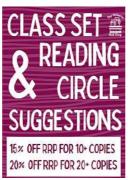
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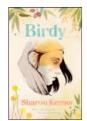
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**OLDER NOVEL** 



#### 1. BIRDY

Sharon Kernot | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$18.39

Maddy is mute. Since the Incident she has barely spoken. And now she and her mother and brother are staying in a farmhouse on an old apricot orchard not far from town. It's a chance to rest and recuperate-or a way to hide further away from the world. Alice is waiting. Since Birdy, her darling daughter, disappeared forty-five years ago, she has sat in her house waiting for her to come home. Alice says Maddy reminds her of Birdy, and Maddy feels a strange connection to the long-lost girl. In the quiet not-speaking and waiting, amid the clutter of the old woman's house, Maddy and Alice slowly become friends. Until Maddy takes something that's not hers.

Categories: Verse Novel, Grief, Pain, Loss, Shame, Kindness



## 2. I HOPE THIS DOESN'T FIND YOU

Ann Liang | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Sadie Wen is perfect on paper- school captain, valedictorian, and a "pleasure to have in class." It's not easy, but she has a trick to keep her model-student smile plastered on her face at all times- she channels all her frustrations into her email drafts. She'd never send them of course - she'd rather die than hurt anyone's feelings - but it's a relief to let loose on her power-hungry English teacher or a freeloading classmate taking credit for Sadie's work. All her most vehemently worded emails are directed at her infuriating co-captain, Julius Gong, whose arrogance and competitive streak have irked Sadie since they were kids. Sadie doesn't have to hold back in her emails, because nobody will ever read them ... that is, until they're accidentally sent out. Overnight, Sadie's carefully crafted, conflict-free life is turned upside down. It's her worst nightmare - now everyone at school knows what she really thinks of them, and they're not afraid to tell her what they really think of her either. But amidst the chaos, there's one person growing to appreciate the "real" Sadie - Julius, the only boy she's sworn to hate ...

Categories: Romance



## 3. INVOCATIONS, THE

Krystal Sutherland | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Zara Jones believes in magic because the alternative is too painful to consider-that her murdered sister is gone forever and there is nothing she can do about it. Rather than grieving and moving on, Zara decides she will do whatever it takes to claw her sister back from the grave-even trading in the occult. Jude Wolf may be the daughter of a billionaire, but she is also undeniably cursed. After a deal with a demon went horribly wrong, her soul has been slowly turning necrotic. It's a miserable existence. Now that she's glimpsed what's beyond the veil, Jude's desperate to ?nd someone to undo the damage she's done to herself. Enter Emer Byrne, an orphaned witch with a dark past and a deadly power, a.k.a. the solution to both Zara's and Jude's problems. Though Emer lives a hardscrabble life, she gives away her most valuable asset-her invocations-to women in desperate situations who are willing to sacri?ce a piece of their soul in exchange for a scrap of power. Zara and Jude are willing, but they ?rst have to ?nd Emer. When Emer's clients start turning up dead all over London, a vital clue leads Zara and Jude right to her. If a serial killer is targeting her clients, Emer wants to know why-and to stop them. She strikes a tenuous alliance with Zara and Jude to hunt a killer before they are next on his list, even if she can't give them in return what Zara and Jude want most- a sister and a soul.

Categories: Fantasy, Magic, Murder, Mystery



#### 4. SHADOWS OF TRUTH

Astrid Scholte | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

After their dramatic escape from Vardean prison, Cayder and his friends leap into the unknown, tumbling headlong out of Telene and into the strange and mysterious world beyond the veil. Leta - who grew up believing a world of dark fairytales existed on the other side of the veil - finds that the truth is more magical, and terrifying, than she could ever have imagined. And it's the worst possible place to discover your boyfriend has been mortally wounded. Meanwhile, Cayder and Elenora learn that both this world and their own are teetering on the brink of destruction. Still reeling from Elenora's betrayal, Cayder must overcome his feelings and work with her to prevent an apocalypse. They have to make it home, and to do so they will need the help of their old enemy, Dr Bueter - as well as old friends they thought were lost forever.

Categories: Fantasy, Thriller

# **Older Novel**



## 5. 10 HOURS TO GO

Keely Parrack | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Lily wants to get home. Her friends want to get even. Lily needs a ride-a fire warning in Oregon has cancelled her train home to California. Her ex-best friend, Natasha, has offered to pick Lily up on her way back from Portland, though they're barely on speaking terms. As it turns out, Natasha's also giving a ride to Elke Azizi, the girl Lily got expelled from their school four years ago. Elke hasn't forgotten, and neither has Natasha. It's getting tense in the car, and it's not just about the past. There's smoke in the air, and with the wildfires nearby, staying on the road is becoming riskier by the hour. When Natasha and Elke decide to take a detour, Lily hopes it'll get them out of danger. She has no idea, though, what her former friends have planned for her. But as night comes, the plans change again when it becomes all too clear that leaving the main road was a mistake. Now the three of them are trapped in the woods under a burning sky, with no easy way out. To survive, Lily must depend on Elke and Natasha-but after all that's happened, can she trust them with her life?



## 6. AFTER DARK WITH ROXIE CLARK

Brooke Lauren Davis | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Roxie Clark has seen more dead bodies than your average seventeen-year-old. As a member of the supposedly-cursed Clark family, most of her ancestors have met tragic ends, including her own mother. Instead of fearing the curse, however, Roxie has combined her flair for performance and her gruesome family history into a successful ghost tour. But her tour never covers the most recent body she's seen. Her sister Skylar's boyfriend, Colin Riley, found murdered in a cornfield. A year after the murder, Roxie's desperate to help Skylar find closure and start to heal. Instead, Skylar becomes fixated on finding the killer. As the sisters dig into what really happened, they discover that more than one person has been lying about that night. And the closer they get to the truth, the more Roxie starts to wonder if some scary stories might be better left untold.

Categories: Thriller, Murder, Mystery



## 7. AN IMPROBABLE SEASON

Rosalyn Eves | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

When Thalia, Kalliope, and Charis set off to Regency London for their first Season, they each have clear goals, few of which include matrimony. Thalia means to make her mark among the intelligentsia and publish her poetry, Charis hopes to earn her place among the scientific elite, and Kalliope aims to take the fashionable ton by storm. But this Season, it doesn't take long for things to fall apart. Kalli finds herself embroiled in scandal and reliant upon an arranged marriage to redeem her reputation, Thalia's dreams of publication are threatened by her attraction to a charming rake, and Charis finds herself an unexpected social hit, and the source of a family scandal that her heart might not survive. Can this roller-coaster Season find its happily ever after?

Categories: Historical, Romance

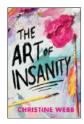


#### **8. ANNE OF GREENVILLE**

Mariko Tamaki | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

In this modern reimagining of Anne of Green Gables, Anne is an ABBA-loving singer/actor/writer of disco-operas, queer, Japanese-American who longs to be understood for her artistic genius. Recently relocated to middle-of-nowhere Greenville and starting at a new school, Anne has a tendency to A) fall in love quickly, deeply, and effervescently and B) fly off the handle in the face of jerks. Both personality quirks quickly come into play when the soccer team boos the premiere of her disco performance, which-in a roundabout way-introduces her to her new BFF, Berry, and she soon after meets the girl of her dreams, Gilly. Falling quickly into that age-old trap of ignoring the best friend for the new crush, Anne soon becomes embroiled in a series of dramatic and unfortunate events, and quickly finds herself wrapped up in a love triangle she never expected. Is she MTB with Gilly? Or is Berry her true soul mate? Only time (or 304 pages) will tell.

