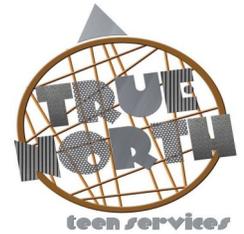


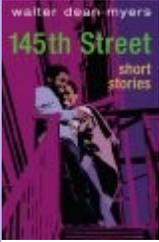
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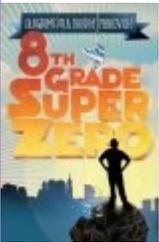


## Grades 7-9



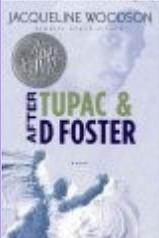
### 145th Street: Short Stories by Walter Dean Myers

The first week of his senior year, everything changed. That's when Mack met Kitty. She hadn't finished the sonnet she wrote for him, but she had finished Mack. From that minute on, he was stupid in love. That's just Kitty and Mack. But everybody on the block has a story to tell.  
YA MYERS



### 8th Grade Superzero by Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich

After half-heartedly joining his church youth group's project at a homeless shelter near his Brooklyn middle school, eighth-grade "loser" Reggie McKnight is inspired to run for school office on a platform of making a real difference in the community.  
YA RHUDAY-PERKOVICH



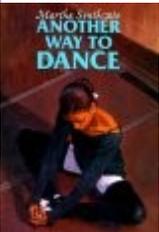
### After Tupac & D Foster by Jacqueline Woodson

In the New York City borough of Queens in 1996, three girls bond over their shared love of Tupac Shakur's music, as together they try to make sense of the unpredictable world in which they live.  
YA WOODSON, eBook



### Akata Witch by Nnedi Okorafor

Twelve-year-old Sunny Nwazue, an American-born albino child of Nigerian parents, moves with her family back to Nigeria, where she learns that she has latent magical powers which she and three similarly gifted friends use to catch a serial killer.  
YA OKORAFOR-MBACHU, ebook



### Another Way to Dance by Martha Southgate

While spending the summer at the School of American Ballet in New York City, fourteen-year-old Vicki Harris must come to terms with the reality of her parents' divorce, her crush on Mikhail Baryshnikov, and the impact of being an African American on her future as a dancer.  
YA SOUTHGATE

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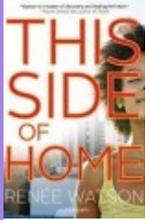
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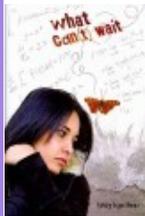
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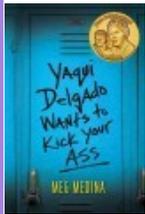
### This Side of Home by Renée Watson

Identical twins Nikki and Maya have been on the same page for *everything*--friends, school, boys and starting off their adult lives at a historically African-American college. But as their neighborhood goes from rough-and-tumble to up-and-coming, suddenly filled with pretty coffee shops and boutiques, Nikki is thrilled while Maya feels like their home is slipping away.  
YA WATSON RENEE, ebook



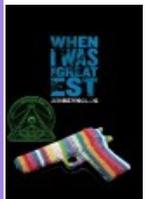
### What Can't Wait by Ashley Hope Perez

Marooned in a broken-down Houston neighborhood--and in a Mexican immigrant family where making ends meet matters much more than making it to college--smart, talented Marissa seeks comfort elsewhere when her home life becomes unbearable.  
YA PEREZ



### Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass by Meg Medina

Piddy Sanchez just wants to make it through high school, but Yaqui Delgado tries to make life miserable for Piddy. This realistic portrayal of teen bullying features two Latinas against the backdrop of an ethnically diverse Queens neighborhood.  
YA MEDINA, eBook



### When I Was the Greatest by Jason Reynolds

Ali lives in Bed-Stuy, a Brooklyn neighborhood known for guns and drugs, but he and his sister, Jazz, and their neighbors, Needles and Noodles, stay out of trouble until they go to the wrong party, where one gets badly hurt and another leaves with a target on his back.  
YA REYNOLDS, eBook, eAudiobook



