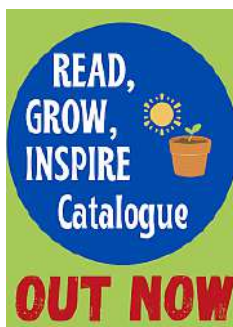
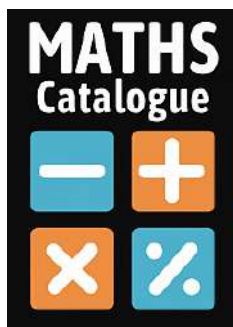
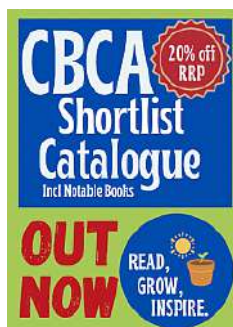


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The chimera of the city are on the hunt. After years of being individually slaughtered, they have come together to make war on Pandora and her people. In the conclusion to The Burning Days, the sins of the past will be revealed and all hope for the future will be under attack. 'City Knife is an aching testament to the meaning of being human in burning times. In this novel hope is both fragile and enduring, and the characters continue to seek connection, and to work for the good of their world, even when the challenges seem insurmountable. This is a song for the future, and a flat-out beautiful read.' – Amy T. Matthews, bestselling author of Someone Else's Bucket List 'Hennessy is a master of thrills, keeping your heart pumping in every chapter.' – Shaye Wardrop, Kids' Book Review (on Mountain Arrow).



2. ELEANOR JONES IS NOT A MURDERER

[Amy Doak](#) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Eleanor Jones has just started at her ninth high school in less than five years. Since she and her mum are always moving on, Eleanor likes to stay on the outer, to stay invisible. So maybe it's just bad luck that the very first person she talks to at Coorinda Secondary College, Angus Marshall, is stabbed and left for dead the same day. The last message on Angus's phone is from Eleanor Jones. After being interviewed by the police, Eleanor realises they don't have all the facts and decides to investigate. In trying to understand what happened to Angus, Eleanor inadvertently becomes involved with an eclectic group of fellow students – all of whom have their own reasons to want to solve the mystery. As they slowly unravel Angus's secrets, Eleanor discovers the true meaning of friendship – and uncovers a danger lurking at the heart of the town...

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3. HAMLET IS NOT OK

[Ra Spratt](#) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Selby hates homework. She would rather watch TV – anything to escape the tedium of school, her parents' bookshop and small-town busybodies. So Selby didn't plan to read Hamlet. She certainly never planned to meet him. This novel transports Selby, and the reader, into the cold and crime-ridden play itself. Here she meets Hamlet – heavy with grief, the young prince is overthinking and over everything. Selby can relate. But unlike Hamlet, Selby isn't afraid of making decisions. In her world, Selby is used to feeling overlooked. But in the bloody, backstabbing world of Shakespeare, Selby's good conscience and quiet courage might just save some lives... hopefully before Hamlet stabs one of her classmates

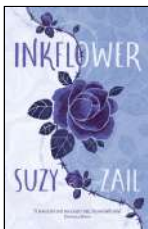
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4. I AM THE MAU AND OTHER STORIES

[Chemutai Glasheen](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

This enticing collection of contemporary fiction is a celebration of our ubuntu – the invisible ties that bind us all together. From ancient forest guardians to modern cultural warriors, from grappling with age-old traditions to championing hair identity, these evocative stories explore the duality of Kenyan life and how to find a way between two cultures, both of which are yours. Chemutai Glasheen's unforgettable characters are drawn from her early life in Africa, with all its richness, diversity and complexity.



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Suzy Zail | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Lisa's father has six months to live. And a story to tell about a boy sent to Auschwitz. A boy who lost everything and started again. A story he has kept hidden – until now. But Lisa doesn't want to hear it, because she has secrets too. No one at school knows she is Jewish or that her dad is sick. Not even her boyfriend. But that's all about to change. And so is she.

Categories: Holocaust, War, Survival, Family



6. LEONARDO FOREVER

Richard Yaxley | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

In the summer of 1465, fourteen-year-old Annalisa de Torriano reluctantly travels with her family to her father's new estate near the village of Vinci. Although she misses her privileged life, and the wealthy Matteo, in magnificent Florence, Annalisa is soon entranced by the freedom the countryside offers—and by the brilliant and charming young King of the Forest, Leonardo da Vinci, who, alongside his beloved companion Dante, quickly befriends her. Mesmerised by Leo's intelligence and beauty, an infatuated Annalisa starts to dream of a different life. But her dreams are an illusion, and as her relationship with Leo unfolds, it is Dante who will change all their lives forever.

Categories: Friendship, Trust, Expectations, Relationships



7. NEVER A HERO ONLY A MONSTER

Vanessa Len | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

Despite the odds, Joan achieved the impossible. She reset the timeline, saved her family – and destroyed the hero, Nick. But her success has come at a terrible cost. She alone remembers what happened. Now, Aaron, her hard-won friend – and maybe more – is an enemy, trying to kill her. And Nick, the boy she loved, is a stranger who doesn't even know her name. Only Joan remembers that a greater and more dangerous enemy is still out there. When a deadly attack forces Joan back into the monster world, she finds herself on the run with Nick – as Aaron closes in. Torn between love and family and monstrous choices, Joan must find a way to re-gather her old allies to face down the deadliest of enemies, and to save the timeline itself. Vanessa Len's stunning Only a Monster trilogy continues with this second instalment, a thrilling journey where a secret past threatens to unravel everyone's future.



8. ONE SONG

AJ Betts | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Aspiring singer-songwriter Eva has one last chance to enter Triple J Unearthed High and break into the music industry. But after three failed attempts, she needs some help. Cue the band: perfectionist Eva, charismatic Cooper, easy-going Ant and moody Ruby. Plus fly-on-the-wall Mim, who's filming them for her school Media project. Five people who have nothing in common but music. One emotionally and creatively charged weekend. Can they record the most important song of their lives?

