

New Items in the Library since June 2010

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BIOGRAPHY

B GORDON BRI Brinster

Jeff Gordon

Examines the life of legendary race car driver Jeff Gordon, looks at the challenges and achievements that have marked his career, and includes a chronology, and statistics for the years from 1992 to 2006.

B LEE MAD Madden

Harper Lee: a Twentieth-century Life

Chronicles the life of "To Kill a Mockingbird" author Harper Lee, discussing her childhood, schooling, aversion to publicity, award-winning book, and other related topics.

B OVECHKIN LAN Lansdell

Alexander Ovechkin

FBI agent Jay Dobyns relates his experiences working undercover to infiltrate the Hells Angel Motorcycle Club, discussing his actions and how the job nearly cost him his family and life.

000-099 GENERALITIES

025.524 QUA Quaratiello

The College Student's Research Companion

Explains to college students how to navigate an academic library and research topics effectively, discussing the Dewey Decimal and Library of Congress systems as well as periodicals, electronic resources, the Internet, and print reference sources such as encyclopedias, dictionaries, atlases, bibliographies, and statistical, chronological, and quotation sources.

300-399 SOCIAL SCIENCES

305.42 REG Regine

Iron Butterflies: Women Transforming Themselves and the World

Contains profiles of over fifty successful women around the world, looking at how a combination of masculine and feminine skills helped them become leaders, and showing how traditionally feminine skills and values can be used to empower others.

320.956 DEM

Democracy in the Middle East

Explores the establishment of democracy in the Middle East; discussing the United States' role, promotion of Arab reform, liberalized autocracy, religious issues, the role of women, and the threat of terrorism and religious extremism.

345.73 TOR Torr

The Patriot Act

Examines the Patriot Act, a piece of legislation passed in the weeks following the 2001 terrorist attacks on the U.S., designed to provide the citizens of the country with greater security, looks at the key provisions of the Patriot Act, and discusses charges that the Act violates civil rights protections.

363.3 GLO

Global Extremism and Terrorism

Presents a collection of articles and essays that address important issues of global terrorism including identifying terrorists, where they come from, and the weapons that they use.

363.325 MIL Miller

Suicide Bombers

Explores suicide bombers, discussing their growing threat, what motivates them, how they are justified, and the costs and prevention of suicide terror.

364.1 DOB

Dobyns

No Angel: My Harrowing Undercover Journey to the Inner Circle of the Hells Angels

FBI agent Jay Dobyns relates his experiences working undercover to infiltrate the Hells Angel Motorcycle Club, discussing his actions and how the job nearly cost him his family and life.

370 CRA Crane

Using Web 2.0 Tools in the K-12 Classroom

Offers library media specialists and educators guidelines, models, and strategies for using Web 2.0.

391.65 JOH Johnson

Tattoo Machine: Tall Tales, True Stories, and My Life in Ink

Presents a memoir of the author's experiences as a tattoo artist in Portland, Oregon, covering the various types of people who come into his parlor, the inside terms of the trade, and details about running a successful business while practicing a form of art.

500-599 NATURAL SCIENCES

- 510 SEI Seife Proofiness: the Dark Arts of Mathematical Deception
Examines the intersection of mathematics and society, looking at how math can and has been used to distort facts and mislead the public.
- 591.96 OWE Owens Cry of the Kalahari
Recounts the authors' seven year stay in the Kalahari Desert where they developed one of the most important conservation research projects ever conducted.

600-699 TECHNOLOGY

- 611 SHU Shubin Your Inner Fish
The author, a paleontologist and professor of anatomy, follows the path of evolution by linking the organs of the human body with the physical attributes of non-human ancestors.
- 613.9 HAS Hasler Sex: a Book for Teens
Offers teens information on a wide range of topics related to sex, including first-time concerns, birth control, sexually transmitted diseases, and sexual orientation.
- 616.02774 SKL Skloot The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks
Examines the experiences of the children and husband of Henrietta Lacks, who, twenty years after her death from cervical cancer in 1951, learned doctors and researchers took cells from her cervix without consent which were used to create the immortal cell line known as the HeLa cell; provides an overview of Henrietta's life; and explores issues of experimentation on African-Americans and bioethics.
- 629.45 CHA Chaikin Mission Control, This is Apollo
Recounts various important events from the history of space exploration, covering the Mercury missions, the voyage of Apollo 17, and more, with illustrations by ex-NASA astronaut Alan Bean, who walked on the moon during the Apollo 12 mission.
- 629.45 STON Stone Almost Astronauts: 13 Women Who Dared to Dream
Profiles thirteen women who challenged social norms and government policies to prove they could be exceptional astronauts.

