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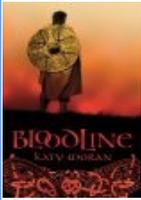
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# HISTORICAL FICTION



**FOR HIGH SCHOOL  
READERS**

## Ancient Civilization



### Bloodline by Katy Moran

While traveling through early seventh-century Britain trying to stop an impending war, Essa, who bears the blood of native British tribes and of the invading English, discovers that his mother is alive and he is a prince of the northern kingdom.

YA MORAN



### Ithaka by Adele Geras

The island of Ithaka is overrun with uncouth suitors demanding that Penelope choose a new husband, as she patiently awaits the return of Odysseus from the Trojan War.

YA GERAS ADELE



### Legacy of Kings by Eleanor Herman

Alexander, Macedon's sixteen-year-old heir, is on the brink of discovering his fated role in conquering the known world, but finds himself drawn to a newcomer.

YA HERMAN ELEANOR, ebook



### Spirit's Princess by Esther Friesner

In ancient Japan, Himiko, the privileged daughter of her clan's leader, fights the constraints and expectations imposed on young women and finds her own path, which includes secret shaman lessons.

YA FRIESNER

## 1980s and beyond



### Eleanor & Park by Rainbow Rowell

Set over the course of one school year in 1986, this is the story of two star-crossed misfits. They are smart enough to know that true love rarely lasts but brave and desperate enough to try.

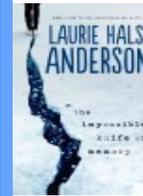
YA ROWELL, CDB, ebook, eAudiobook



### The Future of Us by Jay Asher

It's 1996, and less than half of all American high school students have ever used the Internet. When Emma gets her first computer, she and her best friend Josh log on to find themselves on Facebook, fifteen years in the future.

YA ASHER, CDB, eBook, eAudiobook



### The Impossible Knife of Memory by Laurie Halse Anderson

Hayley Kincaid and her father move back to their hometown to try a "normal" life, but the horrors he saw during the war threaten to destroy their lives.

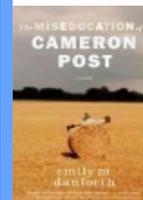
YA ANDERSON LAURIE, eBook, CDB



### Love is the Higher Law by David Levithan

Three New York city teens express their reactions to the bombing of the World Trade Center on September 11th, 2001, and its impact on their lives and the world.

YA LEVITHAN, eBook



### The Miseducation of Cameron Post by Emily Danforth

In the early 1990s, when gay teenager Cameron Post rebels against her conservative Montana ranch town and her family decides she needs to change her ways, she is sent to a gay conversion therapy center.

YA DANFORTH, eBook

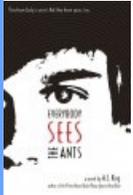
## Vietnam War and 1970s



### Burn Baby Burn by Meg Medina

During the heatwave of the summer of '77, Nora has major decisions to make-what to do with the rest of her life. Her father has moved on to a better family, her brother is mentally declining, and she's falling in love during the women's rights movement, black power, and the summer of a serial killer-Sam Berkowitz.

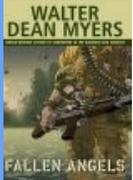
YA MEDINA MEG, eBook



### Everybody Sees the Ants by A.S. King

Overburdened by his parents' bickering and a bully's attacks, fifteen-year-old Lucky Lindeman begins dreaming of being with his grandfather, who went missing during the Vietnam War.

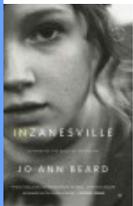
YA KING, CDB, eAudiobook



### Fallen Angels by Walter Dean Myers

Seventeen-year-old Richie Perry, just out of his Harlem high school, enlists in the Army in the summer of 1967, and spends a devastating year in active duty in Vietnam.

YA MYERS, eAudiobook



### In Zanesville by Jo Ann Beard

The fourteen-year-old narrator is a late bloomer. She is used to flying under the radar, a sidekick, a third wheel, a marching band dropout, a disastrous babysitter. Luckily, she has a best friend with whom she shares adventures of girlhood in the 1970s.

BEARD JO



### Sharpshooter by Chris Lynch (Vietnam series, book 2)

Some things are worth fighting for. Of all his friends, Ivan is the only one looking forward to war. As war erupts in Vietnam, Ivan wants nothing more than to fight for his country, just as his father did in WWII.

YA LYNCH



### Subway Love by Nora Raleigh Baskin

If her parents had never divorced, Laura wouldn't have to live in the shadow of Bruce, her mom's unpredictable boyfriend. Her mom wouldn't say things like "be groovy" and Laura wouldn't panic every weekend on the way to Dad's Manhattan apartment.

