

Fiction

Abawi, Atia. *A Land of Permanent Goodbyes* (2018)

After their home in Syria is bombed, Tareq, his father, and his younger sister seek refuge, first with extended family in Raqqa, a stronghold for the militant group, Daesh, and then abroad. As they travel as refugees from Syria to Turkey to Greece, facing danger at every turn, Tareq must find the resilience and courage to complete his harrowing journey.

YA FIC Abawi

Anderson, Lily. *Not Now, Not Ever* (2017)

Elliot's summer plans: run away to summer camp. Specifically, a cutthroat academic-decathlon-like competition for a full scholarship to Rayevich College – the only college with a Science Fiction Literature program, and her dream school. The only problem with her excellent plan to secretly win the scholarship and a ticket to her future: her golden-child, super-genius cousin Isaiah has had the same idea, and has shown up at Rayevich smugly ready to steal her dreams and expose her as a fraud in the process.

YA FIC Anderson

Brezenoff, Steve. *Boy Seeking Band* (2017)

Terence Kato is a prodigy bass player, but he's determined to finish middle school on a high note. Life has other plans. In eighth grade, he's forced to transfer from a private arts school to a public school, where the kids seemingly speak a different language. Luckily, Terence knows a universal one: music. He sets out to build a rock band and, in the process, make a few friends. However, great music and great friendships aren't always in harmony.

YA FIC Brezenoff

Byrne, Elizabeth. *The Grave Keepers* (2017)

Lately, Athena Windham has been spending all her spare time in her grave. Her parents are owners of a cemetery in Upstate New York. Her younger sister, Laurel, would rather spend her time exploring the forest that surrounds the property than in her own grave. The new school year begins with mean girls, a new friend, and a runaway boy hiding out in the cemetery. Meanwhile, a ghost hangs around the Windham property – the only grave keeper never to cross over. And she's plotting how to keep the sisters close to home and close to her – forever.

YA FIC Byrne

Caine, Rachel and Ann Aguirre. *Honor Among Thieves* (2018)

Petty criminal Zara Cole has a painful past that's made her stronger than most, which is why she chose life in New Detroit instead moving with her family to Mars. In her eyes, living inside a dome isn't much better than a prison cell. Still, when Zara commits a crime that has her running scared, jail might be exactly where she's headed. Instead, Zara is recruited into the Honors, an elite team of humans selected by the Leviathan – a race of sentient alien ships – to explore the outer reaches of the universe as their passengers. Zara seizes the chance to flee Earth's dangers, but when she meets Nadim, the alien ship she's assigned, Zara starts to feel at home for the first time. But nothing could have prepared her for the dark, ominous truths that lurk behind the alluring glitter of starlight.

YA FIC Caine

Chanani, Nidhi. *Pashmina* (2017)

Priyanka Das has so many unanswered questions: Why did her mother abandon her home in India years ago? What was it like there? And most importantly, who is her father, and why did her mom leave him behind? But Pri's mom avoids these questions – the topic of India is permanently closed. For Pri, her mother's homeland can only exist in her imagination. That is, until she finds a mysterious pashmina tucked away in a forgotten suitcase. When she wraps herself in it, she is transported to a place more vivid and colorful than any guidebook or Bollywood film. But is this the real India? And what is that shadow lurking in the background? To learn the truth, Pri must travel farther than she's ever dared and find the family she never knew.

YA GN Chanani

Cherry, Alison, Lindsay Ribar, and Michelle Schusterman. *The Pros of Cons* (2018)

Drummer Phoebe Byrd prides herself on being one of the guys, and she's ready to prove it by kicking all their butts in the snare solo competition at the Indoor Percussion Association Convention. Writer Vanessa Montoya-O'Callaghan has been looking forward to the WTFcon for months. Not just because of the panels and fanfiction readings but because WTFcon is where she'll finally meet Soleil, her internet girlfriend, for the first time. Taxidermy assistant Callie Buchanan might be good at scooping brains out of deer skulls, but that doesn't mean it's her passion. Since her parents' divorce, her taxidermist father only cares about his work, and assisting him at the World Taxidermy and Fish-Carving Championships is the only way Callie knows to connect with him. When a crazy mix-up in the hotel lobby brings the three girls together, they form an unlikely friendship against a chaotic background of cosplay, competition, and carcasses!

