

Lagoon by Nnedi Okorafor

A rap artist, a biologist, and a soldier meet on a night that changes the world forever. Think spaceship! Set in Lagos, Nigeria.

1984 by George Orwell

How's this for a slogan? "War is peace. Freedom is slavery. Ignorance is strength."

Lucy and Linh by Alice Pung

Lucy Lam, daughter of ethnic Chinese immigrants, wins a scholarship to a prestigious high school. Set in a suburban Australian private school.

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe

by Benjamin Alire Sáenz

"I was fifteen. I was bored. I was miserable." So begins the story of Ari and Dante, who share some laughs over their names and eventually become good friends. The audio version is skillfully read by Lin-Manuel Miranda, creator of **Hamilton**.

Nimona by Noelle Stevenson

Medieval times meets post-modern technocracy in this comic where supervillain wannabe Nimona is about to rock the worlds of good guys and bad guys alike.

The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas

Starr Carter's life is already complicated. She lives in a poor urban neighborhood and attends a fancy suburban prep school. Now a police officer has shot and killed her best friend. Khalil was unarmed.

Yowamushi Pedal by Wataru Watanabe

In this manga series, Onoda upgrades from a mommy bike to road racing as he goes from geek to top athlete.

Everything Everything by Nicola Yoon

This story of a girl in a bubble features the ultimate overprotective mother. In theaters this summer. By the author of **The Sun Is Also a Star**.

Goodbye Days by Jeff Zentner

"Depending on who—sorry, whom—you ask, I may have killed my three best friends." Carver sent his friend a text. The friend read it while driving. The friend was distracted and crashed the car. Everyone in the car was killed.



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Trish Trash by Jessica Abel

Trish “Trash” Nupindju is a multi-racial hoverderby player living in a dystopian future on Mars. Add in a mysteriously appearing half-dead Martian and you’ve got one heck of a genre mash-up comic.

Janae and Justin by LJ Alonge

A pair of quick reads about playing pick-up basketball set right here on Telegraph Ave—one book told from Janae’s perspective, the other from Justin’s.

Never Always Sometimes by Adi Alsaid

High school friends Dave and Julia have rules, like, never dye your hair a color of the rainbow; never hook up with a teacher. But Dave has already broken the most important one: never fall in love with your best friend.

Thirteen Reasons Why by Jay Asher

Seen the Netflix series? This serious, intense book is where it all began.

The Selection by Kiera Cass

Prince Maxon must choose a wife from 35 candidates. Part feel-good romance and part grim dystopia. First in a series, a long series.

The Reader by Traci Chee

Set in a world where reading is unheard of, this swashbuckling fantasy adventure answers the author’s own question: What if the ability to read was actual magic—a power hoarded by a chosen few?

Labyrinth Lost by Zoraida Córdova

"The second time I saw my dead aunt Rosario, she was dancing." So begins the compelling story of Alex, a bruja and most powerful witch in her family. Trouble is, she hates magic.

Playing for the Devil’s Fire by Phillippe Diederich

Lucha libre, gang violence, government corruption, and marbles come together in this mystery set in a small Mexican pueblo.

On the Edge of Gone by Corinne Duyvis

A comet is approaching. Humanity has sent some people out in generation ships. Others are assigned to underground shelters meant to last for generations. The rest have reservations at temporary shelters, which won’t last long. This engaging, thought-provoking story is set in Amsterdam.

The Distance Between Us by Reyna Grande

Reyna Grande’s father left his wife and three children behind to make the dangerous trek across the border to the United States. He promised he would soon return from El Otro Lado, but that’s not how it worked out.

The Fifth Season by N. K. Jemisin

If you’re looking for a complex and riveting science fiction story with fantastic world-building, this is the one for you. Jemisin says she "likes to write about ordinary people in extraordinary situations, preferably in non-Earth worlds which nevertheless reflect our own concerns."

You Know Me Well by Nina LaCour

“Right now, my parents think I’m sleeping on the couch at my best friend Ryan’s.... Ryan’s parents think he’s in the top bunk in my bedroom.... In reality, we’re in the Castro....”

My Sister Rosa by Justine Larbalestier

Ten-year-old Rosa is very likely a true psychopath. Her older brother feels he must protect her, but also protect the world *from* her. A creepy, suspenseful thriller.

The Rock and the River by Kekla Magoon

In 1968 Chicago, 14-year-old Sam Childs is caught in a conflict between his father’s nonviolent approach to seeking civil rights for African Americans and his older brother, who has joined the Black Panther Party.

Shame the Stars

by Guadalupe Garcia McCall

A suspenseful love story set within a violent and overlooked chapter in American history. The year is 1915. The place is the Texas-Mexico border.

Burn Baby Burn by Meg Medina

The summer of 1977 was a hell of a time in New York City. Police were desperately searching for Son of Sam, a notorious serial killer. A massive blackout plunged most of the city into darkness for 24 hours in July. And Nora Lopez is having troubles of her own.

Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng

Lydia has not come down for breakfast. Her bed has not been slept in. The school secretary has checked and Lydia is not in her first period physics class.

The Call by Peadar O’Guilin

Revenge of the faerie folk? In this horror fantasy, Irish teenagers are *called* to the Grey Land, where they are hunted and tortured for 24 hours, and then returned. But back in Ireland, only 3 minutes have elapsed.

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