

Maddie's Picks



The Magic Fish

by Trung Le Nguyen

Real life isn't a fairytale. But Tiên still enjoys reading his favorite stories with his parents from the books he borrows from the local library. It's hard enough trying to communicate with your parents as a kid, but for Tiên, he doesn't even have the right words

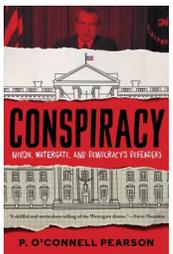
because his parents are struggling with their English. Is there a Vietnamese word for what he's going through? Is there a way to tell them he's gay?



East

by Edith Pattou

A young woman journeys to a distant castle on the back of a great white bear who is the victim of a cruel enchantment.



Conspiracy : Nixon, Watergate, and Democracy's Defenders

by P. O'Connell Pearson

An exploration of President Nixon's contentious time in office, the Watergate scandal, and the people who helped protect our Constitution.



Rebelwing

by Andrea Tang

At New Columbia Preparatory Academy in a near-future Washington, D.C., black market smuggler Prudence Wu and friends Anabel, Alex, and Cat become key players in a conflict with the United Continental Confederacy.



Punching the Air

by Ibi Aanu Zoboi

The award-winning author of American Street and the prison reform activist of the Exonerated Five trace the story of a young artist and poet whose prospects at a diverse art school are threatened by a racially biased system and a tragic altercation in a gentrifying

neighborhood.

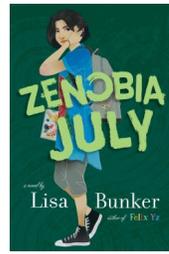


Lovely War

by Julie Berry

Meeting in a World War II-era Manhattan hotel for a forbidden tryst, immortals Ares and Aphrodite are caught by the latter's jealous husband before she defends her actions by imparting the tale of four young humans who became connected during

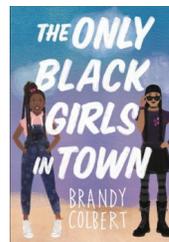
World War I.



Zenobia July

by Lisa Bunker

Zenobia July, an excellent coder and hacker, investigates a mystery while wrestling with the challenges of a new school, a new family, and presenting her true gender for the first time.



The Only Black Girls in Town

by Brandy Colbert

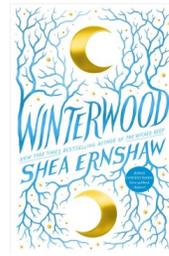
Ecstatic to hear that another African American family has moved into town, surfer Alberta attempts to make friends with homesick newcomer Edie, who helps her uncover painful local secrets in a box of old journals.



Last Day on Mars

by Kevin Emerson

Moving to Mars with his scientist parents and the other survivors of Earth when the sun inexplicably starts to go supernova, Liam, a boy from the early 23rd century, makes a profound discovery about the nature of time and space.



Winterwood

by Shea Ernshaw

Rumored to be a witch, Nora Walker attempts to uncover the truth about a boy she discovers in the woods who went missing weeks ago during a brutal winter storm, only to learn that he wasn't the only one to go missing all those weeks ago.

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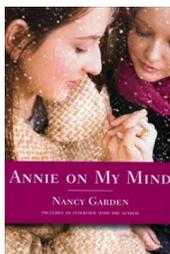
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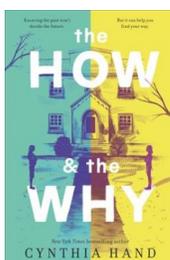
If I Stay

by Gayle Forman
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.



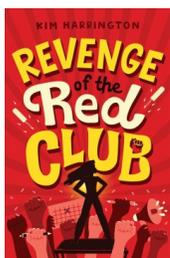
Annie on my Mind

by Nancy Garden
Liza begins to doubt her feelings for Annie after someone finds out about their relationship, and realizes, after starting college, that her denial of love for Annie was a mistake.



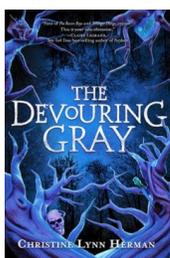
The How & the Why

by Cynthia Hand
Searching for the answers to where she came from, eighteen-year-old Cass uncovers a series of letters addressed to her from the pregnant teen who placed her for adoption.



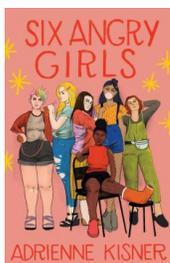
Revenge of the Red Club

by Kim Harrington
When middle school journalist Riley Dunne learns that an important and beloved club is being shut down, she uses the power of the pen to instigate much-needed social change.



The Devouring Gray

by Christine Lynn Herman
Four teenagers have the power to protect their town from a monster, but only if their families' secrets do not destroy them first.



Six Angry Girls

by Adrienne Kisner
When her promising senior year is upended by devastating setbacks, including her expulsion from the Mock Trial team that voted girls out after she spent three years leading it to success, Raina finds a new sense of purpose at a politically active craft store, where she

becomes inspired to create a rival all-girls team.



Hunter

by Mercedes Lackey
A teenage girl leaves home to join the legendary Hunters, who protect the people from the terrifying monsters that have overrun their world.



Six Crimson Cranes

by Elizabeth Lim
After unleashing forbidden magic, being banished by her stepmother and unable to speak or her brothers will die, Shiori'anma must find a way to save them with the help of a paper bird, a mercurial dragon and the very boy she fought so hard not to marry.



What I Carry

by Jennifer Longo
In her final year in foster care, seventeen-year-old Muir tries to survive her senior year before aging out of the system.



Rules for Vanishing

by Kate Alice Marshall
When Sara and her friends search the forest for Sara's missing sister Becca, a mysterious road unfurls before them, where the ghost of Lucy Gallows sends horrors and challenges in their path to find Becca.



Monster

by Walter Dean Myers
While on trial as an accomplice to a murder, sixteen-year-old Steve Harmon records his experiences in prison and in the courtroom in the form of a film script as he tries to come to terms with the course his life has taken.



A Cuban Girl's Guide to Tea and Tomorrow

by Laura Taylor Namey
Seventeen-year-old Lila Reyes, furious when her parents send her to the English countryside to recover from grief and heartbreak, unexpectedly falls in love with a teashop clerk--and England, itself.