

Romance

Bauer, Joan

Hope was Here

Teen Center Fiction

When sixteen-year-old Hope and the aunt who has raised her move from Brooklyn to Mulhoney, Wisconsin, to work as waitress and cook in the Welcome Stairways diner, they become involved with the diner owner's political campaign to oust the town's corrupt mayor.

Block, Francesca Lia

Weetzie Bat

Teen Center Fiction

Follows the wild adventures of Weetzie Bat and her Los Angeles friends, Dirk, Duck, and My-Secret-Agent-Lover-Man. **(related: Witch Baby, Cherokee Bat and the Goat Guys, Missing Angel Juan, and Baby Be-Bop.** Some available only in collection: **Dangerous Angels)**

Blume, Judy

Forever

Teen Center Fiction

Katherine and Michael, along with various friends and acquaintances in suburban New Jersey, discover the possibilities and limitations of love and personal commitment.

Brashares, Ann

Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants

Teen Center Fiction

During their first summer apart, four teenage girls, best friends since earliest childhood, stay in touch through a shared pair of secondhand jeans that magically adapts to each of their figures and affects their attitudes to their different summer experiences.

Caletti, Deb

Honey Baby Sweetheart

Teen Center Fiction

In the summer of her junior year, sixteen-year-old Ruby McQueen and her mother, both nursing broken hearts, set out on a journey to reunite an elderly woman with her long-lost love and in the process learn many things about "the real ties that bind" people to one another.

Crutcher, Chris

Running Loose

Teen Center Fiction

Louie Banks has everything he could want in life; he's a senior in high school with a car, a starting spot on the football team, good friends, and the girl of his dreams. But his hopes and dreams are shattered as everything he knows about sportsmanship, fair play, love and life, are suddenly snatched away from him.

Dessen, Sarah

This Lullaby

Teen Center Fiction

Raised by a mother who's had five husbands, eighteen-year-old Remy believes in short-term, no-commitment relationships until she meets Dexter, a rock band musician.

Dessen, Sarah

Along for the Ride

Teen Center Fiction

When Auden impulsively goes to stay with her father, stepmother, and new baby sister the summer before she starts college, all the trauma of her parents' divorce is revived, even as she is making new friends and having new experiences such as learning to ride a bike and dating.

Elkeles, Simone

Perfect Chemistry

Teen Center Fiction

When wealthy, seemingly perfect Brittany and Alex Fuentes, a gang member from the other side of town, develop a relationship after Alex discovers that Brittany is not exactly who she seems to be, they must face the disapproval of their schoolmates--and others.

Ferris, Jean

Love Among the Walnuts

Teen Center Fiction

Born and raised in isolation in a wealthy, eccentric family, Sandy is shocked when he, his parents, and their servants become victims of a vicious plot by his greedy uncles to incapacitate them and take their money.

Meyer, Stephenie

Twilight

Teen Center Fiction

When seventeen-year-old Bella leaves Phoenix to live with her father in Forks, Washington, she meets an exquisitely handsome boy at school for whom she feels an overwhelming attraction and who she comes to realize is not wholly human. **(sequels: New Moon, Eclipse, Breaking Dawn)**

Napoli, Donna Jo

The Smile

Teen Center Fiction

In Renaissance Italy, Elisabetta longs for romance, and when Leonardo da Vinci introduces her to Guiliano de Medici, whose family rules Florence but is about to be deposed, she has no inkling of the romance--and sorrow--that will ensue.

Parker, Jade

To Catch a Pirate

Teen Center Pbk

When Annalisa Townsend seeks revenge on the pirates who stole her father's treasure a year before, one scallywag, James Sterling, who stole a kiss on their first meeting, threatens to now also steal her heart.

Powell, Randy

The Whistling Toilets

Teen Center Pbk

While coaching tennis for a group of inner city "runts" as well as for his friend Ginny, a star player, sixteen-year-old Stan grows in understanding himself and others.

Rennison, Louise

Angus, Thongs, and Full-Frontal Snogging

Teen Center Fiction

Presents the humorous journal of a year in the life of a fourteen-year-old British girl who tries to reduce the size of her nose, stop her mad cat from terrorizing the neighborhood animals, and win the love of handsome hunk Robbie. **(series: Confessions of Georgia Nicholson)**

Stiefvater, Maggie

Shiver

Teen Center Fiction

In all the years she has watched the wolves in the woods behind her house, Grace has been particularly drawn to an unusual yellow-eyed wolf who, in his turn, has been watching her with increasing intensity. *Sequel: Linger.*

Smith, Dodie

I Capture the Castle

Teen Center Fiction

The story of 17-year-old Cassandra and her family, who live in not-so-genteel poverty in an English castle, "I Capture the Castle" is as brightly witty and adventuresome today as it was when it was first published 50 years ago.

Thomas, Rob

Rats Saw God

Teen Center Fiction

Sophomore year is perfect for Steve. He's living with his father, the famous astronaut. He has found a crowd of friends who are cool, funny and smart. Best of all he's in love with the greatest girl in the world. But by his senior year Steve is depressed and on the verge of flunking out. His only hope for graduation is to tell the story of how he got this way.

Woodson, Jacqueline

If You Come Softly

Teen Center Fiction

After meeting at their private school in New York, fifteen-year-old Jeremiah, who is black and whose parents are separated, and Ellie, who is white and whose mother has twice abandoned her, fall in love and then try to cope with people's reactions.