

FOURTEEN AND OLDER

FICTION

Adventure and Mystery

* **Ash's Cabin**

written and illustrated by Jen Wang
(First Second/Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, P \$17.99) 978-1-250-75406-6
Nonbinary outlier Ash, 15, decides to live alone in his grandfather's remote cabin with their dog, Chase. This proves to be more difficult than they had thought. Earth-tone watercolor illustrations. (14-17)

The Gulf

written and illustrated by Adam de Souza
(Tundra Books/Tundra/Penguin Random House of Canada, \$20.99) 978-1-77488-073-9
Struggling to face the future after high school, three friends run away to a commune, illuminating their frailties and, more importantly, their strengths. Dynamic ink sketches in a limited palette. (14-17)

The Reappearance of Rachel Price

by Holly Jackson
(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$20.99) 978-0-593-37420-7
When her mother reappears after vanishing 16 years earlier, Bel determines to untangle an increasingly knotty web of lies to get at the truth. (14-17)

The Summer She Went Missing

by Chelsea Icho
(Sourcebooks Fire/Sourcebooks, P \$11.99) 978-1-7282-5109-7
Audrey has vanished. Her brother and her best friend, Paige, encounter a number of false leads when they search for her. Then Paige finds a secret in Audrey's room. (14-16)

Anthologies and Collections

The Black Girl Survives in This One: Horror Stories

edited by Desiree S. Evans and Saraciea J. Fennell
(Flatiron Books/Macmillan, \$20.99) 978-1-250-87165-7
Fifteen suspenseful stories center Black girls who triumph over human and paranormal evil. (13-16)

Coming of Age

Age 16

written and illustrated by Rosena Fung, colors by Rachel Nam
(Annick Press, \$24.99) 978-1-77321-833-5
Chinese Canadian Roz and her Chinese mother and grandmother each contend with restrictive cultural norms. Interwoven stories of three generations. Comic art with a unique color for each time period. (14-17)

The Atlas of Us

by Kristin Dwyer
(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$19.99) 978-0-06-308858-0
Atlas spirals downward following her father's death, drops out of school, and loses her job. Court-mandated community service on a wilderness trail allows her to reinvent herself. (14-17) Mature content

Breathing Underwater

by Abbey Lee Nash
(Holiday House, \$18.99) 978-0-8234-5386-3
Swimming is a refuge for Tess. Her hopes for a scholarship hinge on her performance, but a diagnosis of epilepsy changes those plans. (13-16)

Brownstone

by Samuel Teer, illustrated by Mar Julia, color design by Ashanti Fortson
(Versify/HarperAlley/HarperCollins, P \$18.99) 978-0-35-839474-7
The summer she turns 15, Almudena meets her Guatemalan father, helps him renovate his house, and grows close to her Latine neighbors. Colorful digital artwork. (14-16)



Striking Out on Financial Aid

by Ngozi Ukazu, illustrated by Mad Rupert, colors by K Czap

(First Second/Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, \$25.99) 978-1-250-19352-0

When her scholarship unexpectedly falls through, Molly Bauer, a queer Black girl, discovers a loophole to afford her art school tuition: athletics. Colorful digital illustrations. (13-16)

The Calculation of You and Me

by Serena Kaylor

(Wednesday Books/St. Martin's Publishing Group/Macmillan, \$24.00) 978-1-250-90868-1

Seventeen-year old Marlowe, a math-science whiz on the autism spectrum, is devastated when boyfriend Josh dumps her. She is determined to get him back, enlisting the aid of a new friend. (14-17)

A Constellation of Minor Bears

by Jen Ferguson

(Heartdrum/HarperCollins, \$19.99)

978-0-06-333422-9

Molly couldn't wait for this post-graduation trip, but now she holds Traylor responsible for her brother's near-fatal climbing accident. What will happen on the epic trek? Told from three perspectives. (15-18)

Even if It Breaks Your Heart

by Erin Hahn

(Wednesday Books/St. Martin's Publishing Group/Macmillan, \$21.00) 978-250-76127-9

A grief-stricken teen deals with the death of his best friend, Walker, by trying to complete each task on the list Walker left behind for him. (14-16)

In Repair

by A. L. Graziadei

(Godwin Books/Henry Holt/Macmillan, \$19.99)