### The Bitter Side of Sweet by Tara Sullivan

Kept as forced labor on a chocolate plantation in the Ivory Coast, Amadou and his younger brother Seydou had given up hope, until a young girl arrives at the camp who rekindles the urge to escape.  
YA SULLIVAN, ebook, eAudiobook



### The Crossover by Kwame Alexander

Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health.  
YA ALEXANDER KWAME, eAudiobook



### Does My Head Look Big In This? by Randa Abdel-Fattah

Year eleven at an exclusive prep school in the suburbs of Melbourne, Australia, would be tough enough, but it is further complicated for Amal when she decides to wear the hijab, the Muslim head scarf, full-time as a badge of her faith--without losing her identity or sense of style.  
YA ABDEL-FATTAH RANDA



### Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan

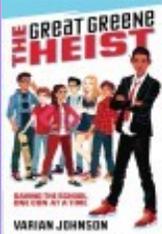
Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to go work in the labor camps of Southern California, where they must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing Mexican farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression.  
YA RYAN PAM, ebook



### The Great Call of China by Cynthea Liu (Students Across the Seven Seas series)

Sixteen-year-old Cece goes to China in an attempt to discover her roots and possibly find out about her birth parents. Born in China, but adopted at age 2 and living in Texas, Cece finds culture shock and romance as she pursues the information to satisfy her questions.  
YA SERIES S.A.S.S.

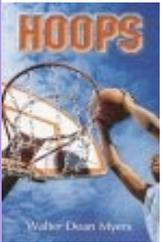
## Grades 7-9 (continued)



### The Great Greene Heist by Varian Johnson

Jackson Greene has a reputation as a prankster at Maplewood Middle School, but after the last disaster he is trying to go straight--but when it looks like Keith Sinclair may steal the election for school president from Jackson's former best friend Gabriela, he assembles a team to make sure Keith does not succeed.

YA JOHNSON, ebook



### Hoops by Walter Dean Myers

A teenage basketball player from Harlem is befriended by a former professional player who, after being forced to quit because of a point-shaving scandal, hopes to prevent other young athletes from repeating his mistake.

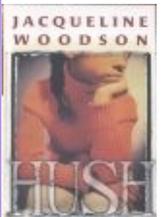
YA MYERS



### Hot, Sour, Salty, Sweet by Sherri L. Smith

Disaster strikes when Ana Shen is about to deliver the salutatorian speech at her junior high school graduation, but an even greater crisis looms when her best friend invites a crowd to Ana's house for dinner, and Ana's multicultural grandparents must find a way to share a kitchen.

YA SMITH



### Hush by Jacqueline Woodson

Twelve-year-old Toswiah finds her life changed when her family enters the witness protection program.

YA WOODSON JACQUELINE, CDB, eBook



### If You Come Softly by Jacqueline Woodson

After meeting at their private school in New York, fifteen-year-old Jeremiah, who is black and whose parents are separated, and Ellie, who is white and whose mother has twice abandoned her, fall in love and then try to cope with people's reactions.

YA WOODSON, eBook



### She's So Money by Cherry Cheva

Maya, a high school senior bound for Stanford University, goes against her better judgment when she and a popular but somewhat disreputable boy start a profitable school-wide cheating ring in order to save her family's Thai restaurant, which she fears will be shut down due to her irresponsible actions.

YA CHEVA CHERRY



### Something in Between by Melissa De La Cruz

Jasmine de los Santos has always done what's expected of her. She's studied hard, made her Filipino immigrant parents proud and is ready to reap the rewards in the form of a full college scholarship to the school of her dreams. And then everything shatters. Her parents are forced to reveal the truth: their visas expired years ago. Her entire family is illegal.

YA DELA CRUZ MELISSA, ebook, eAudiobook



### Stop Me If You've Heard This One Before by David Yoo

Albert Kim sees it as a miracle that popular, beautiful Mia Stone finds him worthy of her attention, but when her ex, Ryan Stackhouse, announces he has cancer, Mia is torn between being there for Ryan and her feelings for Albert.

