

Best Books for Young Adults Fiction Titles

These books, recommended for teens ages 12-18, have been chosen by the Young Adult Library Services Division of the American Library Association (ALA) as the best books for young adults because they meet the criteria of both good quality literature and appealing reading for teens.

These books vary widely in maturity level and content

Author and Title

Location

Abercrombie, Joe <i>Half the World</i>	Adult Sci Fic/Fan Fiction
Albertalli, Becky <i>Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda</i>	YA Fiction
Almond, David <i>My Name is Mina</i>	J Fiction
Anderson, Laurie Halse <i>Forge</i>	J Fiction
Appelt, Kathi <i>The True Blue Scouts of Sugar Man Swamp</i>	J Fiction
Applegate, Katherine <i>The One and Only Ivan</i>	J Fiction
Arcos, Carrie <i>Out of Reach</i>	YA Fiction
Avasthi, Swati <i>Split</i>	YA Fiction
Bardugo, Leigh <i>Shadow and Bone</i>	YA Fiction
Bardugo, Leigh <i>Six of Crows</i>	YA Fiction
Barnaby, Hannah <i>Wonder Show</i>	YA Fiction
Barnes, Jennifer Lynn <i>Every Other Day</i>	YA Fiction
Barnes, Jennifer Lynn <i>The Naturals</i>	YA Fiction
Barraclough, Lindsey <i>Long Lankin</i>	YA Fiction
Barzak, Christopher <i>Wonders of the Invisible World</i>	YA Fiction
Bauer, Joan <i>Close to Famous</i>	J Fiction
Beam, Chris <i>I am J</i>	YA Fiction
Beaudoin, Sean <i>Wise Young Fool</i>	YA Fiction
Bell, Hilari <i>The Last Knight</i>	Young Teen
Berry, Julie <i>All the Truth That's In Me</i>	YA Fiction
Bick, Ilsa J. <i>The Sin Eater's Confession</i>	YA Fiction
Black, Holly <i>The Coldest Girl in Coldtown</i>	YA Fiction
Black, Holly <i>Doll Bones</i>	J Fiction
Black, Holly <i>Red Glove</i>	YA Fiction
Blagden, Scott <i>Dear Life, You Suck</i>	YA Fiction
Blake, Kendare <i>Anna Dressed in Blood</i>	YA Fiction
Bondoux, Anne -Laure <i>A Time of Miracles</i>	YA Fiction
Bow, Erin Plain <i>Kate</i>	YA Fiction
Bradbury, Jennifer <i>A Moment Comes</i>	YA Fiction
Bradley, Alan <i>The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie</i>	YA Fiction
Brande, Robin <i>Fat Cat</i>	YA Fiction
Bray, Libba <i>The Diviners</i>	YA Fiction
Bray, Libba <i>Going Bovine</i>	YA Fiction
Brenna, Beverly <i>The White Bicycle</i>	YA Fiction
Brennan, Sarah Rees <i>Demon's Lexicon</i>	YA Fiction
Brennan, Sarah Rees <i>Unspoken: The Lynburn Legacy</i>	YA Fiction
Brooks, Kevin <i>The Bunker Diary</i>	YA Fiction
Brooks, Martha <i>Queen of Hearts</i>	YA Fiction
Brown, Teri <i>Born of Illusion</i>	YA Fiction
Bunce, Elizabeth C. <i>Starcrossed</i>	YA Fiction
Burg, Ann E. <i>Serafina's Promise: A Novel in Verse</i>	J Fiction
Buzo, Laura <i>Love and Other Perishable Items</i>	YA Fiction
Carlton, Susan <i>Love & Haight</i>	YA Fiction

