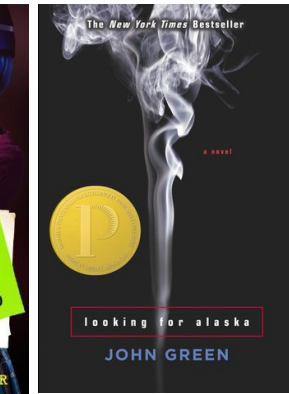
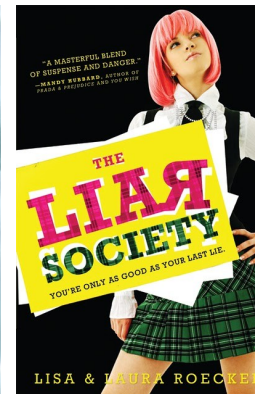
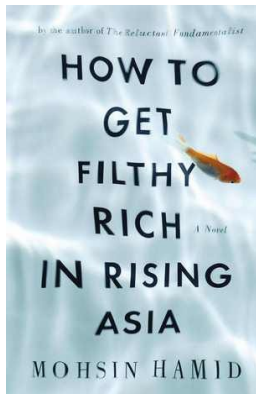
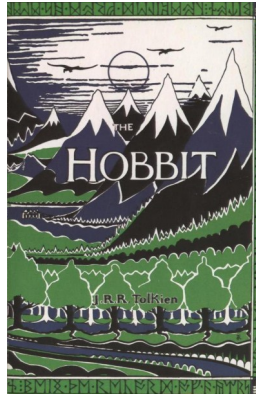
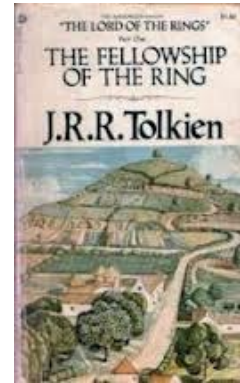
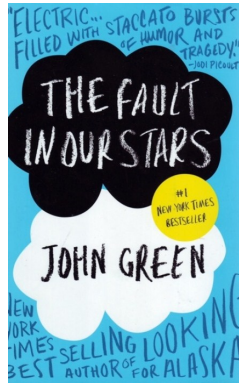
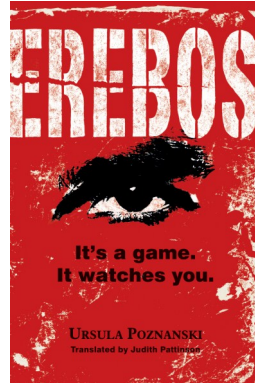
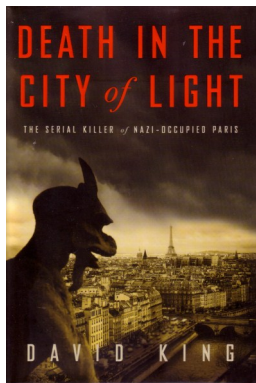
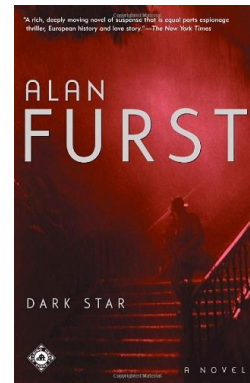