YA FIC Cherry

Cole, Olivia A. *A Conspiracy of Stars* (2018)

Octavia has only ever had one goal: to follow in the footsteps of her parents and become a prestigious whitecoat, one of the scientists who study the natural wonders of Faloiv. The secrets of the jungle's exotic plants and animals are protected fiercely in the labs by the Council of N'Terra, so when the rules suddenly change, allowing students inside, Octavia should be overjoyed. But something isn't right. By uncovering the mysteries behind the history she's been taught, the science she's lived by, and the truth about her family, she threatens to be the catalyst for an all-out war.

YA FIC Cole

De Fombelle, Timothee. *The Book of Pearl* (2018)

Joshua Pearl comes from a world that we no longer believe in – a world of fairy tale. He knows that his great love waits for him there, but he is stuck in an unfamiliar time and place – an old-world marshmallow shop in Paris on the eve of World War II. As his memories begin to fade, Joshua seeks out strange objects: tiny fragments of tales that have already been told, trinkets that might possibly help him prove his own story before his love is lost forever.

YA FIC De Fombelle

Doller, Trish. *In a Perfect World* (2017)

When her mother has the chance to establish an eye clinic for the poor in Cairo, Egypt, 17-year-old Caroline reluctantly gives up her plans for a summer spent with her best friend and boyfriend and instead moves to Cairo, where she encounters a culture and city that enchant her and a charming boy who challenges her thoughts on love, faith, and privilege.

YA FIC Doller, eBook

Elliott, L. M. *Hamilton and Peggy! A Revolutionary Friendship* (2018)

Peggy Schuyler has always felt like she's existed in the shadows of her beloved sisters: the fiery, intelligent Angelica and beautiful, sweet Eliza. But it's in the throes of a chaotic war that Peggy finds herself a central figure amid Loyalists and Patriots, spies and traitors, friends and family. When a flirtatious aide-de-camp, Alexander Hamilton, writes to Peggy asking for her help in wooing the earnest Eliza, Peggy finds herself unable to deny such an impassioned plea. A fast friendship forms between the two, but Alexander is caught in the same war as her father, and the danger to all their lives is real. Everything is a battlefield – from the frontlines to their carefully coded letters – but will Peggy's bravery and intelligence be enough to keep them all safe?

YA FIC Elliott

Elliott, L. M. *Suspect Red* (2017)

It's 1953, and the United States has just executed an American couple convicted of spying for the Soviet Union. Richard and his family believe deeply in American values and love of country, especially since Richard's father works for the FBI. Yet when a family from Czechoslovakia moves in down the street with a son Richard's age named Vlad, their bold ideas about art and politics bring everything into question. Richard is quickly drawn to Vlad's confidence, musical sensibilities, and passion for literature, which Richard shares. But as the nation's paranoia spirals out of control, Richard longs to prove himself a patriot, and blurred lines between friend and foe could lead to a betrayal that destroys lives.

YA FIC Elliott, YA Playaway Elliott

Gibaldi, Lauren. *This Tiny Perfect World* (2018)

Penny loves her small-town Florida life, and she has her future mapped out. She's going to community college after graduation to stay close to home and her best friend, Faye. She'll take over the family diner that her dad has been managing since her mother died. And one day, she'll marry her high school sweetheart, Logan. But when she unexpectedly lands a scholarship to a prestigious summer theater camp, she is thrust into a world of competition and self-doubt. And suddenly, her future gets a little hazy. As she meets new friends, including Chase, a talented young actor with big-city dreams, she begins to realize that maybe the life everyone (including her) expects her to lead is not the one she was meant to have.

YA FIC Gibaldi

Green, John. *Turtles All the Way Down* (2017)

Sixteen-year-old Aza never intended to pursue the mystery of fugitive billionaire Russell Pickett, but there's a \$100,000 reward at stake and her Best and Most Fearless Friend, Daisy, is eager to investigate. So together, they navigate the short distance and broad divides that separate them from Russell Pickett's son, Davis. Aza is trying. She is trying to be a good daughter, a good friend, a good student, and maybe even a good detective, while also living within the ever-tightening spiral of her own thoughts.