978-1-250-77713-3

Nathaniel hopes that as a college freshman he can leave his traumatic and troublemaking past behind. So is jumping out a window at a party a good idea? (15-18) Mature content

Libertad

by Bessie Flores Zaldívar

(Dial BFYR/Penguin Random House, \$19.99)

978-0-593-69612-5

Amid a contentious presidential election, Libertad struggles to find acceptance and expression for her lesbianism by writing poetry. Will she have to leave home to be herself? (14-17) Mature content

The Ping-Pong Queen of Chinatown

by Andrew Yang

(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$19.99)

978-0-06-334041-1

Two Chinese American teens have a complex but growing friendship as they struggle with parental expectations and hopes for admission to expensive and highly selective colleges. (13-16)

Punk Rock Karaoke

written and illustrated by Bianca Xunise

(Viking/Penguin Random House, P \$17.99)

978-0-593-46452-6

In the summer following high school, three best friends learn to stand up for each other while balancing their band's dreams and life's responsibilities. Boisterous illustrations. (15-18) Mature content

Queerceanera

by Alex Crespo

(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$19.99) 978-0-06-

325740-5

Joaquin is celebrating his queerceanera on his 18th birthday. WhatsApp chats keep his extended family informed. His first crush is his date; will the event turn out perfectly? (14-17) Mature content

Red

by Annie Cardi

(Union Square Kids/Union Square/Sterling Publishing, \$18.99) 978-1-4549-5130-8

A teenager is vilified by her Christian peers after getting an abortion. She vows to protect the father until she realizes he was a predator. Author's note. (16-18)

*** A Second Chance on Earth**

by Juan Vidal

(Holiday House, \$18.99) 978-0-8234-5711-3

After Marcos's father dies, his grief-stricken family takes his ashes to Cartagena. There, Marcos finds friendship, discovers Gabriel García Márquez, and connects to his rich Colombian heritage. Free verse. (14-17)

ⓓ Shut Up, This Is Serious

by Carolina Ixta
(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-328786-0
Mexican Americans Belén and Leti are best friends, but can their friendship survive a secret pregnancy, the stress of college admissions, poverty, and systemic racism? (14-17)

Stepping Off

by Jordan Sonnenblick
(Scholastic Press/Scholastic, \$19.99)
978-1-339-02317-5
While Jesse, 16, is trying to decide if he is in love with Chloe or with Ava, his parents' marriage disintegrates. Then COVID hits. Affecting and heartfelt. (13-16)

ⓓ The Sticky Note Manifesto of Aisha Agarwal

by Ambika Vohra
(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-334716-8
An ambitious South Asian Indian American scholarship high school student is stumped by a Stanford application prompt about a time she stepped out of her comfort zone. Then a new friend takes her there. (14-17)

ⓓ There Is a Door in This Darkness

by Kristin Cashore
(Dutton Children's Books/Penguin Random House, \$19.99) 978-0-8037-3999-4
In 2020 Wilhemina's gap year before college brings a pandemic, a fraught presidential election, the death of a loved one, a new relationship, and supernatural visions. (14-17)

Contemporary Issues

ⓓ Leap

written and illustrated by Simina Popescu
(Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, P \$17.99)
978-1-250-83830-8
Three girls in a performing arts school in Romania navigate romance, sexuality, and commitment to their art and to each other. Dramatic sepia and grey-toned panels. (14-17)

*** Louder than Hunger**

by John Schu, foreword by Kate DiCamillo
(Candlewick Press, \$18.99) 978-1-5362-2909-7
Middle school student Jake undergoes treatment for anorexia nervosa, which manifests as a controlling "Voice" in his head. Free-verse poetry dramatically expresses his harrowing journey to health. (13-16)

ⓓ Ⓜ The No-Girlfriend Rule

by Christen Randall
(Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster, \$19.99)
978-1-6659-3981-2
Frustrated by her inability to join her boyfriend's role-playing game, Hollis, 17, finds an all-female RPG group, and in so doing, discovers her true self. (14-17)
Mature content

ⓓ Spilled Ink

by Nadia Hashimi
(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-306049-4
Two Afghan twins flee the Taliban to a small Virginia town with their family. Then one of them is victimized in a hate crime. Back matter. (13-16)