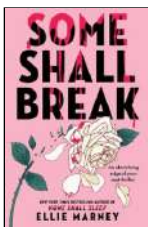
Categories: Romance, Music, Writing, Storytelling, Mental Health



9. SECRET HISTORY OF THE RAINBOW TROUT PRIVATE HOTEL

David Metzenthen | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$19.95** | **School Price \$17.96**

A luminous and beautiful book set in a formidable world. Andy Lightfoot's gap year takes him deep into the past – at the old and weirdly wonderful Rainbow Trout Private Hotel. Here, high in the mountains, Andy discovers working for nothing gives him everything...and that the middle of nowhere is the centre of an amazing universe, filled with individuals of sheer brilliance.



10. SOME SHALL BREAK

Ellie Marney | Paperback | Age 16+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

September, 1982: Three months after the showdown with Simon Gutmunsson in St Elizabeths Hospital for the Criminally Insane, Emma Lewis has retreated to college life in Ohio, and the support of her family and her therapist. But Emma has a unique gift for hunting killers, and the FBI wants her back... Travis Bell is on track to make a career in law enforcement. But the FBI unit's latest case is testing all his skills, and in Emma's absence, Travis has accepted help from Kristin Gutmunsson, Simon's eccentric twin sister, to track a dangerous new target. When evidence points to the traumatic Daniel Huxton case from Emma's past, the FBI decides to put her into protective custody. Compelled to prevent more tragedy, Emma reaches out once more to Simon Gutmunsson to save the copycat's next victims – but as always, Simon knows more than he's telling... Can Emma and Travis conquer a killer in the most horrifying situation they've ever faced?

Categories: Thriller, Crime, Suspense, Serial Killers



11. SPIDER AND HER DEMONS, THE

Sydney Khoo | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Moving and funny by turns, this is a story about what it takes to make peace with your demons – literal or otherwise. An urban fantasy spin on growing up as a second-generation immigrant, struggling under the overwhelming pressure to make others proud, while feeling trapped inside your own body. Between surviving high school and working at her aunt's dumpling shop, all Zhi wants is to find time for her friends . . . and make sure no one finds out she's half spider-demon. But when she accidentally kills and eats a man in front of the most popular girl in school, she discovers she might not be the scariest thing in the shadows.

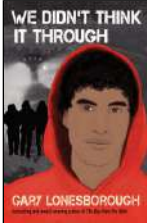


12. THIS

[Lazaros Zigomanis](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Set in the 90s, a fifteen-year old unnamed Greek boy is completely confused about what is going on as he tries to fend off what we now know as anxiety, panic attacks and depression while surrounded by his Greek family, friends and girls he might or might not have a crush on.

Categories: [Growing Up](#), [Family](#), [Relationships](#), [Anxiety](#), [Depression](#), [Mental Health](#)



13. WE DIDN'T THINK IT THROUGH

[Gary Lonesborough](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Jamie lives in Dalton's Bay with Aunty Dawn and Uncle Bobby. He spends his downtime hanging out with his mates, Dally and Lenny. Mark Cassidy and his white mates – the Footy Heads – take every opportunity they can to bully Jamie and his friends. On Lenny's last night in town before moving to Sydney, after another episode of racist harassment, Jamie, Dally and Lenny decide to retaliate by vandalising Mark Cassidy's car. And when they discover the keys are in the ignition... Dally changes the plan. But it's a bad plan. And as a consequence, Jamie ends up in the youth justice system where he is characterised as a 'danger to society', but he's just an Aboriginal kid, trying to find his way through adolescence. Jamie must find a way to mend his relationships with himself, his friends, his family and his future.

Categories: [Friendship](#), [Family Unit](#), [Racism](#), [Belonging](#), [Inequality](#), [Brutality](#)



14. WE WHO ARE FORGED IN FIRE

[Kate Murray](#) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

Priscilla Daalman is training to be a Hollow Warrior – an elite monster hunter charged with killing evil beasts from another universe. But first, she has to deal with the Renegades, a rebellious group of outcasts who have declared war on the warriors and are unleashing deadly beasts across the globe. With everyone under attack by both Renegades and Hollow monsters, Priscilla decides the best way to fight is from within – so she cuts herself off from her girlfriend and family and becomes a spy in the Renegades' base. It's a bold plan – and one that doesn't account for her duplicitous ex-boyfriend, Dominic, being a leader of the rebellious group. As Priscilla struggles to remain undetected in the Renegade base, she realises Dominic has his own agenda – and she's part of it. And in order to stop him – and the Renegades – she may have to make the ultimate sacrifice ...

Categories: [Fantasy](#), [Relationships](#), [Family](#), [Dragons](#)

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15. ALL THAT'S LEFT TO SAY

[Emery Lord](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Hannah McLaren has grown up between two worlds- scraping by happily with her single, working mum and avoiding the Maryland upper crust in the next town over, where her wealthy cousin and best friend Sophie lives. The plan is to get out- Hannah from paycheck-to-paycheck life, and Sophie from the cosseted world she doesn't fit into. But just before junior year begins, something goes horribly wrong. Sophie overdoses at a party, leaving behind a shocked community and bereft best friends. As the haze of grief begins to clear, Hannah teams up with Sophie's other best friend, Gabi, to find out what happened that fateful night. Someone gave Sophie oxycodone. Someone knew what was going on. And Hannah will not stop until she has uncovered the truth.



16. BITE RISK

[SJ Wills](#) | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Sel Archer lives in a normal town with normal residents, except for one night a month . . . When the full moon comes out, almost all of the adults turn into werewolves, and it's up to the young people to protect themselves from danger. But, as this quiet life begins to unravel, and the Turned start to escape, can Sel and his friends uncover exactly who – or what – is watching their every move, before it's too late?