YA FIC Green, eBook, downloadable audiobook

Hardinge, Frances. *A Skinful of Shadows* (2017)

Makepeace is an illegitimate daughter of the aristocratic Fellmotte family, and as such, she shares their unique hereditary gift: the capacity to be possessed by ghosts. Reluctant to accept her appointed destiny as vessel for a coterie of her ancestors, she escapes. As she flees the pursuing Fellmottes across war-torn England, she accumulates a motley crew of her own allies, including outcasts, misfits, criminals, and one extremely angry dead bear. *YA FIC Hardinge, eBook*

Iturbe, Antonio. *The Librarian of Auschwitz* (2017)

Fourteen-year-old Dita is one of the many imprisoned by the Nazis at Auschwitz. Taken, along with her mother and father, from the Terezín ghetto in Prague, Dita is adjusting to the constant terror that is life in the camp. When Jewish leader Freddy Hirsch asks Dita to take charge of the eight precious volumes the prisoners have managed to sneak past the guards, she agrees. And so Dita becomes the librarian of Auschwitz. *YA FIC Iturbe, YA Playaway Iturbe, eBook, downloadable audiobook*

Jones, Kelly. *Murder, Magic, and What We Wore* (2017)

Deciding to become a spy after her father is killed and his money goes missing, Annis Whitworth uses her talent for sewing magical garments to open a dressmaking shop as a cover while she quietly searches for her father's murderer.

YA FIC Jones, eBook

Kaufman, Amie, and Megan Spooner. *Unearthed* (2018)

Scholar Jules Addison and scavenger Amelia Radcliffe join forces to unravel secrets of a long-extinct civilization, only to discover something that could spell the end of the human race.

YA FIC Kaufman

Kline, Christina Baker. *Orphan Train Girl* (2017)

Molly, close to aging out of the foster care system, takes a position helping an elderly woman named Vivian and discovers that they are more alike than different as she helps Vivian solve a mystery from her past.

YA FIC Kline

LaCour, Nina. *We Are Okay* (2017)

Marin hasn't spoken to anyone from her old life since the day she left everything behind. No one knows the truth about those final weeks. Not even her best friend Mabel. But even thousands of miles away from the California coast, at college in New York, Marin still feels the pull of the life and tragedy she's tried to outrun. Now, months later, alone in an emptied dorm for winter break, Marin waits. Mabel is coming to visit and Marin will be forced to face everything that's been left unsaid and finally confront the loneliness that has made a home in her heart. *2018 Printz Winner*

YA FIC LaCour, eBook, downloadable audiobook

Lake, Nick. *Satellite* (2017)

Born and raised on Moon 2, Leo and the twins, Orion and Libra, are finally old enough and strong enough to endure the dangerous trip to Earth. They've been parented by teams of astronauts since birth and have run countless drills to ready themselves for every conceivable difficulty they might face on the flight. But has anything really prepared them for life on terra firma?

YA FIC Lake, eBook

Latham, Jennifer. *Dreamland Burning* (2017)

When Rowan finds a skeleton on her family's property, investigating the brutal, century-old murder leads to painful discoveries about the past. Alternating chapters tell the story of William, another teen grappling with the racial firestorm leading up to the 1921 Tulsa race riot, providing some clues to the mystery.

YA FIC Latham

Moon, Sarah. *Sparrow* (2017)

Fourteen-year-old Sparrow Cooke of Brooklyn has always been the kind of child who prefers reading books to playing with friends (not that she has many of those) and since fifth grade the one person who seemed to understand her was the school librarian. So when Mrs. Wexler was killed in an accident, Sparrow's world came apart, and when she was found on the edge of the school roof everyone assumed that it was a suicide attempt, which Sparrow denies, but cannot find the words to explain.

YA FIC Moon

Napoli, Donna Jo. *Hunger* (2018)

In the autumn of 1846 in Ireland, 12-year-old Lorraine and her family struggle to survive during the Irish potato famine, but when Lorraine meets Miss Susannah, the daughter of the wealthy English landowner who owns Lorraine's family's farm, they form an unlikely friendship that they must keep secret due to the deep cultural divide between their two families.

YA FIC Napoli

Oakes, Stephanie. *The Arsonist* (2017)

Molly Mavity and Pepper Yusef are dealing with their own personal tragedies when they are tasked by an anonymous person with solving the decades-old murder of Ava Dryman, an East German teenager whose diary was published after her death.

