

Something Different

Adventure

Cooney, Caroline B. - *For All Time: Travel Time Quartet, vol. 4*

Annie Lockwood has tested Time before - she's travelled through time and met a boy she could love - and lost him to a different age... Now Annie wants to go back to 1899, to his period, to find him, but somehow is taken back to ancient Egypt instead! And she lands right in the middle of treachery and deception, as the Pharaohs fight over gold and power... Can she find her way to the right century? Or will she be buried in a pyramid for thousands of years.

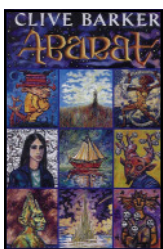
Swallow, James - *Ghost Town: Sundowners, vol. 1*

Gabriel Tyler is a gunslinger with a price on his head and a posse on his trail... Jonathan Fivehawk is an Indian shaman on a quest for his missing sister... In a deserted ghost town on the edge of nowhere, these two are about to encounter the darkest evil ever to curse the plains of the Wild West!

Zindel, Paul - *Raptor*

Zack's father is a paleontologist, so Zack knows Dinosaurs. But he never expected to come face-to-face with a real, live Raptor!!! When Zack stumbles upon a large egg that promptly hatches a baby Raptor, he knows he's found something amazing... Especially when the angry mother turns up soon after! It's survival of the fittest - but who survives?

Fantasy



Barker, Clive - *Abarat: Days of Magic, Nights of War, vol. 1*

Candy Quackenbush lives in the most boring town in the world - Chickentown, USA. That is, until the day she wags school and meets John Mischief - a weird-looking guy with lots of brothers who live on the horns on his head! Candy is taken to the ABARAT, a fantastic world where every island is in a different hour of the day. Sound complicated? It is, but it's also funny, and the first book in a great new fantasy series.

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Black, Holly - *Tithe: A Modern Faerie Tale*

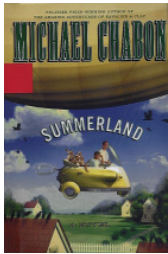
Welcome to the world of scary faeries with this first novel. Kaye is 16 when she finds out the truth about her past - she's a changeling - a faerie child who was swapped at birth for a human baby. In her fight to survive the nastiest faeries you'll ever meet, and save the human world at the same time, Kaye is kidnapped, falls in love, and is betrayed, and that's just the beginning of the tale... It's a modern faerie romance, with a fair bit of fighting and violence - and a bestseller in the USA.

Brown, Matthew - *The Helmet: Golden Armour, vol. 1*

Cassie and Keiron have spent all their life on the freezing North Island, a cold and bleak land. But they have also heard the legends about the suit of Gold Armour, which has the power to turn their home into a paradise. When a strange prince with darkness in his eyes and ice in his veins arrives on their island the quest for the Golden Armour turns serious, especially when the twins learn that Prince Badrur's idea of paradise is very different from their own...

Carmody, Isobelle - *The Gathering*

From the time he comes to live in Cheshunt with his mother, Nathaniel feels the presence of evil. The gangs of youths, and a repressive curfew are initial indications of something seriously wrong. Nathaniel discovers that he has a role to play in combating the evil in their midst, and becomes a part of a team which attempts to stop the Gathering.



Chabon, Michael - *Summerland*

Summerland is a place full of magic, where baseball is the passion of all the kids. Ethan Feld, possibly the worst baseball player in history, comes face to face with that magic when recruited to play for the ultimate prize - the future of the world. Ethan travels to a parallel world, where he teams up with dwarfs, midget Indians, and a giant Sasquatch to play the game of his life.

Duane, Diane - *A Wizard Alone*

Becoming a wizard isn't easy. In fact, it can *kill* you. All new wizards must go through an initiation into magic called an Ordeal. The more powerful the new wizard, the longer and more dangerous the Ordeal. Most last only a few days... So why has Darryl McAllister been on an Ordeal for *three months*?!

Haddix, Margaret Peterson - *Just Ella*

Like every commoner in the land, Ella dreams of going to a ball and marrying Prince Charming. Unfortunately, when that happens, she finds that he's not so charming after all, and that the life of a princess is not what she expected! Discover the truth behind the Cinderella legend - what really happened after the ball...?