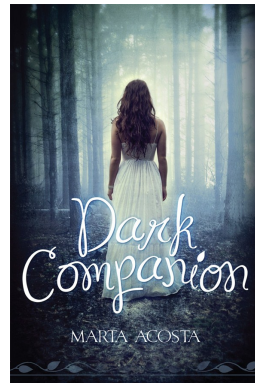
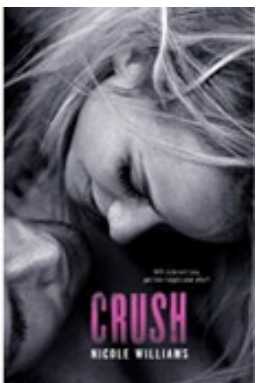
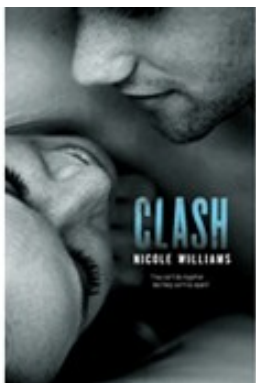
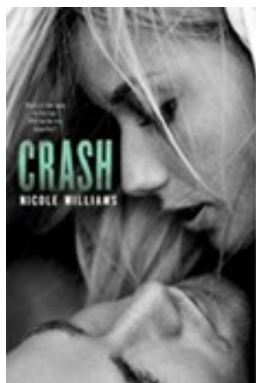
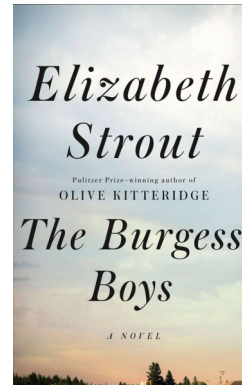
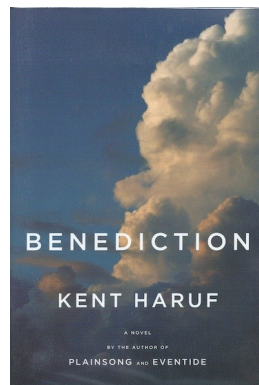
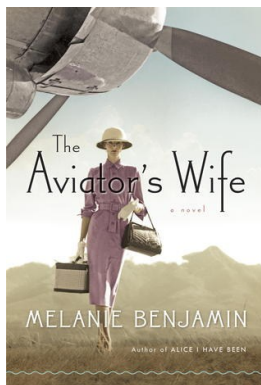
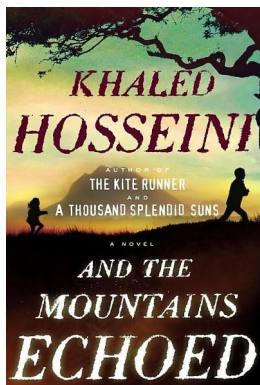
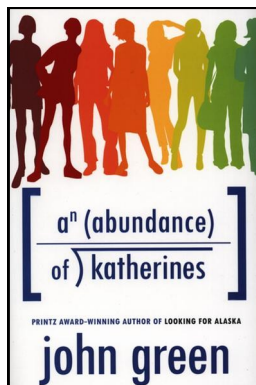
