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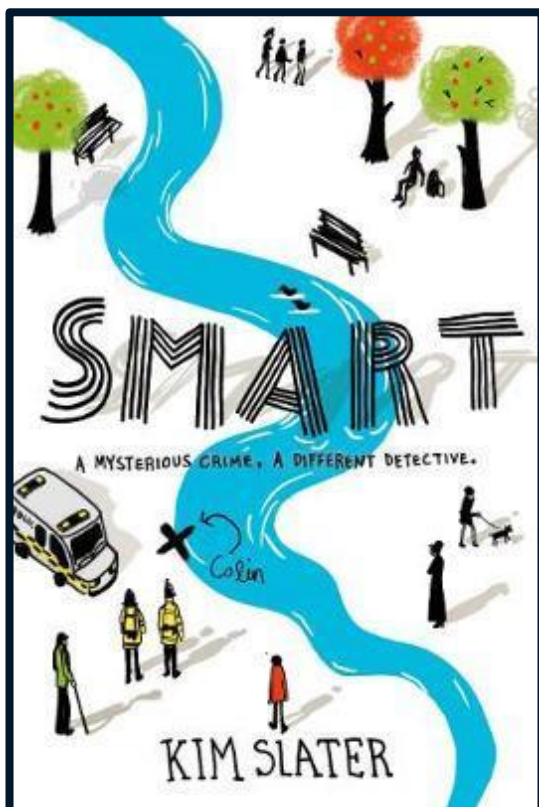
Someone, or something, is missing. But who, what and why? As the investigation begins, it seems that the perpetrator was careless and incriminating clues have been left behind. And as the case deepens, who cannot be tempted by the intoxicating lure of a mystery, the fascination with the unknown, and the adrenalin rush of discovering the truth regardless of the risk? Danger?? What danger?!



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Smart

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By Kim Slater
F/SLA

There's been a murder, but the police don't care. It was only a homeless old man after all.

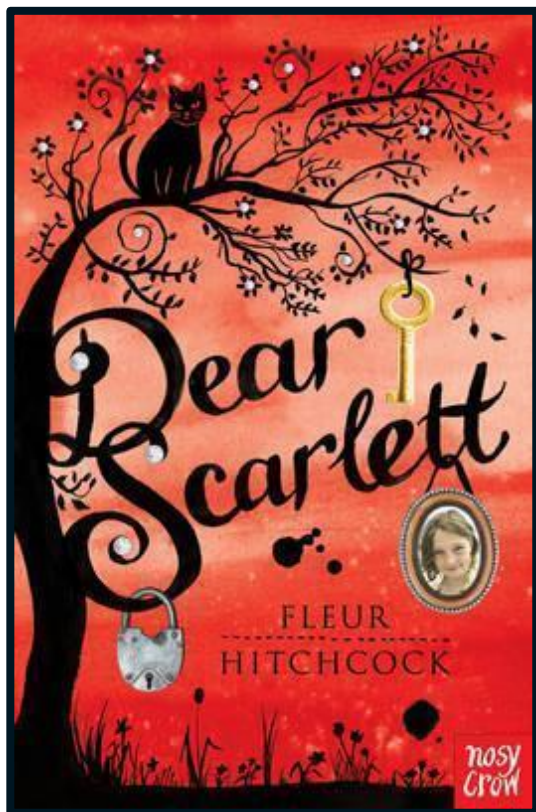
Kieran cares. He's made a promise, and when you say something out loud, that means you're going to do it, for real. He's going to find out what really happened. To Colin. And to his grandma, who just stopped coming round one day. It's a good job Kieran's a master of observation, and knows all the detective tricks of the trade.



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Dear Scarlett

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By Fleur Hitchcock
F/ HIT

All this time Scarlett's thought her dad was a thief, but years after his death a strange man turns up at the door and hands her a box, "on her father's instructions". Inside is a baffling series of clues that leads Scarlett and her friend, Ellie, on a wild, scary, often funny journey of discovery about her father and his mysterious life. But the more the girls learn, the more danger they're in. They must stay one step ahead of the sinister mayoress and her chauffeur as they race to unravel her dad's final clue: Keep looking up.

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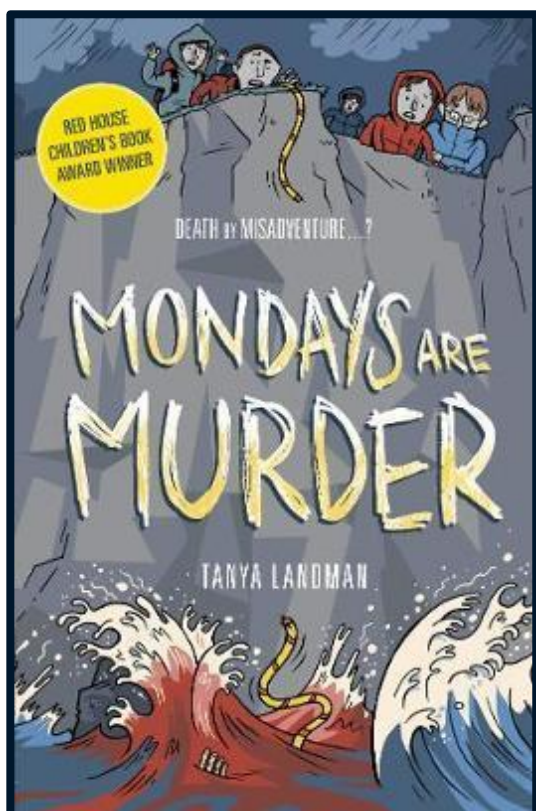


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Mondays Are Murder

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By Tanya Landman
F/LAN

When Poppy Fields goes on an activity holiday to a remote Scottish island, she is looking forward to a week of climbing, hill-walking and horse riding. But things take a disastrous turn when their instructor has what appears to be a fatal abseiling accident. When Poppy discovers that his rope was cut, and more of the instructors start to have "accidents", she and best friend Graham suspect foul play and decide to investigate.

First book in the
Murder Mysteries
series.