700-799 THE ARTS

- 782.42 GEO George Thriller: The Life of Michael Jackson
Examines the creative process and work ethic of Michael Jackson and producer Quincy Jones during the creation of "Thriller" and discusses the album's influence as well as the popularity of the King of Pop.
- 791.43 WOO Woog John Lasseter
A biography of John Lasseter, an Academy Award-winning animator with both Disney and Pixar, covering his achievements and special projects.
- 796.334 DAR D'Arcy Freestyle Soccer Street Moves
Provides step-by-step instructions and photographs for performing soccer tricks, such as the thinker, the switch, the shinny, and others.
- 796.962 LAB Labrecque Ice Kings
Covers the lives and achievements of NHL stars Alexander Ovechkin and Sidney Crosby, discussing their childhoods and professional hockey careers. Includes career statistics.

800-899 LITERATURE

- 808.87 BRO Brooks Lou Twimericks
An introduction to limerick poetry that features thirty verses with humorous illustrations, and includes selections entitled "Toucans in the Yukon," "Cheesy Chicken," "Nosy Rosy," and others.
- 811 POE Poetry Speaks: Who I Am
Collects more than one hundred poems for young readers, with selections by Maya Angelou, Arthur Sze, Langston Hughes, Edgar Allan Poe, Walt Whitman, William Butler Yeats, and others; and includes an audio CD with some of the poets reading their works.

822.33 SHA Shapiro Contested Will : Who Wrote Shakespeare?

Professor James Shapiro examines the true identity of William Shakespeare, provides evidence he believes supports his contention that William Shakespeare of Stratford-upon-Avon wrote the plays, and discusses the significance of the authorship controversy.

900-999 GEOGRAPHY HISTORY

940.3 FRE Freedman The War to End All Wars ; World War I

A narrative history of World War I for young readers that features archival photographs, and describes how advanced military weaponry impacted the course of the war.

945.06 STR Strathern The Artist, the Philosopher, and the Warrior

Examines the intersecting lives of Leonardo da Vinci, Niccolo Machiavelli, and Cesare Borgia, describing how their brief time together in 1502 altered each man's beliefs and work and the course of Western history. *AP European History Summer Reading 2010.*

949.61 CRO Crowley 1453: The Holy War for Constantinople and the Clash of Islam and the West

Presents a comprehensive study of the siege of Constantinople in 1453 by the Ottoman Turks, and describes how Mehmet II defeated Constantine XI with new weaponry which included gunpowder and a twenty-seven-foot-long cannon called the Basilica. *AP European History Summer Reading 2010.*

974.088 VOW The Wordy Shipmates

An exploration of the Puritans that discusses their beliefs and practices and exploring how they have influenced modern politics. *AP US History Summer Read 2010.*

974.4 PHI Philbrick Mayflower: a Story of Courage, Community, and War

A history of the Pilgrim settlement of New England that discusses such topics as the diseases of European origin suffered by the Wampanoag tribe, the relationship between the Pilgrims and the Wampanoags, and the impact of the King Philip's War. *AP US History Summer Read 2010.*

REFERENCE

R 822.33 SHA Shakespeare's World and Work (vol. 1)

Presents alphabetized, cross-referenced, illustrated entries on Shakespeare's life and texts, and Renaissance England; and includes time lines, sidebars, definitions in page margins, and other features designed especially for younger readers. Covers "Acting Companies, Elizabethan" through "History in Shakespeare's Plays."

R 822.33 SHA Shakespeare's World and Work (vol. 2)

This volume covers "History in Shakespeare's Plays: England" through "Prose Technique."

R 822.33 SHA Shakespeare's World and Work (vol. 3)

This volume covers "Prospero" through "Work."

TEACHER RESOURCE CENTER

TRC 370 FER Ferriter Teaching the iGeneration: 5 Easy Ways to Introduce Essential Skills with Web 2.0 Tools

Describes how instructional strategies can be integrated with technology to engage students and promote information fluency, persuasion skills, communication, collaboration, and problem solving; and includes over seventy handouts and activities.

SOFTWARE

CD 510 TI TI-SmartView : emulator software for the TI-84 Plus family

Computer software for the TI-84 Plus calculator.

DVD BLI The Blind Side

Michael Oher knows little about family. Less about football. What the homeless teen knows are the streets and projects of Memphis. Well-to-do Leigh Anne Tuohy knows little about his world. Yet when she and Michael meet, he's found a home. And the Tuohys have found something just as life-changing: a beloved new son and brother. This is a real-life story of family and of Michael's growth into a remarkable college All-American and first-round NFL draft pick.

DVD FIN

Financial Soccer

Financial Soccer combines the structure and rules of the MLS with financial education questions of varying difficulty. Students can play independently, or educators can use the game to quiz students after teaching the four, 45-minute modules provided on budgeting, saving and investing. Free DVD from State of Illinois 8/23/10.