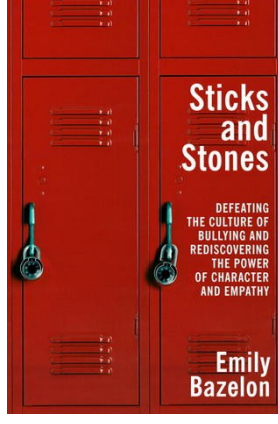
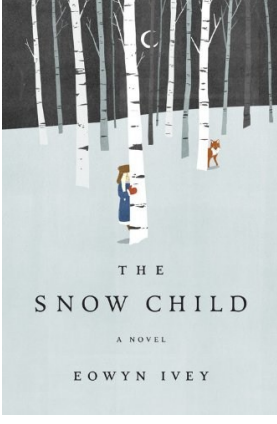
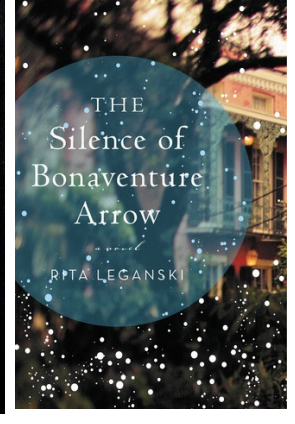
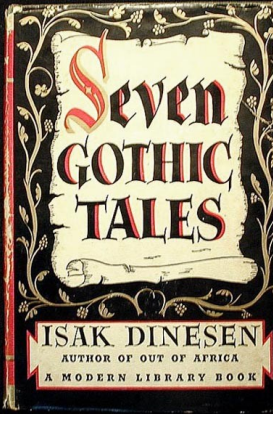
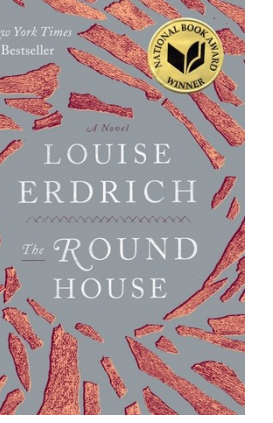
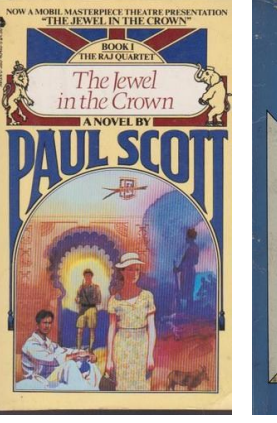
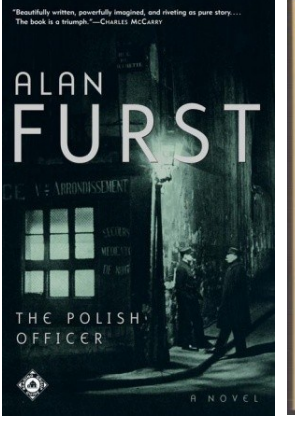
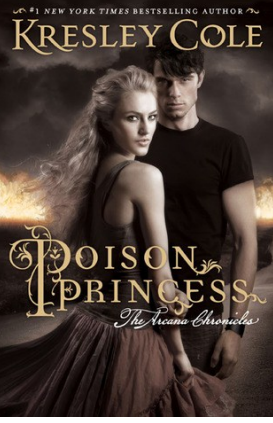
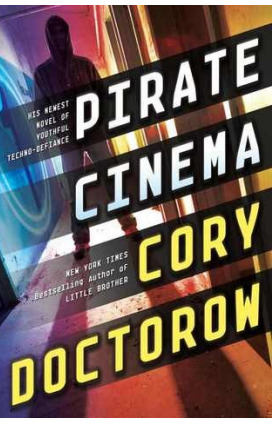