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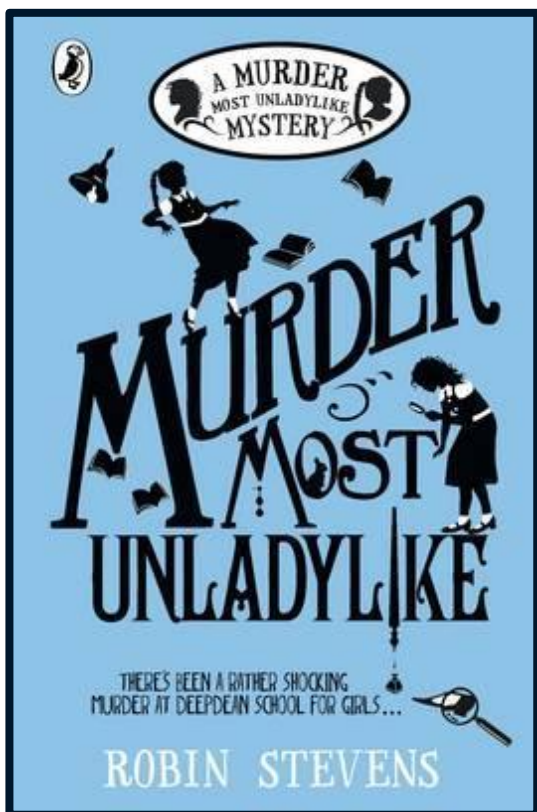


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Murder Most Unladylike

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By Robin Stevens
F/STE

When Daisy Wells and Hazel Wong set up their very own secret detective agency at Deepdean School for Girls, they struggle to find any truly exciting mysteries to investigate. Then Hazel discovers the Science Mistress, Miss Bell, lying dead in the gym. She assumes it was a terrible accident - but when she and Daisy return five minutes later, the body has disappeared. Now Hazel and Daisy not only have a murder to solve: they have to prove one happened in the first place.

First book in the
A Murder Most
Unladylike series.

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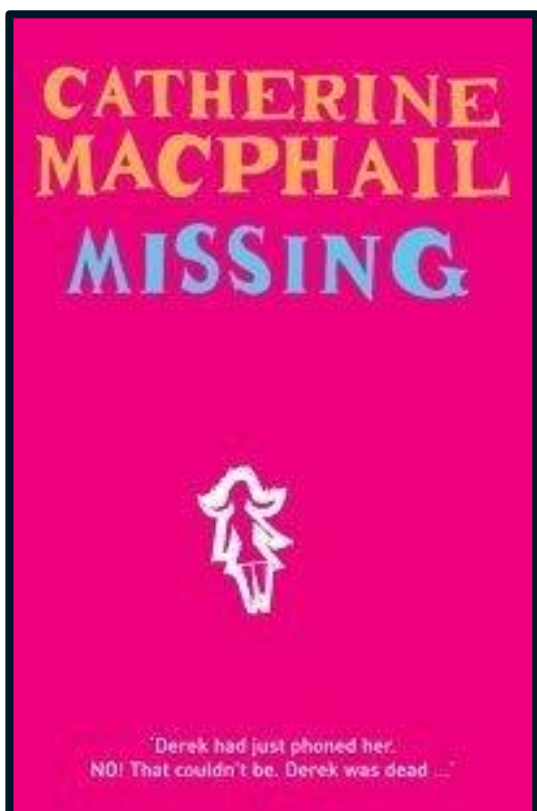


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Missing

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By Catherine MacPhail
F/ MAC

Maxine's parents have had to do perhaps the worst possible thing: confirm the identity of her brother Derek's body by the clothes he was wearing when he disappeared. So, the brother who was missing is now officially dead. But then the worst possible thing really happens: Maxine receives a telephone call from somebody saying he is her brother. She can hardly believe her ears. Has Derek come back from the dead?

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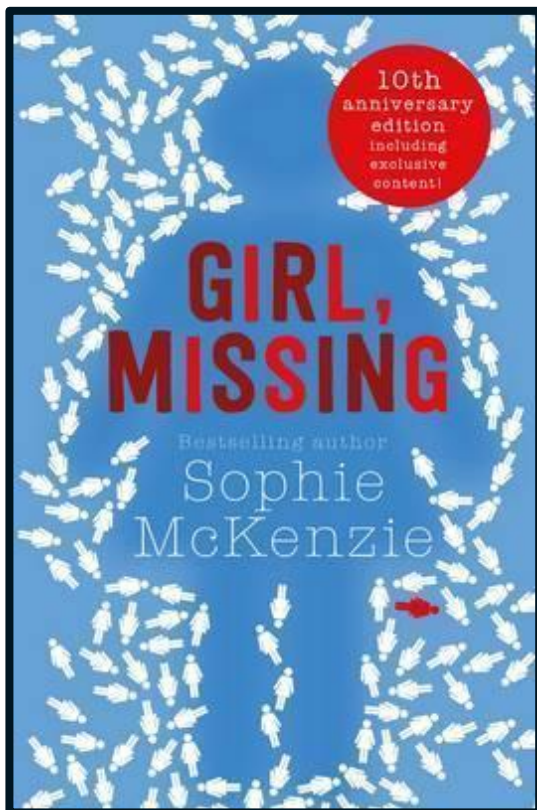


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Girl, Missing

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By Sophie McKenzie
F/MCK

Lauren is adopted and eager to know more about her past. But when she discovers shy may have been snatched from her family as a baby, her whole life suddenly feels like a sham. Why will no one answer her questions? How can she find her biological parents? And could her adoptive parents really have been responsible for kidnapping her?

**First book in the
Girl, missing series.**

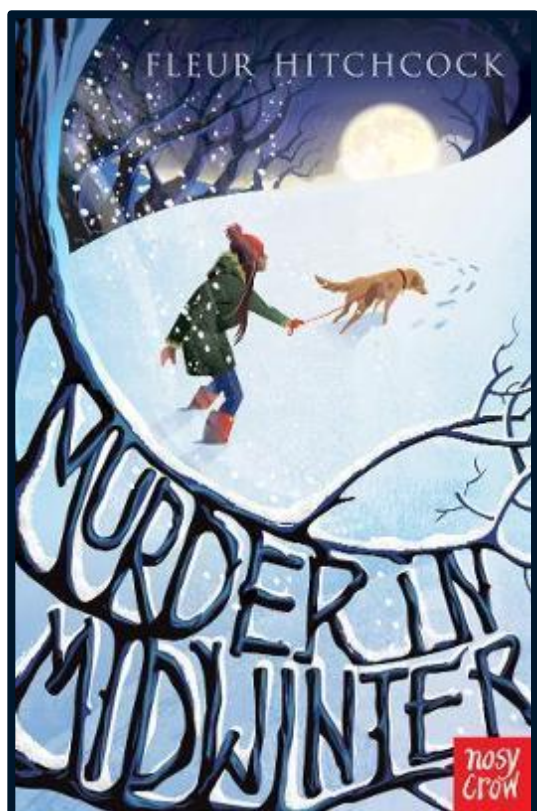
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Murder In Midwinter

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By Fleur Hitchcock
F/HIT

Sat on the top of a bus a couple of weeks before Christmas, Emma sees a couple arguing violently in the middle of a crowded Regent Street. They see her watching, she looks away, and the woman disappears. Emma goes to the police, who shrug and send her away. Then a body turns up... Now convinced she is a vital witness to a crime Emma is sent into hiding in rural Wales. She resolves to get to the bottom of the mystery, but then the snow comes and no one can get out. But what if someone can still get in?

