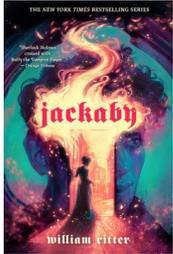


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### Jackaby

by William Ritter

Newly arrived in 1892 New England, Abigail Rook becomes assistant to R.F. Jackaby, an investigator of the unexplained with the ability to see supernatural beings, and helps him delve into a case of serial murder which, Jackaby is convinced, is supernatural.

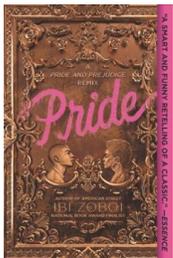
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### Akata Witch

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 FIC OKORAFOR



### Pride

by Ibi Aanu Zoboi

After the wealthy Darcy family moves in across the street, Zuri is forced to find common ground with Darius, while struggling with her four wild sisters, a handsome boy vying for her attention, and college applications. YA FIC ZOBOI

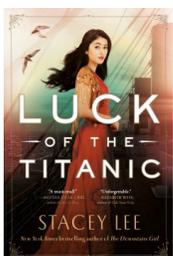


### Beasts Made of Night

by Tochi Onyebuchi

After he eats the sin of a royal, Taj, a talented aki, or sin-eater who consumes the guilt of others, is drawn into a plot to destroy the city and must fight to save the princess he loves and his own life.

YA FIC ONYEBUCHI



### Luck of the Titanic

by Stacey Lee

Stowing away aboard the Titanic on its ill-fated maiden voyage when her British-Chinese heritage bars her from joining her twin in America, a young acrobat struggles to hide and then survive when the unthinkable happens. YA FIC LEE

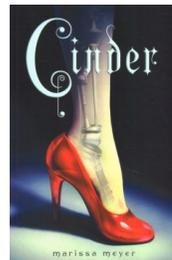


### Dry

by Neal Shusterman

When a longtime drought in California escalates to catastrophic levels, turning her once-quiet suburban street into a warzone of desperation, a teen is forced to make life and death decisions to protect her family.

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### Cinder

by Marissa Meyer

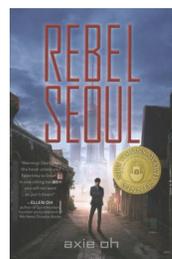
As plague ravages the overcrowded Earth, observed by a ruthless lunar people, Cinder, a gifted mechanic and cyborg, becomes involved with handsome Prince Kai and must uncover secrets about her past in order to protect the world. YA FIC MEYER



### Squire

by Sara Alfageeh

Hiding her status as a girl from conquered lands while training as a Squire on her quest to become a Knight, Aiza navigates friendships and rivalries until she discovers the military's endgame. YA GN SQUIRE



### Rebel Seoul

by Axie Oh

In 2199 in the Neo State of Korea, 18-year-old Jaewon is partnered with supersoldier Tera, but their evolving love is threatened when Jaewon must choose among conflicting loyalties--to the totalitarian government that promises to end all war, the nationalist rebels his father followed, or the crime syndicate staging a coup. YA FIC OH



### Piecing Me Together

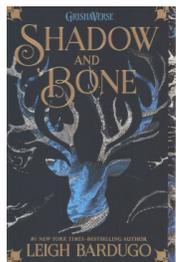
by Renee Watson

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. YA FIC WATSON

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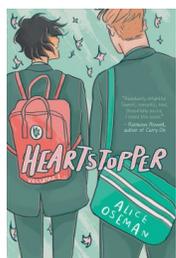
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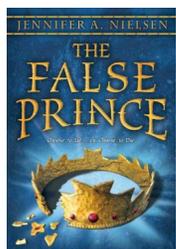
### Shadow and Bone

by Leigh Bardugo  
Orphaned by the Border Wars, Alina Starkov is taken to become the protégée of the mysterious Darkling, who trains her to join the magical elite in the belief that she is the Sun Summoner, who can destroy the monsters of the Fold. YA FIC BARDUGO



### Heartstopper. Volume 1

by Alice Oseman  
A heartwarming celebration of friendship, first love and coming out follows the unlikely relationship between a shy teen and a popular rugby player who become more than friends while navigating the ups and downs of high school. YA GN HEARTSTOPPER



### The False Prince

by Jennifer A. Nielsen  
In the country of Carthya, a devious nobleman engages four orphans in a brutal competition to be selected to impersonate the king's long-missing son in an effort to avoid a civil war. J NIELSEN



### Elatsoe

by Darcie Little Badger  
When Apache teen Ellie's cousin dies, her ghost dog Kirby tells her he was murdered, so with the help of her family, her best friend Jay, and the memory of her great, great, great, great, great, great grandmother, Elatsoe, she must track down the killer and unravel the mystery. YA FIC LITTLE BADGER



### White Rose

by Kip Wilson  
Tells the story of Sophie Scholl, a young German college student who challenges the Nazi regime during World War II as part of the White Rose, a non-violent resistance group. YA FIC WILSON



### Amal Unbound

by Aisha Saeed  
In Pakistan, Amal holds onto her dream of being a teacher even after becoming an indentured servant to pay off her family's debt to the wealthy and corrupt Khan family. J SAEED



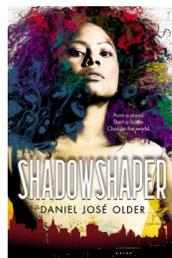
### Skyward

by Brandon Sanderson  
When a long-term attack against her world by the alien Krell escalates, Spensa's dream of becoming a pilot may come true, despite her deceased father being labeled a deserter. J SANDERSON



### Barely Floating

by Lilliam Rivera  
Channeling her rage into synchronized swimming dreams, 12-year-old Nat, who doesn't care what people think, fights for what she wants as she builds a community of those who lift her up and help her stay afloat when waters get rough. J RIVERA



### Shadowshaper

by Daniel José Older  
When her summer plans are interrupted by creepy supernatural phenomena, Sierra and her artist friend uncover the work of a magic-wielding killer who believes Sierra's family is hiding a powerful secret. YA FIC OLDER



### Lovely War

by Julie Berry  
The goddess Aphrodite tells her husband Hephaestus and lover Ares a tale of two couples, brought together and then separated by World War II, questioning why Love and War are always drawn together. YA FIC BERRY