YA YOO



### The Sun is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon

Natasha is a girl who believes in science and facts. Daniel has always been a good son and good student. But when he sees Natasha he forgets all that and believes there is something extraordinary in store for both of them.

YA YOON NICOLA, CDB, Playaway, eBook, eAudiobook

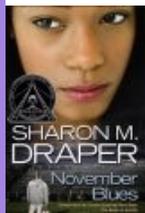


### The Summer Prince by Alaya Dawn Johnson

In a Brazil of the distant future, June Costa falls in love with Enki, a fellow artist and rebel against the strict limits of the legendary pyramid city of Palmares Três' matriarchal government, knowing that, like all Summer Kings before him, Enki is destined to die.

YA JOHNSON

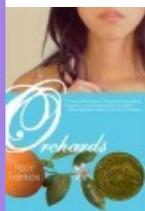
## Grades 10-12 (continued)



### November Blues by Sharon M. Draper

A teenaged boy's death in a hazing accident has lasting effects on his pregnant girlfriend and his guilt-ridden cousin, who gives up a promising music career to play football during his senior year in high school.

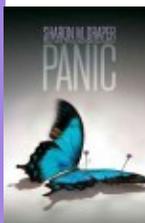
YA DRAPER



### Orchards by Holly Thompson

Sent to Japan for the summer after an eighth-grade classmate's suicide, half-Japanese, half-Jewish Kana Goldberg tries to fit in with relatives she barely knows and reflects on the guilt she feels over the tragedy back home.

YA THOMPSON



### Panic by Sharon M. Draper

As rehearsals begin for the ballet version of Peter Pan, the teenaged members of an Ohio dance troupe lose their focus when one of their own goes missing.

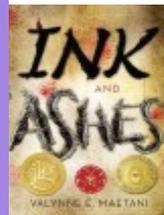
YA DRAPER



### Shadowshaper by Daniel Jose Older

When the murals painted on the walls of her Brooklyn neighborhood start to change and fade in front of her, Sierra Santiago realizes that something strange is going on--then she discovers her Puerto Rican family are shadowshapers and finds herself in a battle with an evil anthropologist for the lives of her family and friends.

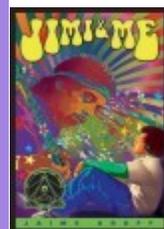
YA OLDER DANIEL, ebook, eAudiobook



### Ink and Ashes by Valynne E. Maetani

When Japanese American Claire Takata finds out that her deceased father was once a member of the yakuza, a Japanese crime syndicate, danger enters her life that could end up killing someone.

YA MAETANI VALYNN E



### Jimi and Me by Jaime Adoff

After his father's tragic death, twelve-year-old Keith James moves from Brooklyn to a small midwestern town where his mixed race heritage is not accepted, but he finds comfort in the music of Jimi Hendrix and the friendship of a white classmate.

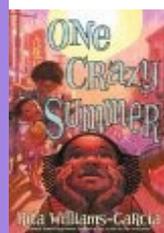
YA ADOFF JAIME



### Millicent Min, Girl Genius by Lisa Yee

In a series of journal entries, eleven-year-old child prodigy Millicent Min records her struggles to learn to play volleyball, tutor her enemy, deal with her grandmother's departure, and make friends over the course of a tumultuous summer.

YA YEE



### One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams-Garcia

In the summer of 1968, after travelling from Brooklyn to Oakland, California, to spend a month with the mother they barely know, eleven-year-old Delphine and her two younger sisters arrive to a cold welcome as they discover that their mother, a dedicated poet and printer, is resentful of the intrusion of their visit and wants them to attend a nearby Black Panther summer camp.

YA WILLIAMS-GARCIA, CDB, eBook

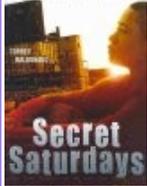


### Paper Daughter by Jeanette Ingold

When her father, a respected journalist in Seattle, is killed in a hit-and-run accident, Maggie Chen, a high school intern at her father's newspaper, searches for clues to the mysterious circumstances surrounding his death, an investigation that forces her to confront her ethnicity and a family she never knew.

