



### Arcos, Carrie. *Out of Reach*

Accompanied by her brother's friend, Rachel ventures through San Diego and nearby areas seeking her brother, eighteen-year-old Micah, a methamphetamine addict who ran away from home.

### Asher, Jay. *Thirteen Reasons Why*

When Clay Jenkins receives thirteen cassette tapes in the mail that were recorded by his classmate Hannah, who committed suicide, he spends a heartbreakng night listening to Hannah's voice recounting the events leading up to her death.

### Bauer, A. C. E. *Gil Marsh*

High school track star Gil comes to terms with the loss of his close friend and teammate, Enko, while on a journey to find Enko's grave.

### Brown, Jennifer. *Hate List*

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

### Castrovilla, Selena. *The Girl Next Door*

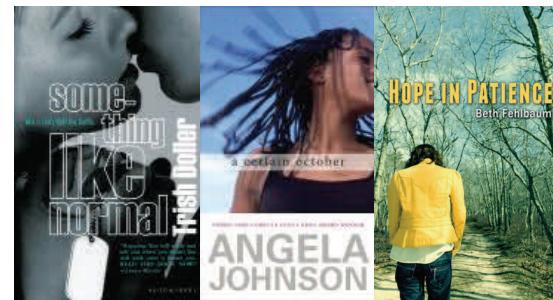
As Sam desperately tries to help her best friend Jesse through aggressive treatments for a fatal form of cancer, they find themselves falling in love.

### Clayton, Colleen. *What Happens Next*

The stress of hiding a horrific incident that she can neither remember nor completely forget leads sixteen-year-old Cassidy to become alienated from her friends, obsess about weight loss, and draw close to Corey "The Living Stoner" Livingston.

### Crutcher, Chris. *Deadline*

Given one year to live, high school senior Ben decides to fulfill his greatest fantasies and ponders his life's purpose and legacy.



### Doller, Trish. *Something Like Normal*

When Travis returns home from Afghanistan, he's faced with a minefield of family problems and post-traumatic stress. It's not until Travis finds Harper that life actually starts looking up and he begins to see the possibility of a life that might resemble normal again.

### Downham, Jenny. *Before I Die*

Tessa has just months to live. Fighting back against hospital visits, endless tests, drugs with excruciating side-effects, Tessa compiles a list. It's her To Do Before I Die list.

### Fehlbaum, Beth. *Hope in Patience*

After years of sexual abuse by her stepfather, Ashley starts a better life with her father and stepmother in Patience, Texas, but she still suffers from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

### Giles, Gail. *Right Behind You*

After spending four years in a mental institution for murdering a friend, Kip begins a completely new life with his father and stepmother under a different name.

### Green, John. *Looking for Alaska*

Miles' first year at prep school includes good friends and great pranks, but is defined by the search for answers about life and death after a fatal car crash.

### Hopkins, Ellen. *Smoke*

After the death of her abusive father and loss of her beloved Ethan and their unborn child, Pattyn runs away, desperately seeking peace.

### Johnson, Angela. *A Certain October*

When a terrible accident occurs, Scotty feels responsible for the loss of someone she hardly knew, and the world goes wrong. She cannot tell what is a dream and what is real.



### King, A. S. *Please Ignore Vera Dietz*

When her best friend, whom she secretly loves, betrays her and then dies under mysterious circumstances, high school senior Vera Dietz struggles with secrets that could help clear his name.

### Kokie, E.M. *Personal Effects*

When Matt's beloved older brother dies, he discovers that he may not have known him as well as he thought he did.

### Knowles, Johanna. *See You at Harry's*

Fern feels invisible in her family, and when tragedy strikes, the fragile bond holding the family together is stretched almost to the breaking point.

### Lester, Julius. *Guardian*

In a rural southern town in 1946, a white man and his son witness the lynching of an innocent black man. Includes historical note on lynching.

### Marchetta, Melina. *The Piper's Son*

After his favorite uncle's violent death, Tom watches his family implode, quits school, and turns his back on music and everyone who matters.

### McDaniel, Lurlene. *Breathless*

A high school diving champion develops bone cancer and his whole life changes.

### Mitchard, Jacqueline. *All We Know of Heaven*

Maureen and Bridget, best friends who look like sisters, are in a car accident; one of them dies and the hospital mistakenly switches their identities.

### Moskowitz, Hannah. *Break*

To relieve the pressures of caring for a brother with life-threatening food allergies, Jonah sets out to break every bone in his body in hopes of becoming stronger.