ⓓ Wide Awake Now

by David Levithan
(Alfred A. Knopf/Random House Children's Books/Penguin Random House, \$19.99)
978-0-593-70697-8
High school lovers Duncan, who's Jewish, and Jimmy, who's multiracial, protest a recount in the election of the first gay Jewish president. A reimagining of Levithan's novel *Wide Awake*. (15-17)

Family/School/Community

ⓓ 49 Days

written and illustrated by Agnes Lee
(Levine Querido, \$24.99) 978-1-64614-374-0
As family and friends mourn, Korean American Kit reflects on her life while navigating the Buddhist transition period between death and rebirth. Muted brush, pen, ink, and digital illustrations. (15-18)

ⓓ Ⓜ Ariel Crashes a Train

by Olivia A. Cole
(Labyrinth Road/Random House Children's Books/
PRH, \$19.99) 978-0-593-64466-9
Queer 17-year-old Ariel experiences violent
compulsions as a monster inside her. Will new friends
support her efforts to break the spiral of intrusive
thoughts? Free verse. (15-18) Mature content

ⓓ Break to You

by Neal Shusterman, Debra Young, and
Michelle Knowlden
(Quill Tree Books/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-287576-1
When Jon, a Black teen, finds Adriana's hidden
journal, the two inmates in a gender-segregated
juvenile detention center start a dangerous, forbidden
correspondence. (15-18)

ⓓ Call Me Iggy

by Jorge Aguirre, story by Jorge Aguirre and
Rafael Rosado, illustrated by Rafael Rosado, colors by
John Novak
(First Second/Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan,
P \$18.99) 978-1-250-20415-8
After accidentally releasing his abuelito's ghost, Iggy
connects with his Colombian roots and develops his
own identity as he begins high school. Expressive
artwork. (13-15)

ⓓ Conditions of a Heart

by Bethany Mangle
(Margaret K. McElderry Books/Simon & Schuster,
\$19.99) 978-1665-937634
When hiding a medical disability complicates her
relationships and gets her suspended from school,
Brynn rethinks the need to keep her secret. (14-17)

Ⓜ Ellie Haycock Is Totally Normal

by Gretchen Schreiber
(Wednesday Books/St. Martin's Publishing Group/
Macmillan, \$20.00) 978-1-250-89216-4
Hospitalized high school junior Ellie connects with
fellow teen patients while undergoing treatment
for a genetic disorder. Explicit scenes of medical
interactions. Friendships and romance lighten the
narrative. (15-17) Mature content

ⓓ I Hope This Doesn't Find You

by Ann Liang
(Scholastic Press/Scholastic, \$19.99)
978-1-338-82715-6
Chinese Australian super student Sadie manages stress
by drafting cathartic hate emails and leaving them
unsent. When the emails are mysteriously exposed,
major difficulties ensue. (14-17)

ⓓ Ⓜ Icarus

by K. Ancrum
(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-328578-1
Icarus, a queer high school student and trained thief
of art paintings and statues, forms a relationship with
Helios, the son of his dad's nemesis. (14-17)
Mature content

*** Just Until**

by Joseph Moldover
(Margaret Ferguson Books/Holiday House, \$19.99)
978-0-8234-5619-2
The year before Hannah, 17, plans to go to college,
she and her widowed father temporarily take in her
troubled sister's two boys. Author's note on the child
welfare system. (15-18)

Light Enough to Float

by Lauren Seal
(Rocky Pond Books/Penguin Random House, \$19.99)
978-0-593-70014-3
Evie, a good student who is unaware of her eating
disorder, can't quite believe that she needs to be
hospitalized. Inspired by the author's real life struggles.
(13-16)

Made Glorious

by Lindsay Eagar
(Candlewick Press, \$19.99) 978-1-5362-0467-4
Embittered scholarship student and social outcast Rory
schemes to land the lead role in the senior musical,
Shakespeare's *Richard III*, set in a modern private
school. (14-16)

ⓓ * On the Bright Side

by Anna Sortino
(G. P. Putnam's Sons/Penguin Random House, \$19.99)
978-0-593-69786-3
With the Brandview School for the Deaf defunded, Ellie
must attend public school. Jackson is assigned to help
her, not knowing he's on the verge of a life-changing
diagnosis. Author's note on multiple sclerosis (MS).
(14-17)

(D) (M) Where Was Goodbye?

by Janice Lynn Mather

(Simon & Schuster BFYR/S & S, \$19.99)

978-1-6659-0395-0

In Nassau, Bahamas, high school senior Karmen can't make sense of her brother's recent suicide. Now suspended for breaking a school lab window, she resolutely researches his life and her own feelings.

