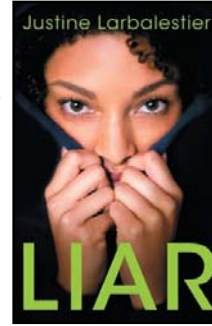


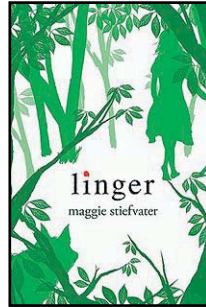
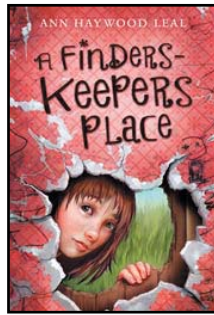
Beautiful Darkness, by Kami Garcia and Margaret Stohl. 978-0316077057, \$17.99 (*Caster Chronicles*, Book 2). Sequel to *Beautiful Creatures*. In a small southern town with a secret world hidden in plain sight, 16-year-old Lena, who possesses supernatural powers and faces a life-altering decision, draws away from her true love, Ethan, a mortal with frightening visions. Atmospheric, romantic, funny, and creepy at the same time!

Liar, by Justine Larbalestier. 978-1599903057, \$16.99. Micah is a compulsive liar - but now that her boyfriend has been brutally murdered, she promises to tell the truth ... maybe. This suspenseful novel will keep you guessing until the very end.



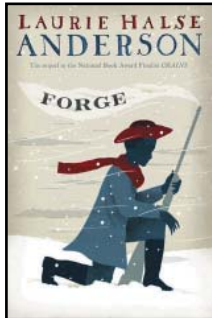
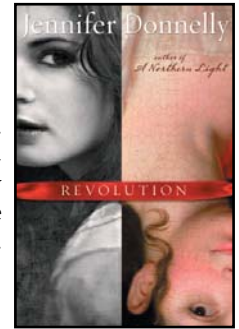
Nightshade, by Andrea Cremer. 978-0399254826, \$17.99. Calla, an Alpha Guardian, must lead her pack - and part of doing so is to bond with her match, the male Alpha Ren. When a new boy, Shay, moves to town, bringing mysteries, secrets, a prophecy, and new perspective with him, Calla is torn about her future. A stunning new werewolf series.

A Finders-Keepers Place, by Ann Haywood Leal. 978-0805088823, \$16.99. Esther has been holding things together for as long as she can remember. Her mama has always gotten funny notions, like gardening indoors or living without electricity. But the notions are getting wilder, and people are asking questions. Perhaps the only person who can help is Ezekiel - the father Esther can barely remember.



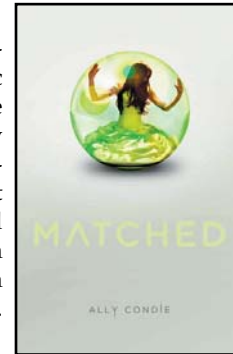
Linger, by Maggie Stiefvater. 978-0545123280, \$17.99 (*Wolves of Mercy Falls*, vol. 2). The wolves of Mercy Falls return in this sequel to *Shiver*. Gorgeous storytelling, romance, and werewolves!

Revolution, by Jennifer Donnelly. 978-0385737630, \$18.99. Two girls, two centuries apart. The discovery of a centuries-old diary makes the past frighteningly real.



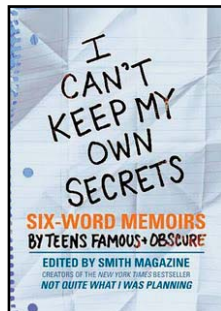
Forge, by Laurie Halse Anderson. 978-1416961444, \$16.99 (*Seeds of Change*, vol. 2). Separated from his friend Isabel after their daring escape from slavery, fifteen-year-old Curzon serves as a free man in the Continental Army at Valley Forge - until he and Isabel are thrown together again, as slaves once more. Historical fiction at its best. Sequel to *Chains*, a 2011 Nutmeg nominee.

Matched, by Ally Condie. 978-0525423645, \$17.99. In a futuristic society where all marriages are matched, Cassia accidentally receives two matches. Will she follow protocol and marry her best friend, or will she defy society and chase her forbidden match? An excellent start to a new dystopian trilogy.



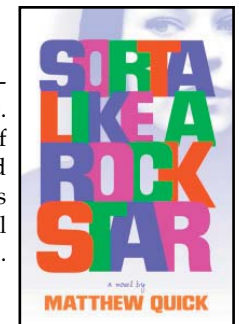
Scott Pilgrim series, by Bryan Lee O'Malley. 978-1934964576, \$72.00 (6 vol. box set with poster - all books also available separately). Scott Pilgrim is leading a simple life until he falls for the mysterious Ramona Flowers. Now he must defeat her seven evil exes if he wants to date her. This six volume graphic novel series has everything - action, romance, comedy, music and video games.

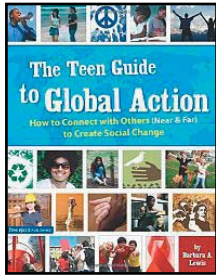
I Can't Keep My Own Secrets: Six-Word Memoirs By Teens Famous & Obscure, ed. by Smith Magazine. 978-0061726842, \$8.99 (pbk). One life. Six words. In this day when teens regularly update their lives on Twitter and Facebook, read how some teens express their lives using only six words.



Mockingjay, by Suzanne Collins. 978-0439023511, \$17.99 (*Hunger Games*, vol. 3). In the stunning conclusion to the *Hunger Games* trilogy, Katniss faces the choices forced upon her by her country, district and heart.

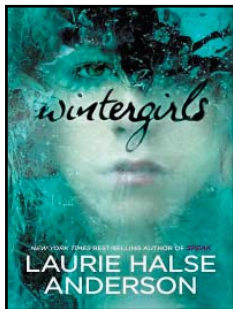
Sorta Like A Rock Star, by Matthew Quick. 978-0316043526, \$16.99. A beautifully beaten-up world of love, friendship, and hard-earned hope, in which a young girl focuses on bettering the lives of her oddball circle of friends.





The Teen Guide to Global Action: How to Connect with Others (Near & Far) to Create Social Change, by Barbara A. Lewis. 978-1575422664, \$14.99 (pbk). Who says you have to wait to change the world? Read about teens who have helped make the world a better place, and learn how you can do your part.

Will Grayson, Will Grayson, by John Green & David Levithan. 978-0525421580, \$17.99. Told with alternating voices, this is the story of two teenage boys with the same name whose lives run parallel and eventually intersect. Based on the premises that “love is tied to truth” and “being friends, that’s just something you are,” this uniquely funny, moving, and thought-provoking novel by a Connecticut author will appeal to older teens.



Wintergirls, by Laurie Halse Anderson. 978-0670011100, \$17.99 (also in pbk). Eighteen-year-old Lia comes to terms with her best friend’s death from anorexia, as she herself struggles with the same condition. A heart-wrenching look into the mind of someone with an eating disorder.

Wolves, Boys, & Other Things That Might Kill Me, by Kristen Chandler. 978-0670011421, \$17.99. The sensitive issue of wolf reintroduction at Yellowstone Park sets the backdrop for this debut novel. Jolts of humor, an element of surprise, subtle yet tame romance, mystery, danger, and a dose of suspense make this book a great read for both boys and girls.



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