YA BASKIN NORA

## Medieval Times



### Enter Three Witches by Caroline Cooney

Lady Mary is a ward and Lady Macbeth whose life is forever changed when her father, Lord Cawdor, betrays the Scottish king -- and is hanged as a traitor. Now she's trapped in a castle with a power-hungry couple who will do anything to get what they want -- and are willing to crush anyone in their way.

YA COONEY CAROLINE, CDB



### Lady Macbeth's Daughter by Lisa Klein

In alternating chapters, ambitious Lady Macbeth tries to bear a son and win the throne of Scotland for her husband, and Albia, their daughter who was banished at birth and raised by three weird sisters, falls in love, learns of her parentage, and seeks to free Scotland from tyranny in this tale based on Shakespeare's Macbeth.

YA KLEIN



### The Queen's Daughter by Susan Coventry

In this fictionalized biography of Joan of England, the youngest child of King Henry II and his queen consort, Eleanor of Aquitaine, chronicling her complicated relationship with warring parents and many siblings.

YA COVENTRY



### The Wicked and the Just by Jillian Anderson Coats

In medieval Wales, Cecily's family is lured by cheap land and the duty of all Englishman to help keep down the "vicious" Welshmen, and Gwenhwyfar, a Welsh girl who must wait hand and foot on her new English mistress.

YA COATS

## Renaissance



### Loving Will Shakespeare by Carolyn Meyer

In Stratford-upon-Avon in the sixteenth century, Anne Hathaway suffers her stepmother's cruelty and years for love and escape—finally finding it in the arms of a boy she has grown up with, William Shakespeare.

YA MEYER



### Ophelia by Lisa Klein

Ophelia tells of her life in the court at Elsinore, her love for Hamlet, and her escape from the violence in Denmark.

YA KLEIN, ebook



### Passion Blue by Victoria Strauss

In fifteenth-century Italy, Guilia, a Count's illegitimate daughter, buys a talisman hoping it will bring her true love to save her from life in a convent.

YA STRAUSS



### The Passion of Dolssa by Julie Berry

Botille and her sisters are trying to live a quiet life in 13th century France when she helps a heretic fugitive with mythical powers. With the church investigating the mythical stranger, Botille and her family have a difficult choice - to believe or not believe in Dolssa.

YA BERRY JULIE, CDB, eBook, eAudiobook



### Queen's Own Fool by Jane Yolen

When twelve-year-old Nikola leaves Troupe Brufort and serves as the fool for Mary, Queen of Scots, she experiences the political and religious upheavals in both France and Scotland.

YA YOLEN



### A Sweet Disorder by Jacqueline Kolosov

After her father's death abroad, sixteen-year-old Miranda faces a broken engagement and paltry dowry.

YA KOLOSOV

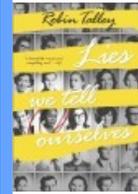
## 1950s and '60s



### Fallout by Todd Strasser

When an unthinkable nuclear attack occurs in an alternate-reality 1962, Scott is forced into his father's bomb shelter with his family and neighbors, where they rapidly consume limited supplies and fear the worst about the fate of the world outside.

YA STRASSER, eBook



### Lies We Tell Ourselves by Robin Talley

In 1959 Virginia, Sarah is one of the first black students to attend a newly integrated school. Linda, a white integration opponent's daughter, is forced to confront harsh truths when they work together on a school project.

YA TALLEY ROBIN



### Mister Death's Blue-Eyed Girls by Mary Downing Hahn

Narrated from several different perspectives, tells the story of the 1956 murder of two teenaged girls in suburban Baltimore, Maryland.

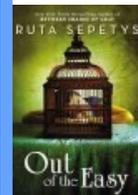
YA HAHN, ebook



### My Name is Not Easy by Debby Dahl Edwardson

Alaskans Luke, Chickie, Sonny, Donna, and Amiq relate their experiences in the early 1960s when they are forced to attend a Catholic boarding school where, despite different tribal affiliations, they come to find a sort of family.

YA EDWARDSON, CDB



### Out of the Easy by Ruta Sepetys

In 1950, Josie, the seventeen-year-old daughter of a French Quarter prostitute, strives to escape New Orleans to enroll at prestigious Smith college when she becomes entangled in a murder investigation.

YA SEPETYS, eBook, eAudiobook

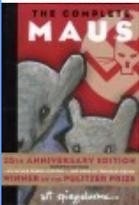
## World War II (continued)



### The Emperor of Any Place by Tim Wynne-Jones

When Evan's father dies suddenly, Evan finds a hand-bound yellow book on his desk - the book his dad had been reading when he passed away. The book is the diary of a Japanese soldier stranded on a small Pacific island in WWII. Why was his father reading it?