YA INGOLD

## Grades 7-9 (continued)



### Secret Saturdays by Torrey Maldonado

Twelve-year-old boys living in a rough part of New York confront questions about what it means to be a friend, a father, and a man.  
YA MALDONADO



### The Skin I'm In by Sharon G. Flake

Thirteen-year-old Maleeka, uncomfortable because her skin is extremely dark, meets a new teacher with a birthmark on her face and makes some discoveries about how to love who she is and what she looks like.  
YA FLAKE, eAudiobook



### Standing Against the Wind by Traci L. Jones

As she tries to escape her poor Chicago neighborhood by winning a scholarship to a prestigious boarding school, shy and studious eighth-grader Patrice discovers that she has more options in life than she previously realized.  
YA JONES TRACI



### A Step From Heaven by An Na

A young Korean girl and her family find it difficult to learn English and adjust to life in America.  
YA NA, eAudiobook



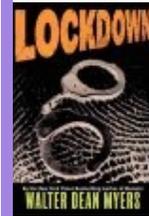
### When the Stars Go Blue by Caridad Ferrer

Soledad Reyes decides to dance Carmen as part of a drum and bugle corps competition, not knowing if it will help or harm her chance of becoming a professional ballet dancer but eager to pursue new options, including a romance with the boy who invited her to audition.  
YA FERRER CARIDAD



### Liar by Justine Larbalestier

Compulsive liar Micah promises to tell the truth after revealing that her boyfriend has been murdered.  
YA LARBALESTIER



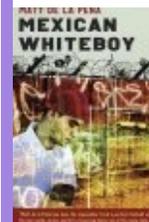
### Lockdown by Walter Dean Myers

Teenage Reese, serving time at a juvenile detention facility, gets a lesson in making it through hard times from an unlikely friend with a harrowing past.  
YA MYERS, ebook



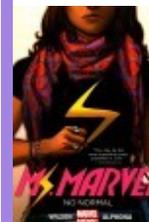
### Love is the Drug by Alaya Dawn Johnson

Emily Bird is an African American high school senior in Washington D.C., member of a privileged medical family, on the verge of college and the edge of the drug culture, and not really sure which way she will go--then one day she wakes up in the hospital with no memory of what happened.  
YA JOHNSON ALAYA, eBook



### Mexican Whiteboy by Matt de la Peña

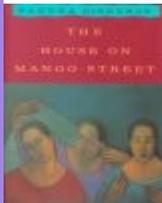
Sixteen-year-old Danny searches for his identity amidst the confusion of being half-Mexican and half-white while spending a summer with his cousin and new friends on the baseball fields and back alleys of San Diego County, California.  
YA PENA, ebook



### Ms. Marvel, Volume 1: No Normal by G. Willow Wilson

Kamala Khan is an ordinary girl from Jersey City - until she's suddenly empowered with extraordinary gifts. When Kamala discovers the dangers of her newfound powers, she unlocks a secret behind them, as well. Is Kamala ready to wield these immense new gifts?  
741.5973 MS. MARVEL

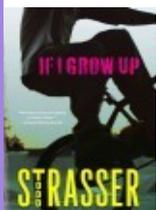
## Grades 10-12 (continued)



### The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros

The story of Esperanza Cordero, whose neighborhood is one of harsh realities and harsh beauty. Esperanza doesn't want to belong - not her run-down neighborhood, and not to the low expectations the world has for her.

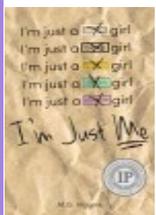
CISNEROS, eBook



### If I Grow Up by Todd Strasser

Growing up in the inner-city projects, DeShawn is reluctantly forced into the gang world by circumstances beyond his control.

