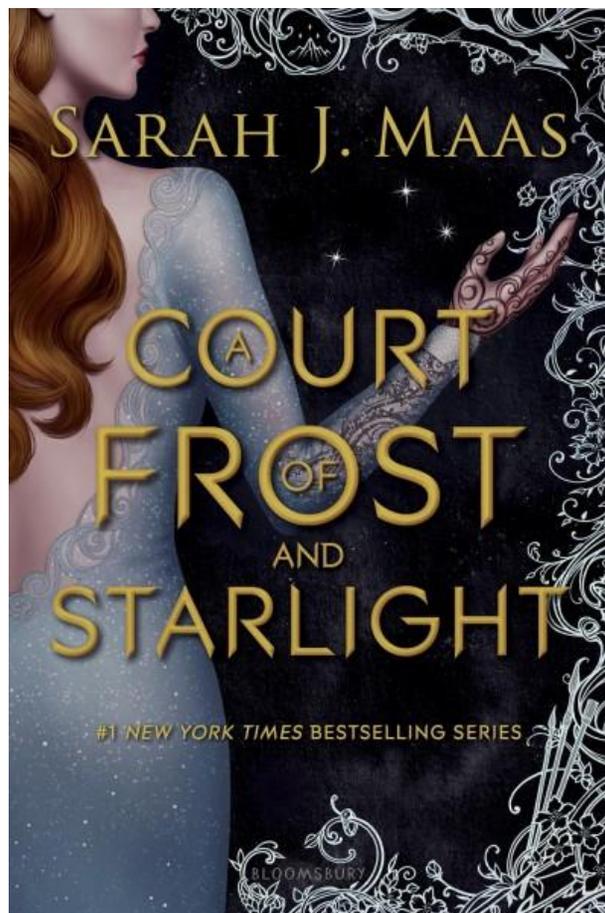


## Recommended YA Books



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### Leah on the Offbeat

By Becky Albertalli

**YA ALBERTALLI NEW**

With prom and graduation around the corner, senior Leah Burke struggles when her group of friends start fighting.



### Red Queen

By Victoria Aveyard

**YA AVEYARD**

Mare Barrow's world is divided by blood -- those with common Red blood serve the Silver-blooded elite, who are gifted with superhuman abilities. Mare is a Red, scraping by as a thief, until a twist of fate throws her in front of the Silver court where she discovers she has an ability of her own. To cover up this impossibility, the king forces her to play the role of a lost Silver princess and betroths her to one of his own sons. As Mare is drawn further into the Silver world, she risks everything and uses her new position to help the Scarlet Guard -- a growing Red rebellion -- even as her heart tugs her in an impossible direction.

### A Girl Like That

By Tanaz Bhathena

**YA BHATHENA NEW**

In Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, sixteen-year-old half-Hindu/half-Parsi Zarin Wadia is the class troublemaker and top subject for the school rumor blogs, regularly leaving class to smoke cigarettes in cars with boys, but she also desperately wants to grow up and move out of her aunt and uncle's house, perhaps realizing too late that Porus, another non-Muslim Indian who risks deportation but remains devoted to Zarin, could help her escape. When the two end up dead in a car on a highway in Jeddah, it becomes clear she was far more than a "girl like that."



### Three Dark Crowns

By Kendare Blake

**YA BLAKE**

Every generation on the island of Fennbirn, a set of triplets is born: three queens, all equal heirs to the crown and each possessor of a coveted magic. But becoming the Queen Crowned isn't solely a matter of royal birth. Each sister has to fight for it. And it's not just a game of win or lose... it's life or death. The night the sisters turn sixteen, the battle begins. The last queen standing gets the crown.

### The Selection

By Kiera Cass

**YA CASS**

America Singer is chosen to compete in the Selection--a contest to see which girl can win the heart of Illea's prince--but all she really wants is a chance for a future with her secret love, Aspen, who is a caste below her.

### I Stop Somewhere

By TE Carter

**YA CARTER NEW**

After she is raped and murdered, fifteen-year-old Ellie Frias, who felt invisible in life, finds herself caught in Hollow Oaks, New York, observing other brutal attacks, the police investigation, and more.

### Sam & Ilsa's Last Hurrah

By Rachel Cohn & David Levithan

**YA COHN NEW**

When twins Sam and Ilsa throw one last party before they graduate from high school, they add a twist, each sibling gets to invite three guests and the other won't know until they show up.

### Tyler Johnson Was Here

By Jay Coles

**YA COLES NEW**

When Marvin Johnson's twin, Tyler, goes to a party, Marvin decides to tag along to keep an eye on his brother. But what starts as harmless fun turns into a shooting, followed by a police raid.