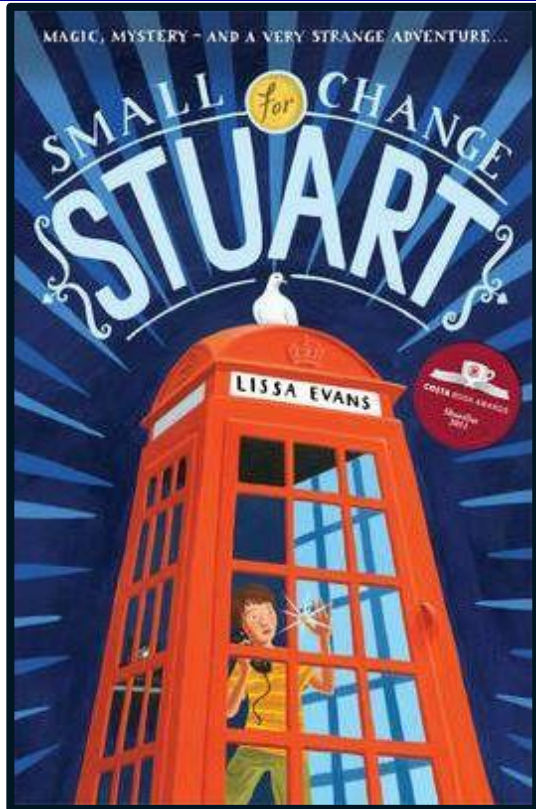
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Small Change for Stuart

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By Lissa Evans
F/EVA

Ten-year-old Stuart Horten moves to the dreary town of Beeton, far away from all his friends and living next door to the unbearable Kingley triplets.

But the strangest adventure of Stuart's life begins as he is swept up in quest to find his great-uncle's lost workshop - a workshop stuffed with trickery and magic. There are clues to follow and puzzles to solve, but what starts as fun ends up as danger, and Stuart begins to realize that he can't finish the task by himself.

**First book in the
Small change for
Stuart series.**

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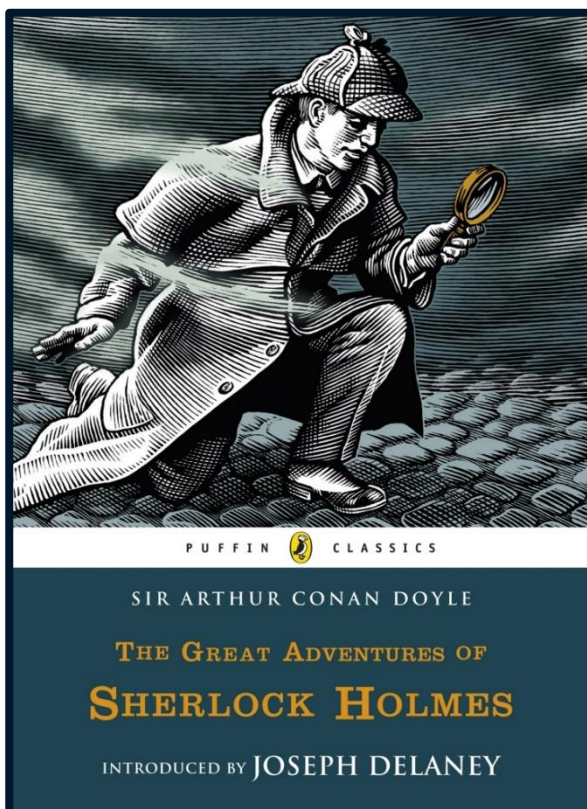


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The Great Adventures of Sherlock Holmes

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By Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
F/DOY

From the strange case of 'The red-headed league' to the extraordinary tale of 'The engineer's thumb', Sherlock Holmes and his assistant Dr Watson grapple with treachery, murder, and ingenious crimes of all kinds. But no case is too challenging for the immortal detective's unique power of deduction.

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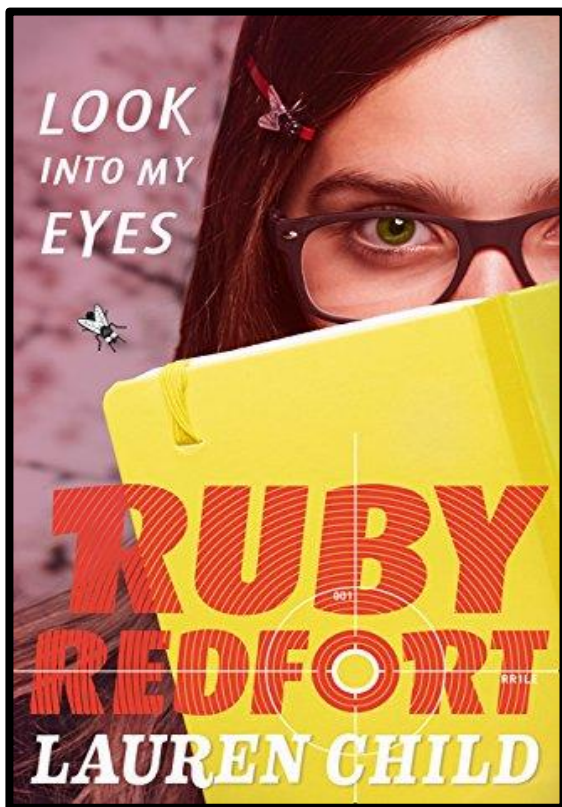


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Ruby Redfort: Look Into My eyes

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**By Lauren Child
F/CHI**

Here's the low-down on Ruby Redfort: she's a genius code-cracker, a daring detective, and a gadget-laden special agent who just happens to be a thirteen-year-old girl. She and her slick sidekick butler, Hitch, foil crimes and get into loads of scrapes with evil villains, but they're always ice-cool in a crisis.

In this first book, we go right back to Ruby's beginnings as an agent. When an anonymous caller sets Ruby a challenge, it's not long before she finds her way into the HQ of the most secret of secret agencies – SPECTRUM.

First book in the Ruby Redfort series.

