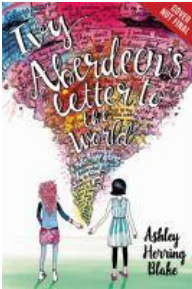




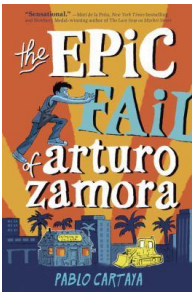
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### *Ivy Aberdeen's Letter to the World*

by Ashley Herring Blake  
Y/Fic/Blake

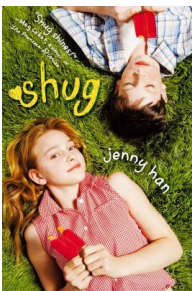
When a tornado rips through town, twelve-year-old Ivy Aberdeen's house is destroyed and her family of five is displaced. Ivy feels invisible and ignored in the aftermath of the storm--and what's worse, her notebook filled with secret drawings of girls holding hands has gone missing. Mysteriously, Ivy's drawings begin to reappear in her locker with notes from someone telling her to open up about her identity. Ivy thinks--and hopes--that this someone might be her classmate, another girl for whom Ivy has begun to develop a crush. Will Ivy find the strength and courage to follow her true feelings?



### *The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora*

by Pablo Cartaya  
Y/Fic/Cartaya

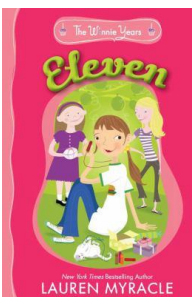
Arturo is looking forward to a Miami summer filled with friends, ice cream, and working at his family's popular restaurant, La Cocina de la Isla, but his plans get derailed from the start. Carmen, his mother's goddaughter, comes to visit, and Arturo doesn't understand why his stomach can't settle down around her. His job at the restaurant is harder than he thought, and worst of all, his family's plan to expand into an adjacent empty lot seems hopeless when flashy real-estate developer Wilfrido Pipo comes to town with plans of his own.



### *Shug*

by Jenny Han  
Y/Fic/Han

Annemarie Wilcox, or Shug as her family calls her, is beginning to think there's nothing worse than being twelve. She's too tall, too freckled, and way too flat-chested. Shug is sure that there's not one good or amazing thing about her. And now she has to start junior high, where the friends she counts most dear aren't acting so dear anymore—especially Mark.



### *Eleven*

by Lauren Myracle  
J/Fic/Myracle

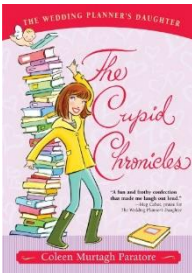
Winnie knows that change isn't all it's cracked up to be, especially when it means her best friend, Amanda, might be dropping her for someone else. Throw in a grumpy teenage sister, a cat who gets trapped in the wall, and a crush who has pinkeye, and you've got one big mess—one that Winnie's not going to clean up! Winnie's decided that she's going to remain exactly the same, no matter what the rest of the world does.



## ***Wish***

**by Barbara O'Connor**  
**J/Fic/O'Connor**

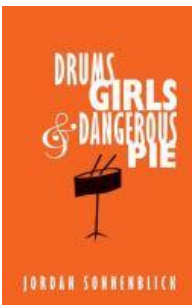
Charlie Reese has been making the same secret wish every day since fourth grade. She even has a list of all the ways there are to make the wish, such as cutting off the pointed end of a slice of pie and wishing on it as she takes the last bite. But when she is sent to the Blue Ridge Mountains to live with family she barely knows, it seems unlikely that her wish will ever come true. That is until she meets Wishbone, a skinny stray dog who captures her heart, and Howard, a neighbor boy who proves surprising in lots of ways.



## ***The Cupid Chronicles***

**by Colleen Paratore**  
**J/Fic/Paratore**

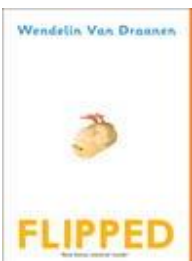
Willa's best friend, Tina, is positive that her compatibility test, expertly designed to match up every girl in school with her "perfect match," will raise the money and get everyone paired up for the Midwinter Night's Ball. Willa, an old-fashioned romantic, is not so sure. But with a little help from Shakespeare, a Southern beauty queen, and Cupid himself, romance is striking all over Bramble.



## ***Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie***

**by Jordan Sonnenblick**  
**Y/Fic/Sonnenblick**

Thirteen-year-old Steven has a totally normal life: he plays drums in the All-Star Jazz band, has a crush on the hottest girl in the school, and is constantly annoyed by his five-year-old brother, Jeffrey. But when Jeffrey is diagnosed with leukemia, Steven's world is turned upside down. He is forced to deal with his brother's illness and his parents' attempts to keep the family in one piece.