Categories: [Adventure](#), [Horror](#), [Thriller](#)



17. BLACK HEAT

[Bex Hogan](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Exile. Rebel. Healer. Three underestimated women, destined to be brought together by revenge in this dark and thrilling new YA fantasy. Marzal – an exiled daughter with a plan for her return. Rayn – a rebel blacksmith with a blade of blood. Elena – a gentle midwife with a fiercely protected secret. Each young woman wants peace for their country, but in times of war, not everyone fights by the same rules. As their countries burn around them, and the stakes of victory rise, each woman will have to decide how far she is willing to go for peace. But the desire for revenge also burns deep...



18. BLACKMAIL AND LIES

[Mary-Anne Scott](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Finn's druggie dad is on trial for manslaughter, so Finn is sent away to an exclusive boarding school to remove him from the small-town gossip machine. At first he feels a bit like a fish out of water, but soon makes some good friends, and even scores with the much admired Mia, who plays in the symphonic band with him. However, there is someone who knows Finn's secret ... blackmail and lies ... will Finn ever face the truth? It's not until disaster befalls one of his friends at an illicit after-ball party that Finn learns what is most important in life.



19. BROTHERS HAWTHORNE, THE

[Jennifer Lynn Barnes](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$23.80**

Grayson Hawthorne was raised as the heir apparent to his billionaire grandfather, taught from the cradle to put family first. Now the great Tobias Hawthorne is dead and his family disinherited, but some lessons linger. When Grayson's half-sisters find themselves in trouble, he swoops in to do what he does best- take care of the problem. Jameson Hawthorne is a risk-taker, a sensation-seeker, a player of games. When his mysterious father appears and asks for a favour, Jameson can't resist the challenge. Now he must infiltrate London's most exclusive underground gambling club and win an impossible game of greatest stakes. Drawn into twisted games on opposite sides of the globe, Grayson and Jameson – with the help of their brothers and the girl who inherited their grandfather's fortune and stole their hearts – must dig deep to decide who they want to be and what each of them will sacrifice to win.

Categories: [Thriller](#), [Suspense](#), [Mystery](#)



20. BROWN GIRL DREAMING

[Jacqueline Woodson](#) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Brown Girl Dreaming is the unforgettable story of Jacqueline Woodson's childhood, sharing what it was like to grow up as an African-American in the wake of the Civil Rights movement, and discovering the first sparks of an incredible, lifelong gift for writing. It's packed with wonderful reflections on family and on place, in a way that will appeal to readers from 11 to adult. Emotionally charged and touching, each line tells the tale of one girl's search to find her voice, her identity and her place in the world. This book has been a bestseller in the US for almost a decade, winning every accolade and prize including the prestigious Newbery Honor Award.



21. CHANGING MAN, THE

[Tomi Oyemakinde](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

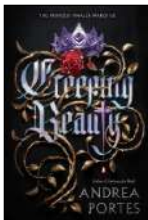
When seventeen-year-old Ife joins Nithercott School through its prestigious Urban Achievers Program, she knows immediately that she doesn't fit. Wandering its echoing halls, she must fend off cruel taunts from the students and condescending attitudes from the teachers. When she finds herself thrown into detention for the foreseeable future, she strikes up an unlikely alliance with Ben, a troublemaker with an annoyingly cute smile. They've both got reasons to want to get out of Nithercott – Ben's brother is missing, and no one seems to be bothering to find him. For Ife, it's just another strange element of this school that doesn't care about its students. But as more and more people start going missing, including one of Ife's only friends, she starts to feel haunted. Who is the figure she's started seeing in the shadowy halls, who looks mysteriously like herself? And is there any truth in the strange urban legend that travels the school like mist . . . the legend of the Changing Man?



22. COUNTERCLOCKWISE HEART, THE

[Brian Farrey](#) | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$13.50**

Tick . . . tick . . . tick . . . Time is running out in the empire of Rheinvell. The sudden appearance of a strange and frightening statue foretells darkness. The Hierophants—magic users of the highest order—have fled the land. And the shadowy beasts of the nearby Hinterlands are gathering near the borders, preparing for an attack. Young Prince Alphonsus is sent by his mother, the Empress Sabine, to reassure the people while she works to quell the threat of war. But Alphonsus has other problems on his mind, including a great secret: He has a clock in his chest where his heart should be—and it's begun to run backwards, counting down to his unknown fate. Searching for answers about the clock, Alphonsus meets Esme, a Hierophant girl who has returned to the empire in search of a sorceress known as the Nachtfrau. When riddles from their shared past threaten the future of the empire, Alphonsus and Esme must learn to trust each other and work together to save it—or see the destruction of everything they both love.



23. CREEPING BEAUTY

[Andrea Portes](#) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Bitsy is no one's ideal princess. She's heard it all: that it's a shame she's so plain, so lacking in grace. That the best thing for her to do is simply wait (and wait some more) and hope some prince will grant her a happy ending. Then Bitsy pricks her finger on a spindle and falls down, down, down. Into a world where cutthroats and con artists are more common than curtsies. Where no one ages and everyone is beautiful. Where an inscrutable evil rests at its core. A land where Bitsy's fate and her future are solely in her own hands—and neither are what she expects.



24. DARK WATER DAUGHTER THE WINTER SEA

[H M Long](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

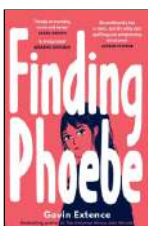
Mary Firth is a Stormsinger: a woman whose voice can still hurricanes and shatter armadas. Faced with servitude to pirate lord Silvanus Lirr, Mary offers her skills to his arch-rival in exchange for protection – and, more importantly, his help sending Lirr to a watery grave. But her new ally has a vendetta of his own, and Mary's dreams are dark and full of ghistings, spectral creatures who inhabit the ancient forests of her homeland and the figureheads of ships. Samuel Rosser is a disgraced naval officer serving aboard The Hart, an infamous privateer commissioned to bring Lirr to justice. He will stop at nothing to capture Lirr, restore his good name and reclaim the only thing that stands between himself and madness: a talisman stolen by Mary. Finally, driven into the eternal ice at the limits of their world, Mary and Samuel must choose their loyalties and battle forces older and more powerful than the pirates who would make them slaves. Come sail the Winter Sea, for action-packed, high-stakes adventures, rich characterisation and epic plots full of intrigue and betrayal.



