how they act and make decisions with peer influence. Joined by their male friends who offer another perspective, this rich graphic novel uncovers the need for more informed conversations with young people around consent and healthy relationships. Accompanying the graphics are sexual health resources for students and teachers, which make this a perfect tool for broaching the subject with teens.

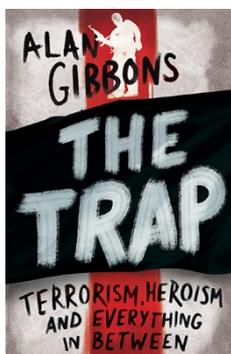


We’re All Mad Here, by Claire Eastham – RRP £12.99

ISBN: 9781785920820

Anxiety is a crafty shapeshifter that can take on many forms: the tiger that sinks its claws in with physical symptoms and distressing thoughts, the cruel and belittling bully creating insecurity and self-doubt and, worst of all, the frenemy rewarding avoidance of social situations with no physical symptoms, no cruel thoughts... and no life beyond your sofa!

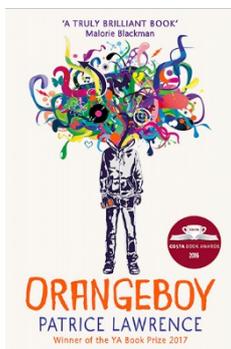
This no-nonsense guide to beating social anxiety covers everything from surviving university and the workplace, through to social media and making it through parties and dates (whilst actually enjoying them!) With honest insights about her own social anxiety and a healthy dose of humour, award-winning blogger Claire Eastham describes what social anxiety is, why it happens, and how you can lessen its effects with lifestyle choices, talking therapies or even a hug from your favourite canine friend!



The Trap, by Alan Gibbons – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781780622453

Terrorism, heroism and everything in between... THE TRAP is a teen thriller about espionage, a missing brother and the ever-raging war on terror by million-copy-selling author, Alan Gibbons. MI5 agent, Kate, receives a tip-off about an asset, who seems too good to be true. Amir and Nasima are trying to make friends at their new school but struggling to keep a terrible secret. A group of jihadists are planning something. And behind it all stands Majid. Brother. Son. Hero. Terrorist. Spanning Iraq, Syria and England, THE TRAP grapples with one of the greatest challenges of our time.



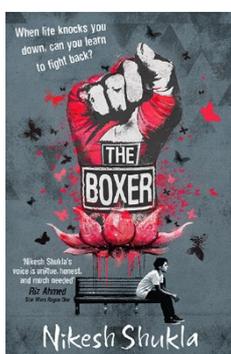
Orangeboy, by Patrice Lawrence – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444927207

Not cool enough, not clever enough, not street enough for anyone to notice me. I was the kid people looked straight through.

NOT ANY MORE. NOT SINCE MR ORANGE.

Sixteen-year-old Marlon has made his mum a promise – he'll never follow his big brother, Andre, down the wrong path. So far, it's been easy, but when a date ends in tragedy, Marlon finds himself hunted. They're after the mysterious Mr Orange, and they're going to use Marlon to get to him. Marlon's out of choices – can he become the person he never wanted to be, to protect everyone he loves?



The Boxer, by Nikesh Shukla – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444940695

Told over the course of the ten rounds of his first fight, this is the story of amateur boxer Sunny. A seventeen-year-old feeling isolated and disconnected in the city he's just moved to, Sunny joins a boxing club to learn to protect himself after a racist attack. He finds the community he's been desperately seeking at the club, and a mentor in trainer Shobu, who helps him find his place in the world. But racial tensions are rising in the city, and when a Far Right march through Bristol turns violent, Sunny is faced with losing his new best friend Keir to radicalisation.

A gripping, life-affirming YA novel about friendship, radicalisation and finding where you belong.

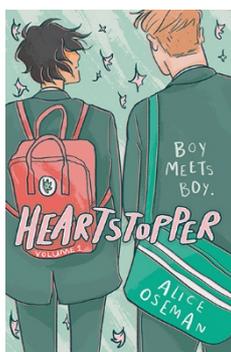


Indigo Donut, by Patrice Lawrence – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444927184

Seventeen-year-old Indigo has had a tough start in life, having grown up in the care system after her dad killed her mum. Bailey, also seventeen, lives with his parents in Hackney and spends all his time playing guitar or tending to his luscious ginger afro.

When Indigo and Bailey meet at sixth form, serious sparks fly. But when Bailey becomes the target of a homeless man who seems to know more about Indigo than is normal, Bailey is forced to make a choice he should never have to make. A life-affirming story about falling in love and everyone's need to belong.



Heartstopper, by Alice Oseman – RRP £10.99

ISBN: 9781444951387

Charlie and Nick are at the same school, but they've never met ... until one day when they're made to sit together. They quickly become friends, and soon Charlie is falling hard for Nick, even though he doesn't think he has a chance.

But love works in surprising ways, and Nick is more interested in Charlie than either of them realised.

Heartstopper is about love, friendship, loyalty and mental illness. It encompasses all the small stories of Nick and Charlie's lives that together make up something larger, which speaks to all of us.



The Henna Wars, by Adiba Jaigirdar – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781444962208

Nishat and Flávia are rivals at school, but Nishat can't help the secret crush burning in her heart – even though her parents disapprove of the fact she likes girls. Can she possibly find her happy ever after? A gorgeous, heart-warming, queer YA love story for fans of Becky Albertalli.

When Nishat comes out to her parents, they say she can be anyone she wants – as long as she isn't herself. Because Muslim girls aren't lesbians. Nishat doesn't want to lose her family, but she also doesn't want to hide who she is, which only gets harder once Flávia walks into her life.

Beautiful and charismatic, Flávia takes Nishat's breath away. But as their lives become tangled, they're caught up in a rivalry that gets in the way of any feelings they might have for each other.

Can Nishat find a way to be true to herself... and find love too?

Adiba Jaigirdar is a stunning new voice in young adult fiction, writing uplifting, authentic stories from a Bengali-Irish perspective.

Key Issues and Concepts - Usborne



Are We All Lemmings and Snowflakes?, by Holly Bourne – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781474933612

Welcome to Camp Reset, a summer camp with a difference. A place offering a shot at 'normality'. For Olive, a girl on the edge, and for her new friends, who are all dealing with their own battles. But as Olive settles in, she starts to wonder – maybe it's this messed up world that needs fixing, and not them. And so she comes up with a plan. Because together, snowflakes can form avalanches...



Birthday, by Meredith Russo – RRP £7.99

ISBN: 9781474967419

Meet Eric and Morgan. Born on the same day, at the same time, in the same place.

They've always shared this one day together, but as they grow up they begin to grow apart. Everyone expects Eric to get a football scholarship, but no one knows he's having second thoughts. Former quarterback Morgan feels utterly alone, as she wrestles with the difficult choice to live as her true self. Both of them are struggling to be the person they know they are. Who better to help than your best friend?

Told on one day every year, over six years, this is a story about how change pulls people apart... and how love brings them back together.



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