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Kirby, Matthew J. <i>Icefall</i>	J Fiction
Knowles, Jo <i>See You at Harry's</i>	YA Fiction
Koertge, Ron <i>Coaltown Jesus</i>	YA Fiction
Kokie, E.M. <i>Personal Effects</i>	YA Fiction
Konigsberg, Bill <i>Openly Straight</i>	YA Fiction
Konigsberg, Bill <i>The Porcupine of Truth</i>	YA Fiction
Kontis, Alethea <i>Enchanted</i>	YA Fiction
Kraus, Daniel <i>Scowler</i>	YA Fiction
Kuehn, Stephanie <i>Charm & Strange</i>	YA Fiction
Laban, Elizabeth <i>The Tragedy Paper</i>	YA Fiction
Lacey, Josh <i>Island of Thieves</i>	J Fiction
LaCour, Nina <i>The Disenchantments</i>	YA Fiction
LaFevers, Robin <i>Dark Triumph</i>	YA Fiction
LaFevers, Robin <i>Grave Mercy</i>	YA Fiction
Lai, Thanhha <i>Inside Out & Back Again</i>	J Fiction
Lake, Nick <i>Hostage Three</i>	YA Fiction
Lake, Nick <i>In Darkness</i>	YA Fiction
Lanagan, Margo <i>The Brides of Rollrock Island</i>	YA Fiction
Lanagan, Margo <i>Yellowcake</i>	YA Short Stories
Landy, Derek <i>Skulduggery Pleasant</i>	J Fiction
Larbalestier, Justine and Sarah Rees Brennan <i>Team Human</i>	YA Fiction
Leavitt, Lindsey <i>Sean Griswold's Head</i>	YA Fiction
Leavitt, Martine <i>My Book of Life by Angel</i>	YA Fiction
Lecesne, James <i>Absolute Brightness</i>	YA Fiction
Lerangis, Peter <i>Somebody Please Tell Me Who I Am</i>	YA Fiction
Leveen, Tom <i>Zero</i>	YA Fiction
Levine, Kristin <i>Lions of Little Rock</i>	J Fiction
Levithan, David <i>Two Boys Kissing</i>	YA Fiction
Leyson, Leon <i>The Boy on the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible on Schindler's List</i>	Young Teen
Lin, Grace <i>Starry River of the Sky</i>	J Fiction
Lin, Grace <i>Where the Mountain Meets the Moon</i>	J Fiction
Lo, Malinda <i>Huntress</i>	YA Fiction
Lockhart, E. <i>The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks</i>	YA Fiction
London, Alex <i>Proxy</i>	YA Fiction
Lowry, Lois <i>Son</i>	J Fiction
Lu, Marie <i>Legend</i>	YA Fiction
Lu, Marie <i>Prodigy: A Legend Novel</i>	YA Fiction
Lyga, Barry I <i>Hunt Killers</i>	YA Fiction
Lyga, Barry <i>Game</i>	YA Fiction
Lynch, Chris <i>Pieces</i>	YA Fiction
MacColl, Michaela <i>Promise the Night</i>	YA Fiction
MacCready, Robin Merrow <i>Buried</i>	YA Fiction
Madigan, L.K. <i>Flash Burnout</i>	YA Fiction
Madison, Bennett <i>September Girls</i>	YA Fiction
Magoon, Kekla <i>Fire in the Streets</i>	YA Fiction
Manzano, Sonia <i>The Revolution of Evelyn Serrano</i>	YA Fiction