Categories: LGBTQIA, Friendship, Coming Of Age, Identity, Romance



#### 9. ART OF INSANITY, THE

Christine Webb | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

High schooler Natalie Cordova has just been diagnosed with Bipolar disorder. Her mom insists she keep it secret. Putting up a front and hiding her mental illness from her classmates is going to be the hardest thing high schooler Natalie Cordova has ever done. It's her senior year, and she's just been selected to present her artwork at a prestigious show. With the stress of performing on her shoulders, it doesn't help when Natalie notices a boy who makes her heart leap. And then there's fellow student Ella, who confronts Natalie about her summer car "accident" and pressures her into caring for the world's ugliest dog. Now Natalie finds herself juggling all kinds of feels and responsibilities. Surely her newly prescribed medication is to blame for the funk she finds herself in. But as Natalie's plan to self-treat unravels, so does the perfect facade she's been painting for everyone else.

Categories: Neurodiverse, Neurodiversity, Mental Health, Romance, Bipolar Disorder, Friendship



#### 10 RETTING ON YOU

Lynn Painter | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

When seventeen-year-old Bailey starts a new job at a hotel waterpark, she is less than thrilled to see an old acquaintance is one of her coworkers. Bailey met Charlie a year ago on the long flight to Omaha, where she moved after her parents' divorce. Charlie's cynicism didn't mix well with Bailey's carefully well-behaved temperament, and his endless commentary was the irritating cherry on top of an already emotionally fraught trip. Now, Bailey and Charlie are still polar opposites, but instead of everything about him rubbing Bailey the wrong way, she starts to look forward to hanging out and gossiping about the waterpark guests and their coworkers—particularly two who keep flirting with each other. Bailey and Charlie make a bet on whether or not the cozy pair will actually get together. Charlie insists that members of the opposite sex can't just be friends, and Bailey is determined to prove him wrong. Bailey and Charlie keep close track of the romantic progress of others while Charlie works to deflect the growing feelings he's developed for Bailey. Terrified to lose her if his crush becomes known, what doesn't help his agenda is Bailey and Charlie "fake dating" in order to disrupt the annoying pleasantries between Bailey's mom and her mom's new boyfriend. But Charlie has a secret—a secret that involves Bailey and another bet Charlie may have made. Can the two make a real go of things...or has Charlie's secret doomed them before they could start?

**Categories: Romance** 



#### 11. BONE TALK

Candy Gourlay | Paperback | Age 13+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Samkad lives in a tribe deep in the Philippine jungle at the end of the nineteenth century, and has never encountered anyone from outside his own tribe before. He's about to become a man, and while he's desperate to grow up, he's worried that this will take him away from his best friend, Little Luki. However, Samkad's world is about to change utterly. A strange man with white skin arrives in his village, and Samkad discovers the brother he never knew he had. A brother who tells him of people called 'Americans'. Americans who are bringing war, and burning, to Samuel's home...

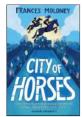


#### 12 CATCH YOUR DEATH

Ravena Guron | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

When three girls are stranded at the grand Bramble Estate in the middle of a snowstorm, they stumble into a murder plot. Someone has poisoned wealthy Emily Vanforte in the middle of a family dinner - which means Devi, Lizzie and Jayne are trapped in the house with a killer and a mystery to solve. With knives under floorboards, vanishing guns and secret passages in the walls, no one is safe and everyone is a suspect. But in a house of liars and corruption, will the girls save themselves...or learn to fit in?

Categories: Murder, Mystery, Thriller



#### 13. CITY OF HORSES

Frances Moloney | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$15.30

New home. New friendships. New rules. Thirteen-year-old Misty's life is about to be turned upside down. When her dad loses his job, they both have to move to Redbridge - far away from her home and her friends. This new town brings plenty of surprises - Misty wasn't expecting to live on an estate where ponies run free, and she certainly wasn't expecting to meet Dylan, a mysterious local boy who loves horses...Misty is determined to keep up appearances and hide her new life from her friends at all costs. But when the horses she has grown to love come under threat, will she have the courage to help save the place she now calls home?

Categories: Moving House, Friendship, Unemployment, Courage



## 14. COMPASS AND BLADE

Rachel Greenlaw | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Mira is a wrecker, one of the seven chosen to swim out and plunder the wrecked ships beyond the Isle of Rosevear. The waves sing to her soul, the call of the sea beckoning her into deeper waters. But Rosevear needs her, and she could never abandon her home. Until one evening when lightning splits the sky and the Watch descend, taking Mira's father away. Mira must set off on a journey to win back her father's freedom. She will encounter two strangers along the way – enigmatic Seth and smouldering Elijah – and learning who to trust will not be easy. When she discovers a dark family secret, buried deep in the ocean, Mira finds that securing her future – and that of her island – will come at a high price . . .

Categories: Fantasy, Romance



## 15. CRUEL TWIST OF FATE, A

H.F. Askwith | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

When seventeen-year-old Helena is sent to be a governess at Archfall Manor - a beautiful but crumbling manor house, she feels confident she will know how to deal with the esteemed but eccentric Cauldwell family who own it. But it quickly becomes clear that the Cauldwells are hiding more than Helena could ever have dreamed of. A series of sinister events come to a head the night of a great storm, which washes away the only path back to the mainland - and reveals in the morning that there has been a murder... quickly followed by another. Suspicions and paranoia quickly run rampant. Someone has dark motivations in mind - and a killer's instinct to enact them. But the Cauldwell's aren't the only ones keeping secrets. Helena has a very important one of her own - and soon she begins to wonder whether forces beyond her control might be willing her to enact her own dark plan . . . Just how far will she go to get what she deserves?

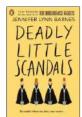
Categories: Mystery, Thriller, Suspense



#### 16 DEAD RREAK OUTER BANKS

Jay Coles | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$27.00

It's summer, and there's a big surfing competition coming to the OBX. Competitors—like Kie and Rafe—will participate in paddle-in and tow-in surfing events. Athletes from around the world flood into the Outer Banks, filling the island's hotels.



#### 17. DEADLY LITTLE SCANDALS DEBUTANTES

Jennifer Lynn Barnes | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Reluctant debutante Sawyer Taft joined Southern high society for one reason and one reason alone- to identify and locate her biological father. But the answers Sawyer found during her debutante year only left her with more questions and one potentially life-ruining secret. When her cousin Lily ropes her into joining a mysterious and elite secret society called the White Gloves, Sawyer soon discovers that someone in the group's ranks may have the answers she's looking for. Things are looking up . . . until Sawyer and the White Gloves make a disturbing discovery near the family's summer home - and uncover a twisted secret, decades in the making.



## 18. DEFY THE STORM STAR WARS THE HIGH REPUBLIC

Justina Ireland | Paperback | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

One year after the fall of Starlight Beacon, the galaxy is in chaos. An anarchistic group known as the Nihil has taken over a section of space now known as the Occlusion Zone. Jedi Knight Vernestra Rwoh and scientist Avon Starros team up in an attempt to find a way through the Nihil Stormwall to save those on the other side. But what are the Nihil's real plans? And what of the nameless creatures that can destroy the Jedi Order? The battle has just begun....



#### 19. DELICIOUS MONSTERS

Liselle Sambury | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Daisy sees dead people—something impossible to forget in bustling, ghost-packed Toronto. She usually manages to deal with her unwanted ability, but she's completely unprepared to be dumped by her boyfriend. So when her mother inherits a secluded mansion in northern Ontario where she spent her childhood summers, Daisy jumps at the chance to escape. But the house is nothing like Daisy expects, and she begins to realize that her experience with the supernatural might be no match for her mother's secrets, nor what lurks within these walls... A decade later, Brittney is desperate to get out from under the thumb of her abusive mother, a bestselling author who claims her stay at "Miracle Mansion" allowed her to see the error of her ways. But Brittney knows that's nothing but a sham. She decides the new season of her popular Haunted web series will uncover what happened to a young Black girl in the mansion ten years prior and finally expose her mother's lies. But as she gets more wrapped up in the investigation, she'll have to decide: if she can only bring one story to light, which one matters most—Daisy's or her own? As Brittney investigates the mansion in the present, Daisy's story runs parallel in the past, both timelines propelling the girls to face the most dangerous monsters of all: those that hide in plain sight.

