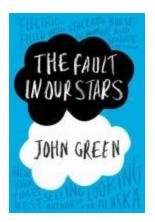
Angus, Thongs, and Full-frontal Snoggings by Louise Rennison



-Presents the humorous journal of a year in the life of a fourteen-year-old

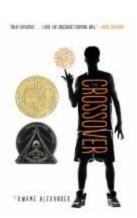
of a fourteen-year-old
British girl who tries to
reduce the size of her
nose, stop her mad cat
from terrorizing the
neighborhood animals, and
win the love of handsome
hunk Robbie.

The Fault in Our Stars by John Green -



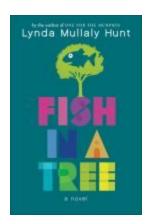
Sixteen-year-old Hazel, a stage IV thyroid cancer patient, has accepted her terminal diagnosis until a chance meeting with a boy at cancer support group forces her to reexamine her perspective on love, loss, and life.

Crossover by Kwame Alexander - Fourteen-year-old



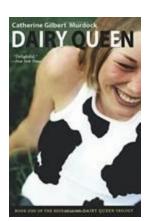
twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health.

Fish in a Tree by Linda Mullaly Hunt - "Ally's



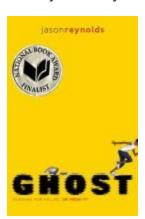
greatest fear is that everyone will find out she is as dumb as they think she is because she still doesn't know how to read"

Dairy Queen by Gilbert Murdock -After spending



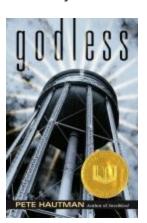
her summer running the family farm and training the quarterback for her school's rival football team, sixteen-year-old D.J. decides to go out for the sport herself, not anticipating the reactions of those around her.

Ghost by Jason Reynolds - "Ghost, a naturally



talented runner and troublemaker, is recruited for an elite middle school track team. He must stay on track, literally and figuratively, to reach his full potential"-

Godless by Pete Hautman - When sixteen-year-old



Jason Bock and his friends create their own religion to worship the town's water tower, what started out as a joke begins to take on a power of its own.

could also endanger her life.

Some cops and the local drug lord try to intimidate

alive who can answer that is Starr. But what Starr

does-or does not-say could upend her community. It

Starr and her family. What everyone wants to know is:

what really went down that night? And the only person

Hope Was Here by Joan Bauer - When

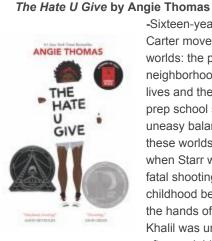


sixteen-year-old Hope and the aunt who has raised her move from Brooklyn to Mulhoney, Wisconsin, to work as waitress and cook in the Welcome Stairways diner, they become involved with the diner owner's political campaign to oust the town's corrupt mayor.

Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly -The lives of



four misfits are intertwined when a bully's prank lands shy Virgil at the bottom of a well and Valencia, Kaori, and Gen band together in an epic quest to find and rescue him.

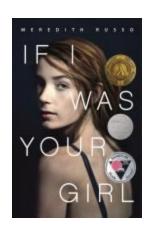


-Sixteen-year-old Starr
Carter moves between two
worlds: the poor
neighborhood where she
lives and the fancy suburban
prep school she attends. The
uneasy balance between
these worlds is shattered
when Starr witnesses the
fatal shooting of her
childhood best friend Khalil at
the hands of a police officer.
Khalil was unarmed. Soon
afterward, his death is a

national headline. Some are calling him a thug, maybe even a drug dealer and a gangbanger.

Protesters are taking to the streets in Khalil's name.

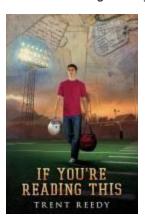
If I Was Your Girl by Meredith Russo - Amanda



Hardy only wants to fit in at her new school, but she is keeping a big secret, so when she falls for Grant, guarded Amanda finds herself yearning to share with him everything about herself, including her previous life as Andrew.

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If You're Reading This by Trent Reedy -For a



responsible sixteen-year-old, Michael Wilson has a lot of problems--his father was killed in Afghanistan in 2005, his overworked and overprotective mother will not talk about their situation, and does not want him playing football, and he has suddenly started to receive letters that his father wrote before his death.

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 in the war threaten to destroy their lives.

