

# Back To School

## **People Like Us**

**By Dana Mele**

**YA MELE**

Kay Donovan has her share of secrets from the past, but she's managed to put that behind her and become a star soccer player. With her group of gorgeous and witty friends, things might just be looking up for Kay. Then a girl is found dead and all the clues point to Kay. But at Bates Academy, the truth is what you make it, not what might have happened.

## **Monday's Not Coming**

**By Tiffany Jackson**

**YA JACKS**

Claudia and Monday are best friends...closer even...more like sisters. When Monday doesn't show up for the first day of school, Claudia is worried. When Monday doesn't show up the first week or the second, Claudia is sure something terrible has happened. Monday's mom and sister won't give her a straight answer and no one can remember the last time they saw Monday. What happened to Claudia's best friend?

## **The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks**

**By E. Lockhart**

**YA LOCKH**

Frankie's jealous of all the time her boyfriend spends with his secret society, The Loyal Order of the Basset Hound. When one of them goes home for a few days, Frankie creates a new email for him and directs the Loyal Order to perform a series of "light hearted" pranks. When the pranks go too far, and someone else is accused, what can Frankie do but confess?

## **Speak**

**By Laurie Halse Anderson**

**YA ANDERS**

Melinda starts high school after a disastrous back to school party as the school's outcast. Unable to tell anyone what happened at the party and why she called the police, Melinda endures being shut out of the high school social scene, until she discovers the same danger lurking in the hallways of her high school...and dating her best friend.

## **All American Boys**

**By Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely**

**YA REYNO**

When Rashad visited the bodega, all he was looking for was a bag of chips. What he found was a cop. A cop who mistook Rashad for a shoplifter, mistook Rashad's pleading as defiance and mistook Rashad's attempts to protect himself as resisting arrest. Quinn witnesses Rashad's beating at the hands of the police officer who took Quinn under his wing after his father is killed in Afghanistan. Quinn can't reconcile the man who saved him with the same man who beat Rashad. Now the whole school is involved and taking sides.

## **Tales of the Madmen Underground**

**By John Barnes**

**YA BARNE**

For years Karl has been forced to attend group therapy (the Madmen Underground) during school, but he desperately wants to be normal. How hard can it be? Pretty tough when you're trying to balance two jobs, a dead dad and an alcoholic mom on top of school.

## **Hate List**

**By Jennifer Brown**

**YA BROWN**

Val's boyfriend, Nick, opened fire in their school cafeteria last year, using a list he and Val created of people they hated. Even though Val was injured trying to save another student, she still feels guilty and is sure that others at school know her part in making the list. Val works on coming to terms with the tragedy that she played a part in, but will everyone else be able to accept her?

## **The Rest of Us Just Live Here**

**By Patrick Ness**

**YA NESS**

We've all read books about those teens—the ones who seem to always be having adventures with fairies, zombies and aliens. But what if you aren't one of those teens? Mikey and his friends are far more interested in getting through the end of high school than they are in having an adventure. What Mikey doesn't realize is that having an adventure can be more than running off with a fairy or being abducted by aliens.

## **Assassination Classroom (Volumes 1-21)**

**By Yusei Matsui**

**741.5952 MATSU YA**

After destroying the moon, a weird yellow unkillable creature with tentacles demands to teach. Specifically Class 3-E of Kunugigaoka Junior High School. Class 3-E is filled with the lowest students, students who can't or won't succeed with their peers. There Koro-Sensei (a pun on the Japanese word for "unkillable" and "teacher") shows his students that they can succeed, whether it's in life or in their mission to kill him.

## **Undecided: Navigating Life and**

## **Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass**

**By Meg Medina**

**YA MEDIN**

Piddy Sanchez just found out that Yaqui Delgado wants to beat her up. Piddy doesn't even know who Yaqui is, only that she thinks that Piddy is "stuck up" and "not Latin enough." At first Piddy isn't too worried...she has more important things to think about: Balancing her weekend job with her honors classes and the father whom she's never met. But when Yaqui and her gang start to escalate their harassment, Piddy's life becomes focused on avoiding them. Will she manage to make it through the year without letting this take over her life?

## **Winger**

**By Andrew Smith**

**YA SMITH**

As a 14 year old junior in a boarding school for wealthy kids, Ryan West has a lot of challenges. Living in the dorm for losers and sharing a room with the biggest bully on the rugby team pales beside his love for his best friend Annie, who still thinks of him as a little boy. Somehow Ryan manages to survive it all, with his sense of humor, talent for doodling comics, and his rugby buddies to help him out.

## **Red as Blood**

**By Salla Simukka**

**YA SIMUK**

Lumikki Andersson does her best to stay out of things that do not involve her. So when she discovers thousands of washed Euro notes and three of her classmates with bloodstained hands in her school's darkroom puts her resolve to the test. Lies and deception lead Lumikki down a dark path that ends with Polar Bear, an anonymous drug lord who wants his money back.

## **Guy In Real Life**

**By Steve Brezenoff**

**YA BREZE**

Lesh is on his way home from a party when he collides (literally) with Svetlana. He's into heavy metal and MMOs; Svetlana is into Bjork and is the dungeon master for her own D and D game. Could these two ever get along? Then Lesh secretly creates a character in his game that resembles Svetlana and begins playing as her. Now he has to struggle with his feelings about his character and navigate his feelings for Svetlana.

## **Where's My Stuff?: The Ultimate Teen Organizing Guide**

**By Samantha Moss**

**640 Moss YA**

Losing or misplacing your stuff is the worst! This book will help you figure out ways to control the clutter and manage your over scheduled life, helping you to be your best every day, not just on the days when you've got everything together.

## **Gotham Academy Gotham**

**Academy: Semester 2**

**By Becky Cloonan**

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**By Brenden Fletcher**

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Gotham Academy is the most prestigious school in all of Gotham. Financed by Bruce Wayne, the students of Gotham are among the brightest students. Olive returns after a mysterious incident during summer break with that leaves her with amnesia, a bad attitude and a fear of bats. Tasked with guiding new student, Maps, her ex-boyfriend's little sister, through Gotham Academy, while avoiding the ghost haunting the halls, the secret society being...well secret and then there's Bruce Wayne, who may or may not hold the key to Olive's amnesia.

## **Undecided: Navigating Life and Learning after High School**

**By Genevieve Morgan**

**331.70233 MORGA YA**

Figuring out what to do after high school is stressful. Where to start? This book will guide you to start thinking about what you'd like to do after high school is over. This book covers everything from SAT and ACT prep to trade school pros and cons and what the military has to offer. This hands on book also provides brainstorming activities and journaling prompts to help you take the next step.

## **The Woods (Volumes 1-5)**

**By James Tynion IV**

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Imagine everyone at your school disappearing, including teachers and other staff members. What would happen if your entire school ended up somewhere else—like on a distant planet, with no hope of returning and no idea how you got there? That's what happened to the students and staff at Milwaukee's Bay Point Preparatory High School. Stranded on a distant forest covered planet, far from home, how will the students and staff manage to withstand the dangers in this primeval forest while navigating the social complexities that every high school has?

## **Kat and Meg Conquer the World**

**By Anna Priemaza**

**YA PRIEM**

All Kat wants to do is be left alone to play her video game. Her anxiety makes dealing with people overwhelming. Meg, on the other hand, struggles with her ADHD, which pushes everyone away from her. When these two girls are assigned a year long project, they come to realize that they have far more in common than they thought, like their obsession with LumberLegs, a hilarious online gaming star.