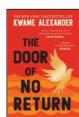


## 20. DIDN'T SEE THAT COMING WELL THAT WAS UNEXPECTED

Jesse q Sutanto | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Seventeen-year-old Kiki Siregar is a fabulous gamer girl with confidence to boot. She can't help but be totally herself... except when she's online. Her secret? She plays anonymously as a guy to avoid harassment from other male players. Even her online best friend—a cinnamon roll of a teen boy who plays under the username Sourdawg—doesn't know her true identity. Which is fine, because Kiki doesn't know his real name either, and it's not like they're ever going to cross paths IRL. Until she transfers to an elite private school for her senior year and discovers that Sourdawg goes there, too. But who is he? How will he react when he finds out Kiki's secret? And what happens when Kiki realizes she's falling for her online BFF?

Categories: Humour, Romance, Bullying, Gaming, Social Media, Indonesia



# 21. DOOR OF NO RETURN, THE

Kwame Alexander | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Eleven-year-old Kofi Offin has dreams of water, of its urgent whisper that beckons with promises and secrets. He has heard the call on the banks of Upper Kwanta, West Africa, where he lives. He loves these things above all else: his family, the fireside tales of his father's father, a girl named Ama, and, of course, swimming. But when the unthinkable – a sudden death – occurs during a festival between rival villages, Kofi ends up in a fight for his life. What happens next will send him on a harrowing journey across land and sea, and away from everything he loves. Yet Kofi's dreams may be the key to his freedom...

Categories: Verse Novel, Slavery, Ghana, Africa

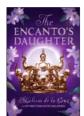


#### 22 DREAMING VOLUME 1: MANGA

Queenie Chan | Paperback | Age 12+ | RRP \$24.95 | School Price \$21.21

When twin sisters Amber and Jeanie are accepted into an exclusive boarding school, their future looks bright. But the school's halls harbour a terrible secret: students have been known to wander into the surrounding bushlands and vanish...without a trace! No one knows where they went — or why. But as Amber and Jeanie are about to learn, the key to the school's dark past may lie in the world of their dreams.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Manga, Mystery, Supernatural, Horror



#### 23. ENCANTO'S DAUGHTER, THE

Melissa De La Cruz | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

A young woman claims the throne of a realm inspired by Filipino mythology in this YA romantic fantasy, the first in an enchanting new duet by #1 New York Times bestselling author Melissa de la Cruz. MJ Rodriguez has spent her life hiding in the human world and guarding a heavy secret- She is half-encanto, a fairy from a hidden realm, and as the only child of King Vivencio, she's also next in line for the throne. Now, upon her father's sudden death, MJ must take her place as the king's rightful heir. In wondrous Biringan, the road to the throne is paved with thorns. MJ has to navigate a backstabbing council that objects to a half-human ruler. And when an ancient curse starts wiping out creatures across the land, she must find and stop the sorceress behind this merciless magic. To succeed, MJ forges an unlikely alliance with the dashing Sir Lucas of the feared Sigbin Court, and soon, she starts falling deeply for the mysterious knight. But with peril looming over the kingdom, the princess must decide if she can open her heart to love-and prove she can carry the weight of the crown.

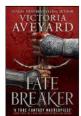


# 24. FALLOUT, THE THE WARNING

Kristy Acevedo | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Senior year would have been stressful enough without an apocalypse. When the holograms arrived, allegedly offering safe passage to those who stepped through their vertexes, Alexandra Lucas thought going or staying would be the hardest decision of her life. She was wrong. Because she is the one person who knows the truth, a truth that will change everything- the holograms lied. Alex can't deny this new world is mesmerizing. Holo technology lets her customize everything from her clothes to her surroundings. But she can't let it distract her from searching for her boyfriend, best friend, and brother. They need to know what happened. Because there's a rebellion brewing, and every utopia has a breaking point. What price must they all pay to survive?

**Categories:** Dystopian



## 25. FATE BREAKER REALM BREAKER

Victoria Aveyard | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

A strange darkness is growing in the Ward. A man who would burn kingdoms to the ground is raising an army unlike any seen before, bent on uprooting the foundations of the world. And only Corayne - a pirate's daughter and the last of an ancient lineage - can stop him. Alongside an unlikely group of reluctant allies, Corayne finds herself on a desperate journey to complete an impossible task, with untold magic singing in her blood and the fate of the world on her shoulders.

**Categories: Fantasy** 



## 26. FIRST TO DIE AT THE END, THE

Adam Silvera | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Meet Orion and Valentino. It's the night before Death-Cast goes live, and there's one question on everyone's mind: Can Death-Cast actually predict death, or is it an elaborate hoax? Orion Pagan has waited years for someone to tell him that he's going to die, given his serious heart condition. Valentino Prince has a long and promising future ahead of him and only registered for Death-Cast after his twin sister nearly died in a car accident. Orion and Valentino cross paths in Times Square and immediately feel a deep connection. But when the first End Day calls go out, their lives are changed for ever – one of them receives a call... the other doesn't.



## 27. FIRSTS AND LASTS: 16 STORIES FROM OUR WORLD

Laura Silverman | Hardback | Age 14+ | RRP \$32.99 | School Price \$28.05

From first breakups and romantic vampire encounters to last band performances and the deadly end of a friendship, Firsts and Lasts is an anthology that is just as unpredictable as being a teenager. While each of these stories span different genres and styles, they all perfectly capture the big emotions-confusion, joy, uneasiness, and anticipation-that many teens experience as they grow up. Whether you are hopelessly in love and not sure how to tell your crush, going through loss and can't fully process it, or just trying to figure out where you belong in the world, this collection of sixteen stories has something for every reader.



#### 28 FOR GIRLS WHO WALK THROUGH FIRE

Kim DeRose | Hardback | Age 14+ | RRP \$34.99 | School Price \$29.75

Each week, Elliott attends a support group for sexual assault victims—but Elliott's done talking. She wants justice. Her plan: recruit a coven of fellow survivors from the group. She, Madeline, Chloe, and Bea don't have much in common, but they're united by rage at a system that judges victims and never punishes those who deserve it. As they cast hexes against their unrepentant assailants, they find themselves coming together in unexpected ways—and realizing that revenge has heavy implications. Each witch has a choice: continue the path of magical vigilantism or discover what it truly means to claim her power.

Categories: Magical Realism, Witchcraft, Injustice, Revenge



#### 29. FOUR GOOD LIARS

Sarah Wishart | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Layla. Kai. Liam. Fliss. Terrified big sister. Troubled surfer. Insecure genius. Pampered princess. They have nothing in common, except they were all on the school bus that morning. The morning of the crash. The morning they discovered the dead driver's holdall, containing one million pounds – and a gun. All of them have secrets, and all of them need that money. But someone dangerous is hunting it down, and drawing closer every minute. If Layla, Kai, Liam and Fliss want to survive, they'll need to stick together. But can four good liars really trust one another? Or are some truths just too powerful to stay buried...?

**Categories: Thriller** 



## **30. FOX MAIDENS GRAPHIC NOVEL**

Robin Ha | Paperback | Age 13+ | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Kai has trained all her life in her father's martial arts school. Though she is looked down upon for being a girl, she proves her courage when assassins launch a ruthless attack on her family. Yet Kai is the inheritor of a dark secret: each month she is transformed into a fox demon, and must hunt and kill a man so she can return to her life as a young woman. As the deaths mount and the townspeople start to voice their suspicions, Kai desperately searches for a way out. Meanwhile, there is a mysterious girl who shares a secret bond with Kai, and whose love may be the key to breaking her curse . . . Inspired by the ancient nine-tailed fox legends of Korea, The Fox Maidens is a searing, thrilling fantasy romance told in beautiful, striking graphic art.