## ***Flipped***

**by Van Draanen**  
**Y/Fic/Van Draanen**

The first time Juli Baker saw Bryce Loski, she flipped. The first time Bryce saw Juli, he ran. That's pretty much the pattern for these two neighbors until the eighth grade, when, just as Juli is realizing Bryce isn't as wonderful as she thought, Bryce is starting to see that Juli is pretty amazing. How these two teens manage to see beyond the surface of things and come together makes for a comic and poignant romance.



## ***The Truth About Twinkie Pie***

**by Kat Yeh**  
**J/Fic/Yeh**

Take two sisters making it on their own: brainy twelve-year-old GiGi and junior-high-dropout-turned-hairstylist DiDi. Add a million dollars in prize money from a national cooking contest and a move from the trailer parks of South Carolina to the North Shore of Long Island. Mix in a fancy new school, new friends and enemies, a first crush, and a generous sprinkling of family secrets.

## Recommended for 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade and Up

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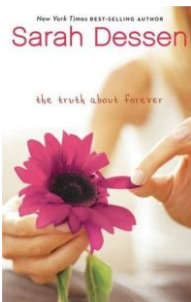


### ***What to Say Next***

by Julie Buxbaum

Y/Fic/Buxbaum

When an unlikely friendship is sparked between Kit Lowell and socially isolated David Drucker, everyone is surprised, most of all Kit and David. When she asks for his help figuring out the how and why of her dad's tragic car accident, David is all in. But neither of them can predict what they'll find. Can their friendship survive the truth?



### ***The Truth About Forever***

by Sarah Dessen

Y/Fic/Dessen

A long, hot summer... That's what Macy has to look forward to while her boyfriend, Jason, is away at Brain Camp. But sometimes, unexpected things can happen—things such as the catering job at Wish, with its fun-loving, chaotic crew. Things such as meeting Wes, a boy with a past, a taste for Truth-telling, and an amazing artistic talent, the kind of boy who could turn any girl's world upside down.

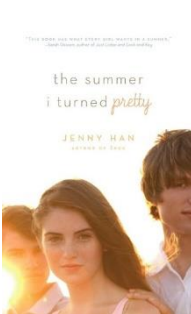


### ***To All the Boys I've Loved Before***

by Jenny Han

Y/Series/To All the Boys I've Loved Before

Lara Jean has never openly admitted her crushes, but instead wrote each boy a letter and hid it in a box under her bed. But one day Lara Jean discovers that somehow her secret box of letters has been mailed, causing all her crushes from her past to confront her about the letters: her first kiss, the boy from summer camp, even her sister's ex-boyfriend, Josh.



### ***The Summer I Turned Pretty***

by Jenny Han

Y/Series/Summer

Belly measures her life in summers. Everything good, everything magical happens between the months of June and August. Jeremiah and Conrad are the boys that Belly has known since her very first summer. But one summer, one terrible and wonderful summer, the more everything changes, the more it all ends up just the way it should have been all along.

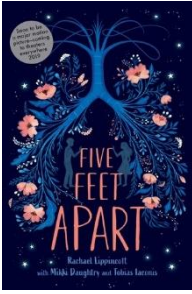


### ***Sit, Stay, Love***

by J.J. Howard

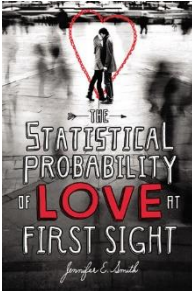
Y/Fic/Howard

Cecilia Murray has been wishing for a dog for as long as she can remember. And when a cute pug named Potato is brought in to Orphan Paws, the shelter where she volunteers, she knows he is the dog she's been waiting for. There's just one problem: Eric Chung adopts Potato first. What's worse, he hopes to train the little tater to become a show-dog superstar.



***Five Feet Apart***  
by Rachael Lippincott  
Y/Fic/Lippincott

Seventeen-year-olds Stella and Will, both suffering from cystic fibrosis, realize the only way to stay alive is to stay apart, but their love for each other is slowly pushing the boundaries of physical and emotional safety.



***The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight***  
by Jennifer E. Smith  
Y/Fic/Smith

Today should be one of the worst days of seventeen-year-old Hadley Sullivan's life. Having missed her flight, she's stuck at JFK airport and late to her father's second wedding, which is taking place in London and involves a soon-to-be stepmother Hadley's never even met. Then she meets the perfect boy in the airport's cramped waiting area. His name is Oliver, he's British, and he's sitting in her row. A long night on the plane passes in the blink of an eye, and Hadley and Oliver lose track of each other in the airport chaos upon arrival. Can fate intervene to bring them together once more?



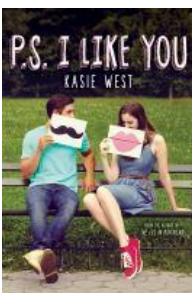
***Goodbye, Stranger***  
by Rebecca Stead  
Y/Fic/Stead

As Bridge makes her way through seventh grade on Manhattan's Upper West Side with her best friends, curvaceous Em, crusader Tab, and a curious new friend—or more than friend—Sherm, she finds the answer she has been seeking since she barely survived an accident at age eight: "What is my purpose?"



