

# SUMMER READS FOR TEENS

## YOUNG ADULT FICTION

### **When You Get the Chance** by Emma Lord

When Mallory Blessing's son, Link, receives deathbed instructions from his mother to call a number on a slip of paper in her desk drawer, he's not sure what to expect. But he certainly does not expect Jake McCloud to answer. It's the late spring of 2020 and Jake's wife, Ursula DeGounsey, is the frontrunner in the upcoming Presidential election.

### **The Bone Spindle** by Leslie Vedder

When she pricks her finger on a bone spindle, treasure hunter Fi is stuck with the spirit of Briar Rose, a prince under a sleeping curse, and must team up with a tough-as-dirt girl warrior to free the prince--and herself.

### **At the End of Everything** by Marieke Nijkamp

A group of teens at the Hope Juvenile Treatment Center are shocked to discover their guards have abandoned them, but their joy turns to fear when they learn a catastrophic pandemic has occurred outside their walls, turning their new-found freedom into a fight for survival.

### **I Must Betray You** by Ruta Sepetys

In a country governed by isolation, fear, and a tyrannical dictator, seventeen-year-old Cristian Florescu is blackmailed by the secret police to become an informer, but he decides to use his position to try to outwit his handler, undermine the regime, give voice to fellow Romanians, and expose to the world what is happening in his country.

### **Family of Liars** by E. Lockhart

This prequel to *We Were Liars* takes readers back to the story of another summer, another generation, where a fiery, addicted heiress and an irresistible, unpredictable boy are plunged into a world of unforgivable betrayal, shocking secrets and terrible mistakes

### **The Chandler Legacies** by Abdi Nazemian

Brought together through the Circle, a coveted writing group where life-changing friendships are born and secrets are revealed, five students at an elite boarding school challenge the long-standing culture of abuse through their writing.

### **Reclaim the Stars**

Proving that stories are truly universal, this brilliant collection that features contributions from best-selling and acclaimed authors, as well as two new voices, takes the Latin American diaspora to places fantastical and out of this world.

### **All My Rage** by Sabaa Tahir

A family extending from Pakistan to California, deals with generations of young love, old regrets, and forgiveness.

### **Gallant** by Victoria Schwab

Olivia Prior has grown up at the grim Merilance School for Girls with no no past except for her one treasure, her mother's journal, so when a letter arrives inviting her to come home to ruinous manor, Gallant, she seizes the chance to find out about her family.

### **Hotel Magnifique** by Emily J. Taylor

Seventeen-year-old Jani and her little sister Zosa secure jobs at a glamorous magical hotel, but when Jani realizes that their staff contracts are unbreakable, she embarks on a mission to unravel the mystery of the magic at the heart of the hotel and free Zosa--and the other staff--from the cruelty of the ruthless maître d'hôtel.

### **An Arrow to the Moon** by Emily X. R. Pan

Navigating their families' enmity and secrets, Hunter and Luna find everything falling apart around them and must rely on their love to see them through, in this powerful story about the magic and mystery of the moon that connects us all.



## NONFICTION

### **The Woman Who Split the Atom by Marissa Moss**

Lise Meitner made groundbreaking strides in the study of radiation, but when Hitler came to power in Germany, she suddenly had to face not only sexism, but also life-threatening anti-Semitism as well. Nevertheless, she persevered and one day made a discovery that rocked the world: the splitting of the atom.

### **Murder Among Friends by Candace Fleming**

Multi-award-winning author Candace Fleming depicts every twist and turn of this harrowing case—how two wealthy, brilliant young men planned and committed what became known as the crime of the century, how they were caught, why they confessed, and how the renowned criminal defense attorney Clarence Darrow enabled them to avoid the death penalty.

### **The Race of the Century by Neal Bascomb**

There was a time when running the mile in four minutes was believed to be beyond the limits of human foot speed. In 1952, after suffering defeat at the Helsinki Olympics, three world-class runners each set out to break this barrier

### **The Overground Railroad by Candacy Taylor**

A young reader's edition of Candacy Taylor's acclaimed book about the history of the Green Book, the guide for Black travelers Overground Railroad chronicles the history of the Green Book, which was published from 1936 to 1966 and was the "Black travel guide to America."

## GRAPHIC NOVELS

### **The Girl From the Sea by Molly Ostertag**

Fifteen-year-old Morgan has a secret: She can't wait to escape the perfect little island where she lives. She's desperate to finish high school and escape her sad divorced mom, her volatile little brother, and worst of all, her great group of friends...who don't understand Morgan at all.

### **Heartstopper (Vol. 4) by Alice Oseman**

In this fourth volume, Charlie and Nick start a new school year and also face some big changes, both good and heart wrenching. Charlie wants to tell Nick he loves him, and Nick feels the same way...but he worries that what should be a joyful moment might be derailed by finally coming out to his dad, and talking to Charlie about his disordered eating.

### **Pixels of You by Ananth Hirsh, Yuko Ota, and J.R. Doyle**

Set in the near future, Indira and Fawn find themselves both working as interns at an art gallery. Indira is a human girl who's been cybernetically enhanced after a horrible accident and Fawn is a human-presenting AI. They don't think much of each other or the other's photography, until they're forced to work together on a project.

### **Lifetime Passes by Terry Blas and Claudia Aguirre**

Jackie Chavez loves Kingdom Adventure, her local amusement park. It's her favorite place in the entire world, and the only place she's felt safe in ever since her mom got deported. But when Jackie's aunt tells her they can't afford a season pass for next season, she and her friends come up with a rather dark plan: They'll form a fake volunteer program and bring senior citizens with them to the park.

