

Mystery/Suspense/Horror

David Almond
Skellig
Fire Eaters

Colin Bateman
Running with the
Reservoir Pups trilogy

Libba Bray
A Great and Terrible Beauty
Rebel Angels

Caroline B. Cooney
The Face on the Milk Carton
The Vampire's Promise series

Lois Duncan
I Know What You Did
Last Summer
Don't Look Behind You

Neil Gaiman
Neverwhere
The Sandman series

Mark Haddon
The Curious Incident of the
Dog in the Night-Time

Anthony Horowitz
Alex Rider series
The Gatekeepers series

Stephen King
Carrie
The Shining

Annette Curtis Klause
Blood and Chocolate
Freaks

Dean Koontz
Odd Thomas
Velocity

Kathe Koja
Skin
Extremities: Stories

Are you afraid of the dark? Do you like to pick up clues and piece them together? These books are filled with thrills, chills, and enough mystery to keep you glancing over your shoulder.

Stephenie Meyer
Twilight
New Moon

Christopher Pike
Last Vampire series
Alosha trilogy

Carole Plum-Ucci
The Body of
Christopher Creed
What Happened to
Lani Garver?

Marsha Qualey
Close to a Killer
One Night

Anne Rice
The Vampire
Chronicles series

Cate Tiernan
Sweep series

Vivian Vande Velde
Companions of the Night
Being Dead

Historical Fiction

Do you really belong on a pirate ship? Do you wish you could wear your sheet as a toga, like in ancient Rome? Take a trip across time with these historical fiction novels – maybe you'll discover who you were in a past life.

Joseph Bruchac
Winter People
Code Talker: A Novel about
the Navajo Marines of
World War Two

Jennifer Donnelly
A Northern Light
The Tea Rose

Adele Geras
Troy
Ithaka

Gerald and Loretta
Hauseman
Botany Bay
The Metaphysical Cat: Tales
of Cats and their Humans

Julian Houston
New Boy

Pat Hughes
Guerrilla Season
The Breaker Boys

Marthe Jocelyn
Mable Riley: A Reliable
Record of Humdrum,
Peril, and Romance

Iain Lawrence
Ghost Boy

Lensey Namioka
Ties that Bind,
Ties that Break
An Ocean Apart,
a World Away

Richard Peck
A River Between Us

Celia Rees
Sorceress
Witch Child

Ann Rinaldi
Or Give Me Death
Cast Two Shadows

Markus Zusak
The Book Thief
*I Am the Messenger**

FRESH READS

BOOKS FOR TEENS IN HIGH SCHOOL, AGES 14-UP



Fresh Reads for Teens Ages 14-UP

These lists of book titles, divided by genre, feature some delicious authors and a couple of their best to get you started. You can stick with what you like or try a little bit of everything. There are a variety of styles, levels of sophistication, and subject matters to suit the different interests of teens in high school. Remember, you are what you read!

*Denotes other great books by this author that may not fit into the listed categories.

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Fantasy

New lands, strange beings, dangerous quests – these are just a taste of what you might find listed here. Sample books about a world full of perfect beauties, punk-rock fairies, or a whole new society living beneath a city's streets.

Clive Barker

Abarat
Days of Magic, Nights of War

Hilari Beck

The Goblin Wood
Farsala trilogy

Holly Black

Tithe: A Modern Faerie Tale
Valiant: A Modern Tale of Faerie

Isobelle Carmody

The Gathering
The Gateway trilogy

Kelvin Crossley Holland

Tales from the Mabinogion
Arthur trilogy

Lynne Ewing

Daughters of the Moon series
Sons of the Dark series

Diana Wynne Jones

Fire and Hemlock
Howl's Moving Castle

Robert Jordan

The Wheel of Time series

Tanith Lee

Claidi Journals
Black Unicorn

Ursula K. LeGuin

Earthsea trilogy
Gifts

Anne McCaffrey

The Harper Hall trilogy
Dragonriders of Pern series

Garth Nix

Abhorsen trilogy
Across the Wall

Christopher Paolini

Inheritance trilogy

Tamora Pierce

Trickster's Choice
The Will of the Empress

Philip Pullman

His Dark Materials series

Jeff Smith

Bone series

Midori Snyder

Hannah's Garden
Queen's Quarter series

Jonathan Stroud

Bartimaeus trilogy
Buried Fire

Science Fiction

Science fiction is more than just aliens and green ooze – it's a mix of the world as we know it and the world as it could be. Bring your imagination with you when you try these books.