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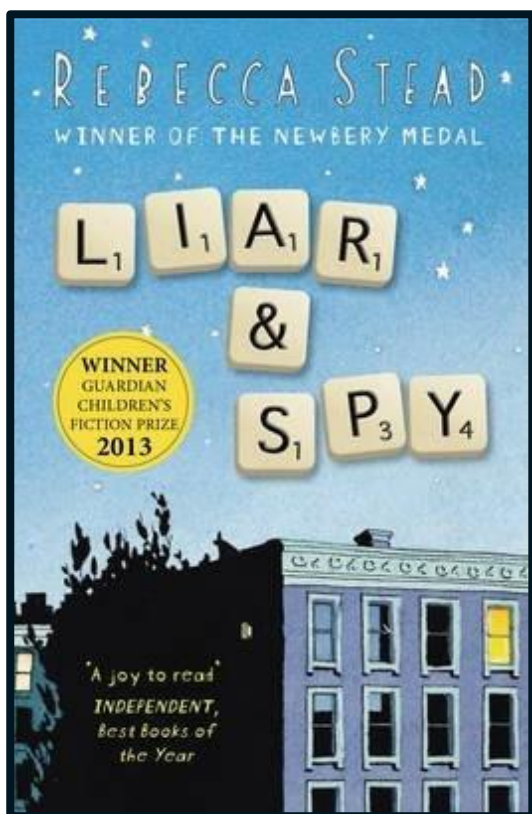


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Liar and spy

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**By Rebecca Stead
F/STE**

When Georges moves into a new apartment block he meets Safer, a twelve-year-old self-appointed spy. Soon Georges has become his spy recruit. His first assignment? To track the mysterious Mr X, who lives in the flat upstairs. But as Safer becomes more demanding, Georges starts to wonder: what is a game and what is a lie? How far is too far to go for your only friend?

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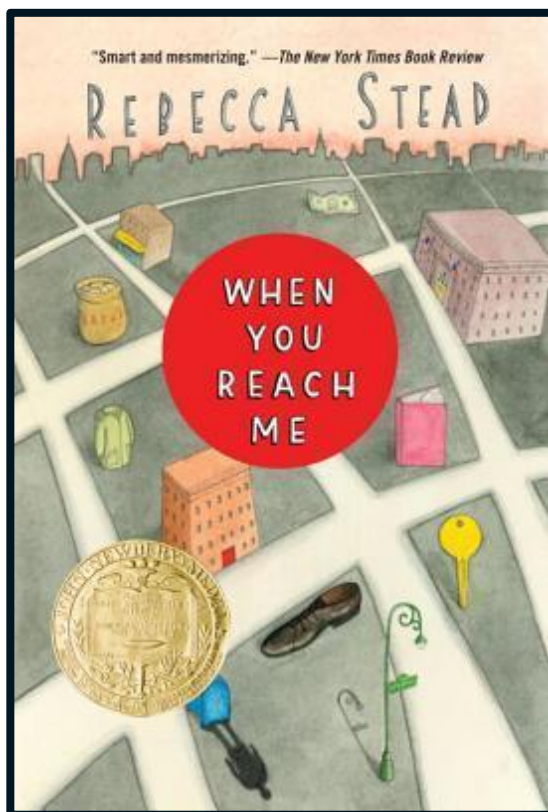


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When you reach me

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By Rebecca Stead
F/STE

Shortly after a fall-out with her best friend, sixth grader Miranda starts receiving mysterious notes, and she doesn't know what to do. The notes tell her that she must write a letter - a true story, and that she can't share her mission with anyone. It would be easy to ignore the strange messages, except that whoever is leaving them has an uncanny ability to predict the future. If that is the case, then Miranda has a big problem - because the notes tell her that someone is going to die, and she might be too late to stop it.

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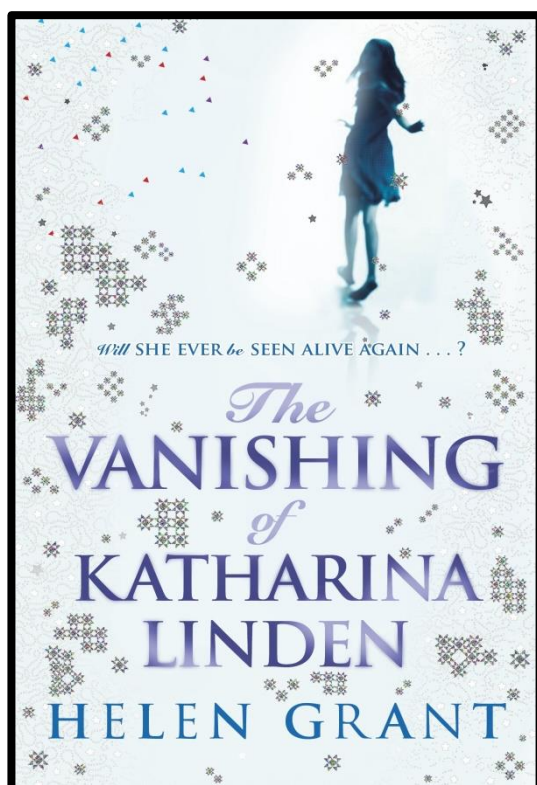


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The Vanishing of Katharina Linden

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By Helen Grant
F/GRA

On the day Katharina Linden disappears, Pia is the last person to see her. Terror is spreading through the town. How could a ten-year-old girl vanish in a place where everybody knows everybody else?

Pia is determined to find out what happened to Katharina.

But then the next girl disappears.

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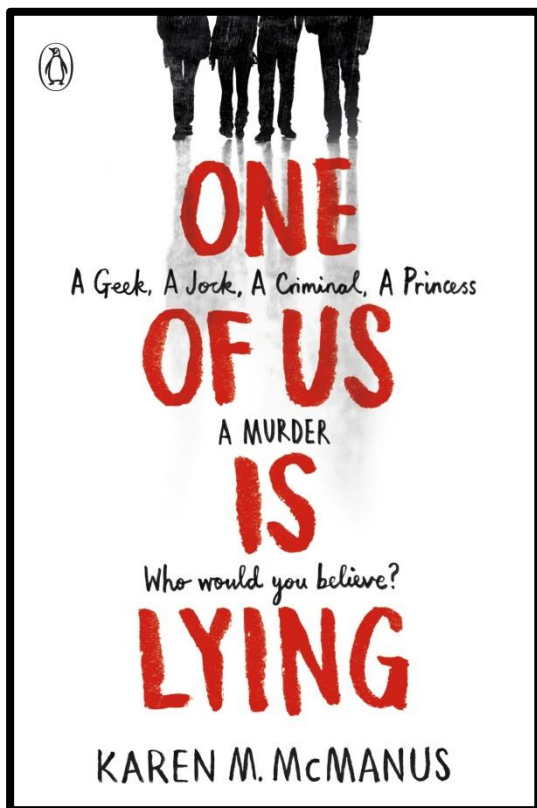


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One of us is Lying

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By Karen M McManus
F/MCM

Five students go to detention. Only four leave alive.