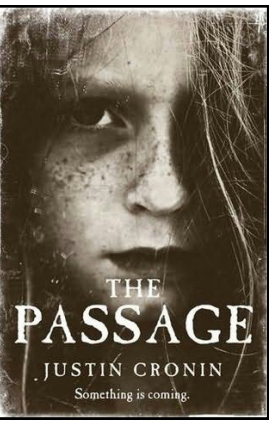
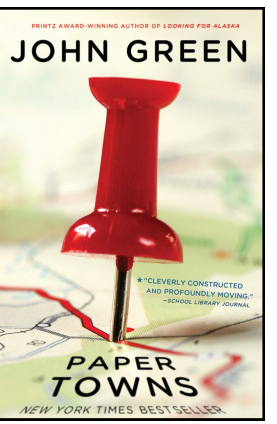
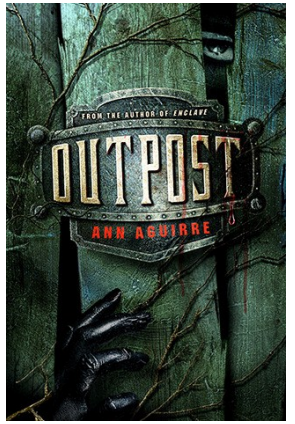
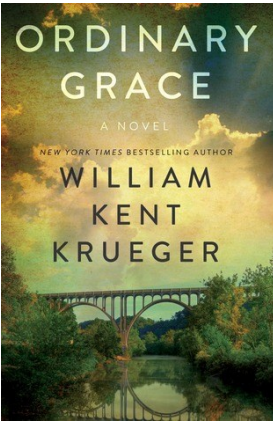
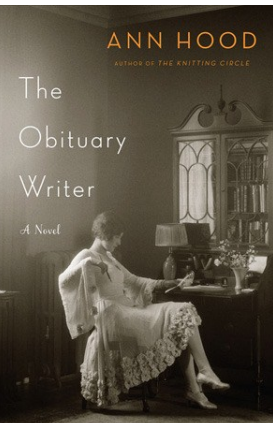
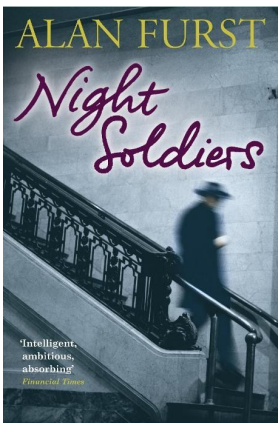
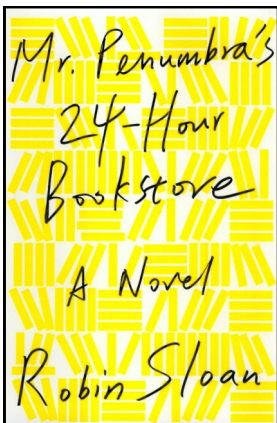
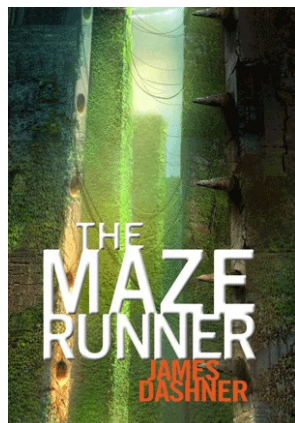
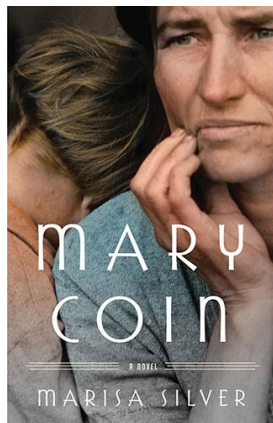