Douglas Adams

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy
The Restaurant at the End of the Universe

L. J. Adlington

The Diary of Pelly D.

M.T. Anderson

Feed
Whales on Stilts

Isaac Asimov

I, Robot

Ray Bradbury

Fahrenheit 451
The Martian Chronicles

Orson Scott Card

Ender's Game
Speaker for the Dead

Arthur C. Clarke

Rendezvous with Rama
2001: A Space Odyssey

Michael Crichton

The Lost World
State of Fear

Philip K. Dick

The Man in the High Castle
Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?

Nancy Farmer

House of the Scorpion
Sea of Trolls

Robert Heinlien

Starship Troopers
Stranger in a Strange Land

Frank Herbert

Dune series

Aldous Huxley

Brave New World

Walter Mosely

47
The Wave

Neal Schusterman

The Dark Side of Now
*The Schwa was Here**

Neal Stephenson

Snow Crash
Diamond Age

Nancy Werlin

*Black Mirror**
Double Helix

Scott Westerfeld

Uglies trilogy
*Peeps**

Realistic Fiction

Got problems? Who doesn't? Read about teens dealing with themselves and the world in these realistic titles.

Marc Acito

How I Paid for College: A Novel of Sex, Theft, Friendship & Musical Theater

Laurie Halse Anderson

Speak
Prom

Anjali Banerjee

Maya Running
Imaginary Men

Francesca Lia Block

Weetzie Bat series
Wasteland

Alex Bradley

24 Girls in 7 Days

Ann Brashares

The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants series

Kevin Brooks

Lucas
Candy

Kalisha Buckhanon

Upstate

Rachel Cohn

Gingerbread
Shrimp

Robert Cormier

The Chocolate War
The Rag and Bone Shop

Chris Crutcher

Ironman
The Sledding Hill

Christopher Paul Curtis

Bucking the Sarge

Sarah Dessen

Dreamland
The Truth about Forever

Sharon Draper

Tears of a Tiger
Romiette and Julio

Sharon G. Flake

Who Am I Without Him?: Short Stories about Girls and the Boys in Their Lives Bang!

Alex Flinn

Breaking Point
Fade to Black

Hillary Frank

Better than Running at Night
I Can't Tell You

Graham Gardner

Inventing Elliot

Gail Giles

Shattering Glass
Playing in Traffic

John Green

Looking for Alaska
An Abundance of Love

Adele Griff

Amandine
Where I Want to Live

Tenuja Desai Hiddleston

Born Confused

S.E. Hinton

The Outsiders
That Was Then, This is Now

Angela Johnson

First Part Last
A Cool Moonlight

Ron Koertge

Arizona Kid
Boy Girl Boy

Sue Limb

Girl, 15, Charming, But Insane
Girl (Nearly) 16: Absolute Torture

Marie Myung-Ok Lee

Necessary Roughness
Somebody's Daughter

David Levithan

Boy Meets Boy
Are We There Yet?

David Lubar

Dunk
Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie

Adele Minchin

The Beat Goes On

Walter Dean Myers

Shooter
Autobiography of My Dead Brother

Naomi Shihab Nye

Going Going

Joyce Carol Oates

Big Mouth and Ugly Girl
Sexy

Daniel Pinkwater

The Education of Robert Nifkin

Adam Rapp

33 Snowfish
Under the Wolf, Under the Dog

Louise Rennison

Angus, Thongs, and Full-Frontal Snogging
On the Bright Side, I'm Not the Girlfriend of a Sex God

Matthue Roth

Never Mind the Goldbergs
*Yom Kippur A Go-Go: a Memoir**

Kieran Scott

I Was a Non-Blonde Cheerleader

Sonya Sones

What My Mother Doesn't Know
One of Those Hideous Books Where the Mother Dies

Tammar Stein

Light Years

Rita Williams-Garcia

Like Sisters on the Homefront
Every Time a Rainbow Dies

Andrew Winston

Looped

Ned Vizzini

Be More Chill
It's Kind of a Funny Story