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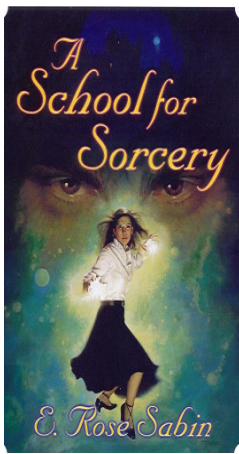
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Mahy, Margaret - *The Changeover*

There's a new boy in the senior class at Laura's school, and his name is Sorry Carlisle. To everyone else he may look perfectly normal, but he doesn't fool Laura. She knows he's a witch... When her brother suddenly gets ill, and nobody knows what's wrong, Laura goes to the expert...

Pierce, Tamora - *Wild Magic: Wild Magic, vol. 1*

Set in the world of Tortall, Daine, a 13 year old orphan discovers she possesses 'wild magic'. Wild magic allows her to communicate with any animal, and to control their minds when she needs aid. As evil approaches Tortall, Daine must learn how to use and control her wild magic if she is to save her world...



Sabin, E. Rose - *A School for Sorcery*

This is definitely the female Harry Potter! Tria Tesserell receives a letter informing her that she has been accepted at the famous Simonton School for the Magically Gifted. Tria has known since she was a child that she has special gifts, and now she will be able to discover how to use them. However, life at boarding school - even a magical boarding school, is not what she expected. First there's the stuck up roommate, who has a habit of becoming a panther when annoyed... Then there's a boy called Oryon, who not only thinks he's the best witch, he has no time for female witches either. Tria must call on all her powers to fight the evil forces that Oryon unleashes - if she fails, everyone will die.

Thompson, Kate - *Switchers: Switchers, vol. 1*

Tess doesn't make friends with people her own age. Ever. Until a boy says he knows her secret - and needs her help... Kevin is a Switcher like Tess - able to take on any animal shape he chooses - and the animals have been telling him of a global disaster looming. And in Alaska, huge storms are destroying army bases and personnel, and soldiers are terrified of something they see in the storm...

Thompson, Kate - *Midnight Choice: Switchers, vol. 2*

Tess is fast approaching the important age of fifteen - the age when she will decide what animal form she will assume for the rest of her life. Then she meets Martin, who is also a Switcher - but Martin is not as innocent as he seems, and the creature he chooses to become is something Tess has never encountered. Tess has to decide between good and evil, between a life of power and corruption, or the world she has always known.

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Tiernan, Cate - *Book of Shadows: Wicca, vol. 1*

Sixteen-year-old Morgan is really interested in the new guy at school. His name is Cal, and he's tall, dark and handsome - and a practicing Wiccan. So when he asks if she'd like to set up a new circle, Morgan doesn't hesitate. Their first meeting produces some surprising results - Morgan discovers she has powers she never experienced before. So is she from a hereditary family of witches, or is there a more disturbing secret in her family...?

Tiernan, Cate - *The Coven: Wicca, vol. 2*

Morgan has discovered the truth her parents have tried to hide from her, and her powers are also growing stronger. So is her attraction to Cal, which could be a big problem. He's her best friend's boyfriend! Morgan also discovers that dark magic is being practiced in her neighbourhood, and finds herself torn between wanting to explore her growing magical gift, and not alienating her friends and family at the same time!!!

Tiernan, Cate - *Blood Witch: Wicca, vol 3*

Morgan's life is in turmoil - she is fighting with her parents, and with her best friend. And now there's a new Witch in town. His name is Hunter Niall, and he seems to be trying to harm Morgan's boyfriend Cal. Morgan is also researching the mysterious disappearances of powerful witches around the world, and beginning to suspect that an evil force, called the Dark Wave is being summoned by someone in her town...

General

Anderson, Matthew T. - *Burger Wuss*

Anthony has just got himself a new job at the local burger joint - but Anthony has malice and revenge in his heart - not all-beef burgers!!! It all starts when he falls in love with Diana, who has the most amazing way of saying "I have exact change". For a brief period Anthony and Diana are the perfect couple - until Turner comes to town and steals her... And Anthony hatches The Plan for revenge.