### Murdoch, Emily. *If You Find Me*

Carey and her baby sister Jenessa have been living in the woods with their mother for as long as they can remember. Until their mother disappears for good, and two strangers arrive. Suddenly, the girls are taken from the woods and Carey must face the truth of why her mother abducted her ten years ago . . . and a secret that haunts her.

### Nolan, Han. *Crazy*

Jason struggles to hide his father's declining mental condition after his mother's death, but when his father disappears he must confide in the other members of his therapy group.

### Paulsen, Gary. *Tracker*

John must track a deer in the Minnesota woods for his family's winter meat, and in doing so finds himself hating his role as hunter.

### Picoult, Jodi. *My Sister's Keeper: A Novel*

Conceived to provide a bone marrow match for her leukemia-stricken sister, teenage Anna begins to question her moral obligations in light of countless medical procedures.

### Quick, Matthew. *Forgive Me, Leonard Peacock*

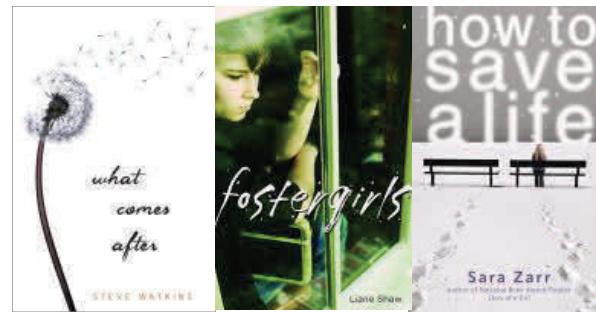
A day in the life of a suicidal teen boy saying goodbye to the four people who matter most to him.

### Rupp, Rebecca. *After Eli*

After the death of his older brother, Daniel becomes engrossed in recording details about dead people, how they died, and if their deaths mattered.

### Sanchez, Alex. *Bait*

Diego keeps getting into trouble because of his explosive temper - until he finally finds a probation officer who helps him deal with his anger so that he can stop running from his past.



### Schutz, Samantha. *You Are Not Here*

Annaleah and Brian had a secret relationship . . . and then, out of nowhere, Brian dies. And while everyone can grieve publicly, Annaleah finds herself unacknowledged and lonely.

### Shaw, Liane. *Fostergirls*

Sadie has been in thirteen group homes, and wants to get out of the system. But it isn't easy to be invisible in a small town.

### Watkins, Steve. *What Comes After*

A gripping portrait of a teen's struggles through grief and abuse - and the miraculous power of animals to heal us.

### Woodson, Jacqueline. *Behind You*

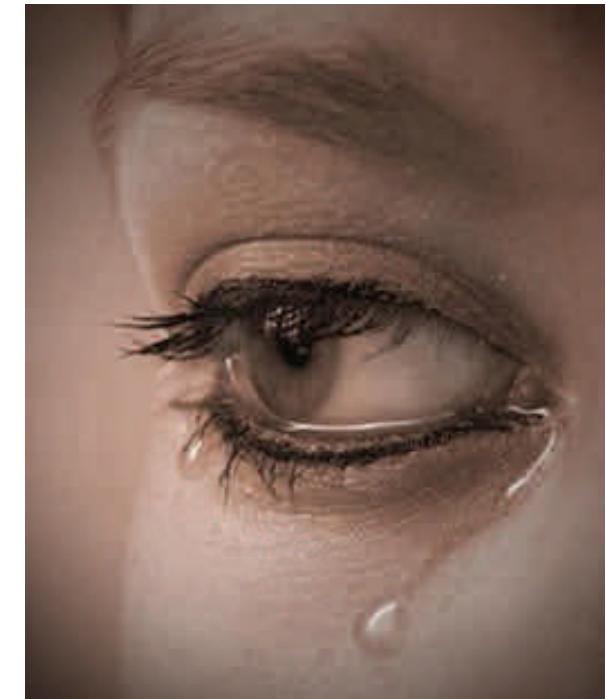
After fifteen-year-old Jeremiah is mistakenly shot by police, the people who love him struggle to cope with their loss as they recall his life and death, unaware that 'Miah is watching over them.

### Zarr, Sarah. *How to Save a Life*

Teenagers Jill, in grief over the loss of her father, and Mandy are thrown together when Jill's mother agrees to adopt Mandy's unborn child but nothing turns out as they had anticipated.

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Teen Booklist



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