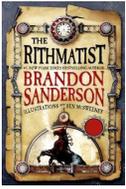


## More great reads....



**\*Sanderson, Brandon.** *The Rithmatist.*

YA FIC/Pbk As Wild Chalkings threaten the American Isles and Rithmatists are humanity's only defense, Joel can only watch as Rithmatist students learn the magical art that he would do anything to practice.

**Smith, Jennifer E.** *This is What Happy Looks Like.* YA FIC

Perfect strangers Graham Larkin and Ellie O'Neill meet online when Graham accidentally sends Ellie an e-mail about his pet pig, Wilbur. The two 17-year-olds strike up an e-mail relationship from opposite sides of the country and don't even know each other's first names. What's more, Ellie doesn't know Graham is a famous actor, and Graham doesn't know about the big secret in Ellie's family tree. When the relationship goes from online to in-person, they find out whether their relationship can be the real thing.



**Smith, Andrew.** *Winger.* YA FIC Two years younger than



his classmates at a prestigious boarding school, fourteen year old Ryan Dean West grapples with living in the dorm for trouble makers, falling for his female best friend who thinks of him as just a kid, and playing wing on the Varsity rugby team with some of his frightening new dorm-mates.

**Stine, R.L.** *A Midsummer Night's Scream.*

YA FIC Decades after the filming of a horror movie is halted in the wake of three actor deaths and rumors about a haunted set, Claire, the daughter of a failing studio head, helps with a production on the same site.



**Tucholke, April.** *Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea.*



YA FIC Violet is in love with River, a mysterious seventeen-year-old stranger renting the guest house behind the rotting seaside mansion where Violet lives, but when eerie, grim events begin to happen, Violet recalls her grandmother's frequent warnings about the devil and wonders if River is evil.

**Winters, Cat.** *In the Shadow of Blackbirds.* YA FIC

In San Diego in 1918, as deadly influenza and World War I take their toll, sixteen-year-old Mary Shelley Black watches desperate mourners flock to séances and spirit photographers for comfort and, despite her scientific leanings, must consider if ghosts are real when her first love, killed in battle, returns.

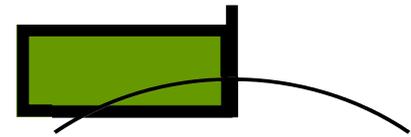


**\*Yancey, Rick.** *The 5<sup>th</sup> Wave.* YA FIC

Cassie Sullivan, the survivor of an alien invasion, must rescue her young brother from the enemy with help from a boy who may be one of them.



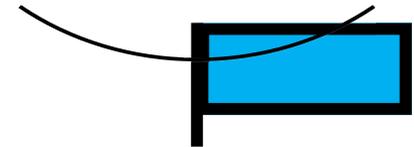
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## Teen Best Reads



## Teen Choices



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# Teen's Top Nominations 2014 Winners

**Arnett, Mindee.** *The Nightmare Affair.* YA FIC  
Being the only Nightmare at Arkwell Academy, a boarding school for "magickind," sixteen-year-old Destiny Everhart feeds on the dreams of others, working with a handsome human student to find a killer.



**\*Edwards, Janet.** *Earth Girl.* YA FIC  
Abandoned on Earth because of her inability to survive on other planets, Jarra crafts a fake background for herself to join a class of norms who are excavating the dangerous ruins of the old cities.

**Gleason, Colleen.** *The Clockwork Scarab.* YA FIC/Pbk  
In 1889 London young women are turning up dead, and Evaline Stoker, relative of Bram, and Mina Holmes, niece of Sherlock, are summoned to investigate the clue of the not-so-ancient Egyptian scarabs--but where does a time traveler fit in?



**\*Laybourne, Emmy.** *Monument 14: Sky On Fire.* YA FIC/Pbk  
When a group of kids trapped together in a chain superstore build a refuge for themselves inside, outside, a series of disasters from a monster hailstorm to a chemical weapons spill, seems to be tearing the world apart.