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Marchetta, Melina <i>Finnikin of the Rock</i>	YA Fiction
Marchetta, Melina <i>Froi of the Exiles</i>	YA Fiction
Marchetta, Melina <i>The Piper's Son</i>	YA Fiction
Marchetta, Melina <i>Quintana of Charyn</i>	YA Fiction
Marcus, Kimberly <i>Exposed</i>	YA Fiction
Marillier, Juliet <i>Raven Flight</i>	YA Fiction
Marillier, Juliet <i>Shadowfell</i>	YA Fiction
Martin, T. Michael <i>The End Games</i>	YA Fiction
Martinez, Jessica <i>Virtuosity</i>	YA Fiction
Matson, Morgan <i>Amy & Roger's Epic Detour</i>	YA Fiction
Mazer, Norma Fox <i>The Missing Girl</i>	YA Fiction
McBride, Lish <i>Hold Me Closer, Necromancer</i>	YA Fiction
McCaughrean, Geraldine <i>White Darkness</i>	YA Fiction
McCormick, Patricia <i>Never Fall Down</i>	YA Fiction
McDonald, Ian <i>Planesrunner</i>	YA Fiction
McElmore, Anna-Marie <i>The Weight of Feathers</i>	YA Fiction
McNeal, Tom <i>Far Far Away</i>	YA Fiction
McQuerry, Maureen Doyle <i>The Peculiars</i>	YA Fiction
Medina, Meg <i>Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass</i>	YA Fiction
Meloy, Maile <i>The Apothecary</i>	YA Fiction
Mesrobian, Carrie <i>Sex & Violence</i>	YA Fiction
Metzger, Lois <i>A Trick of the Light</i>	YA Fiction
Meyer, Marissa <i>Scarlet</i>	YA Fiction
Mieville, China <i>Railsea</i>	YA Fiction
Moser, Elise <i>Lily and Taylor</i>	YA Fiction
Moskowitz, Hannah <i>Teeth</i>	YA Fiction
Mullin, Mike <i>Ashfall</i>	YA Fiction
Myers, Kate Kae <i>The Vanishing Game</i>	YA Fiction
Myers, Walter Dean <i>Darius & Twig</i>	YA Fiction
Myers, Walter Dean <i>Lockdown</i>	YA Fiction
Myracle, Lauren <i>Shine</i>	YA Fiction
Napoli, Donna Jo. <i>Alligator Bayou</i>	Young Teen
Napoli, Donna Jo <i>Hush: An Irish Princess' Tale</i>	Young Teen
Nelson, Blake <i>Recovery Road</i>	YA Fiction
Ness, Patrick <i>A Monster Calls</i>	YA Fiction
Ness, Patrick <i>More Than This</i>	YA Fiction
Newman, Leslea <i>October Mourning: A Song for Matthew Shepard</i>	YA Fiction
Nielsen, Jennifer <i>The False Prince</i>	J Fiction
Nielsen, Susin <i>The Reluctant Journal of Henry K. Larsen</i>	YA Fiction
Nix, Garth <i>A Confusion of Princes</i>	YA Fiction
Novic, Sara <i>Girl at War</i>	A Fiction
Oakes, Stephanie <i>The Sacred Lies of Minnow Bly</i>	YA Fiction
O'Neal, Eilis <i>The False Princess</i>	YA Fiction
Older, Daniel <i>Shadowshaper</i>	YA Fiction
Palacio, R. J. <i>Wonder</i>	J Fiction
Parssieneni, Keija <i>The Unraveling of Mercy Louis</i>	Adult Fiction
Paulsen, Gary <i>Woods Runner</i>	J Fiction
Perera, Anna <i>Guantanamo Boy</i>	YA Fiction
Perez, Ashley <i>Out of Darkness</i>	YA Fiction
Philbrick, Rodman <i>The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg</i>	J Fiction