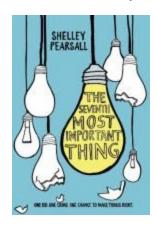
Lily and Dunkin by Donna Gephart -Lily Jo



McGrother, born Timothy McGrother, is a girl. But being a girl is not so easy when you look like a boy. Especially when you're in the eighth-grade. Norbert Dorfman, nicknamed Dunkin Dorfman, is bipolar and has just moved from the New Jersey town he's called home for the past thirteen years. This would be hard enough, but the

fact that he is also hiding from a painful secret makes it even worse. One summer morning, Lily Jo McGrother meets Dunkin Dorfman, and their lives forever change

The Seventh Most Important Thing by Shelley



Pearsall -In 1963, thirteen-year-old Arthur is sentenced to community service helping the neighborhood Junk Man after he throws a brick at the old man's head in a moment of rage, but the junk he collects might be more important than he suspects.

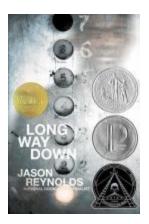
Just Listen by Sarah Dessen -Isolated from friends



who believe the worst because she has not been truthful with them, sixteen-year-old Annabel finds an ally in classmate Owen, whose honesty and passion for music help her to face and share what really happened at the end-of-the-year party that changed her life.

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Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds -As Will,



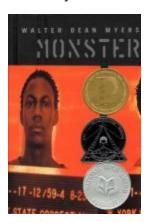
fifteen, sets out to avenge his brother Shawn's fatal shooting, seven ghosts who knew Shawn board the elevator and reveal truths Will needs to know.

Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper - A brilliant,



impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy, considered by many to be mentally retarded, discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

Monster by Walter Dean Myers - While on trial as an



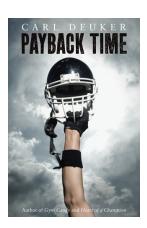
accomplice to a murder, sixteen-year-old Steve Harmon records his experiences in prison and in the courtroom in the form of a film script as he tries to come to terms with the course his life has taken.

Peak by Roland Smith -A fourteen-year-old boy



attempts to be the youngest person to reach the top of Mount Everest.

Payback Time by Carl Deuker -Overweight,



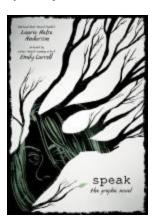
somewhat timid Mitch reluctantly agrees to be the sports reporter for the Lincoln High newspaper because he is determined to be a writer, but he senses a real story in Angel, a talented football player who refuses to stand out on the field--or to discuss his past.

QB1 by Mike Lupica - Jake Cullen, fourteen, lives in



the shadows of his father and older brother until he becomes the starting quarterback for the high school football team and finally has his chance to shine.

Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson - Graphic Novel



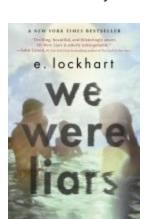
and novel. A traumatic event near the end of the summer has a devastating effect on Melinda's freshman year in high school.

The Thing About Jellyfish by Ali Benjamin



-Twelve-year-old Suzy Swanson wades through her intense grief over the loss of her best friend by investigating the rare jellyfish she is convinced was responsible for her friend's death.

We Were Liars by E. Lockhart - Spending the



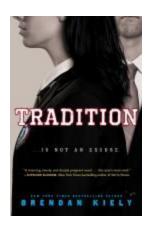
summers on her family's private island off the coast of Massachusetts with her cousins and a special boy named Gat, teenaged Cadence struggles to remember what happened during her fifteenth summer.

Wonder by R.J. Palacio -Ten-year-old Auggie



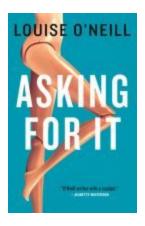
Pullman, who was born with extreme facial abnormalities and was not expected to survive, goes from being home-schooled to entering fifth grade at a private middle school in Manhattan, which entails enduring the taunts and fear of his classmates as he struggles to be seen as just another student.

Tradition by Brendan Kiely -At Fullbrook Academy,



where tradition reigns supreme, James Baxter and Jules Devereux take on privilege, sexism, and the importance of consent.

Asking For It by Louise O'Neill -Emma O'Donovan



is eighteen, beautiful, and fearless. It's the beginning of summer in a quiet Irish town and tonight she and her friends have dressed to impress. Everyone is at the party, and all eyes are on Emma. The next morning Emma's parents discover her collapsed on the doorstep of their home, unconscious. She is disheveled, bleeding, and disoriented, looking as

if she had been dumped there in a hurry ... [Relates] the devastating effects of rape and public shaming, told through the awful experience of a young woman whose life is changed forever by an act of violence.

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