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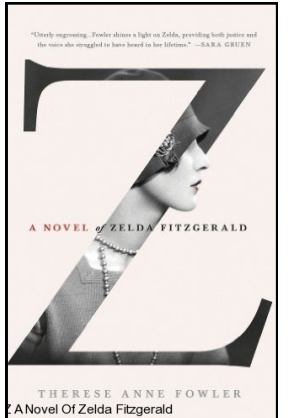
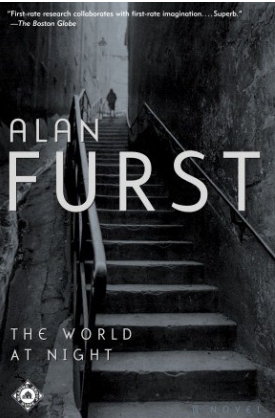
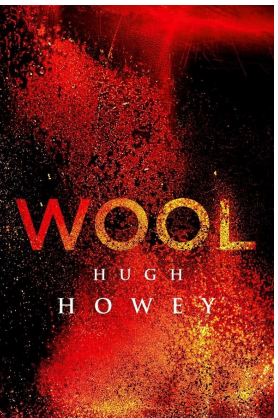
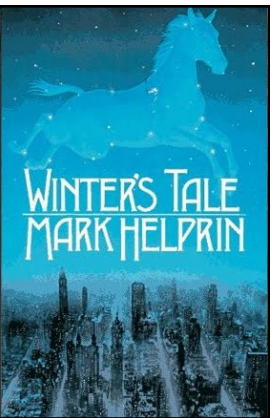
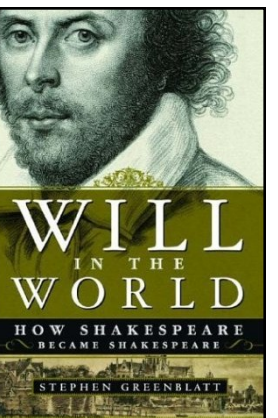
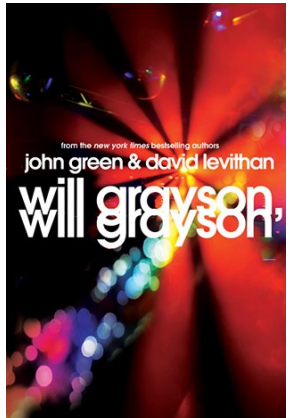
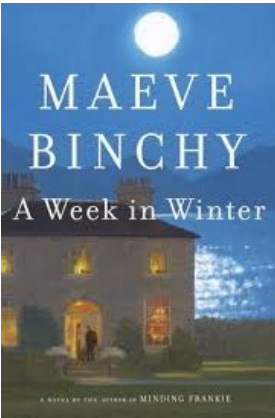
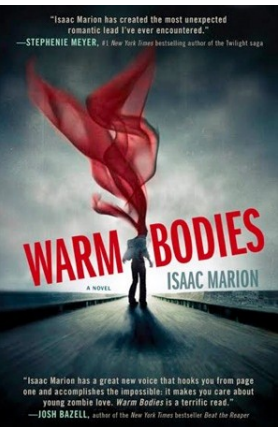
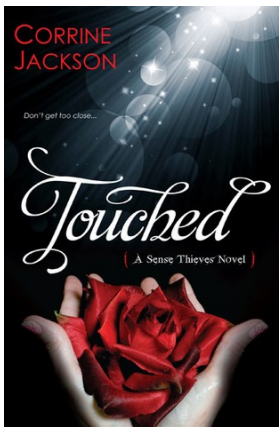
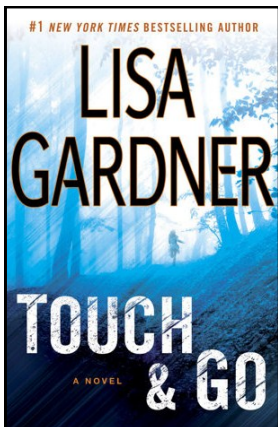
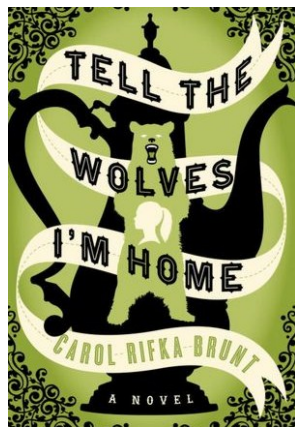
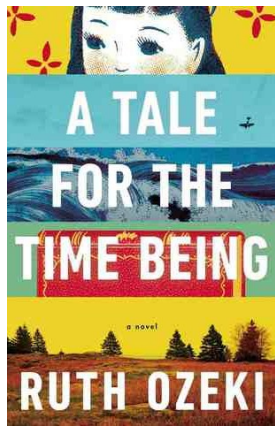
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## **Look what's on the "Popular Picks" Nook!**