25. DRAGON'S PROMISE, THE SIX CRIMSON CRANES

[Elizabeth Lim](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Princess Shiori made a deathbed promise to return the dragon's pearl to its rightful owner, but keeping that promise is more dangerous than she ever imagined. She must journey to the kingdom of dragons, navigate political intrigue among humans and dragons alike, fend off thieves who covet the pearl for themselves and will go to any lengths to get it, all the while cultivating the appearance of a perfect princess to dissuade those who would see her burned at the stake for the magic that runs in her blood. The pearl itself is no ordinary cargo; it thrums with malevolent power, jumping to Shiori's aid one minute, and betraying her the next – threatening to shatter her family and sever the thread of fate that binds her to her true love. It will take every ounce of strength Shiori can muster to defend the life and the love she's fought so hard to win.



26. FINDING PHOEBE

[Gavin Extence](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Phoebe is autistic. She prefers to stay in her comfort zone: walking her dog, writing fantasy fiction, surviving school with as few incidents as possible. When her best (and only) friend rebels and gets a secret boyfriend, Phoebe reluctantly agrees to cover for her. Before long, Phoebe's dealing with all sorts of things she'd rather not, like deception, fashionable jackets, and the bewildering politics of the school chess club. Breaking the rules has never been Phoebe's thing, but as events take a seriously unexpected turn, she realises there's more to her than she ever imagined . . .

Categories: [Neurodiverse](#), [Neurodiversity](#), [Autism](#), [Friendship](#), [Humour](#)



27. FOUL LADY FORTUNE FOUL LADY FORTUNE

Chloe Gong | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Assassin. Immortal. Spy. From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of These Violent Delights comes the first book in a captivating new duology following an ill-matched pair of spies posing as a married couple to investigate a series of brutal murders in 1930s Shanghai. It's 1931 in Shanghai, and the stage is set for a new decade of intrigue. Four years ago, Rosalind Lang was brought back from the brink of death, but the strange experiment that saved her also stopped her from sleeping and aging – and allows her to heal from any wound. In short, Rosalind cannot die. Now, desperate for redemption for her traitorous past, she uses her abilities as an assassin for her country. Code name: Fortune. But when the Japanese Imperial Army begins its invasion march, Rosalind's mission pivots. A series of murders is causing unrest in Shanghai, and the Japanese are under suspicion. Rosalind's new orders are to infiltrate foreign society and identify the culprits behind the terror plot before more of her people are killed. To reduce suspicion, she must pose as the wife of another Nationalist spy, Orion Hong. Although Rosalind finds Orion's cavalier attitude and playboy demeanour infuriating, she is willing to work with him for the greater good. But Orion has an agenda of his own, and Rosalind has secrets that she wants to keep buried. As they both attempt to unravel the conspiracy, the two spies soon find that there are deeper and more horrifying layers to this mystery than they ever imagined.



28. GENESIS WARS, THE

Akemi Dawn Bowman | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

It's been ten months since Nami narrowly escaped the Four Courts and Ophelia's wrath. Ten months since she was betrayed by someone she once considered a friend. Someone she poured her heart out to. And now her family here in the afterlife are gone, captured, and Nami is utterly alone. On the run, only steps ahead of the AI forces pursuing her, and desperate to free her friends, Nami must take the allies she can find, even if she doesn't fully trust them. And as she tests the limits of her own power, she must also reckon with the responsibility that entails. Stakes are high as Nami navigates old enemies, unexpected allies, and an ever-changing landscape filled with dangers and twists at every turn. Along the way, she'll learn powerful truths about who she can trust and the sacrifices that must be made in order to fight for a better, freer world for all.



29. GODDESS CROWN

Shade Lapite | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Kalothia has grown up in the shadows of her kingdom, hidden away in the East after her parents were outed as enemies of the king. When assassins attack her home on her sixteenth birthday, she must flee to the king's court – a beautiful but lethal nest of poison, plots and danger, overseen by an entrenched patriarchy. Can Kalothia navigate this most worldly of places to find her own role? What if she must choose between her country and her heart?



30. HER RADIANT CURSE: AN ENCHANTING FANTASY

Rebecca Lim | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

Channi was not born a monster. But when her own father offers her in sacrifice to the Demon Witch, she is forever changed. Cursed with a serpent's face, Channi is the exact opposite of her beautiful sister, Vanna—the only person in the village who looks at Channi and doesn't see a monster. The only person she loves and trusts. Now seventeen, Vanna is to be married off in a vulgar contest that will enrich the coffers of the village leaders. Only Channi, who's had to rely on her strength and cunning all these years, can defend her sister against the cruelest of the suitors. But in doing so, she becomes the target of his wrath – launching a grisly battle royale, a quest over land and sea, a romance between sworn enemies, and a choice that will strain Channi's heart to its breaking point.

Categories: Fantasy, Magic Realism, Siblings, Sisters



31. HUMMINGBIRD KILLER, THE

Finn Longman | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Teen assassin Isabel Ryans now works for Comma, and she's good at it: the Moth is the guild's most notorious killer, infamous throughout the city of Espera. But Isabel still craves normality, and she won't find it inside the guild. She moves in with a civilian flatmate, Laura, and begins living a double life, one where she gets to pretend she's free. But when Isabel's day job tangles her up with an anti-guild abolitionist movement, it becomes harder to keep her two lives separate. Forced to choose between her loyalty to her friends and her loyalty to Comma, she finds herself with enemies on all sides, particularly those from the rival guild Hummingbird, putting herself and Laura at risk. Can Isabel ever truly be safe in a city ruled by killers?