VIDEO 1887

Claude Monet

Claude Monet and his French Impressionist "pals" are brought to life in this entertaining, animated video. Students can have fun learning about Monet's life and paintings through a playful combination of great art and delightful, off-the-wall cartoons. From the Getting to Know series.

VIDEO 1888

Vincent van Gogh

Playful cartoons and great art come together in this animated video about Vincent van Gogh. Meet van Gogh, his brother Theo and fellow artist Paul Gauguin in this remarkable story of van Gogh's life and art. From the Getting to Know series.

FICTION

FIC ABRAHAMAS

Bullet Point

The only thing seventeen-year-old Wyatt knew about his biological father was that he was serving a life sentence, but circumstances and a new girlfriend bring them together and soon Wyatt is working to prove his father's innocence.

FIC ALVAREZ

In the Time of the Butterflies

Gives a fictionalized account of four sisters in the Dominican Republic under the dictatorship of General Trujillo.

FIC AUGARDE

X Isle

Baz and Ray, survivors of an apocalyptic flood, win places on X-Isle, an island where life is rumored to be better than on the devastated mainland, but they find the island to be a violent place ruled by religious fanatic Preacher John, and they decide they must come up with a weapon to protect themselves from impending danger.

FIC BARNES

Tales of the Madman Underground

Karl Shoemaker, starting his senior year in Lightsburg, Ohio, in 1973, vows to break out of the therapy group he has been forced to attend during school hours and become "normal."

FIC BARTOLETTI

The Boy Who Dared

In October 1942, seventeen-year-old Helmuth Hübener, imprisoned for distributing anti-Nazi leaflets, recalls his past life and how he came to dedicate himself to bring the truth about Hitler and the war to the German people.

FIC BILLERBECK

Perfectly Dateless

Entering her senior year at St. James Christian Academy, Daisy has less than two hundred days to look stylish, develop social skills, find the right boy for the prom, and convince her parents to let her date.

FIC BROWN JENNIFER

Hate List

Sixteen-year-old Valerie, whose boyfriend Nick committed a school shooting at the end of their junior year, struggles to cope with integrating herself back into high school life, unsure herself whether she was a hero or a villain.

FIC BURD

The Vast Fields of Ordinary

The summer after graduating from an Iowa high school, eighteen-year-old Dade Hamilton watches his parents' marriage disintegrate, ends his long-term, secret relationship, comes out of the closet, and savors first love.

FIC BURG

All the Broken Pieces

Two years after being airlifted out of Vietnam in 1975, Matt Pin is haunted by the terrible secret he left behind and, now, in a loving adoptive home in the United States, a series of profound events forces him to confront his past.

FIC BURGESS MELVIN

Doing It

Three teenage friends, Dino, Jonathon, and Ben, confront the confusions, fears, and joys of adolescent male sexuality.

FIC CABOT

Being Nikki

Studious, socially conscious Emerson Watts' brain is transplanted into teen supermodel Nikki Howard who was killed in an accident and she can't even tell her longtime crush, Christopher or her best friend who she is now.

FIC CABOT

Darkest Hour (Mediator series book 4)

Sixteen-year-old Susannah Simon is a mediator, one who communicates with the dead, and she tries to solve the murder of Jesse, a nineteenth-century ghost she is in love with.

FIC CABOT

Runaway

When sixteen-year-old Emerson Watts learns the truth about Nikki, the teen supermodel into whose body Emerson's brain was transplanted, she finds that there is only one person to turn to for help--especially since her loved ones seem to be furious with her.

FIC CALAME

Swim the Fly

Swim team members and best friends Matt, Sean, and Coop, set themselves the summertime goal of seeing a live girl naked, and while the chances of that happening seem very dim, Matt's personal goal to swim the one-hundred-yard butterfly to impress the new girl on the team seems even less likely to happen.

FIC CARTER ALLY

Heist Society

Fifteen-year-old Kat schemes her way into the best boarding school, hoping to leave the thieving antics of her family behind her, but Hal, a former co-conspirator, appears on campus to tell Kat that a powerful mobster believes her father stole art from a priceless collection, and in order to save him, Kat will have to recover the paintings.

FIC CASHORE

Fire

In a kingdom called the Dells, Fire is the last human-shaped monster, with unimaginable beauty and the ability to control the minds of those around her, but even with these gifts she cannot escape the strife that overcomes her world.

FIC CAST

Hunted (House of Night series book 5)

Zoey and her friends encounter evil in an unexpected place when they learn that Kalona, the newest member of the House of Night, is hiding a deadly secret.