Banville, Vincent - *Hennessy*

Hennessy is always in trouble! Fifteen years old, the red-haired Irish larrikin is finally expelled from his posh boarding school for putting laxatives in the porridge...

Barnes, Rory - *Horsehead Boy: The Horsehead Trilogy, vol. 1*

Up until a few years ago, Spud Wilson was the terror of the track on his BMX... Now, he's just a brain in a vat - pickled and wired by a team of feral brain surgeons - but a little thing like that is no problem for Spud! He's determined to make a new man of himself - no matter how many bits it takes...

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Beere, Peter - *Underworld trilogy*

A trilogy set in the Underground passages beneath London's subway system. Homeless teenagers and adults have set up life in the tunnels, keeping their existence secret from the world above, until two runaways stumble into their midst.

Bloor, Edward - *Crusader*

Fifteen-year old Roberta Ritter has been waiting for a knight in shining armour for most of her humdrum life - waiting in a games arcade that's going out of business. And then a Crusader arrives. Only *this* Crusader is a Virtual Reality war game, one that promotes racism and violence. The game does booming business at the arcade, and friends become enemies, violence erupts, and Roberta has to decide whether to stand up for the truth, and what's real - not virtually real...

Bunting, Eve - *Blackwater*

Brodie Lynch was ready for a fun summer, until a harmless prank goes terribly wrong on Blackwater River. A lie is told to cover up, and more follow. Somebody saw something and wants him to confess...

Ciencin, Scott - *Dinoverse*

Bertram Phillips is the class brain, and his new science project is a real corker! He's going back to Jurassic times to eyeball a dinosaur. Only problem is, something goes wrong and he not only goes back, but *becomes* a dinosaur! As do three other students. Now four High School students get to experience Jurassic Park from the dinosaur's side!!

Cole, Brock - *The Goats*

A boy and a girl are stripped and dumped on an island for the night. They are the 'goats'. The other kids at the camp think it's a great joke, but the goats don't see it that way. They want to disappear completely - and they do, much to everyone's surprise.

Hunter, Eirlys - *The Queen-Seekers: Finn's Quest, vol. 1*

Finn's life is a bit boring, until the day he sees a new computer game appear on his screen. When he clicks on the game, he finds himself actually living in a computer game world - a world at war, with magic and evil. Finn begins a quest to restore the rightful rulers of a land which has been overtaken by evil, and someone wants him dead before he succeeds!!

Kelleher, Annette - *Geek Girl vs Cyber Chick*

It's hard enough competing with TV babes, let alone cyber chicks, but that's what Ann has to do! Her boyfriend Bobby has fallen for a cyber chick, and Ann is not impressed. Between plotting to let a major virus loose on his computer, falling in love with mouldy old Will Shakespeare, and unraveling the family secrets, Ann is completely muddled...

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Kindl, Patrice - *Owl in Love*

Owl is a normal teenage girl, except that her family has a history of changing into birds at puberty! And she's in love with her science teacher. Apart from that, life's fine for Owl, but she has to decide how to win the love of her teacher - especially as sitting outside his window on a branch, with a dead mouse in her beak, doesn't seem to be working...

Marsden, John - *Tomorrow, When the War Began: Tomorrow series, vol. 1*

Imagine you and four of your friends decide to spend the long weekend in the bush instead of going to the local show. Imagine that while you are away, Australia is invaded by another country, and all your family and friends are either captured or missing. What do you do? Do you fight, or do you give yourself up...?

Sachar, Louis - *Holes*

Stanley Yelnats is innocent. But he's sent to Detention Camp anyway... And he has to dig holes. Lots of holes. And the Warden in charge of the camp paints her nails with rattlesnake poison! As Stanley learns to dig holes in the stinking Texas sun, he also learns about buried treasure, deadly spitting lizards, and foot odour... (Winner of the Newberry Medal in 1999).

Schembri, Jim - *In it up to Here*

It is the middle of the night. Alex and Nigel are stuck at the bottom of a deep, dark hole, and are about to drown in 300 tonnes of industrial concrete, which is pouring in around them... Nobody knows they are here - not even the people who are about to kill them! This is not precisely what the boys had in mind for the first week of their school holidays... A fast-paced and funny story about teenage ratbags.