Categories: Thriller



32. I KNOW YOU'RE LYING

Daphne Benedis-Grab | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

There's been a theft at the middle school! Sasha's bag has been stolen from her locker. The security cameras on the school's front entrance captured four students entering the building early. Present at the time of the crime, Maddie, Jack, Nora, and Henry become top suspects. Each of them has a reason to dislike Sasha. Each has something to hide. But which of them is responsible for the break-in? And can they figure out who the thief is before Sasha gets her revenge ... on all of them. Set during a single day of school, this is a gripping, twisty read about what happens when bullying goes too far.

Categories: Bullying, Mystery, Peer Group Pressure, Crime, Revenge



33. IF I SEE YOU AGAIN TOMORROW

Robbie Couch | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

For some reason, Clark has woken up and relived the same monotonous Monday 309 times. Until Day 310 turns out to be...different. Suddenly, his usual torturous math class is interrupted by an anomaly—a boy he's never seen before in all his previous Mondays. When shy, reserved Clark decides to throw caution to the wind and join effusive and effervescent Beau on a series of "errands" across the Windy City, he never imagines that anything will really change, because nothing has in such a long time. And he definitely doesn't expect to fall this hard or this fast for someone in just one day. There's just one problem: how do you build a future with someone if you can never get to tomorrow?



34. IN THE SHADOW OF THE WOLF QUEEN GEOMANCER

Kiran Millwood Hargrave | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Ysolda has lived her life in the shadow of the wolf queen's tyrannical rule but, safe in her forest haven, she has never truly felt its threat. Until one day when a mysterious earthquake shakes the land and her older sister Hari vanishes in its wake. Accompanied by her loyal sea hawk, Nara, Ysolda embarks on a desperate rescue mission. But when she is forced to strike a bargain with the wolf queen herself, she soon finds herself embroiled in a quest for a magic more powerful – and more dangerous – than she could ever have imagined ...

Categories: Fantasy, Magic Realism



35. ISLAND, THE

Natasha Preston | Paperback | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Jagged Island- a private amusement park for the very rich-or the very influential. Liam, James, Will, Ava, Harper, and Paisley-social media influencers with millions of followers-have been invited for an exclusive weekend before the park opens. They'll make posts and videos for their channels and report every second of their VIP treatment. When the teens arrive, they're stunned- the resort is even better than they'd imagined. Their hotel rooms are unreal, the park's themed rides are incredible, and the island is hauntingly beautiful. They're given a jam-packed itinerary for the weekend. But soon they'll discover that something's missing from their schedule- getting off the island alive.

Categories: Horror, Ghost Stories



36. LET'S PLAY MURDER

Kesia Lupo | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Veronica wakes up trapped with four strangers in a sprawling manor house in a snow storm with a dead body. It feels so real but it isn't. This is VR and this is THE Game; a rumoured Easter Egg hidden in other VR games that draws you into a competition for a prize beyond your wildest dreams. And there's no escaping the VR world until the Game is won. But while Veronica and her fellow players are trying to figure out the puzzle, something is not right in the VR world. Blackouts, glitches, NPCs acting strange, and a mysterious figure haunting their footsteps. Then when a player dies, and also dies in real life, all hell breaks loose. Without warning, the game Veronica thought she was playing gets overshadowed by a much darker, and much more real, mystery- who is killing us?

Categories: Mystery, Murder, Thriller, Virtual Reality

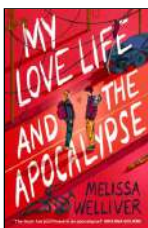


37. MOON DARK SMILE

Tessa Gratton | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

Ever since she was a girl, Raliel Dark-Smile's best friend has been the great demon that lives in the palace. As the daughter of the Emperor, Raliel appears cold and distant to those around her, but what no one understands is that she and the great demon, Moon, have a close and unbreakable bond and are together at all times. Moon is bound to the Emperor and his two consorts, Raliel's parents, and when Raliel comes of age, she will be bound to Moon as well, constrained to live in the Palace for the rest of her days. Raliel is desperate to see the Empire Between Five Mountains, and she feels a deep kinship with Moon, who longs to break free of its bonds. When the time finally arrives for Raliel's coming of age journey, she discovers a dangerous way to take Moon with her, even as she hides this truth from her travel companion, the beautiful, demon-kissed bodyguard Osian Redpop. But Osian is hiding secrets of his own, and when a plot surfaces that threatens the Empire, Raliel will have to decide who she can trust and what she'll sacrifice for the power to protect all that she loves.

Categories: Fantasy



38. MY LOVE LIFE AND THE APOCALYPSE

Melissa Welliver | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Humanoid Echo is a lonely teenage boy in a post-apocalyptic city of robots ... Then, a space-pod crashes from the sky with a girl on board. Pandora. Can they find answers in their ended world – and new beginnings in each other?

Categories: Romance, Survival, Science Fiction, Thriller

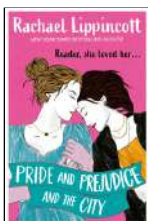


39. **ONE OF US IS BACK** BAYVIEW TRILOGY

Karen McManus | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$27.99** | **School Price \$23.80**

It's been almost two years since Simon died in detention, and the aftermath has been hard to shake. First the Bayview Four had to prove they weren't killers. Then a new generation outwitted a vengeful copycat. Now the entire Bayview Crew is back home for the summer, and everyone is trying to move on. Only, this is Bayview, and life is never that simple. At first the mysterious billboard seems like a bad joke— Time for a new game, Bayview. But when a member of the Bayview Crew disappears, it's clear this "game" is serious—and whoever's in charge isn't sharing the rules. Or maybe there aren't any. Bronwyn. Cooper. Addy. Nate. Maeve. Phoebe. Knox. Luis. Kris. Everyone's a target. And now that someone unexpected has returned to Bayview, things could start getting deadly. The thing is, Simon was right about secrets—they all come out, eventually. And Bayview has a lot it's still hiding.