FIC CAST

Untamed (House of Night series book 4)

Living in a neighborhood of drug dealers and gangs in New Mexico, high school junior Eddie Corazon, a juvenile delinquent-in-training, falls in love with a girl who inspires him to rethink his life and his choices.

FIC CHRISTOPHER

Franklin Flyer

Franklin Flyer, a young inventor, has adventures throughout the Great Depression and on into World War II. With each new invention - devices that help to revolutionize everything from early television to the Allies' wartime technology - Franklin makes his mark. Gaining fame and fortune, he also suffers terrible heartbreak, and discovers that a man's own life is truly his most difficult and rewarding invention.

FIC COBEN

Hold Tight

Mike and Tia Baye, worried about their sixteen-year-old son Adam, wrestle with whether to spy on his computer, and discover details about their son's friend Spencer's suicide while a killer stalks the neighborhood.

2011 Abraham Lincoln H.S. Book Award Nominee

FIC CRUTCHER

Deadline

Given the medical diagnosis of one year to live, high school senior Ben Wolf decides to fulfill his greatest fantasies, ponders his life's purpose and legacy, and converses through dreams with a spiritual guide known as "Hey-Soos." *2011 Abraham Lincoln H.S. Book Award Nominee*

FIC CRUTCHER

Angry Management

A collection of short stories featuring characters from earlier books by Chris Crutcher.

FIC DEAN

Take Me There

After violating his parole, seventeen-year-old, semi-literate Dylan Dawson drives from California to Texas to try to see his father on death row in an attempt to figure out how his own life has gone so terribly awry.

FIC EDWARDS

Memory Keeper's Daughter

Dr. David Henry, forced to deliver his own twins during a snowstorm in 1964 with only a nurse to help him, makes a decision that has far-reaching effects on his life, and the lives of his wife and son, when his infant daughter is born with Down Syndrome, and in a vain attempt to protect his wife, he orders the nurse to take the baby to an institution.

FIC EFAW

After

Devon Davenport is a straight-A student and prominent player on her school's soccer team, but when she is linked to an abandoned baby found in the trash, she is accused of attempted murder.

FIC ELKELES

Return to Paradise

Caleb leaves Paradise in an effort to avoid dealing with the aftermath of Maggie's accident, but he and Maggie are reunited when they both join a program for teens affected by reckless driving, and Maggie tries to convince Caleb to return to Paradise and face the truth. (sequel of *Leaving Paradise*)

FIC FRANZEN

Freedom

Neighbors wonder what is going on when Patty and Walter Berglund, once an ideal couple and perfect parents, begin to unravel, with their son moving in with the Republicans next door, Walter, an environmental lawyer, taking a job in the coal industry, and Patty becoming unhinged. *The last Oprah's Book Club pick.*

FIC FORMAN

If I Stay

While in a coma following an automobile accident that killed her parents and younger brother, seventeen-year-old Mia, a gifted cellist, weighs whether to live with her grief or join her family in death.

FIC GEE

Geektastic : Stories from the Nerd Herd

A collection of short stories from such authors as M.T. Anderson, Libba Bray, and Garth Nix, covering such topics as Klingons and Jedi Knights to fan fiction and theater geeks.

FIC GILES

Right Behind You

After spending over four years in a mental institution for murdering a friend in Alaska, fourteen-year-old Kip begins a completely new life in Indiana with his father and stepmother under a different name, but has trouble fitting in and finds there are still problems to deal with from his childhood.

FIC GILL

Black Hole Sun

Sixteen-year-old Durango and his crew of mercenaries are hired by the settlers of a mining community on Mars to protect their most valuable resource from a feral band of marauders.

FIC GOING

King of the Screwups

Liam Geller is one of the most popular boys in school but can't seem to do anything right in the eyes of his father; so he goes to live with his homosexual, rocker uncle who helps him to understand that there is much more to him than his father will ever see.

FIC GRAHAME-SMITH

Pride and Prejudice and Zombies

An adaptation of "Pride and Prejudice," in which Meryton is overrun with zombies and Elizabeth Bennet does what must be done to rid the world of the flesh-eating fiends, but she is distracted by the arrival of Mr. Darcy, a rich man who harbors an air of arrogance.

FIC GREEN JOHN

Will Grayson, Will Grayson

When two teens, one gay and one straight, meet accidentally and discover that they share the same name, their lives become intertwined as one begins dating the other's best friend, who produces a play revealing his relationship with them both.

FIC GRUEN

Water for Elephants

Ninety-year-old Jacob Jankowski finds himself haunted by memories of his past in the circus and the freaks, exotic animals, and other people he encountered as a performer.

