

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian

by Sherman Alexie

YA Fic Alexie

Arnold Spirit, growing up on the Spokane Indian Reservation, is determined to take his future into his own hands. This book is based on the author's own heartbreaking and hilarious experiences.

American Shaolin: Flying Kicks, Buddhist Monks, and the Legend of Iron Crotch by Matthew Polly

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A college student tells his fascinating, funny story about traveling from Kansas to China's Shaolin Temple, where he attempts to master king fu and find courage.

Blood of Flowers by Anita Amirrezvani

Fic Amirrezvani

In 17th-century Persia, a 14-year-old woman, alone and without a dowry, is forced to journey to Isfahan, where she will work as a servant for her uncle, a rich rug designer in the court of the legendary Shah Abbas the Great.

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind by William Kamkwamba

Biography Kamkwamba

When he was a teen, Kamkwamba taught himself enough physics and engineering to build a windmill and bring electricity to his drought-stricken village in Malawi.

Bright of the sky by Kay Kenyon

SciFi Kenyon

A parallel universe has been discovered by voyager Titus Quinn, but he has lost his family in the process. Saving them involves finding a way back, infiltrating the society, and rising to power—ingenuity, deceit, and luck will be required.

City of Thieves by David Benioff

Fic Benioff

Two teenage boys encounter cannibals, murderers and assassins as they struggle to complete an impossible task during the freezing Siege of Leningrad in this funny and shocking historical fiction.

Deadline by Chris Crutcher

YA Fic Crutcher

At the beginning of his senior year, Ben Wolf discovers that he has an aggressive form of leukemia and chooses not to tell anyone, deciding instead to live as normal a life as possible.

Dragons of Babel by Michael Swanwick

Fic Swanwick

Teenager Will, part mortal, defeats the evil mechanical war dragon which has enslaved his faerie village. He is now exiled and must make his way to the underground city of Babel.

Everything Matters! by Ron Currie

Fic Currie

In infancy, Junior Thibodeaux is encoded with a prophecy: a comet will obliterate life on Earth in thirty-six years. Alone in this knowledge, he comes of age in rural Maine grappling with the question: Does anything I do matter?

Genghis: Birth of an Empire by Conn Iggulden

Fic Iggulden

Temujin, the abandoned son of a Khan, survives the harsh Asian tundra to become one of the world's greatest military leaders in this absorbing historical tale. First in a series.

The Good Thief by Hannah Tinti

Fic Tinti

Ren, a one-handed orphan in 18th century New England, becomes apprenticed to a con man who claims to be his father and wants to train him to be a thief.

Hate List by Jennifer Brown

YA Fic Brown

After every school shooting a torrent of questions is unleashed: what if, what next, why me?

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Just After Sunset: Stories by Stephen King *Fic King*

Modern terrors abound in these short, scary stories by horror genius Stephen King.

The Magicians by Lev Grossman *Fic Grossman*

Fantasy and reality meld in unexpected and tragic ways when 17-year-old Quentin enters a mysterious portal that leads to Brakebills College, an exclusive academy where he's taught magic.

Name of the Wind by Patrick Rothfuss *YA Paperback Rothfuss*

In the first of the Kingkiller Chronicles, Kvothe is a powerful and famous wizard living as an innkeeper under an assumed name. Strange and evil events hint that Kvothe will need to resolve his inner conflict and use his powers.

Slam by Nick Hornby *YA Fic Hornby*

On his 16th birthday, Sam "Slam" Jones learns that his ex-girlfriend is pregnant. Suddenly thrust into adulthood, he turns to the poster of his hero, skateboarder Tony Hawk, for advice on what to do.

Soulless by Gail Carriger *Paperback Carriger*

25-year-old "soulless" spinster Alexia stakes a vampire with her parasol in this novel of paranormal romance set in an alternate Victorian time where werewolves, vampires and ghosts live side-by-side.

Three Girls and Their Brother by Theresa Rebeck

Fic Rebeck

This witty satire of show-biz politics, told from the perspective of four New York teenage siblings, provides a fascinating insider's look at the world of the rich and famous.



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