Categories: [Thriller](#), [Suspense](#), [Murder](#), [Mystery](#)



40. **PRIDE AND PREJUDICE AND THE CITY**

Rachael Lippincott | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

Seventeen-year-old Audrey Cameron has lost her spark. After an embarrassing run-in with her ex-boyfriend, she's told that she needs to get back out there and take risks. What she doesn't expect is to be transported to Regency England! Lucy Sinclair has her own problems – stifled by her father and trying to avoid an unwanted marriage proposal – when Audrey lands into her life, claiming to be from two hundred years in the future, it's a welcome distraction. While the girls try to understand what's happening and how to send Audrey home, their sparks make a comeback in a most unexpected way – instead of falling for their suitors and the happily-ever-afters everyone expects of them, they fall for each other. Can their love story survive impossible circumstances?



41. **PRINCE & THE APOCALYPSE, THE**

Kara McDowell | Paperback | **RRP \$26.99** | **School Price \$24.30**

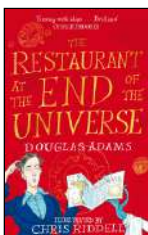
What would you do if your world was ending? Wren Wheeler has flown eight thousand kilometres across the ocean to discover she's the worst kind of tourist: the kind who just wants to go home. Her senior-year trip to London was supposed to be life-changing, but Wren's perfectly-planned itinerary is in tatters. Then she meets a very cute boy with a posh accent who looks remarkably like Prince Theo, the British Crown Prince. With news of a catastrophic comet hurtling towards Earth, Wren and the Prince are forced into the highest-stakes journey of them all as Wren tries to race home – before the end of the world. A heartstopping story of royalty, romance and the most frenetic race across the world.



42. **REBEL FIRE** REBEL SKIES TRILOGY

Ann sei Lin | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$18.99** | **School Price \$16.15**

Kurara and her shipmates have escaped the grasp of the princess, whose wish to control and command them as her own human shikigami would be a fate worse than death. Travelling through the forests and across the seas of Mikoshima, they finally reach the Grand Stream, where their old airship – and old enemies – await. Both parties seek the greatest shikigami of all: Suzaku, a paper phoenix. But will it be saved – or destroyed?



43. **RESTAURANT AT THE END OF THE UNIVERSE, THE** HITCHHIKERS GUIDE TO THE GALAXY

Douglas Adams | Chris Riddell (Illustrator) | Paperback | **RRP \$32.99** | **School Price \$29.70**

If you've done six impossible things this morning, why not round it off with breakfast at Milliways, the Restaurant at the end of the Universe? Which is exactly what Arthur Dent and the crew of the Heart of Gold plan to do. There's just the small matter of escaping the Vogons, avoiding being taken to the most totally evil world in the Galaxy and teaching a space ship how to make a proper cup of tea. And did anyone actually make a reservation?



44. **RETRO**

Sofia Lapuente | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

After a cyberbullying incident at her school goes viral, Luna Iglesias finds herself at the heart of a brewing controversy. When the social media company Limbo—who are also implicated in the scandal—sweeps in with an offer that sounds like an opportunity to turn over a new leaf and receive a scholarship to the college of her dreams, she's happy to jump on the new trend. It's called the Retro Challenge, where contestants live without modern technology, wear vintage clothes, party as if the future weren't already written, and fall in love as if they were living in a movie. At first, the challenge is fun. But then things get dangerous. Kids start disappearing, including Luna's friends. There are voices in the woods. Bloodred markings on the trees. And Luna increasingly begins to wonder if all these strange happenings are connected with the Retro Challenge. Secrets. Lies. Betrayal. The weight of her family on her shoulders. There's so much on the line for Luna, not to mention she's falling in love with the last guy she expected. Unless she can figure out the truth behind who's sabotaging the challenge, the next person to disappear may be Luna herself.



45. **ROYAL BLOOD** ROYAL BLOOD

Aimee Carter | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Kicked out of her American boarding school, Evan is sent to live with her estranged father, the King of England. Her existence as his illegitimate daughter is top secret – until someone leaks it to the press. Suddenly she's the focus of a thousand lurid headlines, plus the hatred of her stepmother the Queen and half-sister Princess Maisie. Then the royal scandal intensifies... After Evan is seen disappearing with a journalist's son at a party, he is found dead and she becomes the primary suspect in a murder investigation. Did "the Killer Princess" really do it? It seems that only the Queen's gorgeous nephew Kit will help Evan clear her name. But can she really trust anyone at the palace?

Categories: [Mystery](#), [Murder](#), [Scandal](#), [Romance](#)



46. **SCARE ME**

Teri Terry | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

The Past can haunt you... A mysterious boy, Echo, entices sixteen-year-old Liv to play an increasingly dangerous game, in this unnerving supernatural thriller. From the award-winning author of the SLATED and CIRCLE trilogies, Teri Terry. Liv can't get on with her own life – not as long as the ghost of her twin sister, Molly, who died at birth, has been her constant companion: she is always there, a part of her that no one else can see or hear. Liv meets a boy called Echo, who is searching for the truth about his mother's death, and despite Molly's concerns, Liv is drawn to him. Echo believes that if he can just speak to his mother's ghost, he will finally learn the truth about what happened to her and be able to move on with his life. But he believes the way to reach her is through fear: to scare himself enough to lift the veil between the worlds of the living and the dead. Echo and Liv begin an increasingly dangerous game that tests their greatest fears: but how far is Echo willing to go to uncover the truth? And will Liv trust her senses ... before it's too late?