YA FIC Oakes

O'Brien, Anne Sibley. *In the Shadow of the Sun* (2017)

Twelve-year-old Mia is on a five-day tour of North Korea with her older brother, Simon, and their father, Mark, a food aide worker, but she is scared because her father keeps sneaking off at night, and terrified that her brother's sullen, rebellious behavior (which has absolutely nothing to do with the Koreans) is going to get them in trouble – and things get much worse when she is pulled into a deadly political game that seeks to expose North Korean atrocities, and her father is arrested.

YA FIC O'Brien

Oh, Axie. *Rebel Seoul* (2017)

In 2199 in the Neo State of Korea, 18-year-old Jaewon is partnered with supersoldier Tera, but their evolving love is threatened when Jaewon must choose among conflicting loyalties – to the totalitarian government that promises to end all war, the nationalist rebels his father followed, or the crime syndicate staging a coup.

YA FIC Oh

Pierce, Tamora. *Tempests and Slaughter* (2018)

In the highly anticipated new Tortall Legend from Tamora Pierce, Arram Draper is on the path to becoming one of the realm's most powerful mages. The youngest student in his class at the Imperial University of Carthak, he has a Gift with unlimited potential for greatness – and for attracting trouble. At his side are his two best friends: Varice, a clever girl with an often-overlooked talent, and Ozorne, the "leftover prince" with secret ambitions. Together, these three friends forge a bond that will one day shape kingdoms. And as Ozorne gets closer to the throne and Varice gets closer to Arram's heart, Arram realizes that one day – soon – he will have to decide where his loyalties truly lie.

YA FIC Pierce

Pullman, Philip. *La Belle Sauvage (The Book of Dust: Book 1)* (2017)

The first book in a new series set in the world of *His Dark Materials*. When Malcolm finds a secret message inquiring about a dangerous substance called Dust, he finds himself embroiled in a tale of intrigue featuring enforcement agents from the Magisterium, a woman with an evil monkey daemon, and a baby named Lyra.
YA FIC Pullman, eBook, downloadable audiobook

Reynolds, Jason. *Long Way Down* (2017)

As Will, 15, sets out to avenge his brother Shawn's fatal shooting, seven ghosts who knew Shawn board the elevator and reveal truths Will needs to know. *2018 Newbery Honor, 2018 Coretta Scott King Honor, 2018 Printz Award Honor, 2018 Odyssey Award*
YA FIC Reynolds, eBook, downloadable audiobook

Reynolds, Jason. *Patina* (2017)

Patina, or Patty, runs like a flash. She runs for many reasons – to escape the taunts from the kids at the fancy-schmancy new school she's been sent to since she and her little sister had to stop living with their mom. She runs from the reason why she's not able to live with her "real" mom any more: Her mom has The Sugar, and Patty is terrified that the disease that took her mom's legs will one day take her away forever. So Patty's also running for her mom, who can't. But can you ever really run away from any of this? As the stress builds up, it's building up a pretty bad attitude as well, and Coach won't tolerate bad attitude. Now he wants Patty to run relay, where you have to depend on other people. How's she going to do that?
YA FIC Reynolds, eBook

Silvera, Adam. *They Both Die at the End* (2017)

On September 5, a little after midnight, Death-Cast calls Mateo Torrez and Rufus Emeterio to give them some bad news: They're going to die today. Mateo and Rufus are total strangers, but, for different reasons, they're both looking to make a new friend on their End Day. The good news: There's an app for that. It's called the Last Friend, and through it, Rufus and Mateo are about to meet up for one last great adventure – to live a lifetime in a single day.
YA FIC Silvera, eBook, downloadable audiobook

Stone, Nic. *Dear Martin* (2017)

Justyce McAllister is top of his class and set for the Ivy League, but none of that matters to the police officer who just put him in handcuffs. And despite leaving his rough neighborhood behind, he can't escape the scorn of his former peers or the ridicule of his new classmates. Justyce looks to the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. for answers. But do they hold up anymore? He starts a journal to Dr. King to find out. Then comes the day Justyce goes driving with his best friend, Manny, windows rolled down, music turned up – way up, sparking the fury of a white off-duty cop beside them. Words fly. Shots are fired. Justyce and Manny are caught in the crosshairs. In the media fallout, it's Justyce who is under attack.
YA FIC Stone, eBook, downloadable audiobook