Categories: Graphic Novel, Adventure, Romance, Fantasy, Folklore, Korea



#### 31. FRAGILE ENCHANTMENT, A

Allison Saft | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

All Niamh has longed for is to be remembered: to create something that will last far longer than she will. For her, that means becoming a renowned dressmaker, using the magic in her blood that lets her stitch emotions and memories into fabric - the same magic that will eventually kill her. When Niamh is commissioned to design the prince's wardrobe for a royal wedding in Avaland, she knows she finally has her chance to leave her legacy. But Avaland is far from the fairytale that she imagined. While nobles and the elite attend extravagant balls and candlelit garden parties, unrest brews amid the working class. Niamh finds herself drawn to Kit, the prince whom she must dress for his wedding, despite his cold, prickly demeanour. And soon, a gossip column reports on their undeniable chemistry between them, threatening scandal. Niamh must decide if reputation should come above all else, whether her magic curse will allow her to experience love, and what cost she is willing to pay for a future she never thought possible...

Categories: Fantasy, Romance, Magic



## 32. GIRL IN QUESTION, THE

Tess Sharpe | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Nora O'Malley has survived . . . senior year, that is. School's over, but her life isn't, which is weird since last she checked, her murderous stepdad Raymond is finally free. Determined to enjoy summer before her (possibly) imminent demise, Nora plans a backpacking trip with Iris and Wes. And Wes's girlfriend tags along. Amanda's nice, so it's not a huge issue. Until she gets taken. Or rather, mis-taken . . . for Nora, that is. Now they're deep in the woods. Raymond has a hostage. Nora has no leverage. Iris is carving spears out of sticks. And Wes is building booby traps. It'll take all of them to make it out alive. But someone is lying. Someone is keeping secrets. And someone has to die.



# 33. HAUNTING, THE

Natasha Preston | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$21.99 | School Price \$18.70

Haunted by the past ... Penny's trying to forget about her ex, Nash. His father was arrested for the brutal murder of four teenagers on Devil's Night last year. Penny's parents have forbidden her to have anything to do with Nash or his family. It's hard not to think of what happened as spooky season gets underway-but she's trying. That stops when she goes to the Halloween store with her friends to find a costume. What she finds instead is ripped from a horror movie-a girl from school bleeding out on the floor of a dressing room. Stabbed. Is a copycat killer on the loose? The adults are saying no. But Penny knows better.

Categories: Thriller, Murder, Mystery



#### 34 HAVE YOU SEEN MY SISTER?

Kirsty McKay | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Gaia Gill is the last person in the world anyone would expect to go missing. Beautiful, athletic, and recently accepted to a prestigious college, she has everything to look forward to-but the night of her going-away party at the Moon Mountain ski resort, she disappears. Gaia's younger sister Esme is supposed to be flying back to England with her family after the party, but she can't leave with Gaia missing-especially because nobody remembers Gaia leaving the party. Or if they do, they're not saying. Everyone at the lodge has their own secrets- the little rich girl, the ex-boyfriend, the ski instructor, the failed reality star. Esme's out of her depth searching the dark, dangerous forests and icy slopes of Moon Mountain, until she teams up with a local boy who promises to help her. The clock is ticking, and it's down to Esme to piece the clues together and work out who - if anybody - is telling the truth.

Categories: Mystery, Kidnapping, Secrets, Determination

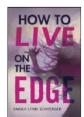


#### 35. HOUSE OF ASH AND SHADOW

Leia Stone | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Seventeen-year-old Fallon Bane was born with a devastating curse- a single touch from another person will cause her excruciating pain. Thus, she has accepted that she will die without ever being kissed, without even hugging her own father, though it breaks her heart every day. But when her beloved father falls ill, she breaks into the magical Gilded City to find a healer fae that can save him. When handsome healer Ariyon Madden agrees to help, everything she knows about herself and her curse changes. Because during her father's healing, Ariyon reaches out and touches her bare skin. She waits for the agony... but it never comes. For the first time in her life, she imagines a new future for herself. However, that fantasy is quickly destroyed, because not only does Ariyon flee from her in disgust when he learns of her curse; he also reveals her existence to powerful fae who want to hurt her. Fallon is then swept away to a magical academy, where she learns the terrifying truth about her family history and her dark magic. Her life and the future of fae everywhere hang in the balance, and all the while Fallon can't help but wonder if she will get to touch Ariyon Madden one more time before she dies...

Categories: Fantasy, Romance



#### 36. HOW TO LIVE ON THE EDGE

Sarah Lynn Scheerger | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$18.99 | School Price \$17.10

Eighteen-year-old Cayenne barely remembers her mother, who died of breast cancer when Cayenne was four. The women in her family have a history of dying young. Cayenne figures she'll meet the same fate, so she might as well enjoy life now, engaging in death-defying risks like dodging trains and jumping off cliffs with her boyfriend. When Cayenne receives a series of video messages her mother made for her before dying, she isn't sure she wants them. Her aunt Tee has been her true mother figure. But then Aunt Tee tests positive for a BRCA gene mutation-the one that doomed Cayenne's mom-and decides to get a mastectomy to reduce her chances of developing cancer. As Cayenne helps her aunt prepare for the surgery, she finds herself drawn to her mother's messages, with their musings on life, love, and perseverance. For the first time, Cayenne starts to question what it truly means to live life to the fullest, even when death might be written into her DNA.



## 37. I FEED HER TO THE BEAST AND THE BEAST IS ME

Jamison Shea | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Laure Mesny is a perfectionist with an axe to grind. Despite being constantly overlooked in the elite and cutthroat world of the Parisian ballet, she will do anything to prove that a Black girl can take center stage. To level the playing field, Laure ventures deep into the depths of the Catacombs and strikes a deal with a pulsating river of blood. The primordial power Laure gains promises influence and adoration, everything she's dreamed of and worked toward. With retribution on her mind, she surpasses her bitter and privileged peers, leaving broken bodies behind her on her climb to stardom. But even as undeniable as she is, Laure is not the only monster around. And her vicious desires make her a perfect target for slaughter. As she descends into madness and the mystifying underworld beneath her, she is faced with the ultimate choice: continue to break herself for scraps of validation or succumb to the darkness that wants her exactly as she is, monstrous heart and all. That is, if the god-killer doesn't catch her first. From debut author Jamison Shea, this unforgettable novel lifts a veil on the institutions that profit on exclusion and the toll of giving everything to a world that will never love you back.

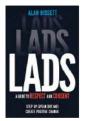


## 38. IF ONLY I HAD TOLD HER

Laura Nowlin | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

If only I'd told her that I loved her years ago, then I wouldn't be here now. Finn has always loved Autumn. She's not just the girl next door or his mother's best friend's daughter, she is his everything. But she's not his girlfriend. That's Sylvie, and Finn would never hurt her, so there's no way Autumn could know how he truly feels. Jack, Finn's best friend, isn't so sure. He's seen Finn and Autumn together. How could she not know? And how is he supposed to support and protect Finn when heartache seems inevitable? Autumn surrounds herself with books and wants to write her own destiny-but one doesn't always get a new chapter and fate can be cruel to those in love.

Categories: Romance, Relationships, Love, Tragedy



#### 39. LADS: A GUIDE TO RESPECT AND CONSENT

Alan Bissett | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Have you ever been in a situation where there's a loud guy making dodgy comments, cracking jokes that only he thinks are funny or leering at the girls in the room? You can feel the tension, right? That Guy is the worst, but no one is saying anything, because the whole situation is intimidating and awkward. This toolkit will help you call out bad behaviour and understand the serious issues facing girls today. And it will make you feel confident navigating relationships, so that everyone feels happy, heard and respected, while being the best version of yourself. From flirting disasters and what staying in the friend zone really means to the perils of porn, 'locker room talk' and the importance of consent, this is a vital handbook for lads who are fed up of That Guy, and who want to step up and help create positive change.

Categories: Respect, Consent



#### **40. LITTLE WHITE LIES** DEBUTANTES

Jennifer Lynn Barnes | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

A six-figure offer. A family mystery to solve. A town of buried secrets. When Auto mechanic Sawyer Taft's estranged grandmother offers her a six-figure contract to participate in debutante season, Sawyer's first instinct is to run a mile. But then she realizes her grandmother's offer might mean solving the biggest mystery of her life - her father's identity. So she signs on the dotted line and braces herself for a year of makeovers, big dresses and even bigger egos. However, Sawyer doesn't expect to find a group of fellow debutantes with scandalous, dangerous secrets of their own and soon it's clear that the truth about her father is just one of the shocking secrets buried deep in this high-society world . . . And no one wants Sawyer poking her nose into the past.