Tashjian, Janet - *Multiple Choice*

Fourteen year old Monica wishes her brain could be turned off - like a toaster or a jug! Her obsessive thoughts and behaviour are driving her crazy, so she invents a word game - one that will make her less anxious about decision-making... To play, she comes up with four answers, then randomly selects between A, B, C or D. Problem solved! Except her strange behaviour embarrasses, worries, and alienates her family, but Monica can't quit...And some of her choices are getting dangerous.

Horror

Smith, L. J. - *Night World series*

What happens when you are brought up to hate humans and regard them as prey, only to find out your soulmate - the only person you'll ever love - is one. If you're fascinated by vampires, werewolves and witches, with a good dollop of romance and happy endings, this is the series for you!

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Mystery



Metz, Melinda - *Gifted Touch: Fingerprints, vol. 1*

Rae is a perfectly normal teenage girl, until one day she has a major breakdown in the school cafeteria... She ends up in a funny farm, because she's hearing people's thoughts - and can't tell anyone!!! And to make matters worse, one of those thoughts is "Kill Rae"... So Rae has to have help. Will it be the cute new guy at school - the one who doesn't think she's a total freak - or the guy at the funny farm, who's very wary of her...?

Bowkett, Stephen - *Ice: The Wintering Trilogy, vol. 1*

Imagine a frozen world, full of ice and snow and terrorised by the Ice Demon. That's the world that Kell lives in, but he is restless, and asks too many questions. Follow his fight for freedom, as Kell escapes The Enclave, his restrictive community, and finds a terrifying and wonderful new world.

Bowkett, Stephen - *Storm: The Wintering Trilogy, vol. 2*

Kell has escaped in to the Ice, and now runs with the Wulfen, massive and intelligent descendants of wolves. But he also has to fight the Wulfen's enemies, and that may be the death of him.

Bowkett, Stephen - *Thaw: The Wintering Trilogy, vol. 3*

Kell has come a long way from his upbringing in The Enclave, but finds that his freedom rests on him returning to fight his greatest battle yet.

Broderick, Damien - *Stuck in Fast Forward*

A Plague is on its way, and Nat's father reckons it will wipe out everyone on Earth... Everyone, that is, except Nat and Fiona and their parents. How come? Because there's something weird waiting in the garage - something that made their Dad vanish for 3 weeks. Now it's going to fling them into a safer future. But the future isn't safe. Especially when you get stuck in fast forward, hurled toward the end of space and time!!

Harris, Christine - *Omega*

Earth self-destructs and a small group of children and teenagers are launched into space - the only survivors. They are rescued by a race of kindly aliens called Etlaks, and protected by the dangerous Shadow People, but there is a price. Why are no children among the Etlak? And, how far will Shayla go to survive in this new land?

Metz, Melinda - *The Wild One: Roswell High, vol. 2*

Continue the adventures of Max, Liz, Michael, Isabel, and Stacy from the TV series. A new kid turns up at Roswell High, and strange things start to happen around school. Isabel thinks Nikolas could be another alien... Max isn't sure what he is, but he's definitely not good for Isabel!

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Peel, John - *Doomsday: 2099, vol. 1*

Tristan Connor is adopted - that in itself is a shock - but when he learns that he is the result of a genetic experiment, his life is forever changed... The year is 2099, and a madman has just unleashed the Doomsday Virus on the world. And Tristan is the only person who can stop him...

Tolan, Stephanie S. - *Welcome to the Ark*

In a world of random violence and military rule, four brilliant young misfits are thrown together in a group home for troubled youth. Isolated by their special abilities, the four teenagers are unable to cope in a society that regards them as freaks. But in the Ark, the four discover that they are not alone, and their minds have a power they could never have imagined.

Thriller

Duncan, Lois - *The Eyes of Karen Connors*

Karen had a boyfriend, a job, and life was wonderful - except she knew when children were going to disappear from her neighbourhood! Karen 'sees' where the missing children are, and has to decide if she is willing to admit that she has a special gift, especially as 12 innocent lives may depend upon her...