FIC HARTNETT

Surrender

As he is dying, a twenty-year-old man known as Gabriel recounts his troubled childhood and his strange relationship with a dangerous counterpart named Finnigan.

FIC HAWKINS

Hex Hall

Witch Sophie Mercer, having been sent to a reform school by her father after a prom night spell went horribly wrong, learns her roommate, who is the only vampire on campus, is the suspect in a series of attacks on students and sets out to find the real culprit.

FIC HOPKINS ELLEN

Fallout

Written in free verse, explores how three teenagers try to cope with the consequences of their mother's addiction to crystal meth and its effects on their lives.

FIC HOPKINS ELLEN

Tricks

Collection of five stories about three girls and two boys who question how they feel about themselves while learning about love and sexuality.

FIC HOROWITZ Snakehead

Alex Rider crash lands off the coast of Australia where he is recruited by the Australian Secret Service to infiltrate one of the ruthless gangs operating across South East Asia, and in the midst of his dangerous mission, Alex discovers information about his parents' murder.

FIC JINKS Pagan in Exile book 2

After fighting the infidels in Jerusalem in 1188, Lord Roland and his squire Pagan return to Roland's castle in France where they encounter violent family feuds and religious heretics.

FIC JINKS Pagan's Crusade book 1

In twelfth-century Jerusalem, orphaned sixteen-year-old Pagan is assigned to work for Lord Roland, a Templar knight, as Saladin's armies close in on the Holy City.

FIC JINKS Pagan's Vows

Follows the adventures of Pagan, squire to Lord Roland, through the years 1188 to 1189, as he accompanies his master, now determined to be a monk, to the French monastery of St. Martin and uncovers a dangerous blackmail plot.

FIC JOHNSON LOUANNE Muchacho

Living in a neighborhood of drug dealers and gangs in New Mexico, high school junior Eddie Corazon, a juvenile delinquent-in-training, falls in love with a girl who inspires him to rethink his life and his choices.

FIC KLAVAN The Long Way Home (Homelanders series book 2)

As eighteen-year-old Charlie West continues to elude the law and the group of terrorists looking for him, he tries to remember what happened a year ago and find out who has framed him so he can clear his name.

FIC KNOWLES Jumping Off Swings

Tells, from four points of view, the ramifications of a pregnancy resulting from a "one-time thing" between Ellie, who feels loved when boys touch her, and Josh, an eager virgin with a troubled home life.

FIC KORMAN Pop

Lonely after a midsummer move to a new town, sixteen-year-old high-school quarterback Marcus Jordan becomes friends with a retired professional linebacker who is great at training him, but whose childish behavior keeps Marcus in hot water.

FIC KELLY Harmonic Feedback

When Drea and her mother move in with her grandmother in Bellingham, Washington, the sixteen-year-old finds that she can have real friends, in spite of her Asperger's, and that even when you love someone it does not make life perfect.

FIC KERN No Way Out

Afraid of being taken from his grandmother and placed in a foster home, Harold Davis, a Bluford High freshman, begins to work for the neighborhood drug dealer, Londell James, but Harold's choice leads him to a world more dangerous than he could have imagined.

FIC LARSSON The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo book 1

Hacker Lisbeth Salander assists Mikael Blomkvist, a crusading journalist, with the investigation of Harriet Vanger's disappearance decades earlier, and the two uncover a dark world of secrets about a wealthy Swedish family as well as a surprising connection between themselves.

FIC LARSSON The Girl who Kicked the Hornet's Nest book 3

Lisbeth Salander, recovering in a Swedish hospital from gunshot wound, calls upon journalist Mikael Blomkvist to help prove her innocence in the murders of three people; but in order to do so, he must uncover a long-buried conspiracy within the Swedish Secret Service.

FIC LARSSON The Girl who Played with Fire book 2

Mikael Blomkvist is publishing the story of his career, exposing the extensive sex trafficking operation between Sweden and Eastern Europe, but when two investigative journalists are killed the night before the story runs and Lisbeth Salander is implicated, Mikael vows to clear the girl's name and find the true killer.

FIC LEVITHAN Love is the Higher Law

Three New York City teens express their reactions to the bombing of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, and its impact on their lives and the world.

FIC LINDSAY

Dearly Devoted Dexter

Dexter, a serial killer who limits his victims to other killers, bides his time between murders by working as a blood splatter analyst for the Miami Police Department, and dating Rita, the single mother of two children, but he is faced with a challenge when a psychopath arrives in town and his sister, a newly-minted Miami detective, becomes involved in the case.

FIC LINDSAY

Dexter in the Dark

Dexter Morgan, a Miami crime scene investigator who is sometimes moved to commit murder himself--goaded by a reptilian voice he calls his Dark Passenger--gets a clue that something is very wrong when he is called to the scene of a double homicide at the university campus, only to have Dark Passenger go into hiding.

