

Summer Reading Recommendations

NB: We are **not** telling you to buy all these books – just trying to give you a list long enough for you to find something you might like. Why not join your local library? It’s free and easy (you don’t even need to take ID with you!)

Try looking up the titles related to things you like on Amazon or Goodreads for more information, or read reviews online. Maximum Pop is a great site, or good book blogs/vlogs for YA books include:

Queen of Contemporary	YA Yeah Yeah	Serendipity Reviews	Tales of Yesterday
Almost Amazing Grace	Bookish Brits	Jess Hearts Books	The Overflowing Library
Book Angel Booktopia	Sister Spooky	Fluttering Butterflies	Daisy Chain Book Reviews

Titles listed are recently written for young adult readers and therefore may include violence and/or sexual content. *Challenge reads (CR)* are intended for an adult audience and many are less recent.

For non-fiction, see whether your favourite celebrity/sportsperson/musician has a biography out.

If you’ve enjoyed (things like)...		Try:
Film and TV	Orange Is The New Black, Grey’s Anatomy	Heart-Shaped Bruise, Tanya Byrne This Is Where It Ends, Marieke Nijkamp Seven Ways We Lie, Riley Redgate Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood, Rebecca Wells (CR)
	Pretty Little Liars	Now You See Me, Emma Haughton The Day I Met Suzie, Chris Higgins Sweet Damage, Rebecca James We Were Liars, E Lockhart Strangers On a Train, Patricia Highsmith (CR)
	Gossip Girl, Mean Girls	The Duff, Kody Keplinger Jessie Hearts NYC, Keris Stainton Hollow Pike, Juno (James) Dawson Trouble, Non Pratt The Great Gatsby, F Scott Fitzgerald (CR)
	Youngers	This Song Is (Not) For You, Laura Nowlin Boys Don’t Knit, T S Easton Pigeon English, Stephen Kelman Crongton Knights, Alex Wheatle
	Doctor Who	Every Day, David Levithan More of Me, Kathryn Evans After Eden, Helen Douglas
	Big Brother, X Factor	Beauty Queens, Libba Bray The Selection, Kiera Cass Pizza, Love and Other Stuff That Made Me Famous, Kathryn Williams
	The Fault In Our Stars, Me Before You	The Year of the Rat, Claire Furniss The Bone Dragon, Alexia Casale The Last Leaves Falling, Sarah Benwell The Sky Is Everywhere, Jandy Nelson Everything, Everything, Nicola Yoon
	James Bond, Strike Back	Boy Nobody, Allen Zadoff Code Red Lipstick: Jessica Cole: Model Spy, Sarah Sky Siege, Sarah Mussi The Thirty-Nine Steps, John Buchan (CR)

Film and TV (cont.)	Eastenders, Coronation Street	Drive By, Jim Carrington Trouble, Non Pratt Apple and Rain, Sarah Crossan Lia's Guide to Winning the Lottery, Keren David Boys Don't Cry, Malorie Blackman
	CSI, Criminal Minds, How To Make a Murderer	The Night She Disappeared, April Henry Stolen, Lucy Christopher When I Was Joe, Keren David Someone Else's Skin, Sarah Hilary (CR) Forensics, Val McDermid (non-fiction CR)
	Paper Towns, Titanic	My Life Next Door, Huntley Fitzpatrick Anna and the French Kiss, Stephanie Perkins Graffiti Moon, Cath Crowley The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight, Jennifer E Smith Pride and Prejudice, Jane Austen (CR)
	Crazy Stupid Love, How To Be Single	Della Says: OMG! Keris Stainton The Worst Girlfriend In The World, Sarra Manning Kiss, Date, Love, Hate, Luisa Plaja Girl Out of Water, Nat Luurtsema
	Marvel & DC series	Fallout: Lois Lane, Gwenda Bond Othergirl, Nicole Burstein Electrigril, Jo Cotterill My Brother Is a Superhero, David Solomons (easy read)
	Friends, How I Met Your Mother	Waiting for Gonzo, Dave Cousins Geek Girl, Holly Smale Weirdos vs Quimboids, Natasha Desborough Boys Don't Knit, T S Easton OMG! Is This Actually My Life? Rae Earl (easy read)
	Saw, Paranormal Activity	The Enemy, Charlie Higson Dancing Jax, Robin Jarvis Anna Dressed In Blood, Kendare Blake Say Her Name, Juno (James) Dawson The Woman In Black, Susan Hill (CR)
	Once Upon A Time, Maleficent	Splintered, A G Howard Cinder, Marissa Meyer Sisters Red, Jackson Pearce Ash, Malinda Lo
	The Hunger Games, Divergent	Acid, Emma Pass Crow Moon, Anna McKerrow Seed, Lisa Heathfield Rebel of the Sands, Alwyn Hamilton
	Teen Wolf, The Vampire Diaries	Banished, Liz de Jager A Witch in Winter, Ruth Warburton White Cat, Holly Black City of Bones, Cassandra Clare Storm Front, Jim Butcher (CR)
	Game of Thrones	Shadow and Bone, Leigh Bardugo Throne of Glass, Sarah J Maas Daughter of Smoke and Bone, Laini Taylor The Sin Eater's Daughter, Melinda Salisbury The Night Watch, Terry Pratchett (CR)
	The Big Bang Theory	Geek Girl, Holly Smale We Are All Made of Molecules, Susin Nielsen Geekhood: Close Encounters of the Girl Kind, Andy Robb