YA STRASSER



### I'm Just Me by M.G. Higgins

Nasreen and Mia, who are Muslim and African American respectively, are the targets of bullies at Arondale High and together come up with a plan to fight back against their tormenters.

YA HIGGINS M.G.



### Kendra by Coe Booth

High schooler Kendra longs to live with her mother who, unprepared for motherhood at age fourteen, left Kendra in the care of her grandmother.

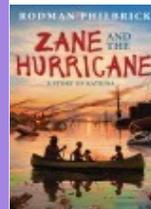
YA BOOTH COE



### The Latte Rebellion by Sarah Jamila Stevenson

When high school senior Asha Jamison is called a "towel head" at a pool party, she and her best friend Carey start a club to raise awareness of mixed-race students that soon sweeps the country.

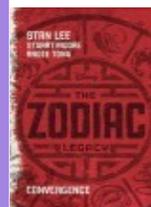
YA STEVENSON



### Zane and the Hurricane: a story of Katrina by Rodman Philbrick

A twelve-year-old boy and his dog become trapped in New Orleans during the horrors of Hurricane Katrina.

YA PHILBRICK, eBook



### The Zodiac Legacy: Convergence by Stan Lee (The Zodiac Legacy #1)

Follows the experiences of a Chinese-American teen who is thrown into the middle of an epic global chase involving the release of twelve magical superpowers.

YA LEE, eAudiobook

## Grades 10-12



### All We Have Left by Wendy Mills

In interweaving stories of sixteen-year-olds, modern-day Jesse tries to cope with the ramifications of her brother's death on 9/11, while in 2001, Alia, a Muslim, gets trapped in one of the Twin Towers and meets a boy who changes everything for her as flames rage around them.

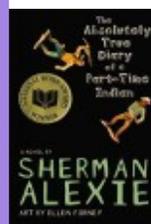
YA MILLS WENDY



### American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang

Alternates three interrelated stories about the problems of young Chinese Americans trying to participate in the popular culture. Presented in comic book format.

741.5973 YAN, eBook



### The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian by Sherman Alexie

Budding cartoonist Junior leaves his troubled school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all-white farm town school where the only other Indian is the school mascot.

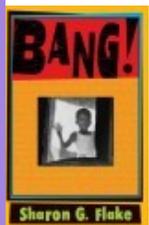
YA ALEXIE SHERMAN, CDB, eBook, eAudiobook

## Grades 10-12 (continued)



### Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Saenz

Fifteen-year-old Ari Mendoza is an angry loner with a brother in prison, but when he meets Dante and they become friends, Ari starts to ask questions about himself, his parents, and his family that he has never asked before.  
YA SAENZ BENJAMIN, CDB, ebook, eAudiobook



### Bang! by Sharon G. Flake

A teenage boy must face the harsh realities of inner city life, a disintegrating family, and destructive temptations as he struggles to find his identity as a young man.  
HS LIST BANG, eBook



### The Battle of Jericho by Sharon M. Draper

Sixteen-year-old Jericho is psyched when he and his cousin and best friend, Josh, are invited to pledge for the Warriors of Distinction, the oldest and most exclusive club in school. But as the secret initiation rites grow increasingly humiliating and force Jericho to make painful choices, he starts to question whether membership in the Warriors of Distinction is worth it.  
YA DRAPER, ebook



### Black and White by Paul Volponi

Two star high school basketball players, one black and one white, experience the justice system differently after committing a crime together and getting caught.  
YA VOLPONI



### Born Confused by Tanuja Desai Hidier

Seventeen-year-old Dimple, whose family is from India, discovers that she is not Indian enough for the Indians and not American enough for the Americans, as she sees her best friend taking possession of both her heritage and the boy she likes.  
YA DESAI HIDIER TANUJA



### The First Part Last by Angela Johnson (Heaven Trilogy, book #2)

Bobby's carefree teenage life changes forever when he becomes a father and must care for his adored baby daughter.  
YA JOHNSON