**Categories: Mystery** 

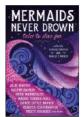


#### **41. LUNAR NEW YEAR LOVE STORY**

Leuyen Pham | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

al is ready to give up on love. It's led to nothing but secrets and heartbreak, and she's pretty sure she's cursed - no one in her family, for generations, has ever had any luck with love. But then a chance encounter with a pair of cute lion dancers sparks something in Val. Is it real love? Could this be her chance to break the family curse? Or is she destined to live with a broken heart forever...?

Categories: Romance, Love, Family, Graphic Novel



## 42. MERMAIDS NEVER DROWN: TALES TO DIVE FOR UNTOLD LEGENDS

Compilation | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

14 Young Adult short stories from bestselling and award-winning authors make a splash in Mermaids Never Drown — the second collection in the Untold Legends series edited by Zoraida Cordova and Natalie C. Parker — exploring mermaids like we've never seen them before! A Vietnamese mermaid caught between two worlds. A siren who falls for Poseidon's son. A boy secretly pining for the merboy who saved him years ago. A storm that brings humans and mermaids together. Generations of family secrets and pain. Find all these stories and more in this gripping new collection that will reel you in from the very first page! Welcome to an ocean of hurt, fear, confusion, rage, hope, humour, discovery and love in its many forms.



## 43. MIC DROP HIGH-RISE MYSTERY

Sharna Jackson | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$15.30

Sequel to High-Rise Mystery, another whodunnit in the phenomenal mystery series by Sharna Jackson. It's October half-term, and popstar TrojKat, is filming a music video in The Tri; the high-rise block home to sleuths Nik and Norva. When tragedy strikes the famous singer under mysterious circumstances, Nik and Norva set out to solve the case with their friend George, and their impressive detective skills.



## 44. MIDNIGHT CLOCK, THE

Jamie Costello | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Millie has seven days to save Annie Driscoll from a terrible fate. Millie doesn't know how or why she has been brought into Annie's life. But she's sure of one thing: Annie has already been dead for 68 years. Struggling to come to terms with her uprooted life, Millie is living with her father and his new girlfriend in a building which used to house the most famous women's prison in the UK. The only remnants of that place is the old prison clock in the hall - a clock that has long been silent. When the clock begins to strike again one night, Millie meets a young, terrified woman in a cell. Annie cannot see her, but Millie realises that she may be the key to changing Annie's fate - a fate that was sealed in 1955. But is there enough time for justice to be done?

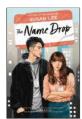


#### 45 MOONGARDEN PLOTTING THE STARS

Michelle A Barry | Paperback | Age 12+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Centuries ago, Earth's plants turned deadly, and humanity took to space to cultivate new homes. Myra Hodger is in her first year at an elite school on the Moon, and she's crumbling under the pressure. She doesn't fit in and, worse, the tattoos that signal her Number Whisperer magic aren't developing. In her heart, she knows she doesn't have a Creer, and soon everyone else will, too. Wandering the halls while cutting class, she discovers a secret lab hidden behind one of the unused classrooms and, beyond that, a secret garden overflowing with plants. Dangerous toxic plants. As she learns more about the garden, Myra begins to wonder if she does have a Creer after all-one that died out when the Earth did. One that could help solve the food shortages the government doesn't want anyone to know about. Reenvisioning The Secret Garden for a new generation, Moongarden weaves together STEAM themes and intense social pressures in a stunning series starter, and introduces a dynamic heroine who might just grow a revolution.

Categories: Dystopian, Futuristic, Science Fiction, Climate Change

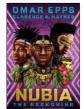


## 46. NAME DROP, THE

Susan Lee | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

When Elijah Ri arrives in New York City for an internship at his father's massive tech company, Haneul Corporation, he expects the royal treatment that comes with being the future CEO — even if that's the last thing he wants. But instead, he finds himself shuffled into a group of overworked, unpaid interns, all sharing a shoebox apartment for the summer. When Jessica Lee arrives in New York City, she's eager to make the most of her internship at Haneul Corporation, even if she's at the bottom of the corporate ladder. But she's shocked to be introduced as the new executive-in-training intern with a gorgeous brownstone all to herself. It doesn't take long for Elijah and Jessica to discover the source of the mistake: they share the same Korean name. But they decide to stay switched — so Elijah can have a relaxing summer away from his controlling dad while Jessica can make the connections she desperately needs for college recommendations. As Elijah and Jessica work together to keep up the charade, a spark develops between them. Can they avoid discovery — and total disaster — with their feelings and futures on the line?

Categories: Romance



## 47. NUBIA: THE RECKONING NUBIA

Omar Epps | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Zuberi, Uzochi, and Lencho have awoken to their powers, and now they're members of a new generation of Nubians—the first to connect to their gifts since their parents fled their island home decades ago. Though they're learning to control their powers, the battle to free their people from oppression is far from over. The people of Tri–State East are wary of the newly powerful Nubians. Are they agents of good—or are they only out to use their gifts for themselves? And the Sky King Krazen is bent on harnessing the Nubians' powers for himself. He already started assembling a Nubian Militia. Now he intends to put them to work. There are secrets Zuberi, Lencho, and Uzochi's parents are still hiding from them—truths about Nubia's history that have long since been buried. And the children's gifts aren't the only things that have awoken recently. An ancient force is on the hunt for power—and it won't stop until all of Tri–State East is under its control.



## **48. OUR CURSED LOVE**

Julie Abe | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Remy is in love with her best friend Cam, and a winter trip to Japan provides the perfect setting to tell him how she truly feels. But when a mystical tea leaf reading reveals they're not meant to be together, Remy and Cam find themselves in a secret magical apothecary in their search for answers. Here they are offered an ancient soulmate elixir - but upon drinking it they are plunged into chaos when Cam's memories of Remy completely disappear. They must travel through Tokyo to rediscover Cam's memories and make new ones, for if Remy can't help restore Cam's memories before midnight on New Year's Eve, they'll be cursed to forget each other . . . forever.

Categories: Magical Realism, Romance



#### 49. OUTCASTS STARCROSSED

Josephine Angelini | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

Presumed dead, Daphne and Ajax try to steal away what happiness they can while living as Outcasts, when they discover that the Fates aren't done with them yet. Ajax may have escaped death, but his fate is sealed. Like mice in a maze, both are led back to New York City, where Daphne must find a way to keep the Fates from killing Ajax. But returning to the city puts them both in grave danger, and they are forced to seek help in the unlikeliest of places — from a reluctant Heir to the House of Athens, and from a Prince of the House of Rome. But their biggest challenge will come from Tantalus, Heir to the House of Thebes, who has been busy plotting to start the war he knows he is destined to win, but who tragically finds himself caught between his devotion to his brother, and his obsession with Daphne.



#### **50. PEOPLE TO FOLLOW**

Olivia Worley | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

They're used to being followed. But not like this . . . Ten social media stars think they're about to join the cast of a hot new reality show. But the production crew never shows up, and the influencers find themselves stranded on a deserted Caribbean island with no contact with the outside world - except for messages from the mysterious 'Sponsor', who is threatening to expose their darkest secrets. When one of them winds up dead, things start to get more real than they bargained for . . . With the body count rising, the influencers must figure out who is trying to get them cancelled - like, literally - before their number one follower strikes again.

Categories: Thriller, Social Media



#### 51 PHANTOM HEART

Kelly Creagh | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Seventeen-year-old Stephanie Armand doesn't believe in ghosts or spirits. Despite her six-year-old sister insisting a masked figure is hiding in her closet, and the rumours at school, Stephanie isn't convinced her father's latest renovation project—a crumbling Victorian mansion—houses the soul of a monster. So when the very charming (and paranormal-obsessed) Lucas Cheney takes an interest in both Stephanie and her notorious home, Moldavia, the supernatural and romantic activity escalates to an all-time high. But then there's Erik— the dashing British boy, seemingly from another era, who's taken up residence in Stephanie's nightly dreams. A boy who may have something to do with the man in the mask, and the strange occurrences taking place at Moldavia.

