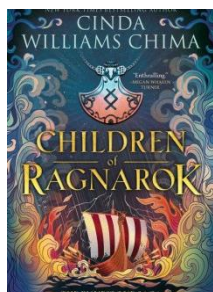


No Romance

Sick of reading about relationships? These focus on anything else!

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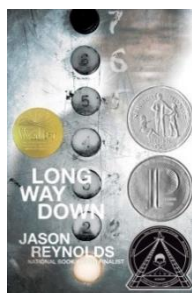


Children of Ragnarok

Cinda Williams Chima

YA FIC CHIMA

In exchange for his freedom, 16-year-old Eiric Halvorsen, along with his half-systir and a spellsinger, leads a mission to the fabled Temple at the Grove where he discovers a great evil lurking beneath the paradise's dazzling surface.



Long Way Down

Jason Reynolds

YA FIC REYNOLDS

Driven by the secrets and vengeance that mark his street culture, 15-year-old Will contemplates over the course of 60 suspenseful seconds whether or not he is going to murder the person who killed his brother.



The Outsiders

S. E. Hinton

YA FIC HINTON

Three brothers struggle to stay together after their parents' death as they search for an identity among the conflicting values of their adolescent society.



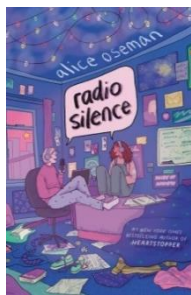
Maelstrom: A Prince of Evil

Lorian Merriman

YA GRAPHIC MERRIMAN

Pining for a place in history, Maelstrom, the demon son of an evil tyrant, teams up with Twigs, the Hero of Virtue, to take down his mother, a powerful necromancer, and build his own epic legend—unless he decides to betray Twigs first.

Graphic Novel

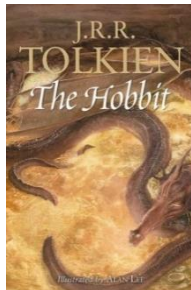


Radio Silence

Alice Oseman

YA FIC OSEMAN

A studious girl and a quiet, straight-A boy start a controversial podcast together that challenges their courage and forces them to confront issues in the form of backlash and censorship.



The Hobbit

J. R. R. Tolkien

YA FIC TOLKIEN

Bilbo Baggins, a respectable, well-to-do hobbit, lives comfortably in his hobbit-hole until the day the wandering wizard Gandalf chooses him to take part in an adventure from which he may never return.



This Is Not a Personal Statement

Tracy Badua

YA FIC BADUA

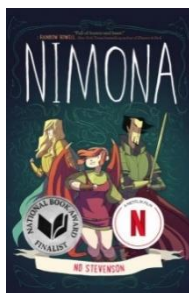
When she doesn't get into Delmont University, 16-year-old Perla forges her own acceptance letter and arrives on campus with a plan, but soon her guilty conscience and campus security make her wonder if this is something she even wants.



Made Glorious
Lindsay Eagar
YA FIC EAGAR

NEW

This diabolical and devilishly clever twist on Shakespeare's Richard III follows Rory, a scholarship kid teased for her weight, as she tells us exactly the lengths she'll go to secure the leading role in Bosworth Academy's senior musical.



Nimona
Noelle Stevenson
YA GRAPHICNOVEL STEVENSON

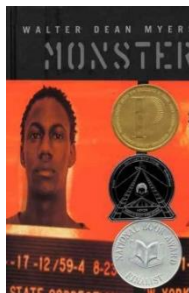
Graphic Novel

Lord Blackheart, a villain with a vendetta, and his sidekick, Nimona, an impulsive young shapeshifter, must prove to the kingdom that Sir Goldenloin and the Institution of Law Enforcement and Heroics aren't the heroes everyone thinks they are.



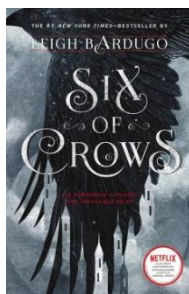
Unwind
Neal Shusterman
YA FIC SHUSTERMAN

In a future world where those between the ages of thirteen and eighteen can have their lives "unwound" and their body parts harvested for use by others, three teens go to extreme lengths to uphold their beliefs--and, perhaps, save their own lives.



Monster
Walter Dean Myers
YA FIC MYERS

While on trial as an accomplice to a murder, sixteen-year-old Steve Harmon records his experiences in prison and courtroom in the form of a film script as he tries to come to terms with the course his life has taken.

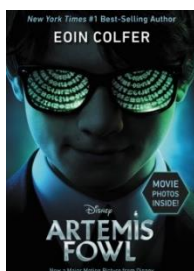


Six of Crows

Leigh Bardugo

YA FIC BARDUGO

Six dangerous outcasts. One impossible heist. Kaz's crew is the only thing that might stand between the world and destruction--if they don't kill each other first.

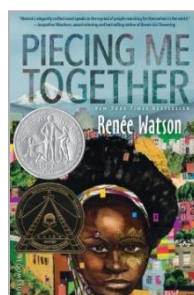


Artemis Fowl

Eoin Colfer

YA FIC COLFER

When a twelve-year-old evil genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and demanding a ransom in gold, the fairies fight back with magic, technology, and a particularly nasty troll.

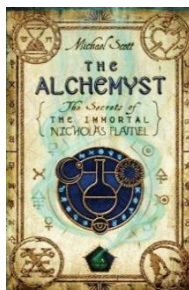


Piecing Me Together

Renée Watson

YA FIC WATSON

Tired of being singled out at her mostly-white private school as someone who needs support, high school junior Jade would rather participate in the school's amazing Study Abroad program than join Women to Women, a mentorship program for at-risk girls.

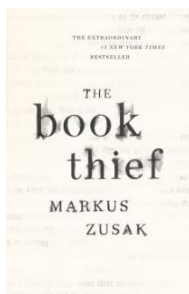


The Alchemyst

Michael Scott

YA FIC SCOTT

While working at pleasant but mundane summer jobs in San Francisco, fifteen-year-old twins Sophie and Josh suddenly find themselves caught up in the deadly, centuries-old struggle between two rival alchemists over the possession of an ancient and powerful book.



The Book Thief

Markus Zusak

YA FIC ZUSAK

Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, 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.

Winfield
Library

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