FIC LORE

The Deadly Sister

In rural Ohio, friendships and a beautiful girl prove distracting to a fifteen-year-old who has hidden on Earth for ten years waiting to develop the Legacies, or powers, he will need to rejoin the other six surviving Garde members and fight the Mogadorians who destroyed their planet, Lorien.

FIC MAGOON

The Rock and the River

In 1968 Chicago, fourteen-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.

FIC MAHY

The Magician

A young farm boy who possesses mysterious powers is chosen by the king to be the court's royal magician.

FIC MARCHETTA

Finnikin of the Rock

Now on the cusp of manhood, Finnikin, who was a child when the royal family of Lumatere was brutally murdered and replaced by an imposter, reluctantly joins forces with an enigmatic young novice and fellow-exile, who claims that her dark dreams will lead them to a surviving royal child and a way to regain the throne of Lumatere.

FIC MAURER

Change of Heart

When sixteen-year-old Emmi Miller learns she will die without a heart transplant, she becomes aware of all she has been taking for granted, from her parents' love to her soccer ability, but gains strength from new friend Abe.

FIC McCAFFREY KATE

In Ecstasy

Fifteen-year-old best friends Sophie and Mia find their lives changing in ways they never could have imagined after Sophie convinces Mia they should try ecstasy.

FIC McCORMICK

Purple Heart

While recuperating in a Baghdad hospital from a traumatic brain injury sustained during the Iraq War, eighteen-year-old soldier Matt Duffy struggles to recall what happened to him and how it relates to his ten-year-old friend, Ali.

FIC MCGOWAN

The Knife That Killed Me

Paul Varderman, a secondary student in an English Catholic School, is a loner until, just as he is becoming friends with "the freaks," the school bully encourages Paul to join his gang and gives him a knife to carry as an incentive.

FIC McVOY

After the Kiss

A novel in verse which follows the thoughts and frustrations of Becca and Camille, both involved with Alec, as they go through their final semester of high school.

FIC MEYER

American Rust

Billy Poe and Isaac English, two friends in Buell, a struggling steel town in Pennsylvania, plan to escape to California, but when Isaac accidentally kills a transient, other complications arise that strain their friendship while Poe's mother, Grace, pines for the local sheriff. *Summer Reading 2010*.

FIC MITCHARD

All We Know of Heaven

Sixteen-year-old best friends Maureen and Bridget are in a terrible accident where Bridget dies and is incorrectly identified as Maureen; but when Maureen recovers, she must deal with the repercussions of the accident as well as the loss of her best friend.

FIC NESS

The Ask and the Answer

Alternate chapters follow teenagers Todd and Viola, who become separated as the Mayor's oppressive new regime takes power in New Prentisstown, a space colony where residents can hear each other's thoughts. (*Chaos Walking series book 2*)

FIC NESS

Monsters of Men

As a world-ending war surges to life around them, Todd and Viola face monstrous decisions, questioning all they have ever known as they try to step back from the darkness and find the best way to achieve peace. (*Chaos Walking series book 3*)

FIC NYLUND

All that Lives Must Die (book 2)

Eliot and Fiona Post, twins whose mother is the goddess Atropos--eldest of the Fates--and whose father is Lucifer, a fallen angel, face the trials of high school while undergoing strenuous training and being caught in the middle of a war between immortals.

FIC OAKS

Why I Fight

After his house burns down, twelve-year-old Wyatt Reaves takes off with his uncle, and the two of them drive from town to town for six years, earning money mostly by fighting, until Wyatt finally confronts his parents one last time.

FIC PEARSON

The Miles Between

Seventeen-year-old Destiny keeps a painful childhood secret all to herself until she and three classmates from her exclusive boarding school take off on an unauthorized road trip in search of "one fair day."

FIC PECK DALE

Sprout

Moving from Long Island to Kansas after his mother dies, a teenage boy nicknamed Sprout is surprised to find new friends, a fascinating landscape, and romantic love.

FIC PIKE APRILYNNE

Spells

Summoned to study at The Academy of Avalon, sixteen-year-old Laurel learns about the town with friend Tamani, while honing her long-forgotten skills as a Fall faerie in order to protect her human family and Avalon from trolls.

FIC PIKE APRILYNNE

Wings

When a plant blooms out of fifteen-year-old Laurel's back, it leads her to discover that she is a faerie and she has a crucial role to play in keeping the world safe from enemy trolls.

FIC PENDLE

Death a Life

The author presents a satirical autobiography of Death and the beginning of Sin and Satan.

FIC PRICE CHARLIE

The Interrogation of Gabriel James

As an eyewitness to two murders, a Montana teenager relates the shocking story behind the crimes in a police interrogation interspersed with flashbacks.