Categories: Romance, Ghosts



#### 52. PRISONER'S THRONE, THE

Holly Black | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$29.99 | School Price \$25.50

After the shocking events of THE STOLEN HEIR, Prince Oak is in deeper trouble than ever before. As his situation grows more precarious, Oak is desperate to find a way out, before all of Elfhame is caught in the coming storm ...

**Categories: Fantasy** 

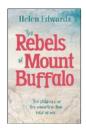


## **53. PRIVATE LABEL**

Kelly Yang | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Serene dreams of making couture dresses even more stunning than her mom's, but for now she's an intern at her mom's fashion label. When her mom receives a sudden diagnosis of pancreatic cancer, all that changes. Serene has to take over her mother's business overnight while trying to figure out what happened with her dad in Beijing. He left before she was born, and Serene wants to find him, even if it means going against her mom's one request—never look back. Lian Chen moved from China to Serene's mostly white Southern California beach town a year ago. He doesn't fit in at school, where kids mispronounce his name. His parents don't care about what he wants to do—comedy—and push him toward going to MIT engineering early. Lian thinks there's nothing to stick around for until one day he starts a Chinese Club after school . . . and Serene walks in. Worlds apart in the high school hierarchy, Serene and Lian soon find refuge in each other, falling in love as they navigate life-changing storms.

Categories: Romance, Love, Family



### **54. REBELS OF MOUNT BUFFALO, THE**

Helen Edwards | Paperback | Age 11+ | RRP \$16.99 | School Price \$14.45

It's 1998 and Clara and her parents are staying at the Mount Buffalo Chalet for the Centenary celebrations. This visit couldn't be more different from their last—they were a family of four then. Now they're just three separate people, orbiting around each other while trying to navigate their overwhelming grief. Without her twin brother, Clara doesn't know who she is. Then she meets a girl who lives within the fern-filled valleys below Mount Buffalo. Clara is surprised to discover the girl is actually Guide Alice, a rebel of her time, an adventurous non-conformist who spent much of her life boldly leading people along rugged trails between granite tors and misty mountain peaks. When Clara and Alice come face-to-face with danger on the mountain, Clara must rediscover the courage she has always had and become the person she was always meant to be...



## 55. RELUCTANT VAMPIRE QUEEN BITES BACK RELUCTANT VAMPIRE QUEEN

Jo Simmons | Paperback | Age 13+ | RRP \$17.99 | School Price \$16.20

Mo Merrydrew, fifteen-year-old Vampire Queen of Great Britain, has found a way to have her cake and eat it (and that'll be a mini Battenberg, please). Becoming Vampire Queen wasn't the easiest of decisions, but she's settling into it quite happily, now that she has dreamy familiar Luca by her side, and she doesn't actually have to bite any humans. She now just has the ... er ... teeny-tiny task of finding a way to get all the vampires in the land to swear allegiance to her, and save them from the vampire hunters who are rapidly picking them off. Easy-peasy, eh? Throw in gorgeous Vanya, sent by the Vampire King of the East to keep an eye on Mo, unruly vampires hellbent on causing havoc and a dad with a dark secret, and that cake of Mo's starts to look distinctly less appetising ...

Categories: Humour, Vampires



#### **56. REVENGE GAME, THE**

Jordyn Taylor | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Alyson is a romantic, and sometimes it gets her into trouble. Like last summer, she thought her co-worker was into her, when in reality he found her flirting pathetic. Then she meets Brenton Riggs Jr., and right away she knows that their connection isn't just in her head. When he swoops in to save her one night from a less than savoury party encounter, she falls head-over-heels. Finally, someone Alyson likes who likes her back! But when she finds out about the King's Cup-a competition the guys at their boarding school started to see who has the most sexual prowess-she's put on edge. Does Brenton really want to be with her, or is he just trying to win? Then Alyson and the other girls at the school start a competition of their own- The Queen's Cup. It's all about reclaiming their power. But as the competition heats up, Alyson's relationship begins to fall apart-and it isn't long before the cracks in her perfect love story start to show through.

Categories: Feminism, Mystery



#### 57 ROAD OF THE LOST

Nafiza Azad | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Croi is a brownie, glamoured to be invisible to humans. Her life in the Wilde Forest is ordinary and her magic is weak—until the day that her guardian gives Croi a book about magick from the Otherworld, the world of the Higher Fae. Croi wakes the next morning with something pulling at her core, summoning her to the Otherworld. It's a spell she cannot control or break. Forced to leave her home, Croi begins a journey full of surprises...and dangers. For Croi is not a brownie at all but another creature entirely, enchanted to forget her true heritage. As Croi ventures beyond the forest, her brownie glamour begins to shift and change. Who is she really, who is summoning her, and what do they want? Croi will need every ounce of her newfound magic and her courage as she travels a treacherous path to find her true self and the place in the Otherworld where she belongs.

**Categories: Fantasy** 



#### **58. SCARLETT ALCHEMIST, THE**

Kylie lee Baker | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Zilan dreams of becoming a royal alchemist, of providing for her family by making alchemical gold and gems for the wealthy to eat in order to stay young forever. But for now, she's trapped in her impoverished village in southern China, practicing an illegal form of alchemy to keep food on the table – resurrecting the dead, for a price. When Zilan finally has the chance to complete her imperial exams, she ventures to the capital to compete against the best alchemists in the country in tasks she'll be lucky to survive, let alone pass. On top of that, her reputation for raising the dead has followed her, and the Crown Prince himself seeks out her help, suspecting a coming assassination attempt. The more Zilan succeeds in her alchemy, the more she gets caught in the dangerous political games of the royal family. There are monsters lurking within the palace walls, and it's only a matter of time before they – and secrets of Zilan's past – catch up with her.

Categories: Fantasy, Romance



## **59. SEVEN DAYS**

Rebeka Shaid | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

This is a story about Noori and Aamir. A story about grief, family, and the unexpected turns life can take. A story of first love. Noori has it all sussed out. She may only be sixteen and a Bollywood fanatic with an incredible lack of foresight, but she knows a thing or two about life and its messy heartaches. When she runs into Aamir, a scruffy desi dude with tea-stained eyes, her confused soul turns upside-down. There is something about him she can't work out. Aamir is trying to escape a misunderstood and painful past. When his world collides with Noori's, life gets even more complicated. Invisible threads connect them. Will they both realize what's at stake, before they run out of time?

**Categories: Romance** 



## 60. SHADOW OF THE WOLF BLIND BOWMAN

Tim Hall | Paperback | Age 13+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Robin Hood has been blinded. The great forest of Sherwood calls to him. Ancient myths, old magicks, will reach out. He will be transformed. The world is changing; forces loyal to the Sheriff are threatening the wildwood, and the old gods face the threat of darkness. Only Robin, the blind bowman, Marian, his childhood companion, and a band of rag-tag outlaws will be able to stand in their way.

Categories: Fantasy, Adventure, Myths, Blindness



# **61. SILVER CHAIN, THE**

Jion Sheibani | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Azadeh is a budding violinist on a music scholarship at an expensive private school, dealing with all the usual trials of being sixteen: trying her best to fit in, keep up and have fun. Then as her mum's mental health spirals out of control, Azadeh's world starts to unravel. Her friendships fall away, and as much as she and her dad try to keep a lid on everything, their problems insist on taking over. Feeling alone, it's her violin that finally helps Azadeh to find her way back to her friends, herself and even her mum.