Resources. (14-17) Mature content

(D) With Love, Miss Americanah

by Jane Igharo

(Feiwel and Friends/Macmillan, \$20.99)

978-1-250-87337-8

After her father's death, Enore's Nigerian family moves to America, where she must choose between submitting to her mother's rigid expectations and following her own heart toward music and romance.

(14-17)

Fantasy



Amazing Grapes

written and illustrated by Jules Feiffer

(Michael di Capua Books/HarperCollins, \$29.99)

978-0-06-296383-3

Transported to an alternate dimension, a family embarks on a phantasmagorical, emotionally draining adventure. Feiffer's signature sketchy artwork is enhanced with color. (13-16)

Animals Rising

by D. J. Panec

(Treasure Bay, \$18.99) 978-1-60115-155-1

In an alternate Earth, giant Mira, 17, rescues Hawk, a wild human, from being killed and eaten. But Hawk has come from his forest village on a dangerous mission.

(16-18)

(M) Compass and Blade

by Rachel Greenlaw

(Inkyard Press, \$19.99) 978-1-335-01232-6

Living on an island that survives by looting shipwrecks, Mira longs for the outside world. When authorities arrest her father, Mira springs into action to save him.

(14-17) Mature content

(D) Darker by Four

by June CL Tan

(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$19.99)

978-0-06-328384-8

Rui trains as an exorcist to destroy Revenants—the undead monsters that killed her mother. Her fate intertwines with the fate of two boys, uncovering the darkest secrets of the Exorcist Guild. (13-16)

(D) Dead Things Are Closer Than They Appear

by Robin Wasley

(Simon & Schuster BFYR/S & S, \$19.99)

978-1-6659-1460-4

In a supernatural tourist town, a Korean adoptee of white parents who feels nearly invisible finds her resolve, courage, and love tested by a magical cataclysm. (14-17)

Deep Is the Fen

by Lili Wilkinson

(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$19.99) 978-0-593-56270-3

In a well-crafted world of magic and secrets, Merry struggles to prevent her friend from joining a cult. Or does she just not want to grow up? Greyscale spot art. (13-16)

(D) (M) A Drop of Venom

by Sajni Patel

(Rick Riordan Presents/Hyperion/Buena Vista Books, \$18.99) 978-1-368-09268-5

After a brutal sexual assault, temple apprentice Manisha gains fearsome powers. Dispatched to destroy her, Pratyush, a monster slayer, does not realize he is hunting the girl he loves. (15-18) Mature content

The Extraordinary Disappointments of Leopold Berry (Sunderworld series)

by Ransom Riggs

(Dutton Books/Penguin Random House, \$21.99)

978-0-593-53093-1

Leopold is drawn into a parallel world by strange visions of a fantasy TV show his mother recorded on a VCR before her death five years ago. (14-17)

(M) Heir

by Sabaa Tahir
(G. P. Putnam's Sons/Penguin Random House, \$21.99)
978-0-593-61694-9

The stories of a revenge-seeking orphan, an outcast tracking a murderer, and a reluctant crown prince interconnect as the three face evil forces in this magical, action-packed adventure and romance. (14-17) Mature content

(D) Into the Sunken City

by Dinesh Thiru, map by BMR Williams
(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-331051-3

In a flooded future world, a mysterious woman enlists 18-year-old Jin to raid an underwater city for a priceless treasure. Captivating world-building and a rip-roaring adventure. Greyscale map. (13-16)

The Last Bloodcarver

by Vanessa Le
(Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, \$19.99)
978-1-250-88152-6

Surviving by her wits in an industrial city-state, Nhika attempts to use her healing gifts—which seem magical to some and monstrous to others—with devastating consequences. (13-16)

(D) * Lunar New Year Love Story

by Gene Luen Yang, illustrated by LeUyen Pham
(First Second/Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, \$25.99)
978-1-62672-810-3