**Richards, Natalie D.** *Six Month Later.* YA Pbk  
Chloe Spinnaker is an average student just barely making the grade. One spring day, after falling asleep in study hall, she wakes up to snow and an empty classroom. Six month of her life has passed and she has no clue what happened except that now she is popular and has lots of friends that is, except Maggie, the one true friend she had before everything changed. Bewildered Chloe decides to embark on a mission where she stops at nothing to figure out what happened to her and to get her memories back.



**Banks, Anna.** *Of Triton.* YA FIC  
Emma struggles with her identity as the daughter of a Poseidon princess, a situation that is complicated by Syrena's law condemning half humans to death and a violent uprising between the kingdoms of Poseidon and Triton.

**\*Bardugo, Leigh.** *Siege and Storm.* YA FIC/Pbk  
Hunted across the True Sea and haunted by the lives she took on the Fold, Alina must try to make a life with Mal in an unfamiliar land, all while keeping her identity as the Sun Summoned a secret.



**Gray, Laurie.** *Maybe I Will.* YA FIC/Pbk  
Sandy, a sophomore in high school, is sexually assaulted and unable to deal with the abuse, begins to abuse alcohol and steal.

**Henry, April.** *The Girl Who Was Supposed to Die.* YA FIC/Pbk  
When she awakens in a ransacked cabin not knowing who, or where she is, she only knows she must follow Cady and Ty to stay alive.



**\*Rowell, Rainbow.** *Eleanor & Park.* YA FIC/Pbk  
The year is 1968 when Eleanor arrives in town to live with her family and abusive step-father. It's been a year since the last time she lived with them, and she doesn't expect life to be any better. Park's life, on the other hand, is going steady. He's got a sport in the popular crowd and he's about to get his driver's license. But when the two meet on the bus, things change drastically. Even though they both know high school romances never last, they're going to try everything they've got to make it work. But in the end, will everything they have be enough?



**Block, Francesca Lia.** *Love in the Time of Global Warming.*

YA FIC After a devastating earthquake destroys the West Coast, causing seventeen year old Penelope to lose her home, her parents, and her ten-year-old brother, she navigates a dark world, holding hope and love in her hands and refusing to be defeated.



**\*Howard, A. G.** *Splintered* YA FIC/Pbk  
A descendant of the inspiration for "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," Alyssa Gardner fears she is mentally ill until she finds that Wonderland is real and, if she passes a series of tests to fix Alice's mistakes, she may save her family from their curse.

**Kate, Lauren.** *Teardrop.* YA FIC/Pbk  
Since Eureka's mother drowned, she wishes she were dead too, but after discovering that an ancient book is more than a story Eureka begins to believe that Ander is right about her being involved in strange things--and in grave danger.

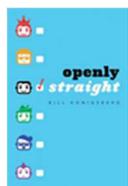


**Sales, Leila.** *This Song Will Save Your Life.* YA FIC  
Nearly a year after a failed suicide attempt, sixteen year old Elise discovers that she has the passion, and the talent, to be a disc jockey.

**\*Charbonneau, Joelle.** *The Testing.* YA FIC  
Sixteen-year-old Malencia (Cia) Vale is chosen to participate in The Testing to attend the University; however, Cia is fearful when she figures out her friends who do not pass The Testing are disappearing.



**\*Dashner, James.** *The Eye of Minds.* YA FIC/Pbk  
When a cyber-terrorist begins to threaten players, Michael, a skilled Internet gamer, is called upon to seek him and his secrets out.



**Konigsberg, Bill.** *Openly Straight.* YA FIC  
Tired of being known as "the gay kid", Rafe Goldberg decides to assume a new persona when he comes east and enters an elite Massachusetts prep school--but trying to deny his identity has both complications and unexpected consequences.

**\*Sanderson, Brandon.** *Steelheart.* YA FIC/Pbk  
At age eight, David watched as his father was killed by an Epic, a human with superhuman powers, and now, ten years later, he joins the Reckoners--the only people who are trying to kill the Epics and end their tyranny.



\* Denotes Top Ten Voted Titles for 2014