The next day Tyler is missing, and it's up to Marvin to find him. But when Tyler is found dead, a video leaked online tells an even more chilling story:



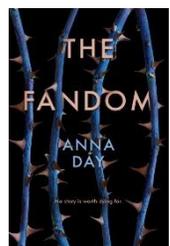
Tyler has been shot and killed by a police officer. Terrified as his mother unravels, mourning a brother who is now a hashtag, Marvin must learn what justice and freedom really mean.

### **The Fandom**

By Anna Day

#### **YA DAY NEW**

Violet's in her element. Cosplay at the ready, she can't wait to feel part of her favorite fandom: The



Gallows Dance, a mega book and movie franchise that she and her friends know EVERY WORD of (canon and fanfic included). But at Comic Con, a freak accident transports Violet and her friends into the story for real. And in just the first five minutes, they cause the death of the heroine, and get

taken prisoner by the rebel group she was supposed to lead to victory. It's up to Violet to take her place, and play out the plot the way it was written. But stories have a life of their own, and when you change the script in one place, the rest gets revised too...

### **The Accident Season**

By Moira Fowley-Doyle

#### **YA FOWLEY-DOYLE**

Every October Cara and her family become mysteriously and dangerously accident-prone, but this year, the year Cara, her ex-stepbrother, and her best friend are 17, is when Cara will begin to unravel the accident season's dark origins.

### **Another Day**

By David Levithan

#### **YA LEVITHAN**

Rhiannon is disappointed that her neglectful boyfriend Justin doesn't remember the one perfect day they shared, until a stranger tells her that the Justin she spent that day with, the one who made her feel like a real person... wasn't Justin at all.

### **A Court of Frost and Starlight**

By Sarah J. Maas

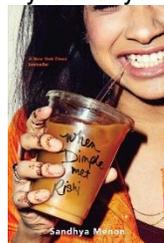
#### **YA MAAS NEW**

Feyre, Rhys, and their close-knit circle of friends are still busy rebuilding the Night Court and the

vastly-changed world beyond. But Winter Solstice is finally near, and with it, a hard-earned reprieve. Yet even the festive atmosphere can't keep the shadows of the past from looming. As Feyre navigates her first Winter Solstice as High Lady, she finds that those dearest to her have more wounds than she anticipated--scars that will have far-reaching impact on the future of their Court.

### **When Dimple Met Rishi**

By Sandhya Menon



#### **YA MENON NEW**

When Dimple Shah and Rishi Patel meet at a Stanford University summer program, Dimple is avoiding her parents' obsession with "marriage prospects" but Rishi hopes to woo her into accepting an arranged marriage with him.

### **Dumplin'**

By Julie Murphy

#### **YA MURPHY**

Self-proclaimed fat girl Willowdean Dickson (dubbed "Dumplin'" by her former beauty queen mom) has always been at home in her own skin. Her thoughts on having the ultimate bikini body? Put a bikini on your body. When Will's crush, hot former-jock Bo, seems to like her back, Will starts to doubt herself. So she sets out to take back her confidence by doing the most horrifying thing she can imagine: entering the Miss Clover City beauty pageant.

### **The Knife of Never Letting Go**

By Patrick Ness

#### **YA NESS**

Prentisstown isn't like other towns. Everyone can hear everyone else's thoughts in an overwhelming, never-ending stream of Noise. Just a month away from the birthday that will make him a man, Todd and his dog, Manchee, whose thoughts Todd can hear, too, whether he wants to or not, stumble upon an area of complete silence. They find that in a town where privacy is impossible, something terrible has been hidden.

### **Anna and the French Kiss**

By Stephanie Perkins

#### **YA PERKINS**

When Anna's romance-novelist father sends her to an elite American boarding school in Paris for her senior year of high school, she reluctantly goes, and meets an amazing boy who becomes her best friend, in spite of the fact that they both want something more.

### **Thunderhead**

By Neal Shusterman

#### **YA SHUSTERMAN NEW**

Rowan and Citra take opposite stances on the morality of the Scythedom, putting them at odds, and the Thunderhead is not pleased. A year has passed since Rowan had gone off grid, becoming an urban legend, a vigilante snuffing out corrupt scythes in a trial by fire. As Scythe Anastasia, Citra gleans with compassion and openly challenges the ideals of the 'new order.' But it is clear that not everyone is open to the change. Will the Thunderhead intervene... or simply watch the world of Scythedom unravel?



### **An Ember in the Ashes**

By Sabaa Tahir

#### **YA TAHIR**

Laia is a Scholar living under the iron-fisted rule of the Martial Empire. When her brother is arrested for treason, Laia goes undercover as a slave at the empire's greatest military academy in exchange for assistance from rebel Scholars who claim that they will help to save her brother from execution.

### **The Hate U Give**

By Angie Thomas

#### **YA THOMAS NEW**

After witnessing her friend's death at the hands of a police officer, Starr Carter's life is complicated when the police and a local drug lord try to intimidate her in an effort to learn what happened the night Kahlil died.