### **AN ABUNDANCE OF KATHERINES** by John Green

Having been recently dumped for the nineteenth time by a girl named Katherine, recent high school graduate and former child prodigy Colin sets off on a road trip with his best friend to try to find some new direction in life while also trying to create a mathematical formula to explain his relationships.

### **AND THE MOUNTAINS ECHOED** by Khaled Hosseini

In 1952 Afghanistan, Abdullah and his sister Pari live with their father and step-mother in the small village of Shadbagh. Their father, Saboor, is constantly in search of work and they struggle together through poverty and brutal winters.

### **THE AVIATOR'S WIFE** by Melanie Benjamin

A fictional account of the relationship between famed pilot Charles Lindberg and his wife Anne.

### **BENEDICTION** by Kent Haruf

A terminally ill cancer patient is attended throughout his final days by his wife and daughter while the trio contemplates their relationships with an estranged son, and a situation that stirs up painful memories for a new next-door neighbor who has recently lost her mother.

### **THE BURGESS BOYS** by Elizabeth Strout

Catalyzed by a nephew's thoughtless prank, a pair of brothers confront painful psychological issues surrounding the freak accident that killed their father when they were boys, a loss linked to a heart-breaking deception that shaped their personal and professional lives.

### **CRASH (#1), CLASH (#2) & CRUSH (#3)** (Crash series) by Nicole Williams

Jude Ryder and Lucy Larson are this generation's Romeo and Juliet: Explosive. Sizzling. Tragic.

### **DARK COMPANION** by Marta Acosta

Brought back to life and orphaned at the age of six, Jane Williams grows up in a series of foster homes and wins a scholarship to the exclusive Birch Grove Academy, where dark secrets abound.

### **DARK STAR** by Alan Furst

Pravda journalist Andre Szara is forced to become an agent for the Soviet secret intelligence service in the years immediately before World War II.

### **DEATH IN THE CITY OF LIGHT** by David King

Recounts the true story of a serial killer who terrorized Nazi-occupied Paris, leaving severed heads and dismembered body parts throughout the city, and chronicles Commissaire Georges-Victor Mas-su's investigation into the crimes.

### ENCLAVE by Ann Aguirre

The Huntress Duece is drawn to her new partner, Fade, a mysterious boy who is not afraid to break the rules of the elders, and as she learns of the elders' deceptions, she and Fade push the enclave to test their faith and protect themselves from unexpected dangers (Book #1 in the Razorland series... Outpost is Book #2).

### EREBOS by Ursula Poznanski

Nick is given an addictive computer game called "Erebos" that asks its players to carry out actions in the real world in order to keep playing online, actions which become more and more terrifyingly manipulative.

### THE FAULT IN OUR STARS by John Green

Sixteen year old Hazel, who has cancer, meets Augustus at a kids-with-cancer support group and as they fall in love they both wonder how they will be remembered.

### THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING by J. R. R. Tolkien

Frodo the hobbit and a band of warriors from the different kingdoms set out to destroy the Ring of Power before the evil Sauron grasps control.

### THE HOBBIT by J. R. R. Tolkien

The adventure of Bilbo Baggins, a hobbit, in a land inhabited by dwarfs, elves, goblins, dragons, and humans. He sets off to recover a stolen treasure from a dragon hidden in the Lonely Mountain.

### HOW TO GET FILTHY RICH IN RISING ASIA by Mohsin Hamid

Follows the life of an impoverished rural boy as he grows up to become a corporate tycoon.

### THE LIAR SOCIETY (The Liar Society book #1) by Lisa Roecker

Kate Lowry, having received an e-mail from her best friend who died a year earlier that made her believe the cause of death was not an accident, teams up with two classmates from her private school to uncover the truth and realizes some people have secrets that are so big they would kill to keep them hidden (The Lies that Bind is book #2).

### THE LIES THAT BIND by Lisa Roecker

Kate Lowry's classmate at Pemberly Brown Academy has gone missing for reasons related to the secret societies that dominate the elite private school, and Kate is determined to find answers (The Liar Society book #2)

### LOOKING FOR ALASKA by John Green

Sixteen-year-old Miles' first year at Culver Creek Preparatory School in Alabama includes good friends and great pranks, but is defined by the search for answers about life and death after a fatal car crash.

### MARY COIN by Marisa Silver

The critically acclaimed author Marisa Silver takes Dorothea Lange's "Migrant Mother" photograph as inspiration for a breathtaking reinvention—a story of two women, one famous and one forgotten, and of the remarkable legacy of their chance encounter.

### THE MAZE RUNNER by James Dashner

Sixteen-year-old Thomas wakes up with no memory in the middle of a maze and realizes he must work with the community in which he finds himself if he is to escape.

### MR. PENUMBRA'S 24-HOUR BOOKSTORE by Robin Sloan

Clay Jannon, the new night clerk at Mr. Penumbra's 24-hour Bookstore, notices the strange behavior of the customers and is determined to find out what is really going on.