Yale hopeful **Bronwyn** has never publicly broken a rule. Sports star **Cooper** only knows what he's doing in the baseball diamond. Bad boy **Nate** is one misstep away from a life of crime. Prom queen **Addy** is holding together the cracks in her perfect life. And outsider **Simon**, creator of the notorious gossip app at Bayview High, won't ever talk about any of them again. He dies 24 hours before he could post their deepest secrets online. Investigators conclude it's no accident. All of them are suspects.

Everyone has secrets, right?

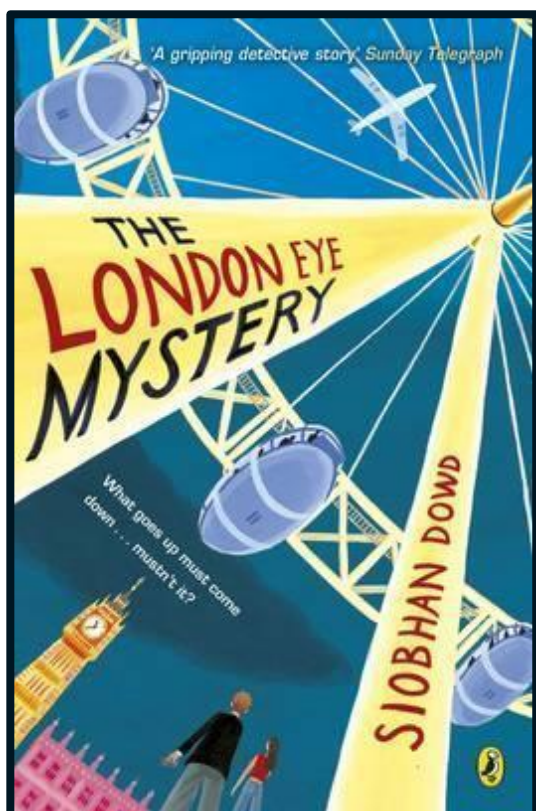
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The London Eye mystery

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By Siobhan Dowd
F/DOW

Ted and Kat watched their cousin Salim board the London Eye, but after half an hour it landed, and everyone trooped off--except Salim. Where could he have gone? How on earth could he have disappeared into thin air? Ted and his older sister, Kat, become sleuthing partners, since the police are having no luck. Despite their prickly relationship, they overcome their differences to follow a trail of clues across London in a desperate bid to find their cousin.

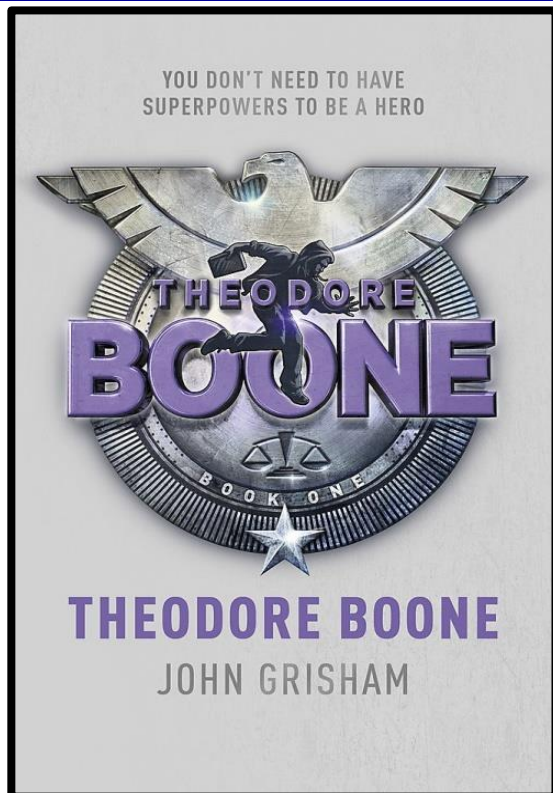
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Theodore Boone

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By John Grisham

F/GRI

Half the man, twice the lawyer.

In the small city of Strattenburg, there are many lawyers, and though he's only thirteen years old, Theo Boone thinks he's one of them. Theo knows every judge, policeman, court clerk - and a lot about the law. He dreams of being a great trial lawyer, of a life in the courtroom. But Theo finds himself in court much sooner than he expected. Because he knows so much - maybe too much - he is suddenly dragged into the middle of a sensational murder trial. A cold-blooded killer is about to go free, and only Theo knows the truth. The stakes are high, but Theo won't stop until justice is served.

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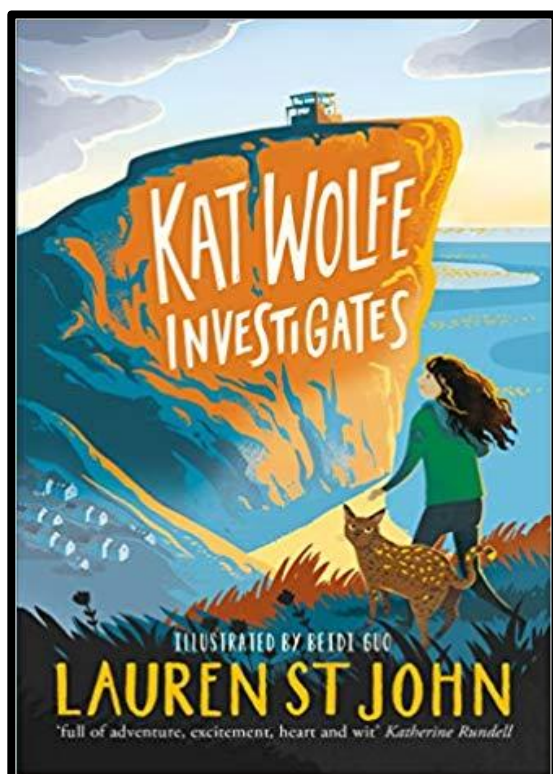


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Kat Wolfe Investigates

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By Lauren St John

F/STJ

Kat Wolfe loves her new home in idyllic Bluebell Bay, especially as it comes with a resident wildcat. But when she starts pet-sitting for pocket money, she finds that beneath the town's perfect surface lie some dark and dangerous secrets . . .

After a pet owner vanishes from his cliff top mansion, Kat turns to her new friend, Harper Lamb, for help. What began as mystery-solving holiday fun quickly turns deadly for Wolfe and Lamb. Can they count on their unruly animals to save their lives?