Tamaki, Mariko. *Lumberjanes: Unicorn Power!* (2017)

Welcome to Miss Qiunzella Thistkwin Penniquiquil Thistle Crumpet's Camp for Hardcore Lady Types. When challenge-loving April leads the girls on a hike up the tallest mountain they've ever seen, things don't go quite as planned. For one, they didn't expect to trespass onto the lands of the ancient Cloud People, and did anyone happen to read those ominous signs some unknown person posted at the bottom of the mountain? Also, unicorns.
YA FIC Tamaki

Thomas, Angie. *The Hate U Give* (2017)

Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend, Khalil, at the hands of a police officer. Khalil was unarmed. Soon afterward, his death is a national headline. Some are calling him a thug, maybe even a drug dealer and a gangbanger. Protesters are taking to the streets in Khalil's name. Some cops and the local drug lord try to intimidate Starr and her family. What everyone wants to know is: What really went down that night? And the only person alive who can answer that is Starr. But what Starr does — or does not — say could upend her community. It could also endanger her life. *2018 Coretta Scott King Honor, 2018 Printz Award Honor, 2018 Odyssey Award, 2018 William C. Morris Award*

YA Fic Thomas, YA Playaway Thomas, eBook, downloadable audiobook

Van Draanen, Wendelin. *Wild Bird* (2017)

3:47 a.m. That's when they come for Wren Clemmens. She's hustled out of her house and into a waiting car, then a plane, and then taken on a forced march into the desert. This is what happens to kids who've gone so far off the rails, their parents don't know what to do with them anymore. This is wilderness therapy camp. Eight weeks of survivalist camping in the desert. Eight weeks to turn your life around. Yeah, right. The Wren who arrives in the Utah desert is angry and bitter, and blaming everyone but herself. But angry can't put up a tent. And bitter won't start a fire. Wren's going to have to admit she needs help if she's going to survive.

YA FIC Van Draanen, eBook, downloadable audiobook

Walden, Tillie. *Spinning* (2017)

For 10 years, figure skating was Tillie Walden's life. She woke before dawn for morning lessons, went straight to group practice after school, and spent weekends competing at ice rinks across the state. Skating was a central piece of her identity, her safe haven from the stress of school, bullies, and family. But as she switched schools, got into art, and fell in love with her first girlfriend, she began to question how the close-minded world of figure skating fit in with the rest of her life, and whether all the work was worth it given the reality: that she, and her friends on the team, were nowhere close to Olympic hopefuls. The more Tillie thought about it, the more Tillie realized she'd outgrown her passion — and she finally needed to find her own voice.

YA GN Walden, eBook

Wang, Jen. *The Prince and the Dressmaker* (2018)

Paris, at the dawn of the modern age: Prince Sebastian is looking for a bride – or rather, his parents are looking for one for him. Sebastian is too busy hiding his secret life from everyone. At night he puts on daring dresses and takes Paris by storm as the fabulous Lady Crystallia – the hottest fashion icon in the world capital of fashion! Sebastian's secret weapon (and best friend) is the brilliant dressmaker Frances – one of only two people who know the truth: Sometimes this boy wears dresses. But Frances dreams of greatness, and being someone's secret weapon means being a secret. Forever. How long can Frances defer her dreams to protect a friend?

YA GN Wang

Watson, Renee. *Piecing Me Together* (2017)

Jade believes she must get out of her poor neighborhood if she's ever going to succeed. Her mother tells her to take advantage of every opportunity that comes her way. And Jade has. Every day she rides the bus away from her friends and to the private school where she feels like an outsider, but where she has plenty of opportunities. But some opportunities she doesn't really welcome, like an invitation to join Women to Women, a mentorship program for "at-risk" girls. Just because her mentor is black and graduated from the same high school doesn't mean she understands where Jade is coming from. She's tired of being singled out as someone who needs help, someone people want to fix. Jade wants to speak, to create, to express her joys and sorrows, her pain and her hope. *2018 Newbery Honor, 2018 Coretta Scott King Winner*

YA FIC Watson, e-book

Nonfiction

Beals, Melba Pattillo. *March Forward, Girl: From Young Warrior to Little Rock Nine* (2018)

Long before she was one of the Little Rock Nine, Melba Pattillo Beals was a warrior. Frustrated by the laws that kept African-Americans separate but very much unequal to whites, she had questions. Why couldn't she drink from a "whites only" fountain? Why couldn't she feel safe beyond home — or even within the walls of church? Adults all told her: Hold your tongue. Be patient. Know your place. But Beals had the heart of a fighter — and the knowledge that her true place was a free one.