YA WYNNE-JONES TIM, eBook



### Maus by Art Spiegelman

(Maus, book 1)

Maus is a haunting tale within a tale. Vladek's harrowing story of survival is woven into the author's account of his tortured relationship with his aging father.

HS LIST MAUS



### My Family for the War by Anne Voorhoeve

Before the start of WWII, ten-year-old Ziska Mangold, who has Jewish ancestors but has been raised as a Protestant, is taken out of Nazi Germany on one of the Kindertransport trains to live in London with a Jewish family.

YA VOORHOEVE



### Playing for the Commandant by Suzy Zail

A young Jewish pianist at Auschwitz, desperate to save her family, is chosen to play at the camp commandant's house. How could she know she would fall in love with the wrong boy?

YA ZAIL SUZY



### Prisoner of Night and Fog by Anne Blankman

(Prisoner of Night and Fog series, book 1)

In 1930s Munich, the favorite niece of rising political leader Adolf Hitler is torn between duty and love after meeting a fearless and handsome young Jewish reporter.

YA BLANKMAN ANNE, eBook, eAudiobook

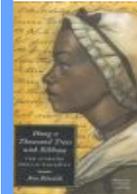


### Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepetys

As World War II draws to a close, refugees try to escape the war's final dangers, only to find themselves aboard a ship with a target on its hull.

YA SEPETYS RUTA, CDB, eBook, eAudiobook

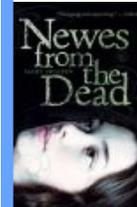
## Colonial America/Witch Trials (1600s)



### Hang a Thousand Trees with Ribbons by Ann Rinaldi

A fictionalized biography of an eighteenth-century African woman who, as a child, was brought to New England to be a slave.

YA RINALDI, ebook



### Newes from the Dead by Mary Hooper

In 1650, while Robert, a young medical student, steels himself to assist with her dissection, housemaid Anne Green recalls her life as she lies in her coffin, presumed dead after being hanged for murdering her child that was stillborn.

YA HOOPER



### The Sacrifice by Kathleen Benner Duble

Two sisters, aged ten and twelve, are accused of witchcraft in Andover, Massachusetts in 1692 and await trial in a miserable prison while their mother desperately searches for a way to obtain their freedom.

YA DUBLE



### Witch Child by Celia Rees

In 1695, fourteen-year-old Mary Newbury keeps a journal of her voyage from England to the New World and her experiences living as a witch in a community of Puritans near Salem, Massachusetts.

YA REES, eAudiobook

## French Revolution



### The Red Necklace by Sally Gardner

In the late eighteenth-century, Sido, the twelve-year-old daughter of a self-indulgent marquis, and Yann, a fourteen-year-old Gypsy orphan raised to perform a magic show, face a common enemy at the start of the French Revolution.

YA GARDNER SALLY, eAudiobook



### Revolution by Jennifer Donnelly

Andi Alpers is angry about her father leaving, angry at her mother for not being able to cope, and heartbroken by the loss of her younger brother. Now Andi must accompany her father to Paris for winter break.

YA DONNELLY, CDB, eBook, eAudiobook



### Sovay by Celia Rees

In 1794 England, the rich and beautiful Sovay, disguised as a highwayman, acquires papers that could lead to her father's arrest for treason, and soon her newly-awakened political consciousness leads her and a compatriot to France during the Revolution.

YA REES

## American Revolution



### April Morning by Howard Fast

The first days of the American Revolution are told by Adam Cooper, a fifteen-year-old boy who dares to sign the muster roll of the Lexington militia.

HS LIST APRIL, ebook

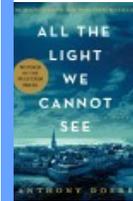


### Copper Sun by Sharon Draper

Two fifteen-year-old girls—one a slave and the other an indentured servant—escape their Carolina plantation and try to make their way to Fort Moses, Florida, a Spanish colony that gives sanctuary to slaves.

YA DRAPER

## World War II



### All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

A blind French girl on the run from the German occupation and a German-turned-Resistance tracker struggle with respective beliefs after meeting on the Brittany coast.

HS LIST ALL AP WORLD 10, CDB, eAudiobook



### The Auslander by Paul Dowswell

German soldiers take Peter from a Warsaw orphanage, and soon he is adopted by Professor Kaltenbach, a prominent Nazi, but Peter forms his own ideas about what he sees and hears and he decides to take a very dangerous risk in 1942 Berlin.

