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### The Nickel Boys

by Colson Whitehead F WHI

A follow-up to the Pulitzer Prize- and National Book Award-winning, The Underground Railroad, follows the harrowing experiences of two African-American teens at an abusive reform

school in Jim Crow-era Florida.

### Patron Saints of Nothing

# by Randy Ribay

YA F RIB When seventeen-year-old Jay Reguero learns his Filipino cousin and former best friend, Jun, was murdered as part of President Duterte's war on drugs, he flies to the Philippines to learn more



### Price of Duty

by Todd Strasser

YAF STR Hailed as a hero, twenty year-old Jake returns to his pro-military hometown and family injured both physically and emotionally, questioning everything he came to believe about fighting for

one's country and unsure if he can bring himself to go back to active duty

#### Slay

#### by Brittney Morris YA F MOR

Hiding her identity as the developer of an elite online role-playing game, a talented teen, one of the only black students in her school, is targeted with violent racism when an in-game dispute escalates into a player's murder.





## They Called Us Enemy

by George Takei

GN YA F TAK The iconic actor and activist presents a graphic memoir detailing his experiences as a child prisoner in the Japanese-

American internment camps of World War II, reflecting on the hard choices his family made in the face of legalized racism.

### **Truly Devious**

by Maureen Johnson YA F JOH

Sharp and funny detective Stevie Bell, whose first year at an elite boarding school finds her unraveling two mysteries, including one from the school's past and one in the present.



## A Very Large Expanse of Sea

by Tahereh Mafi

YAFMAF - Withdrawing into solitude after enduring a year of cruel prejudice in the aftermath of September 11, Muslim teen Shirin, an enthusiastic breakdancer.

struggles to trust a boy who is the first friend who really seems to want to know her.

### We'll Fly Away

by Bryan Bliss YA F BLI

YA F BLI "Toby and Luke are best friends, bound bug and a law inst their bounds for

by a goal of leaving their hometown for Luke's wrestling scholarship, but a series of events during their senior year will test their resolve"

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### All the Crooked Saints

by Maggie Stiefvater YA F STI Three cousins who are members of an unusual family that possesses the ability to perform miracles are repeatedly sought out for their gifts

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while they struggle to establish free

lives for themselves.

## Black Enough : Stories of Being Young & Black in America

by Ibi Aanu Zoboi YA F BLA

A timely literary collection shares modern insights into

what it is like to be young and black in today's America.



### Darius the Great is Not Okav

by Adib Khorram YA F KHO A Persian-American youth who prefers pop culture to the traditions of

his mixed family struggles with clinical depression and the misunderstandings of older relatives while bonding with a boy who helps him embrace his Iranian heritage.

## **Devils Within**

#### by S. F. Henson YA F HEN

Raised in a white supremacist compound where he was honored for his acts of violence before killing his own father, 14-year-old Nate is placed in the custody of his uncle and starts

over with a new identity before forging an unexpected bond with a kind boy he was taught to hate.



## Dress Codes for Small

#### Towns

by Courtney C Stevens YA F STE

The tomboy daughter of a preacher rebels against conventional beliefs about the proper role she should

conform to and ends up getting into trouble with her posse of friends before a love triangle complicates her relationships and makes her aware of her gender identity.

## Dry

by Neal Shusterman

#### YA F SHU

A lengthy California drought escalates to catastrophic proportions, turning Alyssa's quiet suburban street into a warzone, and she is forced to make

impossible choices if she and her brother are to survive.



## Every Falling Star: The True Story of How I Survived and Escaped North Korea

by Sungju Lee B LEE

The memoir of a twelve-year-old boy who grew up in North Korea looks at how he was forced to live on the streets, fend for himself, and live with a gang after his parents disappeared.

## A Heart in a Body in the World

by Deb Caletti YA F CAL

Followed by Grandpa Ed in his RV and backed by her brother and friends,

Annabelle, eighteen, runs from Seattle

to Washington, D.C., becoming a reluctant activist as people connect her journey to her recent trauma.

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## Heroine

by Mindy McGinnis YA F MCG Determined to see her

Determined to see her softball team through a historic tournament run despite severe injuries, a socially awkward teen is prescribed opioid

painkillers that initially help, before high pressure leads to an out-of-control addiction.

### Hey, Kiddo

by Jarrett Krosoczka GN YA F KRO



A powerful graphic memoir by the award-winning author of Lunch Lady and the Cyborg Substitute traces the author's unconventional coming of age

with a drug-addict mother, an absent father and two lovingly opinionated grandparents



## Internment

by Samira Ahmed YA F AHM

Forced into an interment camp for Muslim-American citizens in a nearfuture United States, 17-year-old Layla Amin helps forge an alliance of new

friends and outside sympathizers before becoming the leader of a revolution against the camp's corrupt guards.

## Obsessed: A Memoir of My Life with OCD

by Allison Britz B BRI

A brave teen recounts her debilitating struggle with obsessivecompulsive disorder, sharing insights into her painful but ultimately inspirational journey toward recovery.