FIC RAINFIELD

Scars

Fifteen-year-old Kendra, a budding artist who has not felt safe since she began to remember devastating memories of childhood sexual abuse, cannot seem to recall her abuser's identity and copes with the stress by cutting herself.

FIC RYAN P. E.

In Mike We Trust

After spending time with his uncle Mike, Garth begins to keep secrets from everyone around him, but he wonders if his uncle is actually someone that Garth can really trust.

FIC SACHAR

The Cardturner

When his wealthy uncle, a champion bridge player who has lost his vision, asks seventeen-year-old Alton to be a cardturner for him, Alton has no idea how much he will ultimately learn from his eccentric relative. Includes appendix by Syd Fox with information about bridge.

FIC SAENZ

Last Night I Sang to the Monster

Eighteen-year-old Zach does not remember how he came to be in a treatment center for alcoholics, but through therapy and caring friends, his amnesia fades and he learns to face his past while working toward a better future.

FIC SANCHEZ

Bait

Diego keeps getting into trouble because of his explosive temper until he finally finds a probation officer who helps him get to the root of his anger so that he can stop running from his past.

FIC SCHRAFF

The Fairest

The girls at Tubman High prepare to compete in the Princess of the Fair, and even though they are supposed to embody characteristics of Harriet Tubman, they allow themselves to get caught up in a popularity contest and will stop at nothing to win.

FIC SCHRAFF

To Be a Man

Trevor feels he is caught between his girlfriend, Vanessa Allen, and his mother and brother, who think Vanessa is not a good influence on Trevor, and realizes he is old enough to make decisions for himself, but is not sure what the right one is.

FIC SCHREFER

The Deadly Sister

Abby Goodwin sets out to find her sister Maya, who is the prime suspect in the murder of her tutor Jefferson Andrews, and at the same time try to find the true killer.

FIC SHAN

The Thin Executioner

In a nation of warriors where weakness is shunned and all crimes, no matter how minor, are punishable by beheading, young Jebel Rum, along with a slave who is fated to be sacrificed, sets forth on a quest to petition the Fire God for invincibility, but when the long and arduous journey is over, Jebel has learned much about fairness and the value of life.

FIC SMITH KYLE

85A

On a subzero Chicago morning on January 23, 1989, 15-year-old punk rocker Seamus O'Grady braves the bitter cold at the 85A bus stop, railing against his repressive environment in anticipation of his "the-minute-I-turn-18" move to London.

FIC SMITH SHERRI

Flygirl

During World War II, a light-skinned African American girl "passes" for white in order to join the Women Airforce Service Pilots.

FIC SPARKS

The Last Song

Seventeen-year-old Ronnie Miller is resentful when her mother insists she and her ten-year-old brother spend the summer with their estranged father in North Carolina, and while things get off to a rocky start, Ronnie eventually makes friends and begins to better understand her dad and why he wanted her to visit. Includes a reading group guide.

FIC STORK

The Last Summer of the Death Warriors

Seventeen-year-old Pancho is bent on avenging the senseless death of his sister, but after he meets D.Q, who is dying of cancer, and Marisol, one of D.Q.'s caregivers, both boys find their lives changed by their interactions.

FIC STRASSER

Boot Camp

After ignoring several warnings to stop dating his teacher, Garrett is sent to Lake Harmony, a boot camp that uses unorthodox and brutal methods to train students to obey their parents. *2011 Abraham Lincoln H.S. Book Award Nominee*

FIC STURTEVANT

The Brothers Story

In the late seventeenth century, fifteen-year-old Kit, driven to desperation by the starvation of one brother and the mistreatment of his simple-minded twin, realizes his dream of becoming an apprentice in London but feels drawn by duty to return home to Essex.

FIC SUPPLEE

Artichoke's Heart

When she is almost sixteen years old, Rosemary decides she is sick of being overweight, mocked at school and at Heavenly Hair--her mother's beauty salon--and feeling out of control, and as she slowly loses weight, she realizes that she is able to cope with her mother's cancer, having a boyfriend for the first time, and discovering that other people's lives are not as perfect as they seem from the outside. *2011 Abraham Lincoln H.S. Book Award Nominee*

FIC TAYLOR LAINI

Lips Touch Three Times

Contains three short stores of supernatural love, each focusing on a kiss that has consequences for the kissers' souls.

FIC THOMPSON

Creature of the Night

Bobby recklessly smokes, drinks, and steals cars in Dublin, and when his mother relocates the family to a small cottage in the countryside, Bobby believes a certain spookiness lurks in the corners of the new home.

