

Legends and Lore

Books featuring mythology from around the world

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To a Darker Shore

Leanne Schwartz

YA FIC SCHWARTZ

To keep the devil at bay, a beauty-obsessed kingdom sacrifices unattractive children to hell's entrance every season, leading plain, poor, plus-sized, autistic Alesta to travel to the depths of hell to avenge her best friend's death and stop the sacrifices forever.



Lore

Alexandra Bracken

YA FIC BRACKEN

After her family was murdered, Lore turned her back on a hunt that is held every seven years to punish former Greek gods. When a new hunt begins, Athena convinces Lore to form an alliance to end the hunt and stop the rise of a more vengeful god.



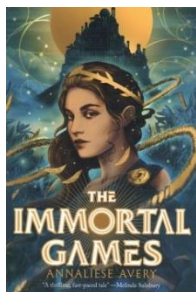
The Lost Souls of Benzaiten

Kelly Murashige

YA FIC MURASHIGE

Rendered mute following a traumatic friendship breakup, seventeen-year-old Machi prays to a Japanese goddess to become a vacuum cleaner robot, but accidentally conjures the deity, who is determined to show Machi that life is worth living.

NEW



The Immortal Games

Annaliese Avery

YA FIC AVERY

Every Lunar Eclipse signifies the beginning of the Immortal Games: An epic set of games played by the Gods of Olympus, with randomly selected humans as their Tokens.

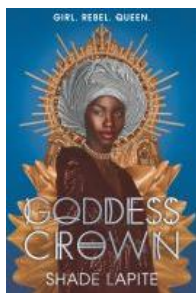


Those We Drown

Amy Goldsmith

YA FIC GOLDSMITH

When friends Liv and Will are accepted in a semester-at-sea program, they're excited to spend six weeks aboard a luxury cruise ship, but after Will disappears the first night, Liv grows suspicious of everything, especially the students and social media influencers The Sirens.



Goddess Crown

Shade Lapite

YA FIC LAPITE

Forced to flee to the king's court in the West, 16-year-old Kalothia, who was raised in secret, becomes caught up in deadly power struggles and romantic intrigue in the opulent kingdom of Galla as she, led by the Goddess herself, must choose between her country and her heart.



It Waits in the Forest

Sarah Dass

YA FIC DASS

NEW

When a string of strange murders occurs, skeptic Selina, who has a logical mind and a knack for botany, can no longer deny there's evil lurking in the forests surrounding St. Virgil and teams up with her ex-boyfriend to find the answer.

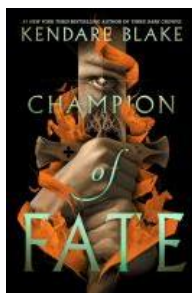


Lakelore

Anna-Marie McLemore

YA FIC MCLEMORE

Bastián grew up both above the lake and in the otherworldly space beneath it. Lore's only seen the world under the lake once—then it drifts to the surface. If Bastián and Lore don't want it bringing their secrets along with it, they have to work together. There's just one problem: Bastián and Lore haven't spoken in seven years.



Champion of Fate

Kendare Blake

YA FIC BLAKE

To finally take her place beside her sisters-in-arms, Reed, a hero-maker in training, must lead her first hero to victory or lose the only home she's ever known. But when Reed falls in love with her hero, she is forced to make a difficult decision.



A Drop of Venom

Sajni Patel

YA FIC PATEL

NEW

When priestess Manisha and warrior Pratyush meet, they find hope in each other's arms. But when Manisha is pushed into a pit of vipers, Pratyush is tasked with killing one last monster to gain his freedom.

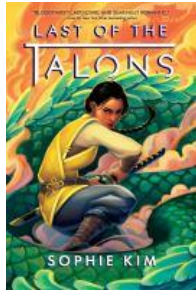


The Siren

Kiera Cass

YA FIC CASS

Forced to work as a Siren and lure strangers to their deaths after being rescued from drowning by the Ocean, Kahlen falls in love with a human and defies the rules of her service in order to follow her heart.



Last of the Talons

Sophie Kim

YA FIC KIM

After the destruction of her entire Talon gang, Shin Lina is forced to become a living weapon for a feared crime lord. But the order to steal a priceless tapestry from a Dokkaebi temple incites the wrath of a legendary immortal. Suddenly, Lina finds herself in the dreamlike realm of the Dokkaebi, her fate in the hands of its cruel and captivating emperor. She can win her life - if she kills him first.



Threads that Bind

Kika Hatzopoulou

YA FIC HATZOPOULOU

In a world where the children of the gods inherit their powers, Io, a descendant of the Greek Fates, must solve a series of impossible murders to save her sisters, her soulmate, and her city.



Festival of Shadows

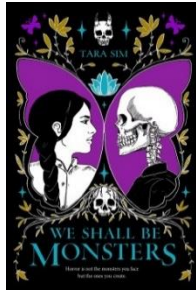
Atelier Sento

YA GRAPHIC SENTO

NEW

Graphic Novel

Every summer, in an isolated Japanese village, a celebration known as the Festival of Shadows takes place. The villagers are entrusted to assist the souls or "shadows" of those who died tragically, and to help them come to terms with their deaths and find eternal peace. During the festival, Naoko puts her own life on the line to save the soul of the man she loves.



We Shall Be Monsters

Tara Sim

YA FIC SIM

A teen girl desperate to bring her sister back from the dead is forced to first resurrect the kingdom's fallen prince, but she accidentally awakens the wrong boy.



Children of Ragnarok

Cinda Williams Chima

YA FIC CHIMA

Ever since Ragnarok - the war between the gods and the forces of chaos - the human realm has become a desperate and dangerous place, bereft of magic. Three teens' journeys converge in New Jotunheim, a paradise fueled by magic, but they soon realize that a great evil lurks beneath the dazzling surface.

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