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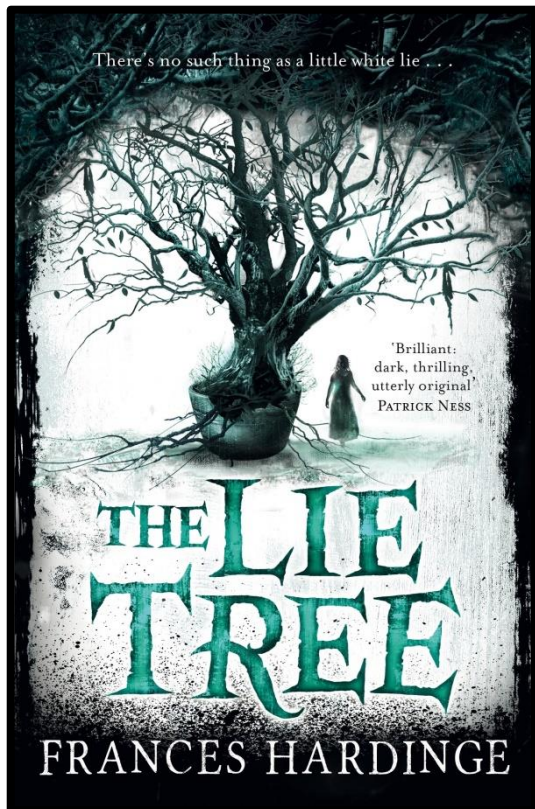


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The Lie Tree

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By Frances Hardinge

F/HAR

Faith's father has been found dead under mysterious circumstances, and as she is searching through his belongings for clues she discovers a strange tree. The tree only grows healthy and bears fruit if you whisper a lie to it. The fruit of the tree, when eaten, will deliver a hidden truth to the person who consumes it. The bigger the lie, the more people who believe it, the bigger the truth that is uncovered.

Faith realizes that she is good at lying and that the tree might hold the key to her father's murder, so she begins to spread untruths far and wide across the small island community. But as her tales spiral out of control, she discovers that where lies seduce, truths shatter . . .

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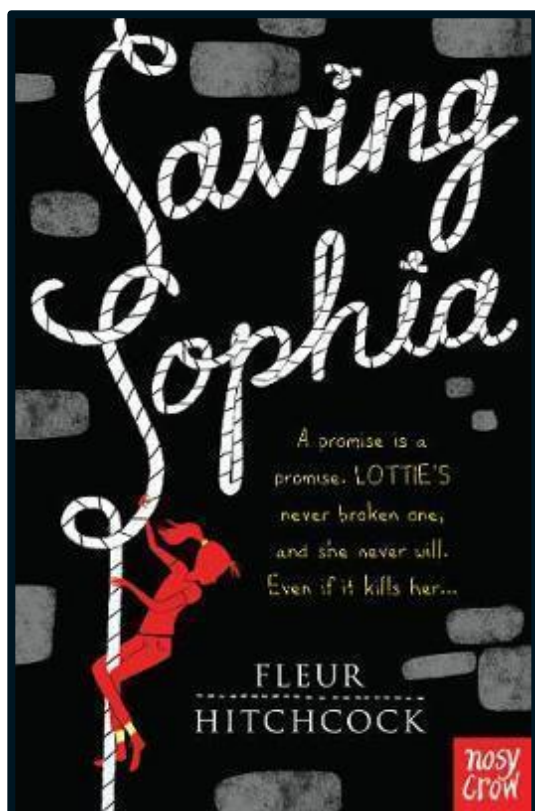


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Saving Sophia

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By Fleur Hitchcock

F/HIT

All Lottie wants to do is have adventures, but no such luck. Until she meets Sophia, a girl surrounded by mystery and danger. When the two run away from a staged kayak accident to find Sophia's mum, Lottie learns a lot about being the hero.

No matter how many adventures you've read about, when you're suddenly trapped in one - cold, hungry, and being chased by the bad guy - it takes all your real-life wit and bravery to survive.

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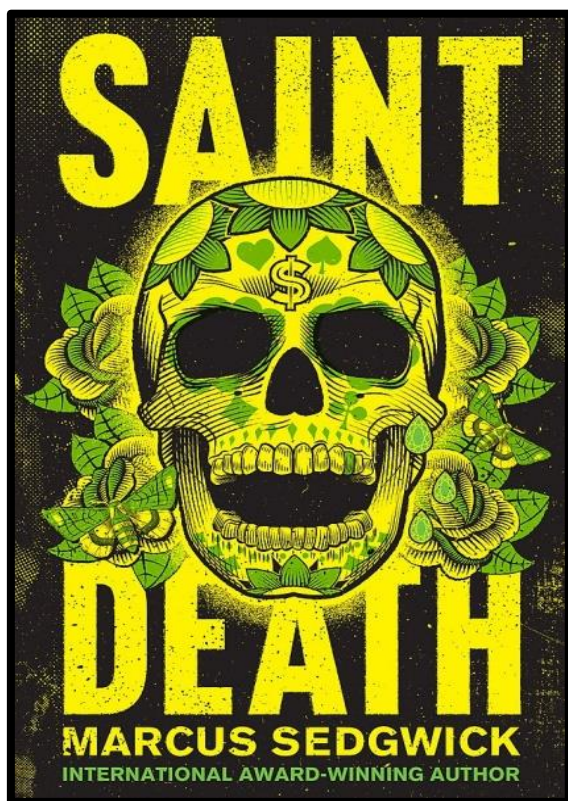


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Saint Death

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By Marcus Sedgwick
F/SED

A potent, powerful and timely thriller about migrants, drug lords and gang warfare set on the US/Mexican border. Anapra is one of the poorest neighbourhoods in the Mexican city of Juarez - twenty metres outside town lies a fence, and beyond it, America - the dangerous goal of many a migrant. Faustino is one such trying to escape from the gang he's been working for. He's dipped into a pile of dollars he was supposed to be hiding and now he's on the run. He and his friend, Arturo, have only 36 hours to replace the missing money, or they're as good as dead.