YA BIO Beals

Bergreen, Laurence. *Magellan: Over the Edge of the World: The True Story of the Terrifying First Circumnavigation of the Globe* (2017)

On Sept. 6, 1522, a horribly battered ship manned by 18 malnourished, scurvy-ridden sailors appeared on the horizon near a Spanish port. They were survivors of the first European expedition to circle the globe. Originally comprised of five ships and 260 sailors, the fleet's captain and most of its crew were dead. How did Ferdinand Magellan's voyage to circle the world — one of the largest and best-equipped expeditions ever mounted — turn into this ghost ship? The answer is provided in this thoroughly researched tale of mutiny and murder spanning the entire globe, marked equally by triumph and tragedy.

YA 910.41 Bergreen

Brimner, Larry Dane. *Twelve Days in May: Freedom Ride 1961* (2017)

For 12 history-making days in May 1961, 13 black and white civil rights activists, also known as the Freedom Riders, traveled by bus into the South to draw attention to the unconstitutional segregation still taking place. Despite their peaceful protests, the Freedom Riders were met with increasing violence the further south they traveled. *2018 Robert F. Sibert Award*

YA 323.1196 Brimner

Brookbank, Kilee. *Beautiful Scars* (2017)

Kilee Brookbank was a typical 16-year-old girl, thinking about school, soccer, her friends and her boyfriend. But her last ordinary day erupted in an explosion that consumed her house, burning 45 percent of her body and sending her to the very brink of death. After 38 days of surgeries, skin grafts, perpetual physical therapy and excruciating pain, she had to discover how to live again. In each moment of her long journey back to everyday life, she had to make choices that would define who she was and who she would become.

YA BIO Brookbank

Castaldo, Nancy F. *Beastly Brains: Exploring how Animals Think, Talk, and Feel* (2017)

In this fascinating nonfiction account, author Nancy F. Castaldo reveals just what's going on inside the minds of animals, and through understanding animal intelligence we discover more about ourselves, including far more similarities than one might expect. Humans may have the biggest brains, but intelligence is not a quality exclusive to only us.

J 591.513 CASTALDO

Emmett, Dan. *I am a Secret Service Agent: My Life Spent Protecting the President* (2017)

This book traces the story of a Secret Service agent who protected three American presidents, describing how he pursued his job after the assassination of JFK and how he met a range of challenges throughout a career shaped by major historical events.

YA 363.238 Emmett, eBook

Furze, Colin. *This Book Isn't Safe!* (2017)

Colin Furze, five-time Guinness World Record Holder and YouTube's undisputed king of crazy inventions, instructs fans and curious young inventors on how to build 10 brand new wacky inventions at home with an affordable tool kit. *YA 609 Furze, e-book*

Heiligman, Deborah. *Vincent and Theo: The Van Gogh Brothers* (2017)

The deep and enduring friendship between Vincent and Theo Van Gogh shaped both brothers' lives. They shared everything, swapping stories of lovers and friends, successes and disappointments, dreams and ambitions. Heiligman draws on the letters Vincent wrote to Theo during his lifetime to weave a tale of two lives intertwined as Theo supported Vincent's struggles to find his path in life. *2018 Printz Honor, 2018 YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction Winner*

YA 759.949 Gogh, eBook, downloadable audio

Hutto, Joe. *When I Was a Turkey* (2017)

After a local farmer left a bowl of wild turkey eggs on Joe Hutto's front porch, his life was forever changed. Hutto incubated the eggs and waited for them to hatch. Deep in the wilds of Florida's Flatlands, Hutto spent each day living as a turkey mother, taking on the full-time job of raising 16 turkey chicks. For two years, Hutto dutifully cared for his family, roosting with them, taking them foraging, and immersing himself in their world. In return, they taught him how to see the world through their eyes. Here is the remarkable true story of a man with a singular gift to connect with nature.