### NIGHT SOLDIERS by Alan Furst

Young Bulgarian fisherman Khristo Stoianev, having watched his brother be kicked to death by Fascist troops in 1934, is recruited as a spy by the Soviets and becomes part of a brotherhood that sustains him through danger in Spain, Paris, Prague, and throughout Europe in the years before World War II.

### THE OBITUARY WRITER by Ann Hood

Chronicles the lives and loves of two women, Vivien, who is an obituary writer in 1906 San Francisco and searching for her lover who disappeared after the earthquake and Claire, a young wife and mother, who is contemplating whether she should stay in her loveless marriage during the 1960s.

### ORDINARY GRACE by William Kent Krueger

Thirteen-year-old Frank Drum is living with his family in New Bremen, Minnesota, in the summer 1961, when tragedy strikes hard and frequently and Frank is thrust into an adult world of secrets, lies, and betrayal.

### OUTPOST by Ann Aguirre

Deuce struggles for respect in a new topside town where she is treated like a child and avoided by Fade, a situation that compels her to volunteer for patrol duty and protect topside citizens from an unexpected upsurge in Freak activity (Book #2 in the Razorland series).

### PAPER TOWNS by John Green

One month before graduating from his Central Florida high school, Quentin "Q" Jacobsen basks in the predictable boringness of his life until the beautiful and exciting Margo Roth Spiegelman, Q's neighbor and classmate, takes him on a midnight adventure and then mysteriously disappears.

### THE PASSAGE by Justin Cronin

FBI agent Brad Wolgast vows to protect six-year-old orphan Amy Harper Bellafonte after a government military experiment she was involved in goes bad, unleashing a toxic virus that turns humans into bloodthirsty monsters.

### PIRATE CINEMA by Cory Doctorow

In a dystopian, near-future Britain, sixteen-year-old Trent, obsessed with making movies on his computer, joins a group of artists and activists who are trying to fight a new bill that will criminalize even more harmless internet creativity.

### POISON PRINCESS by Cole Kresley

In the aftermath of a cataclysmic event, sixteen-year-old Evie, from a well-to-do Louisiana family, learns that her terrible visions are actually prophecies and that there are others like herself--embodiments of Tarot cards destined to engage in an epic battle.

### THE POLISH OFFICER by Alan Furst

In the opening days of World War II, Captain Alexander de Milja, a member of the Polish resistance movement, is given the job of smuggling the national gold reserve to the exiled government.

### THE RAJ QUARTET by Paul Scott

*The Raj Quartet*, Paul Scott's epic study of British India in its final years, has no equal. Tolstoyan in scope and Proustian in detail but completely individual in effect, it records the encounter between East and West through the experiences of a dozen people caught up in the upheavals of the Second World War and the growing campaign for Indian independence from Britain.

### A ROOM OF ONE'S OWN by Virginia Woolf

Virginia Woolf's classic essay that argues the importance of women writers of fiction.

### THE ROUND HOUSE by Louise Erdrich

After Geraldine Coutts is attacked on the Ojibwe reservation in North Dakota, her husband Bazil, a tribal judge, tries to find justice for his wife, and their teenage son Joe tries to help his mother heal.

### SEVEN GOTHIC TALES by Isak Dinesen

Originally published in 1934, *Seven Gothic Tales*, the first book by "one of the finest and most singular artists of our time" (*The Atlantic*), is a modern classic. Here are seven exquisite tales combining the keen psychological insight characteristic of the modern short story with the haunting mystery of the nineteenth-century Gothic tale, in the tradition of writers such as Goethe, Hoffmann, and Poe.

### SILENCE OF BONAVENTURE ARROW by Rita Leganski

Bonaventure Arrow, who was born with exceptional hearing but doesn't speak, with the help of his Creole housekeeper is able to help his mother, Dancy, who is haunted by the death of her husband, his Grand-mere Letice, plagued by grief and a buried secret, and his father, William, whose spirit is trying to fix the past.