Categories: Verse Novel, Coming of Age, Family, Mental Health, Music



## **62. SINCERELY YOURS, ANNA SHERWOOD**

Beth Reekles | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Annalise Sherwood has worked herself to the bone to get a place on a prestigious internship programme and nothing is going to stop her now. Work hard, play later, that's her motto. She figures one night letting her guard down won't hurt, though – especially when it ends with the best kiss of her life. But to Anna's horror, she discovers that the mystery guy she kissed that night is none other than Lloyd, the company CEO's son. Born with a silver spoon in his mouth, he's everyone's favourite guy and a total charmer, swanning around like he owns the place. And from the moment they meet again, he rubs Anna up the wrong way. As the summer and the internship wane on, Lloyd seems to be finding any excuse to annoy Anna, and she's not afraid to give it right back to him. But when a lot of late night working brings them unexpectedly closer, she begins to wonder if there's more to him than she originally thought . . .

Categories: Romance



#### **63. SISTERS OF SWORD AND SHADOW**

Laura Bates | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

Destined for an arranged marriage, Cass dreams of freedom. So when a fierce and beautiful leather-clad woman rides up and offers to take her away, Cass doesn't hesitate to join her. She is introduced to the Sisters of Sword and Shadow – a group of female knights training to fight, protect their community and right the wrongs of men. Drawn into a world of ancient feuds, glorious battles, and deadly intrigue, Cass soon discovers she holds a power that could change not only her own fate but that of her entire sisterhood.

Categories: Fantasy, Romance, Power, Courage



#### 64. SMALL CHANGE GRAPHIC NOVEL, A

Rae-hyeon Kim | Paperback | Age 13+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$21.25

A young woman is out in the world for the first time, living on her own. When she decides to tie up her hair one day, she embarks on a journey of small, almost imperceptible but important changes. Relationships develop, problems emerge and decisions are made. As the year progresses and she navigates the ins and outs of daily life, she also discovers new ways of styling her hair. Because nothing stays the same – and sometimes, changing your hairstyle can have a deep impact on your life. In twelve sensitive episodes, this charming coming-of-age novel includes step-by-step instructions for each hairstyle our heroine wears. For young people influenced by K-pop, K-beauty and K-drama, it introduces the Korean concept of so-hak-hang – the belief that small pleasures like a movie night with friends, painting your nails or trying a new hairstyle are a simple but reliable means of finding true joy.

Categories: Coming of Age, Change



#### **65. SNOWGLOBE**

Soyoung Park | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

A groundbreaking Korean YA thriller, for fans of Squid Game, Black Mirror and The Hunger Games. Discover the groundbreaking Korean YA thriller, for fans of Squid Game, Black Mirror and The Hunger Games! WHEN YOU'RE INSIDE, THE WHOLE WORLD IS WATCHING . . . Raised in a climate-ravaged, frozen world, every day is a struggle for survival for Chobahm. Her only solace comes in the form of twenty-four-hour reality television shows, streamed directly from Snowglobe - the climate-controlled domed city at the heart of her world, and the only warm place left on the planet. The citizens of Snowglobe have everything- fame, fortune and, above all, safety from the frigid wasteland outside their walls. In exchange, their lives are broadcast to the less fortunate of their world, who watch eagerly, hoping for the chance to one day become an actor themselves and join their ranks. Chobahm is one of the dreamers. But her life changes in an instant when she is visited by two strangers from Snowglobe, who deliver earth-shattering news- Goh Haeri, Snowglobe's biggest star has died - and because of Chobahm's striking resemblance to her, she's been chosen to take her place. Given the chance of a lifetime, Chobahm agrees to enter Snowglobe and take on Haeri's identity. Within the domed city's walls, she will finally have the existence she's always dreamed of - but if life in Snowglobe is so great, why did Haeri seem so desperate to escape it? And when everyone around you is a performer, how can you ever know what is reality, and what is created for the audience . . . ?

Categories: Thriller, Distopian



# **66. SOME MISTAKES WERE MADE**

Kristin Dwyer | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Ellis and Easton have been inseparable since childhood. But when a rash decision throws Ellis's life—and her relationship with Easton—into chaos, she's forced to move halfway across the country, far from everything she's ever known. Now Ellis hasn't spoken to Easton in a year, and maybe it's better that way; maybe eventually the Easton-shaped hole in her heart will heal. But when Easton's mom invites her home for a visit, Ellis finds herself tangled up in the web of heartache, betrayal, and anger she left behind ... and with the boy she never stopped loving.

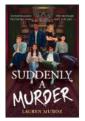
Categories: Romance, Relationships, Love, Betrayal, Heartbreak



## **67. SOMEWHERE IN THE DEEP**

Tanvi Berwah | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Krescent Dune is buried under the weight of her dead parents' debt and the ruinous legacy they left behind. The only way she can earn enough money to escape her unforgiving island is by fighting monstrous amphibians in underground fighting pits. She's never lost a match, until now. Desperate, Krescent is offered a deal. Her debts will be erased if she joins a hunting party for a dangerous rescue mission deep beneath the island. With no other choice, Krescent is forced to play nice as the group's bodyguard, even though every step that brings them deeper underground means she must face the terrifying truth that she is trapped with her childhood enemy and people who would gladly kill her if they knew who her parents were. As the group journeys down beyond where their maps end with creatures never seen before, Krescent begins to suspect there's more to their rescue mission than first meets the eye. Soon enough, they are abandoned in the deep dark underground, with only monsters seen and unseen for company.



#### **68 SUDDENLY A MURDER**

Lauren Munoz | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Everyone has a secret. Everyone has a motive. But only one of them brought a knife to the party . . . To celebrate the end of high school, Izzy Morales joins her best friend Kassidy and five friends on a luxury 1920s-themed getaway at the glamorous Ashwood Manor. There, Izzy and her friends party in vintage dresses and expensive diamonds - until Kassidy's boyfriend turns up dead. And when a raging storm traps them on the island with two detectives, the sparkling young socialites become the prime suspects in his murder. There's the girlfriend, and the other girl. The old friend, and the new friend. The brooding enigma. And then, there's Izzy - the girl who brought the knife . . . A glamorous and scandalous modern murder mystery that'll have you reading through the night to find out whodunnit!

Categories: Murder, Mystery



#### 69. SUMMER SHE WENT MISSING, THE

Chelsea Ichaso | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.90 | School Price \$16.92

The case was cold...until a clue leads to dark secrets about their quiet resort town. A suspenseful new thriller from the author of Little Creeping Things! From the author of Dead Girls Can't Tell Secrets and They're Watching You, a compelling new thriller! Last summer, they searched for Audrey Covington. This summer, they'll search for the truth. Paige Redmond has always felt lucky to spend her summers in Clearwater Ridge, with lazy days sunning at the waterfalls and nights partying at the sprawling houses of the rich families who vacation there. The Covingtons are one of these families, and beautiful, brilliant Audrey Covington is Paige's best friend. And last year, when Audrey's crush-worthy brother Dylan finally started noticing Paige, she was sure it would be the best summer ever. Except Audrey didn't seem quite like herself. Then one night, she didn't come home. Though Audrey wasn't the first girl to disappear in Clearwater Ridge, she left behind more lies than clues. Now, one summer later, her case has gone cold, and nobody, least of all Paige, can make sense of what happened. When Paige stumbles across a secret hidden in Audrey's room, however, it changes everything she thought she knew about last summer. She and Dylan set out on their own investigation, discovering things even the police don't know about the people of Clearwater Ridge. But tracking down missing girls-girls who might be beyond saving by now-means entering a world far darker than Paige has ever imagined. And if she isn't careful, she'll become the next girl to vanish.



#### 70. SWARM

Jennifer D Lyle | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

On a sunny September morning, the creatures first appear. Shur sees one of them hovering outside the window in history class- it looks like a giant butterfly, at first too beautiful and strange to seem like a threat. But when emergency alerts light up everyone's phones around her, she realizes something very, very wrong is happening outside. These... things are everywhere. By the time Shur makes it back to her house with her brother, Keene, and their two best friends, it's clear they must face whatever comes next on their own. A terrifying species the world's never seen before has suddenly emerged, and few living things are safe. As the creatures swarm and attack outside, life for Shur and her friends becomes a survival game. They board the windows, stockpile supplies, and try to make sense of the news reports for as long as the power stays on. Yet nothing can prepare them for what follows. The butterflies are only the beginning. The next onslaught will be deadlier, and even closer to home.