Categories: [Death/Bereavement](#)



47. **SING ME TO SLEEP** SING ME TO SLEEP

Gabi Burton | Paperback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Words sting. Songs kill. The Cruel Prince meets To Kill a Kingdom in this seductive YA fantasy debut, in which a siren must choose between protecting her family and following her heart in a prejudiced kingdom where her existence is illegal. Saoirse Sorkova survives on secrets. As the last siren in her kingdom, she can sing any man to an early grave – but her very existence is illegal, and if her true identity were ever discovered, it would be her life on the line. By day, Saoirse disguises herself as a fae, pretending to be the perfect soldier-in-training. By night, she satisfies her darker urges working as an assassin for dangerous mercenaries. And all the while, she keeps the biggest secret of all: that she is not always in control of her Siren powers, or her desire to kill. Then a blackmailer threatens her sister, and Saoirse's investigation takes her to the royal palace, and her most dangerous job yet: personal bodyguard to the Crown Prince. Saoirse expects to despise Prince Hayes. But he is kind, thoughtful, and charming, and she finds herself increasingly drawn to him ... until he tasks her with investigating a killer plaguing the kingdom. The problem: the killer is Saoirse. Trapped by her deadly double life, Saoirse can't leave the palace until she saves her sister ... but who will save her from herself?



48. **SOMETHING CLOSE TO MAGIC**

Emma Mills | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

It's not all sugar and spice at Basil's Bakery, where seventeen-year-old Aurelie is an overworked, underappreciated apprentice. Still, the job offers stability, which no-nonsense Aurelie values highly, so she keeps her head down and doesn't dare to dream big—until a stranger walks in and hands her a set of Seeking stones. In a country where Seeking was old-fashioned even before magic went out of style, it's a rare skill, but Aurelie has it. The stranger, who turns out to be a remarkably bothersome bounty hunter named Iliana, asks for Aurelie's help rescuing someone from the dangerous Underwood—which sounds suspiciously like an adventure. When the someone turns out to be Prince Hapless, the charming-but-aptly-named prince, Aurelie's careful life is upended. Suddenly, she finds herself on a quest filled with magic portals, a troll older than many trees (and a few rocks), and dangerous palace intrigue. Even more dangerous are the feelings she's starting to have for Hapless. The more time Aurelie spends with him, the less she can stand the thought of going back to her solitary but dependable life at the bakery. Must she choose between losing her apprenticeship—or her heart?



49. **SOUL SURVIVOR, THE** SOUL PROPHECY

Chris Bradford | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$14.99** | **School Price \$12.75**

The final pulse-raising adventure in bestselling author Chris Bradford's explosive trilogy. Genna has lost everything. Her home, her parents, and now her only safe sanctuary. Forced to flee Haven, she faces a difficult decision- hide and survive, or stand and fight? Determined not to let Tanas win, Genna embarks on a desperate quest across continents to save the Light of Humanity. But can she and her friends complete their mission before Tanas and her Hunters catch up with them? Time is running out. And the clues to their quest are few and far between. Genna can only hope her soul will survive long enough to save the world...



50. **SPELL BOUND**

FT Lukens | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Edison Rooker is determined to gain access to the magical world. Problem is, he doesn't have magic. But he does have a plan: get a job as apprentice to powerful sorceress Antonia Hex. He also has an illegal Spell Binder device, which he must keep hidden from the Magical Consortium, at all costs ... With his new job, Edison is given a new name – Rook – which he happily accepts. He's less happy about working alongside Sun, the grumpy but annoyingly cute apprentice to Antonia's big rival. When the Consortium gets wind of Rook's Spell Binder, they come for Antonia. Rook turns to the only other magical person he knows: Sun. The two must team up to save Antonia ... or face losing their magic forever.

Categories: [Magic](#), [Fantasy](#), [Romance](#)



51. STAND UP FERRAN BURKE

[Steve Camden](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$19.55**

Comic collector Vinyl connoisseur Air Jordan enthusiast In his mind, Ferran Burke is many things But to everyone else he is just one, Emile Burke's little brother and Emile is all about himself. Now Ferran is stepping into the new world of high school alone and needs to learn quickly how to survive. New allies. New enemies. New feelings. New passions. A time capsule coming-of-age story spanning five years of one boy's life as he navigates the chaos trying to find himself. Friends. Fights. Family. Food. Playing with form and visuals throughout Stand Up Ferran Burke is a verse novel as unique as the boy at its heart.



52. STATELESS

[Elizabeth Wein](#) | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

It is 1937 and tensions are high. A spectacular air race around Europe seeks to promote unity among a group of young pilots, but distrust and animosity are rife. The British and sole female contestant, Stella North, is determined to prove not only her skill, but also her identity as her Nansen passport declares her 'stateless'. However, barely a few hours in, Stella is witness to a horrifying attack when a contestant's plane is forced out of the air and crashes. Was this the work of another competitor desperate to win? Was the attack random or premeditated? With the competition heating up and the death ruled an accident, Stella is left to form her own investigation. Can she find allies among her fellow competitors or will suspicion and deceit bring them all down?

Categories: [Thriller](#), [Murder](#), [Mystery](#), [Sabotage](#), [Historical](#)



53. STRANGER DANGER

[Maren Stoffers](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Don't think you can get rid of me so fast. . . . No phones. No internet. No social media at all. That's what it's going to take to finally get serious about school and focus on exams. Nova, Vin, and Lotus even rented a farmhouse in the middle of nowhere so they won't get distracted. After that, everything can go back to normal. But they aren't alone. Someone is watching them from the forest. Someone who knows their secrets. Someone who wants revenge. And things will never be the same again.