Hobbies and Interests	Sports	Total Football series, Alan Gibbons (easy read) Blue, Lisa Glass (surfing) Bruised, Sarah Skilton (martial arts) Leverage, Joshua C Cohen (US football & gymnastics)
	Japanese culture/ folklore	The Night Itself, Zoe Marriott The Last Leaves Falling, Sarah Benwell Real World, Natsuo Kirino
	Dance/ theatre	Dance of Shadows, Yelena Black Counting Stars, Keris Stainton Billy and Me, Giovanna Fletcher Secrets, Schemes and Sewing Machines, Katy Cannon
	Cooking/ baking	Love, Lies and Lemon Pies, Katy Cannon Sweet Pizza, G R Gemin Pizza, Love and Other Stuff That Made Me Famous, Kathryn Williams
	Art/design	I'll Give You The Sun, Jandy Nelson The Marvels, Brian Selznick The Art of Finding Dory, John Lasseter (non-fiction NB: contains spoilers – and 'art of' books exist for many films, animated and otherwise)
	History	The Disgrace of Kitty Grey, Mary Hooper Hell and High Water, Tanya Landman Black Dove, White Raven, Elizabeth Wein VIII, H M Castor The Lie Tree, Frances Hardinge
	Fashion	Geek Girl, Holly Smale The Look, Sophia Bennett Where I Belong, Gillian Cross Dads, Geeks and Blue Haired Freaks, Ellie Phillips Secrets, Schemes and Sewing Machines, Katy Cannon
	Videogames	Ready Player One, Ernest Cline Insignia, S J Kincaid iBoy, Kevin Brooks Little Brother, Cory Doctorow Feed, M T Anderson
	Travel/ other cultures	This Is Not A Love Story, Keren David (Amsterdam) Dead Ends, Erin Jade Lange (US road trip) For Holly, Tanya Byrne (Paris) The Smell of Other People's Houses, Bonnie-Sue Hitchcock ('70s Alaska) London Belongs To Us, Sarra Manning (London)
	Music	Kill The Boy Band, Goldy Moldavsky This Song Is (Not) For You, Laura Nowlin Songs About a Girl, Chris Russell Rockoholic, C J Skuse This Song Will Save Your Life, Leila Sales
	Science	The Square Root of Summer, Harriet Reuter Hapgood The Lie Tree, Frances Hardinge Mortal Chaos, Matt Dickinson Bad Science, Ben Goldacre, (non-fiction CR)
	Youtubers, online communities	Radio Silence, Alice Oseman The Last Leaves Falling, Sarah Benwell Fangirl, Rainbow Rowell The Manifesto On How To Be Interesting, Holly Bourne Girl Online, Zoe Sugg Generation Next, Oli White The Moonlight Dreamers, Siobhan Curham (Zoella's ghostwriter)

Books by	Roald Dahl	15 Days Without A Head, Dave Cousins Dead Ends, Erin Jade Lange The Bubble Wrap Boy, Phil Earle
	Jacqueline Wilson	Unbecoming, Jenny Downham Apple and Rain, Sarah Crossan Remix, Non Pratt Blood Family, Anne Fine Close Your Pretty Eyes, Sally Nicholls
	Michael Morpurgo	A Dog Called Homeless, Sarah Lean Sky Hawk, Gill Lewis The One Dollar Horse, Lauren St John Soldier Dog, Sam Angus Brock, Anthony McGowan (easy read)
	J K Rowling, Rick Riordan	The Potion Diaries, Amy Alward Riverkeep, Martin Stewart The Night Itself, Zoe Marriott Six of Crows, Leigh Bardugo The Sin Eater's Daughter, Melinda Salisbury
If you're interested in/concerned about... Try:		
Women's rights, feminism, rape culture	Asking For It, Louise O'Neill Am I Normal Yet?, Holly Bourne (OCD) The Color Purple, Alice Walker (CR)	
Addiction	Nina Is Not OK, Shappi Khorsandi (alcohol) Junk, Melvin Burgess (heroin) Far From You, Tess Sharpe (painkillers)	
Immigration and refugees	The Bone Sparrow: A Refugee Novel, Zana Fraillon Looking At The Stars, Jo Cotterill Where I Belong, Gillian Cross	
LGBTQIA rights & representation	The Art of Being Normal, Lisa Williamson (T) Read Me Like a Book, Liz Kessler (L) This Song Is (Not) For You, Laura Nowlin (A) Far From You, Tess Sharpe (B) Pantomime, Laura Lam (I) Simon vs the Homo Sapiens Agenda, Becky Albertalli (G) This Book Is So Gay, Juno (James) Dawson (non-fiction)	
Bullying	7 Days, Eve Ainsworth Asking For It, Louise O'Neill Tease, Amanda Maciel Brock, Anthony McGowan (easy read)	
Mental Health	Under Rose-Tainted Skies, Louise Gornall (OCD, agoraphobia) Nothing Tastes As Good, Claire Hennessy (eating disorders) Am I Normal Yet?, Holly Bourne (OCD) Highly Illogical Behaviour, John Corey Whaley (panic, agoraphobia) The Bell Jar, Sylvia Plath (CR) (depression)	
Race-related rights & representation	Buffalo Soldier, Tanya Landman An Act of Love, Alan Gibbons Noughts and Crosses, Malorie Blackman The Bluest Eye, Toni Morrison (CR)	