

# In for the Long Haul



Books over 300 pages....  
for Young Adults

YFIC Adams / YRACK Ada

***Watership Down***, by Richard Adams (478p)

Chronicles the adventures of a group of rabbits searching for a safe place to establish a new warren where they can live in peace.

YFIC Barron, T / YRACK Bar

***Lost Years of Merlin***, by T.A. Barron (326p)

A young boy who has no identity nor memory of his past washes ashore on the coast of Wales and finds his true name after a series of fantastic adventures.

YFIC Bloor, E

***Crusader*** by Edward Bloor (390p)

After a violent virtual-reality game arrives at the mall arcade where she works, fifteen-year-old Roberta finds the courage to search out the person who murdered her mother.

YFIC Bond / JFIC Bond

***A String in the Harp***, by Nancy Bond (365p)

Relates what happens to three American children, unwillingly transplanted to Wales for one year, when one of them finds an ancient harp-tuning key that takes him back to the time of the great sixth-century bard Taliesin.

YFIC Brooks

***Lucas***, by Kevin Brooks (423p)

On an isolated English island, fifteen-year-old Caitlin McCann makes the painful journey from adolescence to adulthood through her experiences with a mysterious boy, whose presence has an unsettling effect on the island's inhabitants.

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***Ender's Game***, by Orson Scott Card (357p)

A mere 6 years old when he is sent to battle school, Ender Wiggins is the last great hope for humanity. However, dealing with the teachers and the challenges of zero gravity are more pressing than saving the world.

YFIC Chabon, M

***Summerland***, by Michael Chabon (500p)

Ethan Feld, the worst baseball player in the history of the game, finds himself recruited by a 100-year-old scout to help a band of fairies triumph over an ancient enemy.

YFIC Clement-Davies, D

***Fire Bringer***, by David Clement-Davies (498p)

Young Buck Rannoch flees the herd of deer trying to kill him, but the oak leaf mark on his forehead tells him that someday he must return to fulfill his destiny.

YFIC Douglas

***The Robe***, by Lloyd C. Douglas (508p)

This is the inspiring story of the robe of Jesus wore on the cross and the Roman centurion, Marcellus Gallio, who wins the robe in a gambling match at the foot of the cross.

YFIC Farmer, N

***The House of the Scorpion***, by Nancy Farmer (380p)

In a future where humans despise clones, Matt enjoys special status as the young clone of El Patron, the 142-year-old leader of a corrupt drug empire nestled between Mexico and the United States.

YFIC Hoffman, M

***Stravaganza: City of Masks***, by Mary Hoffman (344p)

While sick in bed with cancer, Lucien begins making journeys to a place in a parallel world that resembles Venice, Italy, and he becomes caught up in the political intrigues surrounding the Duchessa who rules the city.

YFIC Jacques / YRACK Jac

***Redwall***, by Brian Jacques (351p)

When the peaceful life of ancient Redwall Abbey is shattered by the arrival of the evil rat Cluny and his villainous hordes, Matthias, a young mouse, determines to find the legendary sword of Martin the Warrior which, he is convinced, will help Redwall's inhabitants destroy the enemy.

YFIC Jones, D

***The Dark Lord of Derkholm***, by Diana Wynne Jones (345p)

Derk, an unconventional wizard, and his magical family become involved in a plan to put a stop to the devastating tours of their world arranged by the tyrannical Mr. Chesney.

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***The Forgotten Beasts of Eld***, by Patricia A. McKillip (343p)

Raised on Eld mountain with only her father's magical menagerie for company, a young wizard is drawn irrevocably into the human world with all its sorrows and delights when a baby comes into her care.

YFIC McKinley

***Spindle's End***, by Robin McKinley (422p)

The infant princess Briar Rose is cursed on her name day by Pernicia, an evil fairy, and then whisked away by a young fairy to be raised in a remote part of a magical country, unaware of her real identity and hidden from Pernicia's vengeful powers.

YFIC Nix / YRACK Nix

**Sabriel**, by Garth Nix (491p)  
Sabriel, daughter of the necromancer Abhorsen, must journey into the mysterious and magical Old Kingdom to rescue her father from the Land of the Dead.

YFIC Pattou

**East**, by Edith Pattou (498)  
A young woman journeys to a distant castle on the back of a great white bear who is the victim of a cruel enchantment.

YFIC Price, S

**The Sterkarm Handshake**, by Susan Price (438p)  
Having traveled to a sixteenth century border clan in England through a tunnel created by a 21st century company, Andrea must decide in which era she will live.

Fiction Pullman, P / YFIC Pullman / Rack Pul

**The Golden Compass**, by Philip Pullman (399p)  
Accompanied by her daemon, Lyra Belacqua sets out to prevent her best friend and other kidnapped children from becoming the subject of gruesome experiments in the Far North. (*also see sequels*)

YFIC Reeder, C

**Before the Creeks Ran Red**, by Carolyn Reeder (370p)  
Through the eyes of three different boys, three linked novels explore the tumultuous times beginning with the secession of South Carolina and leading up to the first major battle of the Civil War.

YFIC Riordan, R

**The Lightning Thief**, by Rick Riordan (377p)  
After learning that he is the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea, twelve-year-old Percy is sent to a summer camp for demigods like himself, and joins his new friends on a quest to prevent a war between the gods.

YFIC Selznick, B

**The Invention Of Hugo Cabret : A Novel In Words And Pictures**, by Brian Selznick (533p)  
When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toyseller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized

Yfantasy Stroud

**The Amulet of Samarkand**, by Jonathan Stroud (462p)  
Nathaniel, a magician's apprentice, summons up the djinni Bartimaeus and instructs him to steal the Amulet of Samarkand from the powerful magician Simon Lovelace.

JFIC Tolkien / FIC Tolkien / RACK Tol

**Lord of the Rings** trilogy, by J.R.R. Tolkien (527p)  
Each of the three books in the series fits into the 300+ category. The trilogy tells the story of Frodo, a young hobbit, who is entrusted with a ring that not only has the power to turn him invisible, but is the greatest weapon of evil ever created.

YFANTASY Turner, M

**The King of Attolia**, by Megan Whalen Turner (387p)  
Eugenides, still known as a Thief of Eddis, faces palace intrigue and assassins as he strives to prove himself both to the people of Attolia and to his new bride, their queen.

YFIC Vande Velde, V

**Heir Apparent**, by Vivian Vande Velde (315p)  
While playing a total immersion virtual reality game of kings and intrigue, fourteen-year-old Giannine learns that demonstrators have damaged the equipment to which she is connected, and she must win the game quickly or be damaged herself.

YFIC Voigt, C / JFIC Voigt, C

**Homecoming**, by Cynthia Voigt (318p)  
Abandoned by their mother, four children begin a search for a home and an identity.

YFIC Weaver, E

**Rooster**, by Elizabeth Nixon Weaver (301p)  
On a small Florida orange grove in the 1960s, 14-year-old Kady Palmer is burdened with poverty, housework, and caring for Rooster, the boy next door. When a rich, handsome boy from school becomes interested in her she devises a plan to spend time with him instead.

YFIC White, E / YRACK Whi

**The Road Home**, by Ellen White Emerson (469p)  
Rebecca, a young nurse stationed in Vietnam during the war, must come to grips with her wartime experiences once she returns home to the United States.

YFIC Yolen, J

**The Queen's Own Fool**, by Jane Yolen (390p)  
When twelve-year-old Nicola leaves Troupe Bruford and serves as the fool for Mary, Queen of Scots, she experiences the political and religious upheavals in both France and Scotland.

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