

# for Young Adults

## Adventure

YFIC Alton

***The Malifex***, Steve Alton

In the Dorset, England, countryside on a family vacation, a video game fanatic reluctantly embarks on a quest to battle an ancient evil, aided by the daughter of a Wiccan and a man once apprenticed to Merlin.

YFIC Avi / JFIC Avi / YRACK AVI

***The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle***, by Avi

Charlotte Doyle leaves England a spoiled thirteen-year-old striving to become a lady, and arrives in America a resourceful young woman and a skilled sailor.

YFIC Bosse, M / YRACK BOS

***Deep Dream of the Rain Forest***, by Malcolm Bosse

While on an expedition with his uncle in the jungles of Borneo in 1920, fifteen-year-old Harry

Windsor is captured by Bayang, a young Iban tribesman, who believes that Harry has some power to help him and an outcast Iban girl on their dream quest.

YFIC Bunting, E / YRACK BUN

***Jumping the Nail***, by Eve Bunting

When teenagers in a California coastal community challenge each other to "Jump the Nail"—leap from dangerous cliffs into the ocean—group pressure and manipulative relationships quickly drive the game out of control.

YFIC Carter, A

***Between a Rock and a Hard Place***

by Alden R. Carter

Although neither fifteen-year-old Mark Severson nor his diabetic cousin Randy are looking forward to the canoe trip that is a family rite of passage, they begin to enjoy themselves as they make their way through Minnesota's lake country — until the trip becomes a fight for survival.

Fiction Cole, B / YRACK COL

***The Goats***, by Brock Cole

Humiliated by their fellow campers, an outcast boy and girl seek revenge by disappearing completely.

YFIC Cooney, C / YRACK COO

***Flight #116 is Down***, by Caroline B. Cooney

When a plane crashes on her family estate, a young woman finds out what it means to be a hero.

YFIC Defoe / YRACK DEF / JPB

***Robinson Crusoe***, by Daniel Defoe

The diary of an Englishman shipwrecked for almost thirty years on a small isolated island where, using wit and industry, he manages to build life anew.

YFIC Hobbs / YRACK HOB

***Downriver***, by Will Hobbs

Problem teens in an outdoor survival program ditch the counselor and head for the Grand Canyon for some unsupervised white-water rafting.

YFIC Holman

***Slake's Limbo***, by Felice Holman

Thirteen year-old Aremis Slake, hounded by his fears and misfortunes, flees them into New York City's subway tunnels.

YFIC Horowitz / YRACK HOR

***Stormbreaker***, by Anthony Horowitz

After the death of the uncle who had been his guardian, 14-year-old Alex Rider is coerced to continue his uncle's dangerous work for Britain's intelligence agency, MI6.

\*Also try the sequels, ***Point Blank***, ***Skeleton Key***, ***Eagle Strike***, ***Scorpio***, and ***Ark Angel***

YRACK KEH / JM Mystery Kehret

***Nightmare Mountain***, by Peg Kehret

Twelve-year-old Molly's visit to her aunt and uncle's llama ranch in the state of Washington leads her into unexpected danger and suspense.

YRACK Kes (Graphic Novel)

***Meridian***, by Barbara Kesel

Sephie and her Uncle are both granted unusual powers after her father dies mysteriously. Now Sephie must fight to maintain the freedom of her people while still using her powers for good.

YFIC Lawrence

***The Wreckers; The Smugglers; and The Buccaneers***, by Iain Lawrence

These three stories tell of the adventures at sea of John Spencer, a 14-year-old boy who sets out to save his father.

YFIC Marsden, J / YRACK MAR

***Tomorrow, When the War Began***

By John Marsden

Seven Australian teenagers return from a camping trip in the bush to discover that their country has been invaded and they must hide to stay alive.