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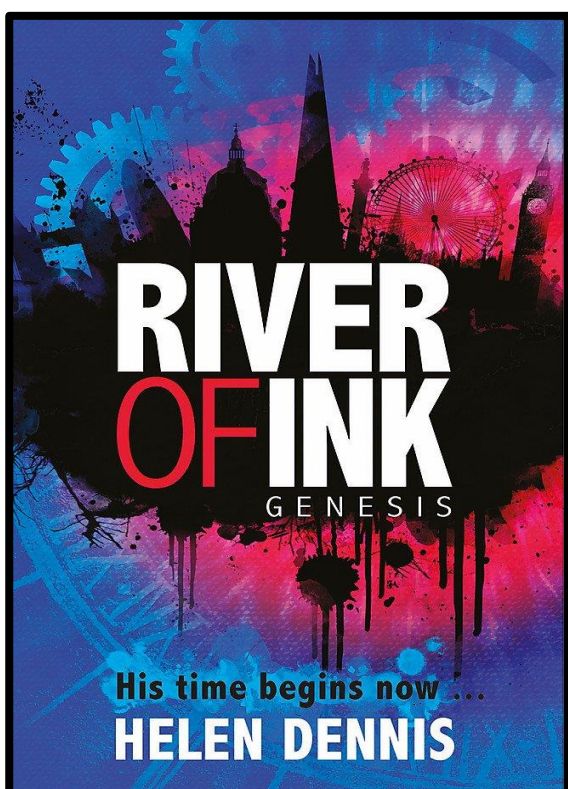


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River of Ink: Genesis

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By Helen Dennis
F/DEN

When a mystery teenage boy emerges from the River Thames drenched, distressed and unable to remember anything about himself, he becomes the focus of worldwide media speculation. Unable to communicate, the River Boy is given paper and a pencil and begins to scribble. Soon a symbol emerges, but the boy has no idea why he has drawn it even though it's the only clue to the mystery of his identity...

As the boy begins to build a new life under a new name, the hunt for his real identity begins. A hunt which will lead him on a dangerous QUEST that he has only one year to complete.

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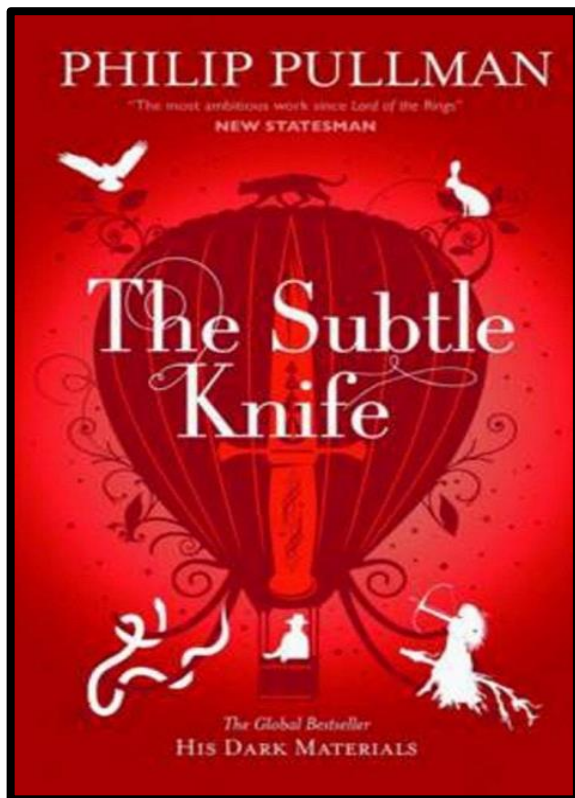


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The Subtle Knife

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By Philip Pullman
F/PUL

Will has just killed a man. He's on the run. His escape will take him far beyond his own world, to the eerie disquiet of a deserted city, and to a girl, Lyra. Her fate is strangely linked to his own, and together they must find the most powerful weapon in all the worlds...

Second title in the 'His Dark materials' Trilogy

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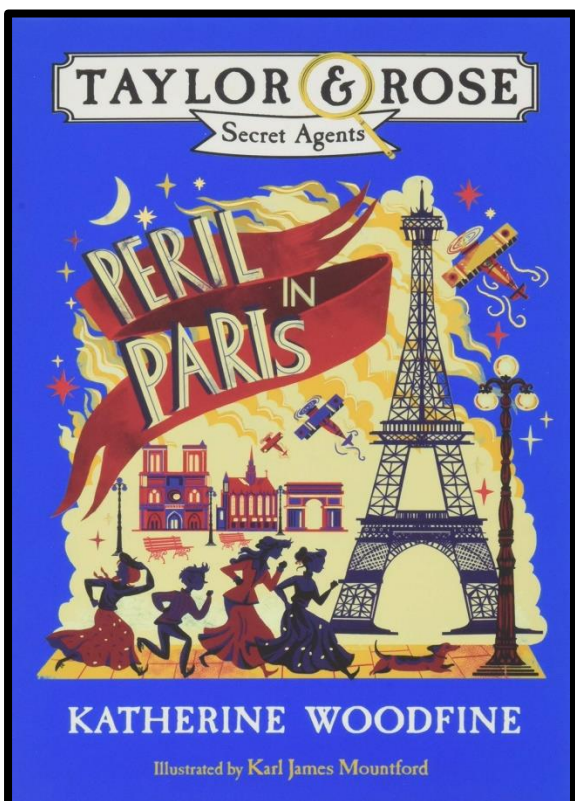


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Peril In Paris

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By Katherine Woodfine
F/WOO

ALL ABOARD THE TRAIN TO PARIS!

It's 1911, and the young detectives of TAYLOR & ROSE are turning their talents to ESPIONAGE.

On a case for the mysterious SECRET SERVICE BUREAU, the daring MISS SOPHIE TAYLOR and MISS LILIAN ROSE must leave London for the boulevards and grand hotels of Paris.

But DANGER lurks beneath the bright lights of the city - and INTRIGUE and MURDER lie in store. As aeroplanes soar in the skies overhead, our heroines will need to put all their spy skills to the test to face the PERIL that awaits them...

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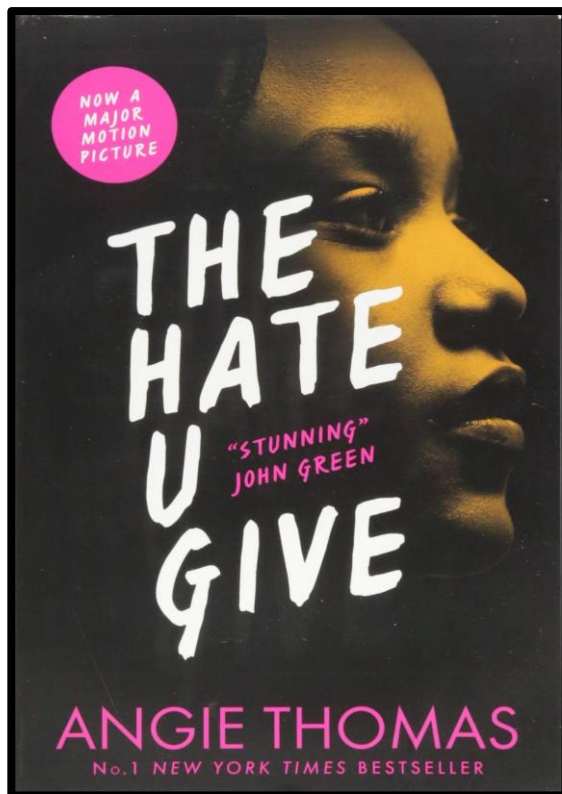


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The Hate U Give

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By Angie Thomas
F/THO

Sixteen-year-old Starr lives in two worlds: the poor neighbourhood where she was born and raised and her posh high school in the suburbs. The uneasy balance between them is shattered when Starr is the only witness to the fatal shooting of her unarmed best friend, Khalil, by a police officer. Now what Starr says could destroy her community. It could also get her killed.