YA 598.645 Hutto

Kallen, Stuart A. *Trashing the Planet: Examining our Global Garbage Glut* (2017)

On a global scale, humans create around 2.6 trillion pounds of waste every year. None of this trash is harmless — landfills and dumps leak toxic chemicals into soil and groundwater, while incinerators release toxic gases and particles into the air. What can we do to keep garbage from swallowing up Earth? Reducing, reusing, recycling, and upcycling are some of the answers. Learn more about the work of the US Environmental Protection Agency, the Ocean Cleanup Array, the zero waste movement, and the many other government, business, research, and youth efforts working to solve our planet's garbage crisis.

YA 363.7285 Kallen

Khan, Khizr. *This is Our Constitution: Discover America with a Gold Star Father* (2017)

The author traces his family's experiences immigrating to the U.S. to introduce the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, explaining how it represents America's democratic values and discussing the importance of the document's history.

YA 320.973 Khan, eBook, downloadable audiobook

Latta, Susan M. *Bold Women of Medicine: 21 Stories of Astounding Discoveries, Daring Surgeries, and Healing Breakthroughs* (2017)

Meet determined women who have dedicated their lives to saving others! From bold pioneers such as Florence Nightingale and Mary Edwards Walker, to modern-day medical heroines, readers will meet women who inspire with their courage and persistence.

YA 610.92 Latta

Long, David. *Survivors: Extraordinary Tales from the World and Beyond* (2017)

A collection of survival tales includes the story of a teenager who fell two miles from an airplane and trekked through the Amazon jungle to safety and a woman who was trapped under freezing water for so long that her heart stopped.

YA 613.69 Long

Marrin, Albert. *Very, Very, Very Dreadful: The Influenza Pandemic of 1918* (2018)

Of all diseases, the 1918 flu was by far the worst that has ever afflicted humankind; not even the Black Death of the Middle Ages comes close in terms of the number of lives it took. No war, no natural disaster, no famine has claimed so many. In the space of 18 months in 1918-1919, about 500 million people – one-third of the global population at the time — came down with influenza. The exact total of lives lost will never be known, but the best estimate is between 50 and 100 million. In this powerful book, filled with black and white photographs, nonfiction master Albert Marrin examines the history, science, and impact of this great scourge — and the possibility for another worldwide pandemic today.

YA 614.518 Marrin, downloadable audiobook

Raisman, Aly. *Fierce: How Competing for Myself Changed Everything* (2017)

Honest and heartfelt, frank and funny, Aly's story is enhanced with never-before-published photos, excerpts from the personal journals she's kept since childhood that chronicle memorable moments with her teammates, and hard-won advice for readers striving to rise above challenges, learn to love themselves, and make their own dreams come true.

YA BIO Raisman, eBook

Reef, Catherine. *Victoria: Portrait of a Queen* (2017)

Victoria woke one morning at the age of 18 to discover that her uncle had died and she was now queen. She went on to rule for 63 years, with an influence so far-reaching that the decades of her reign now bear her name — the Victorian period. *Victoria* is filled with the exciting comings and goings of royal life: intrigue and innuendo, scheming advisors, and assassination attempts, not to mention plenty of passion and discord.

YA BIO Victoria

Saujani, Reshma. *Girls Who Code: Learn to Code and Change the World* (2017)

This book introduces the relevance of coding and shares down-to-earth explanations about coding principles and real-life stories of women programmers who work at such places as Pixar and NASA.

YA 005.1 Saujani

Slater, Dashka. *The 57 Bus* (2017)

One teenager in a skirt. One teenager with a lighter. One moment that changes both of their lives forever. If it weren't for the 57 bus, Sasha and Richard never would have met. Both were high school students from Oakland, Calif., one of the most diverse cities in the country, but they inhabited different worlds. Sasha, a white teen, lived in the middle-class foothills and attended a small private school. Richard, a black teen, lived in the crime-plagued flatlands and attended a large public one. Each day, their paths overlapped for a mere eight minutes. But one afternoon on the bus ride home from school, a single reckless act left Sasha severely burned, and Richard charged with two hate crimes and facing life imprisonment. The case garnered international attention, thrusting both teenagers into the spotlight. *2018 YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction Finalist*

YA 364.1555 Slater, eBook

Walton, K. M. *Behind the Song* (2017)

An anthology of stories and personal essays exploring how music inspires creativity and can change one's life, written by award-winning young adult authors and contemporary musicians.

YA 782.42 Behind

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