Categories: Dystopian, Futuristic, Suspense, Thriller



## 71. THEN THERE WAS ONE

Wendy Cross | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

They're all murderers. But one of them wants revenge. Every inhabitant in the Quadrant knows about The Pinnacle, a reality TV contest set on a remote planet with a huge cash prize. For three desperate entrants, winning would mean the world- Rich-girl BEX can finally leave her broken family behind. For politician's son ZANE, it's his only opportunity to save his mother. And it's outcast RAYA'S last chance at a better life. But as the competition starts, the contestants are quick to discover that this year's game has unscripted and DEADLY consequences. And the only thing they're truly competing for, is SURVIVAL.

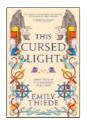


### 72. THESE DEADLY PROPHECIES

Andrea Tang | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$17.00

Being an apprentice for one of the world's most famous sorcerers has its challenges; Tabatha Zeng just didn't think they would include solving crime. But when her boss, the infamous fortune-teller Sorcerer Solomon, predicts his own brutal death-and worse, it comes true-Tabatha finds herself caught in the crosshairs. The police have their sights set on her and Callum Solomon, her murdered boss's youngest son. With suspicion swirling around them, the two decide to team up to find the real killer and clear their own names once and for all. But solving a murder isn't as easy as it seems, especially when the suspect list is mostly the rich, connected, and magical members of Sorcerer Solomon's family. And Tabatha can't quite escape the nagging voice in her head asking- just how much can she really trust Callum Solomon?

Categories: Fantasy, Murder, Mystery



#### 73 THIS CURSED LIGHT

Emily Thiede | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$24.99 | School Price \$22.50

Six months after saving their island from destruction and almost losing Dante, Alessa is ready to live happily ever after with her for mer bodyguard. But Dante can't rest, haunted by a conviction that the gods aren't finished with them yet. And without his powers, the next kiss from Alessa could kill him. Desperate for answers, Dante enlists Alessa and their friends to find the exiled ghiotte in hopes of restoring his powers and combining forces to create the only army powerful enough to save them all. But Alessa is hiding a deadly consequence of their last fight-a growing darkness that's consuming her mind-and their destination holds more dangers than anyone bargained for. In the mysterious city of the banished, Dante will uncover secrets, lies, and ghosts from his past that force him to ask himself: Which side am I on? When the gods reveal their final test, Dante and Alessa will be the world's last defense. But if they are the keys to saving the world, will their love be the price of victory?

Categories: Fantasy, Romance, Love, Sacrifice

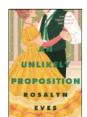


#### 74. TONIGHT, I BURN

Katharine J Adams | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$20.70

Thorns, Tides, Embers, Storms and Ores. All five covens are bound in servitude to the tyrant High Warden of Halstett. Penny Albright is a daughter of the thorn coven, forced to patrol the veil between the realms of Life and Death, keeping it safe and whole. Each night, one thorn witch – and only one – must cross the veil by burning at the stake. Each morning, that witch returns with the help of their magical lifeline. Failure to follow the rules of Death risks them all. When Penny's favourite sister doesn't return from Death, Penny breaks the rules. She burns in secret. Determined to find her sister, Penny makes a deal with the devastating Lord Malin who she meets in Death. Someone who shouldn't be there at all. This bargain leads her to Alice, a mysterious captive prophet, and to a rebellion against the High Warden brewing in the shadows of their city. Penny soon learns all is not as it seems in Life or Death. And as her world splits between her growing love for the ethereal Alice in Life and her attraction to the seductive Malin in Death she'll face a devastating choice. Because it's not just her sister's life that hangs in the balance. It's the fate of all magic.

Categories: Fantasy, Witches, Witchcraft, Romance



#### 75. UNLIKELY PROPOSITION, AN

Rosalyn Eves | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$22.99 | School Price \$19.55

An Unlikely Proposition is a transportive Regency drama, perfect for Bridgerton fans, that captures the sparkle of London, thrill of friendship, and swoon of new love. Eleanor did not come to London to be proper and boring. After becoming a widow at seventeen, she's not looking to remarry quickly, despite pressures from her late husband's nephew, who is keen on obtaining her inheritance. So Eleanor comes up with a plan that includes a fake engagement. But falling for a dashing, quiet man outside of her social circle was not part of the plan... Can she survive the Season with her heart and her fortune intact? Thalia is determined to begin afresh after a disastrous first Season in London. No romantic distractions, but only her work as a poet and newfound companion to Eleanor. Determined to get her poems published, she struggles to be taken seriously as a writer. As the spring progresses, Thalia does not expect to take interest in a man from her past (a man who is engaged to her employer, no less!), but some feelings demand to be felt even if the timing isn't quite right.

Categories: Romance, Historical



# 76. WARNING, THE THE WARNING

Kristy Acevedo | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Like most high school seniors, Alexandra Lucas is caught between living in the moment and an unknown future. Her anxiety disorder doesn't make that any easier. But she's coping-until her train stops on the way home from a concert with her boyfriend. At first, she's worried about breaking curfew. Then terror echoes through their train car. A mysterious doorway has appeared beside the tracks, and a hologram claiming to be a human from the future shares a sinister warning. A comet is on a collision course with earth. All life there will end in six months' time. To survive, people must step through one of the many portals that have opened around the world. The holograms claim to offer safety. But how can anyone be sure? Stay or go-everyone must make their own choice. Alex's family, her friends, her boyfriend all have different ideas. Alex is only sure of one thing- she wants to decide for herself. But every decision comes at a price.

Categories: Dystopian

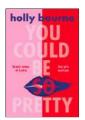


## 77. WHAT HAPPENED ON HICKS ROAD

Hannah Jayne | Paperback | Age 15+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Lennox Oliver is loving her new life in California. For the first time, she feels normal. She has friends, and a maybe boyfriend and best of all no one knows the truth about her past and what happened to her mom. But everything changes the night after a party when a drive on the supposedly haunted Hicks Road turns deadly and Lennox hits something...or someone. Her friends say it was nothing but Lennox can't shake the vision of the girl in the headlights-bloody hair, wide, terrified eyes, lips parted in a scream. When she goes out to investigate, there's a slight dent in the car, but that's it- no body, no blood. Lennox wants to go to the police-but how can she? She shouldn't have been driving, and as her friends remind her, there's no evidence that she actually hit anything. All Lennox wants to do is go back to her boring, normal life. But when a note saying FIND ME is slipped through her window, she fears that there was a girl she hit on Hicks Road that night ...or she's slipping deeper into the illness that took her mother.

Categories: Thriller, Accident, Truth, Mystery



## 78. YOU COULD BE SO PRETTY

Holly Bourne | Paperback | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

In Belle and Joni's world there are two options for girls: One, follow the rules of the Doctrine like Belle: apply your Mask, work hard to be crowned at the Ceremony, be a Pretty. Or two, fight the rules like Joni: leave your face bare, work hard to escape to the Education, be an Objectionable. But maybe there is a third option...Change the rules. Reclaim your power. If you can...What would you choose? Warning - this novel deals with issues that some readers may find upsetting, including references to pornography and sexual assault.



#### 79. YOU WOULDN'T CATCH ME DEAD

Tess James-mackey | Paperback | Age 14+ | RRP \$19.99 | School Price \$18.00

Keely planned to keep her head down at her new school - she isn't there to make friends or memories, she just wants to be left alone. In order to get into college, she is roped into a programme that involves camping in the Welsh wilderness with five over-keen try-hards. Her plan is to keep her head down, keep her mouth shut and get through the next few days. But Keely is running from something. Something that drove her family out of their home and to this quiet town. And when her fellow explorers start disappearing and the bodies begin to pile up, she has to ask herself: did she run far enough?

Categories: Thriller, Murder, Mystery