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Pitcher, Annabel <i>Ketchup Clouds</i>	YA Fiction
Pitcher, Annabel <i>My Sister Lives on the Mantelpiece</i>	Young Teen
Poblocki, Dan <i>The Haunting of Gabriel Ashe</i>	YA Fiction
Pratchett, Terry <i>Dodger</i>	YA Fiction
Preus, Margi <i>Heart of a Samurai</i>	J Fiction
Quick, Matthew <i>Boy 21</i>	YA Fiction
Quick, Matthew <i>Forgive Me, Leonard Peacock</i>	YA Fiction
Quick, Matthew <i>Sorta Like a Rock Star</i>	YA Fiction
Rapp, Adam <i>Punkzilla</i>	YA Fiction
Resau, Laura & Maria Virginia Farinango <i>Queen of Water</i>	YA Fiction
Reynolds, Jason <i>The Boy in the Black Suit</i>	YA Fiction
Rhodes, Jewell Parker <i>Sugar</i>	J Fiction
Rhodes, Morgan <i>Falling Kingdoms</i>	YA Fiction
Rose, Caroline Starr <i>May B</i>	J Fiction
Rosoff, Meg <i>Picture Me Gone</i>	Young Teen
Ross, Elizabeth <i>Belle Epoque</i>	YA Fiction
Rossi, Veronica <i>Under the Never Sky</i>	YA Fiction
Rowell, Rainbow <i>Eleanor & Park</i>	YA Fiction
Rubens, Michael <i>Sons of the 613</i>	J Fiction
Ruby, Laura <i>Bone Gap</i>	YA Fiction
Ryan, Carrie <i>The Forest of Hands and Teeth</i>	YA Fiction
Sachar, Louis <i>The Cardturner</i>	Young Teen
Saenz, Benjamin <i>Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe</i>	YA Fiction
Sales, Leila <i>This Song Will Save Your Life</i>	YA Fiction
Sanderson, Brandon <i>The Rithmatist</i>	YA Fiction
Sanderson, Brandon <i>Steelheart</i>	YA Fiction
Schlitz, Laura Amy <i>Splendors and Glooms</i>	J Fiction
Schmidt, Gary D. <i>Trouble</i>	YA Fiction
Schreier, Eliot <i>Endangered</i>	YA Fiction
Schreiber, Joe <i>Au Revoir Crazy European Chick</i>	YA Fiction
Schumacher, Julie <i>The Unbearable Book Club for Unsinkable Girls</i>	J Fiction
Scott, Elizabeth <i>Stealing Heaven</i>	YA Fiction
Seamon, Hollis <i>Somebody Up There Hates You</i>	YA Fiction
Sedgwick, Marcus <i>The Ghosts of Heaven</i>	YA Fiction
Sedgwick, Marcus <i>Midwinterblood</i>	YA Fiction
Sedgwick, Marcus <i>Revolver</i>	YA Fiction
Sedgwick, Marcus <i>White Crow</i>	YA Fiction
Selfors, Suzanne <i>The Sweetest Spell</i>	J Fiction
Sepetys, Ruta <i>Between Shades of Gray</i>	YA Fiction
Sepetys, Ruta <i>Out of the Easy</i>	YA Fiction
Shabazz, Ilyasah X: <i>A Novel</i>	YA Fiction
Sharenow, Robert <i>The Berlin Boxing Club</i>	YA Fiction
Shepherd, Megan <i>The Madman's Daughter</i>	YA Fiction
Sheth, Kashmira <i>Keeping Corner</i>	YA Fiction
Shimko, Bonnie <i>The Private Thoughts of Amelia E. Rye</i>	J Fiction
Shulman, Mark <i>Scrawl</i>	YA Fiction
Shusterman, Neal <i>Challenger Deep</i>	YA Fiction
Silvera, Adam <i>More Happy Than Not</i>	YA Fiction
Silvey, Craig <i>Jasper Jones</i>	YA Fiction
Sloan, Holly Goldberg <i>Counting By 7s</i>	Young Teen

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Williams-Garcia, Rita *P.S. Be Eleven*

Winters, Cat *In the Shadow of Blackbirds*

Wolf, Allan *The Watch that Ends the Night: Voices from the Titanic*

Wong, David *Futuristic Violence & Fancy Suits*

Woodson, Jacqueline *Beneath a Meth Moon*

Woolston, Blythe *Black Helicopters*

Woolston, Blythe *Catch & Release*

Wyatt, Melissa *Funny How Things Change*

Wynne-Jones, Tim *Blink and Caution*

Wynne-Jones, Tim *The Uninvited*

Yancey, Rick *The Curse of the Wendigo*

Yancey, Rick *The Monstrumologist*

Yee, Lisa *Warp Speed*

Young, Moira *Blood Red Road*

Yovanoff, Brenna *Paper Valentine*

Yovanoff, Brenna *Replacement*

Yovanoff, Brenna *The Space Between*

Zarr, Sara *The Lucy Variations*

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