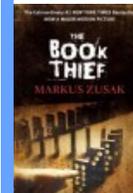
YA DOWSWELL PAUL



### Between Shades of Gray by Ruta Sepetys

In 1941, fifteen-year-old Lina, her mother, and her brother, are pulled from their Lithuanian home by Soviet Guards and sent to Siberia, where her father is sentenced to death in a prison camp while she fights for her life.

YA SEPETYS, eBook, CDB, eAudiobook



### The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Trying to make sense of the horrors of WWII, Death relates the story of Liesel, a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding.

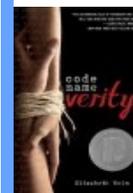
YA ZUSAK, CDB, Playaway, ebook



### The Cage by Ruth Minsky Sender

A teenage girl recounts the suffering and persecution of her family under the Nazis, in a Polish ghetto, during deportation, and in a concentration camp.

HS LIST CAGE, ebook



### Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein

In 1943, a British fighter plane crashes in Nazi-occupied France and the survivor tells a tale of friendship, espionage, war, and great courage as she relates what she must do to survive while keeping secret all that she can.

YA WEIN, CDB, eBook

## 1920s and '30s



### The Berlin Boxing Club by Rob Sharenow

In 1936 Berlin, fourteen-year-old Karl Stern, considered Jewish despite a non-religious upbringing, learns to box from the legendary Max Schmeling while struggling with the realities of the Holocaust.

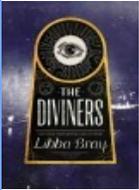
YA SHARENOW



### Bright Young Things by Anna Godbersen (Bright Young Things series, book 1)

In the spring of 1929, eighteen-year-old Cordelia Grey and her stage-struck friend Letty Larkspur run away from their small Ohio town to seek their fortunes in New York City.

YA GODBERSEN, ebook, eAudiobook



### The Diviners by Libba Bray (The Diviners series, book 1)

Seventeen-year-old Evie O'Neill is thrilled when she is exiled from small-town Ohio to New York City in 1926, even when a rash of occult-based murders thrusts her and her uncle into the thick of the investigation.

YA BRAY LIBBA, CDB, eBook, eAudiobook



### Of Better Blood by Susan Moger

Teenage polio survivor Rowan Collier is caught in the crossfire of a secret war against "the unfit." It's 1922, and eugenics—the movement dedicated to racial purity and good breeding—has taken hold in America. State laws allow institutions to sterilize minorities, the "feeble-minded" and the poor, while local eugenics councils set up county fairs with "fitter family" contests and propaganda.

YA MOGER



### Starstruck by Rachel Shukert

Set in Old Hollywood, this novel follows the lives of three teen girls as they live, love, and claw their way to the top in a world where being a star is all that matters.

YA SHUKERT



### Vixen by Jillian Larkin (Flappers series, book 1)

Every girl wants what she can't have. Seventeen-year-old Gloria Carmody wants the flapper lifestyle—and the bobbed hair and music-filled nights that go with it.

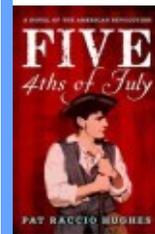
YA LARKIN, eBook, eAudiobook



### The Family Greene by Ann Rinaldi

Follows Caty and her daughter Cornelia through the latter half of the eighteenth century as they mingle with the heroes of the Revolutionary War.

YA RINALDI



### Five 4ths of July by Pat Hughes

On July 4th, 1777, fourteen-year-old Jake Mallory and his friends are celebrating their new nation's independence. But over the next four years, Jake finds himself in increasingly adventurous circumstances as he battles British forces.

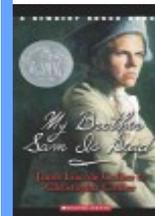
YA HUGHES



### The Inventor's Secret by Andrea Cremer

In an alternate nineteenth-century America that is still a colony of Britain's industrial empire, sixteen-year-old Charlotte and her fellow refugees' struggle to survive is interrupted by a newcomer with no memory, bearing secrets about a terrible future.

YA CREMER ANDREA

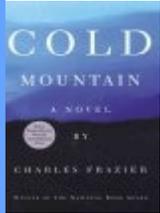


### My Brother Sam is Dead by James Collier

Recounts the tragedy that strikes the Meeker family during the Revolution when one son joins the rebel forces while the rest of the family tries to stay neutral in a Tory town.

HS LIST MY, CDB, eBook, eAudiobook

## Civil War



### Cold Mountain by Charles Frazier

A love story set during the Civil War in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

FRAZIER, ebook



### Come Juneteenth by Ann Rinaldi

Fourteen-year-old Luli and her family face tragedy after failing to tell their slaves that President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation made them free.

