



BOOKS FOR GAMERS

The following books are located in the YA (Teen) section, alphabetical by author's last name unless noted*.

If you like Action Adventure Games like *Myst*, *Okami* & *New Super Mario* brothers, try...

Butcher, A. J. ***Spy High: Mission One***

As students at a special high school that trains them to be secret agents, six teenagers struggle to complete the training exercises as a team before being sent out into the field to sink or swim. ***(YA Series: SPY HIGH)**

Horowitz, Anthony. ***Stormbreaker: the Graphic Novel***
This very first Alex Rider adventure, featuring manga-like illustrations, follows a fourteen-year-old boy, who, after the death of the uncle who had been his guardian, is coerced into continuing his uncle's dangerous work for Britain's intelligence agency, MI6. **Also try the novel version of Stormbreaker.* ***(Juv Graphic: ALEX RIDER)**

Meyer, L.A. ***In the Belly of the Bloodhound: Being an Account of a Particularly Peculiar Adventure in the Life of Jacky Farber***

Jacky Faber and her classmates at the Lawson Peabody School for Young Girls in Boston are kidnapped while on a school outing and transported in the hold of a slave ship bound for the slave markets of North Africa. *(A Bloody Jack Adventure)*

If you like Educational Games like *Brain Age*, *Quest Atlantis*, *PeaceMaker* or *Darfur is Dying* try...

Green, John. ***An Abundance of Katherines***

Having been recently dumped for the nineteenth time by a girl named Katherine, recent high school graduate and former child prodigy Colin sets off on a road trip with his best friend to try to find some new direction in life while also trying to create a mathematical formula to explain his relationships.

McDonald, Janet. ***Spellbound***

Raven, a teenage mother and high school dropout living in a housing project, decides, with the help and sometime interference of her best friend Aisha, to study for a spelling bee which could lead to a college preparatory program and four-year scholarship.

If you like Fighting Games like *Mortal Kombat*, *Tekken* or *Dead or Alive 4* try...

Atangan, Patrick. ***The Yellow Jar: Two Tales From Japanese Tradition***

The Yellow Jar follows greedy but devoted Nikotuchi in his quest to rescue his estranged wife from the demon warrior Hosono Kami. The second tale, "Two Chrysanthemum Maidens," follows the plights of two blossom sisters who at first are mistaken for weeds. However, after they flower, overwrought onlookers separate them, and each in turn pines for the other's company. *(from School Library Journal)*

***(Adult Graphic: ATANGAN)**

Sakai, Stan. ***Usagi Yojimbo: Glimpses of Death, v. 20***

The vengeful samurai rabbit has new rivals he must combat through swordfights and clever clue-gathering. Teen gamers will appreciate the nonstop action as they try to solve the mystery in this graphic novel.

(from Booklist) ***(YA Graphic: USAGI)**

Sheridan, Sam. ***A Fighter's Heart: One Man's Journey through the World of Fighting***

After graduating from high school, Sam Sheridan joined the merchant marines, eventually graduated from Harvard, and headed to Australia on a yacht. Beginning in 1999, he began training as a fighter. A multiyear journey led him to train with Olympic boxers, Brazilian jujitsu champions, and Ultimate Fighting combatants. Older teens that like combat games may enjoy this.

***(Adult Non-fiction: 796.8092 SHERIDAN)**

Waid, Mark. ***Legion of Super-Heroes: Teenage Revolution***

The Legion of Super-Heroes is mistrusted by the government and by its members' parents, making it a challenge to even exist to perform their stated purpose, which is fighting enemy space armies. *(from BWI)*

***(YA Graphic: LEGION)**



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If you like First-Person Shooter Games like Halo 3, Call of Duty, Dimenxian, and Battlefield II try...