***Love and Gelato***  
by Jenna Evans Welch  
Y/Fic/Welch

Lina is spending the summer in Tuscany, but she isn't in the mood for Italy's famous sunshine and fairy-tale landscape. She's only there because it was her mother's dying wish that she get to know her father. But what kind of father isn't around for sixteen years? All Lina wants to do is get back home. But then Lina is given a journal that her mom had kept when she lived in Italy. Suddenly Lina's uncovering a magical world of secret romances, art, and hidden bakeries. A world that inspires Lina, along with the ever-so-charming Ren, to follow in her mother's footsteps and unearth a secret that has been kept for far too long. It's a secret that will change everything Lina knew about her mother, her father—and even herself.



***P.S. I Like You***  
by Kasie West  
Y/Fic/West

Every day in chemistry class, high school student and aspiring songwriter Lily Abbott is finding notes left to her by a mystery boy, love letters really, and she hopes they are from Lucas, a boy she is attracted to—so when she finds out they are really from, she is shocked and unsure about how to respond.

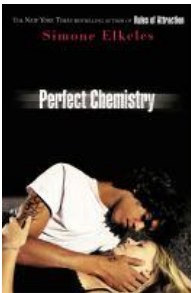
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***Starry Eyes***  
by Jenn Bennett  
Y/Fic/Bennett

When teens Zorie and Lennon, a former couple, are stranded in the California wilderness together, they must put aside their differences, and come to terms with lingering romantic feelings, in order to survive.



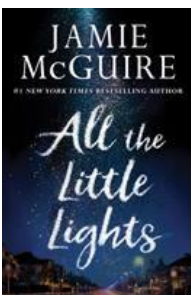
***Perfect Chemistry***  
by Simone Elkeles  
Y/Fic/Elkeles

When wealthy, seemingly perfect Brittany and Alex Fuentes, a gang member from the other side of town, develop a relationship after Alex discovers that Brittany is not exactly who she seems to be, they must face the disapproval of their schoolmates--and others.



***My Life Next Door***  
by Huntley Fitzpatrick  
Y/Fic/Fitzpatrick

When Samantha, the seventeen-year-old daughter of a wealthy, perfectionistic, Republican state senator, falls in love with the boy next door, whose family is large, boisterous, and just making ends meet, she discovers a different way to live, but when her mother is involved in a hit-and-run accident Sam must make some difficult choices.



***All the Little Lights***  
by Jamie McGuire  
Y/Fic/McGuire

The first time Elliott Youngblood spots Catherine Calhoun, he's just a boy with a camera, and he's never seen a sadder and more beautiful sight. Both Elliott and Catherine feel like outcasts, yet they find an easy friendship with each other. But when Catherine needs him most, Elliott is forced to leave town. Elliott finally returns, but he and Catherine are now different people. He's a star high school athlete, and she spends all her free time working at her mother's mysterious bed-and-breakfast. Catherine hasn't forgiven Elliott for abandoning her, but he's determined to win back her friendship...and her heart.

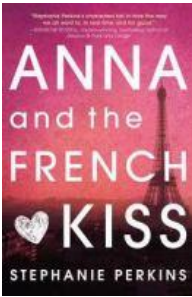


### ***I'll Give You the Sun***

**by Jandy Nelson**

**Y/Fic/Nelson**

Jude and her brother, Noah, are incredibly close twins. At thirteen, isolated Noah draws constantly and is falling in love with the charismatic boy next door, while daredevil Jude surfs and cliff-dives and wears red-red lipstick and does the talking for both of them. But three years later, Jude and Noah are barely speaking.

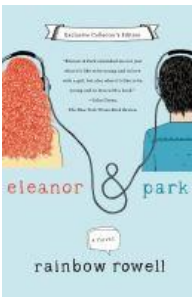


### ***Anna and the French Kiss***

**by Stephanie Perkins**

**Y/Series/Anna and the French Kiss**

When Anna's romance-novelist father sends her to an elite American boarding school in Paris for her senior year of high school, she reluctantly goes, and meets an amazing boy who becomes her best friend, in spite of the fact that they both want something more.



### ***Eleanor and Park***

**by Rainbow Rowell**

**Y/Fic/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.



### ***The Sun is Also a Star***

**by Nicola Yoon**

**Y/Fic/Yoon**

Two teens—Daniel, the son of Korean shopkeepers, and Natasha, whose family is here illegally from Jamaica—cross paths in New York City on an eventful day in their lives—Daniel is on his way to an interview with a Yale alum, Natasha is meeting with a lawyer to try and prevent her family's deportation to Jamaica—and fall in love.

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