### Gabi, A Girl in Pieces by Isabel Quintero

Sixteen-year-old Gabi Hernandez chronicles her senior year in high school as she copes with her friend Cindy's pregnancy, friend Sebastian's coming out, her father's meth habit, her own cravings for food and cute boys, and especially, the poetry that helps forge her identity.  
YA QUINTERO, CDB, eAudiobook



### Golden Boy by Tara Sullivan

A Tanzanian albino boy finds himself the ultimate outsider, hunted because of the color of his skin.  
YA SULLIVAN



### Good Enough by Paula Yoo

A Korean American teenager tries to please her parents by getting into an Ivy League college, but a new guy in school and her love of the violin tempt her in new directions.  
YA YOO



### Gray Baby by Scott Loring Sanders

Clifton has grown up in rural Virginia with the memory of his African American father being beaten to death by policemen, causing his white mother to slip into alcoholism and depression, but after befriending an old man who listens to his problems, Clifton finally feels less alone in the world.  
YA SANDERS



### Hot Girl by Dream Jordan

Kate, a fourteen-year-old Brooklyn girl and former gang member, risks losing her first good foster family when she adopts the risqué ways of her flirtatious new friend, Naleejah.  
YA JORDAN

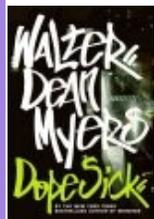
## Grades 10-12 (continued)



### DJ Rising by Love Maia

Sixteen-year-old Marley Diego-Dylan's career as "DJ Ice" is skyrocketing, but his mother's heroin addiction keeps dragging him back to earth.

YA MAIA



### Dope Sick by Walter Dean Myers

Seeing no way out of his difficult life in Harlem, seventeen-year-old Jeremy "Lil J" Dance flees into a house after a drug deal goes awry and meets a weird man who shows different turning points in Lil J's life when he could have made better choices.

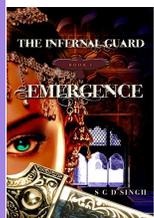
YA MYERS



### Eleanor & Park by Rainbow Rowell

Set over the course of one school year in 1986, this is the story of two star-crossed misfits—smart enough to know that first love almost never lasts, but brave and desperate enough to try.

YA ROWELL, CDB, eAudiobook



### Emergence by S. G. D. Singh

When her grandfather is mysteriously injured, Asha is abruptly sent to Punjab, India to live with relatives she never knew she had. While there, she meets the Infernal Guard, the gifted few who protect our realm from demonic Underworlders.

YA SINGH S. G. D.



### Everything, Everything by Nicola Yoon

Maddy's disease makes her allergic to the world. She hasn't left her house in seventeen years and the only people she sees are her nurse, Carla, and her mother. When she spots a moving truck moving truck next door, her life becomes more complicated.

YA YOON NICOLA, eBook, eAudiobook



### Boy21 by Matthew Quick

Finley, the only white player on his high school's varsity basketball team, is asked by his coach to mentor a troubled African American student who has transferred there from an elite private school in California, he finds that they have a lot in common in spite of their apparent differences.

YA QUICK



### Bronxwood by Coe Booth

Tyrell's father is just out of jail, his brother is in foster care and his mother is no help whatsoever. Tyrell can see the crash that's coming - with his dad, with the rest of his family, with the girls he's seeing - but he's not sure he can stop it. Or if he even wants to.

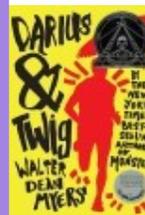
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### Chill Wind by Janet McDonald

Afraid that she will have nowhere to go when her welfare checks are stopped, nineteen-year-old high school dropout Aisha tries to figure out how she can support herself and her two young children in New York City.

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### Darius and Twig by Walter Dean Myers

Darius and Twig are an unlikely pair: Darius is a writer and Twig is a middle-distance runner striving for athletic success. But they are drawn together in the struggle to overcome the obstacles that life in Harlem throws at them.

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### Dime by E.R. Frank

Fourteen-year-old Dime, a foster child in Newark, New Jersey, finds love and family as a prostitute, but when her pimp rejects her for a new girl, will Dime have the strength to leave?

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