Bowden, Mark. ***Black Hawk Down: A Story of Modern War***

The intense combat scenes in this un-sensationalized account of war are complex & gripping. U.S. soldiers are dropped by helicopter into a market in Mogadishu, Somalia, to abduct two top lieutenants of a Somali warlord. ***(Adult Non-fiction: 967.7305 BOWDEN)**

Card, Orson Scott. ***Ender's Shadow***

The human race is at War with the "Buggers," an insect-like alien race. The first battles went badly, and now as Earth prepares to defend itself against the imminent threat of total destruction, all focus is on the training and development of military geniuses who can fight such a war and win. (from *Booklist*) ***(Adult or YA Fiction)**

Pascal, Francine. ***Fearless FBI: Kill Game***

Gaia Moore - trained in ten different martial arts - is quick, sharp and trained to hunt serial killers. She finds herself pushed to an intense limit, both physically and mentally, as she prepares herself for her latest challenge. ***(YA Series: FEARLESS FBI)**

If you like Music Simulation Games like Guitar Hero II and Dance Dance Revolution try...

Armstrong, Jennifer. ***What a Song Can Do: 12 Riffs on the Power of Music***

Twelve stories describe the power of music in young people's lives, from forming a community of individuals in a high school band to helping a young man connect to his Indian heritage through ancient songs. ***(YA Non-fiction: 813.608 WHAT)**

Chang, Jeff. ***Can't Stop Won't Stop: A History of the Hip-Hop Generation***

This book reveals the events, ideas, music, and art that marked the hip-hop generation's rise from the ashes of the 60's into the new millennium. ***(YA Non-fiction: 306.48424 CHANG)**

Cohn, Rachel and David Levithan. ***Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist***

High school student Nick O'Leary, member of a rock band, meets college-bound Norah Silverberg at a Manhattan punk-rock club and asks her to be his girlfriend for 5 minutes in order to avoid his ex-girlfriend.

Greenwald, Andy. ***Nothing Feels Good: Punk Rock, Teenagers, and Emo***

Senior-contributing writer to SPIN magazine, Andy Greenwald, gives readers a behind the scenes look at the musical subgenre and the movement behind punk and emo. ***(YA Non-fiction: 781.6609 GREENWAL)**

Page, Jan. ***Rewind***

An accident at a battle of the bands competition turns Liam into a ghost and takes him back in time to when his abusive father and dominated mother were teenagers.

If you like Online Games like RuneScape, World of Warcraft, and Final Fantasy try...

Gallagher, Fred. ***Megatokyo, v. 4***

Collects chapters 5 & 6 of the popular online comic "Megatokyo", including one-shot strips & character artwork, in addition to bonus material. This American manga series is built upon themes of gaming & anime. ***(YA Graphic: MEGA-TOKYO)**

Haarsma, P.J. ***Virus on Orbis 1***

When twelve-year-old Johnny and his sister arrive on Orbits in a space ship of orphans, he finds he has a unique ability to communicate with computers. ***(Juv Fiction: HAARSMA)**

Myracle, Lauren. ***tfn***

Now high school juniors, Zoe, Maddie, and Angela continue to IM with one another as they experience family problems, romance, changes in friendship and a move far away.

If you like Puzzle Games like Tetris, Sudoku, and Bejeweled try...

Balliett, Blue. ***The Wright 3***

Sixth-graders Calder, Petra, and Tommy lead their classmates in an attempt to keep Frank Lloyd Wright's famous Robie House from being demolished. ***(Juv Fiction: BALLIETT)**

Coleman, Janet Wyman. ***Secrets, Lies, Gizmos, and Spies: A History of Spies and Espionage***

A look into the secret history of spies and espionage throughout the years. ***(Juv Non-fiction: 327.12 COLEMAN)**

If you like Sports Games like Madden, Wii Sports, and Tony Hawk Pro Skater try...

Caldwell, David. ***Speed Show: How Nascar Won the Heart of America***

Drivers' impressions of being in a crash will tune gamers into what they can't feel and experience while racing on the screen. ***(Juv Non-fiction: 796.72097 CALDWELL)**

Madden, John and Bill Gutman. ***John Madden's Heroes of Football: The Story of America's Game***

John Madden shares his knowledge and love of football, "America's game". ***(Juv Non-fiction: 796.33209 MADDEN)**

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