### THE SNOW CHILD by Eowyn Ivey

Homesteaders Jack and Mabel struggle to survive in the harsh Alaskan wilderness, but the couple's quiet life of hard work and routine suddenly changes when a small girl named Faina magically appears on their doorstep.

### **STICKS AND STONES** by Emily Bazelon

Sticks and stones: Defeating the Culture of Bullying and Rediscovering the Power of Character and Empathy examines bullying in the age of technology, discussing the experiences of three young people and how their predicaments escalated into community-wide issues.

### **SWEET EVIL** by Wendy Higgins

Sweet southern girl Anna discovers at age sixteen that she is the daughter of a guardian angel and a demon, the only one of her kind. As Anna struggles to fight the dark legacy of her father, she falls for the mysterious Kaidan Row, the ultimate bad boy. Forced to face her destiny, she must decide whether to embrace her halo or her horns.

### **A TALE FOR THE TIME BEING** by Ruth Ozeki

When Ruth finds a piece of debris washed up on a beach on a remote island in the Pacific Northwest she discovers the diary of sixteen-year-old Nao, living in Tokyo, who decides that death is the only escape from her aching loneliness and her classmates' bullying, but before she ends it all, Nao first plans to document the life of her great grandmother, a Buddhist nun who's lived more than a century.

### **TELL THE WOLVES I'M HOME** by Carol Rifka Brunt

Her world upended by the death of a beloved artist uncle who was the only person that understood her, fourteen-year-old June is mailed a teapot by her uncle's grieving friend, with whom she forges a poignant relationship.

### **TOUCH AND GO** by Lisa Gardner

Tessa Leoni arrives at the Boston brownstone of the Denbes to investigate the disappearance of Justin, Libby, and their fifteen-year-old daughter, Ashlyn, and uncovers secrets about the seemingly perfect family.

### **TOUCHED** by Corinne Jackson

Seventeen-year-old Remy O'Malley has to the power to heal people with her touch, and when she meets eighteen-year-old Asher Blackwell with his own dangerous powers and knows more about Remy's abilities than she does. She must decide to open up to Asher and find out what it means to be a Healer.

### **WARM BODIES** by Isaac Marion

R, a zombie with no identity and no pulse, experiences a teenage boy's memories while consuming the young man's brain which leads him to initiate a relationship with the victim's human girlfriend Julie--a decision that transforms not only R's existence but that of his walking dead comrades.

### **A WEEK IN WINTER** by Maeve Binchy

Chicky Starr, having transformed a decaying, Irish mansion into a bed and breakfast with the help of handyman Rigger and her niece, Orla, welcomes her first guests, who are all facing different challenges in life.



### WILL GRAYSON, WILL GRAYSON by John Green

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.

### WILL IN THE WORLD by Stephen Greenblatt

Presents a biography of sixteenth-century British playwright and poet William Shakespeare and chronicles his many works of drama during the Elizabethan period.

### WINTER'S TALE by Mark Helprin

Peter Lake, an uneducated master mechanic, decides to attempt a robbery on a mansion on the upper west side of New York City, but instead encounters and falls in love with the daughter of the house, Beverly Penn, who happens to be dying of tuberculosis.

### WOOL by Hugh Howey

In a ruined and toxic landscape, a community exists in a giant silo underground, hundreds of stories deep. There, men and women live in a society full of regulations they believe are meant to protect them. Sheriff Holston, who has unwaveringly upheld the silo's rules for years, unexpectedly breaks the greatest taboo of all: He asks to go outside.

### THE WORLD AT NIGHT by Alan Furst

Film producer Jean Casson's money and connections allow him to continue his comfortable life in Paris in spite of the German occupation, but his romantic streak leads him to risk everything when he is offered a chance to take part in an operation of the British secret service.

### Z: A NOVEL OF ZELDA FITZGERALD by Therese Fowler

A fictionalized account of Southern belle Zelda Sayre and her relationship with author F. Scott Fitzgerald.