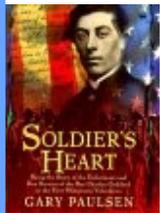
YA RINALDI



### The Mirk and Midnight Hour by Jane Nickerson

Seventeen-year-old Violet Dancey is spending the Civil War with a new stepmother and stepsister and her young cousin when she comes upon a wounded Yankee soldier.

YA NICKERSON, audiobook



### Soldier's Heart by Gary Paulsen

Eager to enlist, fifteen-year-old Charley has a change of heart after experiencing both the physical horrors and mental anguish of Civil War combat.

YA PAULSEN

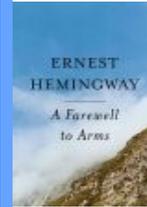


### Two Girls of Gettysburg by Lisa Klein

When the Civil War breaks out, two cousins, Lizzie and Rosanna, find themselves on opposite sides of the conflict until the war reunites them in Gettysburg.

YA KLEIN

## World War I



### A Farewell to Arms by Ernest Hemingway

An American's love for an English nurse during the First World War ends in tragedy.

HS LIST FAREWELL, audiobook, eBook



### Hattie Big Sky by Kirby Larson

After inheriting her uncle's homestead claim in Montana, sixteen-year-old orphan Hattie Brooks travels from Iowa in 1917 to make a home for herself and encounters some unexpected problems related to the war being fought in Europe.

YA LARSON, eBook



### Private Peaceful by Michael Morpugo

When Thomas Peaceful's older brother is forced to join the British Army, Thomas decides to sign up as well, although he is too young at fourteen years old.

YA MORPUGO, Playaway



### Remembrance by Theresa Breslin

The destinies of two Scottish families—one of shopkeepers and one of wealth and power—become entwined through their involvement in World War I.

YA BRESLIN THERESA

## Early 1900s



### In the Shadow of Blackbirds by Cat Winters

In San Diego in 1918, sixteen-year-old Mary Shelley Black watches as deadly influenza and World War I takes their toll as desperate mourners flock to séances.

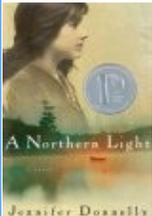
YA WINTERS , eBook



### A Mad, Wicked Folly by Sharon Biggs Waller

In 1909 London, as the world of debutante balls and high society obligations closes in around her, seventeen-year-old Victoria must figure out just how much she is willing to sacrifice to pursue her dream of becoming an artist.

YA BIGGS SHARON



### A Northern Light by Jennifer Donnelly

In 1906, sixteen-year-old Mattie, determined to attend college and be a writer against the wishes of her father and fiancé, take a summer job at an inn where she discovers the truth about the death of a guest.

YA DONNELLY, CDB, eBook



### Threads and Flames by Esther Friesner

After recovering from typhus, Raisa leaves her Polish shtetl for America to join her older sister, and goes to work at the Triangle Shirtwaist factory.

YA FRIESNER ESTHER

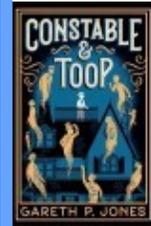
## The Victorian Era (1837-1901)



### Airman by Eoin Colfer

When Conor Broekhart discovers a conspiracy to overthrow the king, he is branded a traitor, imprisoned, and forced to mine for diamonds. He plans a daring escape from prison by way of a flying machine.

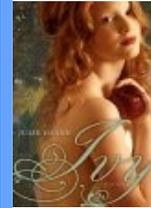
YA COLFER EOIN, eBook, eAudiobook



### Constable & Toop by Gareth P. Jones

In Victorian London, an undertaker's son who can see ghosts and is haunted by their constant demands for attention must decide whether to help when a horrible disease imprisons ghosts into empty houses in the world of the living.

YA JONES



### Ivy by Julie Hearn

In mid-nineteenth-century London, young, mistreated, and destitute Ivy comes to the attention of an aspiring painter who is determined to make her his model and muse.

YA HEARN



### Ripper by Amy Carol Reeves (Ripper series, book 1)

Sent to do volunteer work at the Whitechapel Hospital in the east end of London in 1888, seventeen-year-old Abbie discovers the identity of Jack the Ripper.

YA REEVES, eBook



### Timekeeper by Tara Sim

In an alternate 1875 England, seventeen-year-old clock mechanic Danny, aided by the boy he loves, must discover who is sabotaging the towers that control the flow of time and stop the person before it's too late.

YA SIM TARA, eBook