

YA FIC LYN
RX by Tracy Lynn

Thyme Gilcrest uses a friend's Ritalin to help her get through crunch time at school and develops a full-blown addiction, becoming the ringleader for a prescription drug trade in her circle of overachieving friends.

YA FIC MCC
In Ecstasy by Kate McCaffrey

When teenagers Mia and Sophie take ecstasy at a party, Mia falls heavily into drug culture while Sophie is sexually assaulted and tries to hide it from the authorities.

YA FIC MCC
Cut by Patricia McCormick

While confined to a mental hospital, thirteen-year-old Callie slowly comes to understand some of the reasons behind her self-mutilation, and gradually starts to get better.

YA FIC MCC
Sold by Patricia McCormick

Thirteen-year-old Lakshmi leaves her poor mountain home in Nepal thinking that she is to work in the city as a maid, only to find that she has been sold into the sex slave trade in India and there is no hope of escape.

YA FIC MYE
Dope Sick by Walter Dean Myers

Seeing no way out of his difficult life in Harlem, seventeen-year-old Jeremy "Lil J" Dance flees into a house after a drug deal gone awry and meets a weird man who shows different turning points in Lil J's life when he could have made better choices.

YA FIC RAN
Scars by C.A. Ranfield

Fifteen-year-old Kendra, a budding artist, has not felt safe since she began to recall devastating memories of childhood sexual abuse, especially since she cannot remember her abuser's identity, and she copes with the pressure by cutting herself.

YA FIC REI
Harmless by Dana Reinhardt

When Anna, Emma, and Mariah concoct a story about why they are late getting home one Friday night, their lie has unimaginable consequences for the girls, their families, and the community.

YA FIC SCO
Living Dead Girl by Elizabeth Scott

After being abducted when she was ten and abused for five years by her kidnapper, Ray, Alice's only hope of freedom is death, but her only way to achieve such an escape is to help Ray find the next girl for his collection.

YA FIC WER
The Rules of Survival by Nancy Werlin

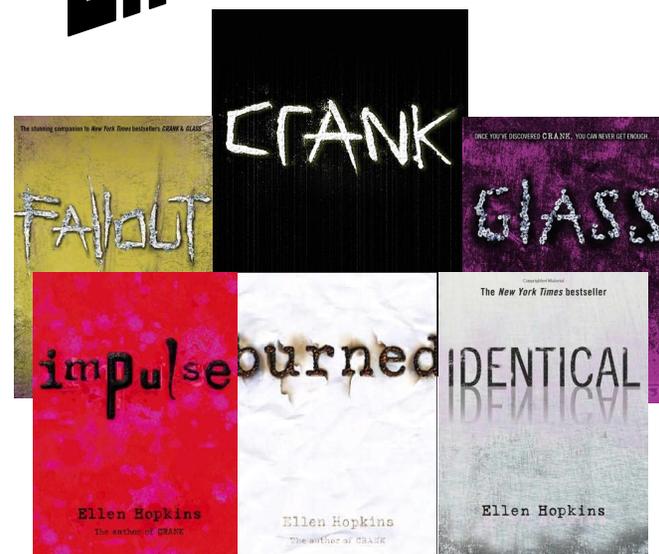
Seventeen-year-old Matthew recounts his attempts, starting at a young age, to free himself and his sisters from the grip of their emotionally and physically abusive mother.

YA FIC WIL
Glimpse by Carol Lynch Williams

Living with their mother who earns money as a prostitute, two sisters take care of each other and when the older one attempts suicide, the younger one tries to uncover the reason.

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Ellen Hopkins



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YA B RUN

The Burn Journals by Brent Ruynon

The author recounts the year he spent in a burn unit following his suicide attempt at age fourteen, describing the painful treatments, skin-grafting procedures, rehabilitation, and psychotherapy.

YA FIC AND

Wintergirls by Laurie Halse Anderson

Eighteen-year-old Lia comes to terms with her best friend's death from anorexia as she struggles with the same disorder.

YA F ASH

Thirteen Reasons Why by Jay Asher

When high school student Clay Jenkins receives a box in the mail containing thirteen tapes recorded by his classmate Hannah, who committed suicide, he spends a bewildering and heartbreaking night criss-crossing the town, listening to Hannah's voice recounting the events leading up to her death.

YA FIC BOO

Tyrell by Coe Booth

Fifteen-year-old Tyrell, who is living in a Bronx homeless shelter with his spaced-out mother and his younger brother, tries to avoid temptation so he does not end in jail like his father.

YA FIC BRO

Hate List by Jennifer Brown

Sixteen-year-old Valerie, whose boyfriend Nick committed a school shooting at the end of their junior year, struggles to cope with integrating herself back into school life, unsure whether she was a hero or villain.

YA FIC CHA

Because I Am Furniture by Thalia Chaltas

The youngest of three siblings, fourteen-year-old Anke feels both relieved and neglected that her father abuses her brother and sister, but ignores her, but when she catches him with one of her friends, she finally becomes angry enough to take action.

YA FIC CRU

Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes by Chris Crutcher

The daily class discussion about the nature of man, the existence of God, abortion, organized religion, suicide and other contemporary issues serve as a backdrop for a high school senior's attempt to answer a friend's dramatic cry for help.

YA FIC COH

You Know Where to Find Me by Rachel Cohn

In the wake of her cousin's suicide, overweight and introverted seventeen-year-old Miles experiences significant changes in her relationships with her mother and father, her best friend Jamal and his family, and her cousin's father, while gaining insights about herself, both positive and negative.

YA FIC ELL

This Is What I Did by Ann Dee Ellis

Bullied because of an incident in his past, eighth-grader Logan is unhappy at his new school and has difficulty relating to others until he meets a quirky girl and a counselor who believes in him.

YA FIC FLI

Breathing Underwater by Alexandra Flinn

Sent to counseling for hitting his girlfriend, Caitlin, and ordered to keep a journal, Nick recounts his relationship with Caitlin, examines his controlling behavior and anger, and describes living with his abusive father.

YA FIC GIL

What Happened to Cass McBride? by Gail Giles

After his younger brother commits suicide, Kyle Kirby decides to exact revenge on the person he holds responsible.

YA FIC GRE

Looking for Alaska by John Green

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

YA FIC HIG

Planet Pregnancy by Linda Oatman High

Sixteen-year-old Sahara struggles with an unplanned pregnancy, and all its conflicting emotions, in this novel told in free verse.

YA FIC LYN

Inexcusable by Chris Lynch

High school senior and football player Keir sets out to enjoy himself on graduation night, but when he attempt to comfort a friend whose date left her stranded, things go terribly wrong.