FIC TINTI

The Good Thief

Young Ren, an orphan in nineteenth-century New England, is rescued from the orphanage by Benjamin Nab, who claims to be Ren's brother; but as time goes on Ren begins to question who he can and cannot trust.

FIC WARD

Num8ers

Fifteen-year-old Jem knows when she looks at someone the exact date they will die, so she avoids relationships and tries to keep out of the way, but when she meets a boy named Spider and they plan a day out together, they become more involved than either of them had planned.

FIC WHITSON

Sixteen Brides

Sixteen potential brides arrive in Plum Grove, Nebraska, where they risk everything to fulfill their dream of owning land and finding love, turning the townspeople upside down in the process.

FIC WIESS

Leftovers

Two teenagers, Blair and Ardith, lose their innocence in more ways than one as they are transformed from happy ninth-graders to high school sophomores determined to secure justice for their families and friends, whatever the cost.

FIC WILLIAMS

The Chosen One

In a polygamous cult in the desert, Kyra, not yet fourteen, sees being chosen to be the seventh wife of her uncle as just punishment for having read books and kissed a boy in violation of Prophet Childs' teachings, and is torn between facing her fate and running away from all that she knows and loves.

FIC WILLIAMS-GARCIA Jumped

The lives of Leticia, Dominique, and Trina are irrevocably intertwined through the course of one day in an urban high school after Leticia overhears Dominique's plans to beat up Trina and must decide whether or not to get involved.

FIC WISEMAN

Boys, Girls & Other Hazardous Materials

Transferring to a new high school, freshman Charlotte "Charlie" Healey faces tough choices as she tries to shed her "mean girl" image.

FIC WOLFF

This Full House

LaVaughn, having overcome many obstacles to obtain admission to the Women in Science program, a stepping-stone to college, finds her dreams jeopardized by her attempts to resolve a difficult situation involving people she cares about. (book 3 *Make Lemonade* series)

FIC WOLFF

True Believer

Living in the inner city amidst guns and poverty, fifteen-year-old LaVaughn learns from old and new friends, and inspiring mentors, that life is what you make it--an occasion to rise to. (*Sequel to Make Lemonade*)

FIC WOODSON

Behind You

After fifteen-year-old Jeremiah is mistakenly shot by police, the people who love him struggle to cope with their loss as they recall his life and death, unaware that 'Miah is watching over them.

FIC YOO

Good Enough

A Korean American teenager tries to please her parents by getting into an Ivy League college, but a new guy in school and her love of the violin tempt her in new directions.

GRAPHIC NOVELS

GN FIC FITZGERALD

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button

A graphic novelization of F. Scott Fitzgerald's story that depicts the curious life of Benjamin Button, who is born an old man, much to the consternation of his father, and proceeds to age backwards, finally ending up an infant.

GN FIC KIM

The Color of Earth (Color Trilogy book 1)

Ehwa, looked down upon as the daughter of a widowed tavern manager in Korea, begins to open herself to the possibility of love in her own life after watching her mother fall in love again.

GN FIC KIM

The Color of Heaven (Color Trilogy book 3)

A mother and daughter's close relationship continues to blossom as Ehwa, who has grown into a beautiful young woman, prepares for marriage.

GN FIC KIM

The Color of Water (Color Trilogy book 2)

Ehwa meets a handsome young wrestler named Duksam and they quickly fall in love; however, Master Cho sends Duksam away and claims Ehwa for himself.

GN FIC LAGOS The Sons of Liberty

Teenage runaway slaves with superhuman powers, a Hessian giant, the most evil slave owners imaginable, and Benjamin Franklin: this story of the Revolution blends fact and fantasy in an imaginative reinterpretation of a critical time in American history.

GN FIC NOVGORODOFF Refresh Refresh

While their fathers are fighting in the war in Iraq, three teenagers--Josh, Cody, and Gordon--are on the brink of graduating high school, but struggle to make the big decisions about their futures.

GN FIC SHAN Cirque du Freak: Tunnels of Blood (vol. 3)

Reads right to left. Half-vampire Darren Shan welcomes a trip away from Cirque du Freak and accompanies Mr. Crepsley and Evra to the city, but the discovery of blood-drained bodies cause Darren to suspect his master is the guilty party.

GN FIC TAN Tales from Outer Suburbia

Contains fifteen illustrated short stories, some humorous and some haunting, set in the Australian suburbs.

GN B SMALL Small Stitches

A graphic novel that chronicles the life of American author and illustrator David Small, detailing his sickly childhood and teenage years, relationship with his parents, his cancer, and more.

GN 741.5 STU Stuck in the Middle

Seventeen short comic stories by such writer-artists as Lauren Weinstein, Dash Shaw, and Robyn Chapman explore the middle school experience.