Inspired by the Black Lives Matter movement, this is a powerful and gripping YA novel about one girl's struggle for justice.

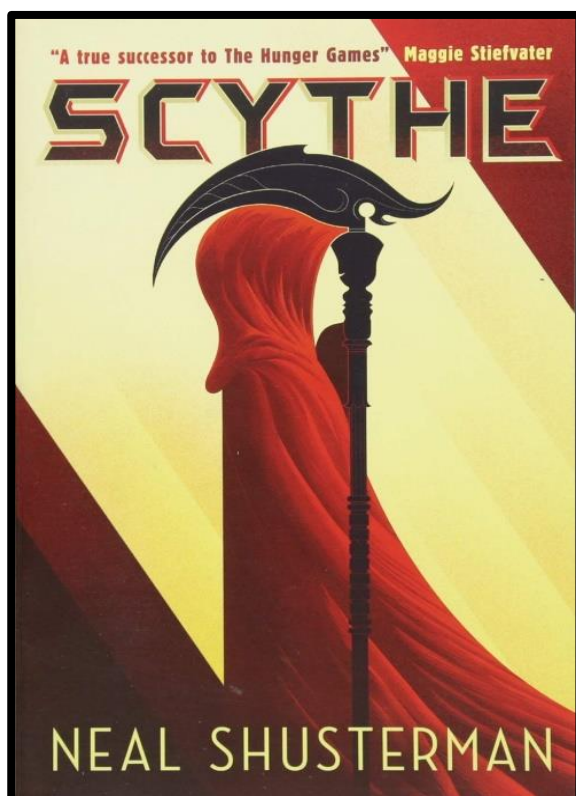
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Scythe

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By Neal Shusterman
F/SHU

In a world where disease, war and crime have been eliminated, the only way to die is to be randomly killed ("gleaned") by professional scythes. Citra and Rowan are teenagers who have been selected to be scythes' apprentices, and despite wanting nothing to do with the vocation, they must learn the art of killing and understand the necessity of what they do.

Only one of them will be chosen as a scythe's apprentice and as Citra and Rowan come up against a terrifyingly corrupt Scythedom, it becomes clear that the winning apprentice's first task will be to glean the loser.

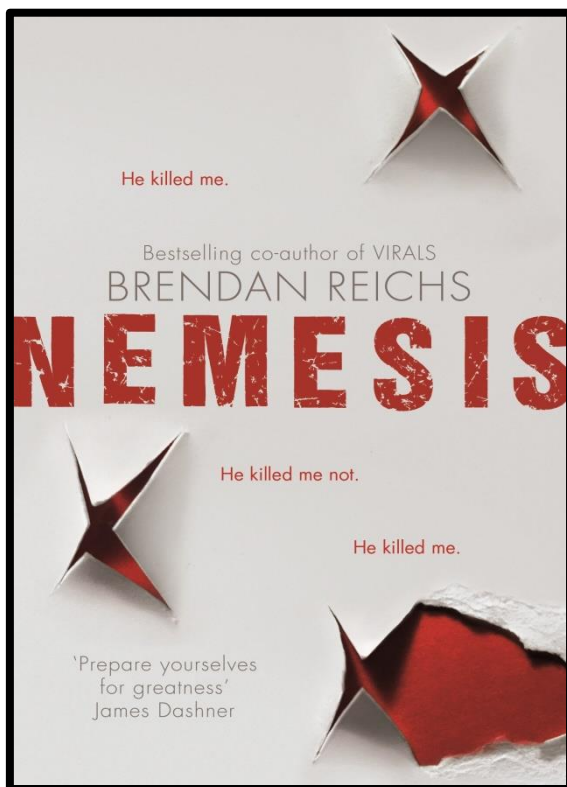
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Nemesis

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By Brendan Reichs
F/REI

It's been happening since Min was eight. Every two years, on her birthday, the same man finds her and murders her in cold blood. But hours later she wakes up in a clearing just outside her hometown – alone, unhurt, and with all evidence of the crime erased.

Across the valley, Noah just wants to be like everyone else. But he's not. Nightmares of murder and death plague him too, though he does his best to hide the signs.

As the world around them begins to spiral towards panic and destruction, the two troubled teens discover that people have been lying to them their whole lives.

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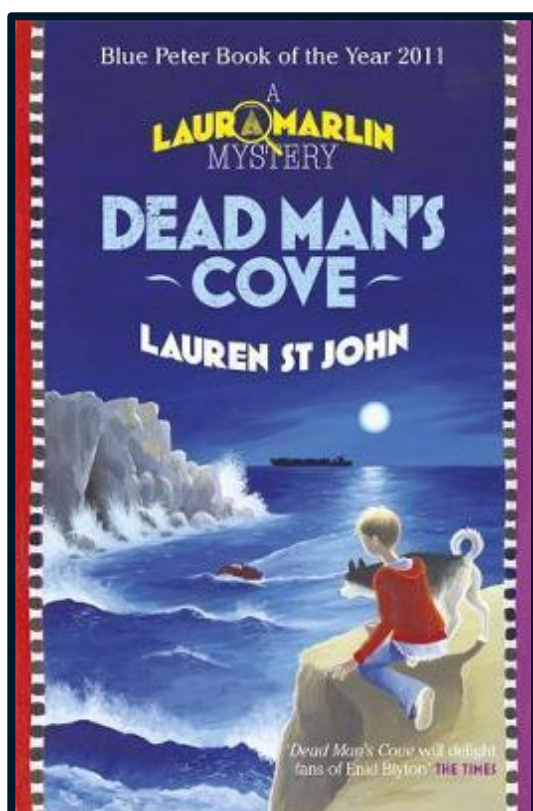


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Dead Man's Cove

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By Lauren St John
F/STJ

When orphaned Laura Marlin moves from to her uncle's spooky house in Cornwall, England . . . Why does her uncle, Calvin Redfern, forbid her to go to Dead Man's Cove? What's the truth about Tariq, the silent Indian boy who lives with the flamboyant Mukthars? Who is J? Who has left the message in a bottle for Laura to discover Mysteries abound and who better to solve them than Laura Marlin, ace detective Accompanied by her trusty companion, Skye, a three-legged husky, the dog she's always wanted.

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First book in the
Laura Marlin series.