YFIC McKernan, V

***Shackleton's Stowaway***, by Victoria McKernan

A fictionalized account of the adventures of eighteen-year-old Perce Blackborow, who stowed away for the 1914 Shackleton Antarctic expedition and, after their ship *Endurance* was crushed by ice, endured many hardships, including the loss of the toes of his left foot to frostbite.

Yfic Mikaelson, B

***Touching Spirit Bear***, by Ben Mikaelson

After his anger erupts into violence, Cole, in order to avoid going to prison, agrees to participate in a sentencing alternative based on the native American Circle Justice. He is sent to a remote Alaskan Island where an encounter with a huge Spirit Bear changes his life.

YFIC Moore, R

***The Man With the Silver Oar***, by Robin Moore

In 1718, fifteen-year-old Daniel leaves his guardian uncle's Quaker household to stowaway on a ship in pursuit of a pirate captain bent on raiding the coast of North America before returning to port in Hispaniola.

YFIC Murphy

***To the Summit***, by Claire Rudolf Murphy

Seventeen-year-old Sarah hopes that accompanying her father on an expedition to climb Mount McKinley will help to bridge the gap that has widened between them since her parents' divorce.

YFIC O'Dell / JFIC O'Dell

***Black Star, Bright Dawn***, by Scott O'Dell

Bright Dawn must face the challenge of the Iditarod dog sled race alone when her father is injured.

YFIC Paulsen, G / YRACK PAU

***The Car***, by Gary Paulsen

A teenager left on his own travels west in a kit car he built himself, and along the way picks up two Vietnam veterans, who take him on an eye-opening journey.

YFIC Paulsen, G / YRACK PAU

***Hatchet***, by Gary Paulsen

A hatchet makes the difference between life and death for the lone survivor of a plane crash in remote Canada.

\*Also try the sequels, ***Brian's Hunt***, ***Brian's Return***, ***Brian's Winter***, and ***The River***.

YFIC Pausewang, G

***Fall-Out***, by Gudrun Pausewang

An accident at a nuclear power plant forces Janna to find a way to safety when the government's disaster plans collapse.

YFIC Rees

***Pirates!: the true and remarkable adventures of Minerva Sharpe and Nancy Kington, female pirates***, by Celia Rees

In 1722, after arriving with her brother at the family's Jamaican plantation where she is to be married off, sixteen-year-old Nancy Kington escapes with her slave friend, Minerva Sharpe, and together they become pirates traveling the world in search of treasure.

YRACK SAC / YFIC Sachar, L

***Holes***, by Louis Sachar

Stanley Yelnats is sent to a wretched correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.

YFIC Springer, N / JFIC Springer, N

***Rowan Hood***, by Nancy Springer

In her quest to connect with Robin Hood, the father she has never met, 13-year-old Rosemary disguises herself as a boy, befriends a half-wolf, half-dog, a runaway princess, and an overgrown boy whose singing is hypnotic, and makes peace with her elfin heritage.

YFIC Somper, J

***Vampirates: Demons of the Ocean***, by Justin Somper

When twins Connor and Grace's ship is wrecked in a storm and Connor is rescued by pirates, he believes that Grace has been taken aboard the mythical Vampirate's ship, and he is determined to find her.

YRACK SWE

***Free Fall***, by Joyce Sweeney

While trapped in a cave in a Florida forest, two brothers reveal to each other and their friends the truth about their previously hidden feelings.

YFIC White, R / RACK WHI

***Deathwatch***, by Robb White

Needing money for school, a college boy accepts a job as a guide on a desert hunting trip and nearly loses his life.

YFIC Wright, R

***Hunchback***, by Randall Wright

Thirteen-year-old Juffa, a hunchback orphan living in Castle Marlby, dreams of serving a prince, and when his wish comes true he becomes embroiled in adventure and intrigue.

YFIC Yancey

***The Extraordinary Adventures Of Alfred Kropp***, by Rick

Yancey

Through a series of dangerous and violent misadventures, teenage loser Alfred Kropp rescues King Arthur's legendary sword Excalibur from the forces of evil.

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