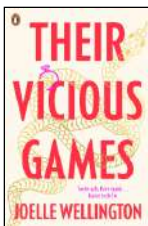
Categories: [Horror](#)



54. SUMMER SWITCH-OFF, THE

[Beth Reekles](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Luna, Rory and Jodie are supposed to be having the time of their lives. Instead they're all completely bloody miserable. Luna thought her first year at uni was perfect - until her relationship broke up, and she realised she's completely distant from her old school friends. She's never felt so lonely. Rory's passion is art, but she wants to fit in with her sensible family, so she's signed up to study law. It sounds like the most boring thing on earth. And as for Jodie - she's put her all into getting top marks at uni, but she can't remember the last time she had a night out. Her life is great on paper, but she's exhausted. Is this the right path for her after all? In desperate need of an escape, the girls book themselves on a holiday that's meant to be perfect for solo travellers. But the idyllic resort of Casa Dorada is actually a digital detox retreat - which means NO PHONES! And that's not the biggest disaster waiting for them . . . Will it be a summer the girls will never forget - or one they'd rather not remember?



55. THEIR VICIOUS GAMES

[Joelle Wellington](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Twelve girls. Three rounds. One ultimate prize . . . for the last one left alive. Edgewater Academy is a school for the very rich and very powerful. Adina Walker is neither of those things. Alone and outcast, when she gets into a fight with a fellow student (and former friend), her scholarship to a top college is revoked, and her world falls apart. Until she's invited to The Finish. Annual games for the brightest and the best, hosted by power-family The Remingtons, the winning prize for The Finish is everything Adina wants. This is her chance at the life she's dreamed of. Then the contestants start to die. Love, revenge, pride - all are on the line. This isn't a game any more . . .

Categories: [Thriller](#)



56. THIRD DAUGHTER, THE

[Adrienne Tooley](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$21.25**

For centuries, the citizens of Velle have waited for their New Maiden to return. The prophecy states she will appear as the third daughter of a third daughter. When the fabled child is finally born to Velle's reigning queen all rejoice except for Elodie, the queen's eldest child, who has lost her claim to the crown. The only way for Elodie to protect Velle is to retake the throne. To do so, she must debilitate the Third Daughter - her youngest sister, Brianne. Desperate, Elodie purchases a sleeping potion from Sabine, who sells sadness. But the apothecary mistakenly sends the princess away with a vial of tears instead of a harmless sleeping brew. Sabine's sadness is dangerously powerful, and Brianne slips into a slumber from which she will not wake. With the fates of their families and country hanging in the balance, Sabine and Elodie hurry to revive the Third Daughter while a slow-burning attraction between the two girls erupts in full force.

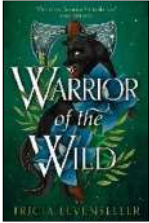


57. THREADS THAT BIND

[Kika Hatzopoulou](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Io is the youngest of three sisters, descended from the Fates. She is able to see threads- shimmering silver lines connecting every person. When a new relationship is formed, a new thread appears. When a person's life-thread is cut, it's their time to die. Io uses her gifts as a private investigator, trying to make ends meet in a world which treats other-born people like her with suspicion and prejudice. Then Io is witness to a murder - but this is no ordinary murder. Io can clearly see that the killer's life-thread has already been severed. This woman should be long dead. More complicated still, there is another witness- Edei, a member of the Rossi mob - the gangsters who rule Alante. And what Io can see immediately, although Edei cannot, is that there is a bright silver fate-thread connecting them. This boy is her destiny...

Categories: [Mythology](#), [Greek](#), [Thriller](#), [Mystery](#), [Betrayal](#), [Romance](#)



58. WARRIOR OF THE WILD

[Tricia Levenseller](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

How do you kill a god? As her father's chosen heir, eighteen-year-old Rasmira has trained her whole life to become a warrior and lead her village. But when her coming-of-age trial is sabotaged and she fails the test, her father banishes her to the monster-filled wilderness. To win her way back into her community, she is forced to embark on an impossible quest: she must kill the oppressive god who claims violent tribute from the villages each year - or die trying.

Categories: [Coming of Age](#), [Warrior](#), [Monsters](#)

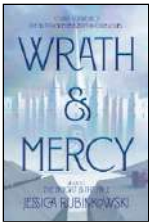


59. WHAT THE WORLD DOESN'T SEE

[Mel Darbon](#) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Discover who you are. Maudie and Jake's family is falling to pieces - their mum's been struggling with her grief since they lost Dad and one night she vanishes. When Jake is put into care, Maudie can't take it any more. She comes up with a wild plan to pull their family back together - by kidnapping Jake. On the run in Cornwall, Jake and Maudie each find something they hadn't expected - freedom and love. But can they find Mum and a way to heal together? A powerful and insightful novel about grief, disability and first love; a story about getting lost and finding yourself.

Categories: [Grief](#), [Disability](#), [Love](#), [Loss](#)



60. WRATH & MERCY THE BRIGHT AND THE PALE

[Jessica Rubinkowski](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Surviving the ill-fated expedition to Knnot, Valeria, Alik, and the others have found refuge in Valeria's village. Though Val should find comfort in reuniting with her family, everything has changed—including herself. For now, Val is the Pale God's chosen champion. And she is ready for revenge on the Czar. Gifted with the Pale God's power, Val will do whatever it takes to liberate her people. Even if that means stealing the Czar's son away from the safety of the Winter Palace. But as Alik watches Val struggle to maintain control over the god she holds captive, it becomes clear that the Pale God plans a revenge of his own. The inevitable is coming: one final battle. And Valeria must be ready to sacrifice everything—even her love for Alik—to win.



61. YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO DIE TONIGHT

[Kalynn Bayron](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

Charity Curtis has the summer job of her dreams, playing the "final girl" at Camp Mirror Lake. Guests pay to be scared in this full-contact terror game, as Charity and her summer crew recreate scenes from a classic slasher film, Curse of Camp Mirror Lake. The more realistic the fear, the better for business. But in the last weekend of the season, Charity's co-workers begin disappearing. And when one ends up dead, Charity's role as the final girl suddenly becomes all too real. If Charity and her girlfriend Bezi hope to survive the night, they'll need to figure out what this killer is after. Is there more to the story of Mirror Lake and its dangerous past than Charity ever suspected?