Despite a family curse, Vietnamese American Valentina hopes to find romantic love as she journeys through high school. Occasional use of Vietnamese and Korean. Vibrant color illustrations. (14-17)

(D) * The Second Chance of Darius Logan

by David F. Walker
(Scholastic Press/Scholastic, \$19.99)
978-1-338-82642-5

Darius, a Black 16-year-old, escapes a prison sentence by joining a prison reform program known as Second Chance, but learns that someone within the program is out to kill him. (14-17)

(D) Sheine Lende

by Darcie Little Badger, illustrated by Rovina Cai
(Levine Querido, \$19.99) 978-1-64614-379-5
In an alternate contemporary America, a resourceful 17-year-old Lipan Apache girl uses inherited supernatural abilities to search for missing children. Can she rescue them and her own mother? Gentle greyscale illustration and spot art. Prequel to *Elatsoe*. (15-17)

(D) Song of the Six Realms

by Judy I. Lin
(Feiwel and Friends/Macmillan, \$20.99)
978-1-250-87161-9
Xue, an orphan, is under contract as an apprentice when a wealthy young nobleman buys her services as a musician, but to what end? Includes glossary and realm guide. (14-17)

Where the Dark Stands Still

by A. B. Poranek
(Margaret K. McElderry Books/Simon & Schuster, \$19.99) 978-1-6659-3647-7
Liska flees her village, which views her magic as evil, and enters the servitude of a forest demon who can rid her of her powers. (14-17)

Folklore and Fairy Tales

(D) (M) The Fox Maidens

written and illustrated by Robin Ha, typography by Dana Fritts
(Balzer + Bray/HarperAlley /HarperCollins, P \$18.99)
978-0-06-268512-4
In 16th-century Korea, Kai must reckon with her destiny after she manifests dangerous abilities that expose her mother's long-kept secrets. Digital art, occasionally blood-splattered. (13-16) Mature content

Historical Fiction

(D) Bridge Across the Sky

by Freeman Ng
(Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster, \$19.99)
978-1-6659-4859-3
While awaiting the fate-determining entrance interview, in 1924 a Chinese boy hoping to enter the U.S. endures detention at the infamous Angel Island Immigration Station. Free verse. Historical notes. (13-16)

(D) (M) * The Color of a Lie

by Kim Johnson, map by Mike Hall
(Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$19.99)
978-0-593-11880-1

In 1955 Calvin Greene, a Black teen from Chicago, has moved with his family to Pennsylvania and is "passing" there. While adjusting to his school, he is forced to decide where to place his loyalties. Detailed map. Greyscale spot art. (14-17) Mature content

Dust Spells

by Andrea Lynn
(CamCat Books, \$19.99) 978-0-7443-0846-4
During the Great Depression, three sisters struggling to survive in the Dust Bowl find comfort in a mysterious realm where the burdens of their impoverished lives vanish. (15-18)

(D) * Everything We Never Had

by Randy Ribay
(Kokila/Penguin Random House, \$18.99)
978-0-593-46141-9
A Filipino American family's story, from the early 20th century through the present, told by four generations of sons—Francisco, Emil, Chris, and Enzo—as each deals with their identity. Greyscale spot art. Family tree. Recommended resources. (13-16)

(D) (M) Eyes Open

by Lyn Miller-Lachmann
(Carolrhoda Lab®/Lerner, \$19.99) 979-8-7656-1011-4
In 1960s Portugal, Sónia longs to become a poet, but her activist boyfriend's arrest by the dictatorial government forces her to leave school and work in a laundry. (14-17) Mature content

(D) Kill Her Twice

by Stacey Lee
(G. P. Putnam's Sons/Penguin Random House, \$19.99)
978-0-593-53204-1
In 1930s Los Angeles, Gemma and May Chow try to keep their father's flower business afloat. They discover the body of a famous Chinese American movie star—their former classmate. (14-17)

Medici Heist

by Caitlin Schneiderhan
(Feiweil and Friends/Macmillan, \$20.99)
978-1-250-90718-9
In 1517 Florence, a band of thieves plan to rob the tyrannical Medici pope and cardinal of money they amassed by selling forgiveness of sins to credulous parishioners. (13-16)

(D) No Rules Tonight

by Kim Hyun Sook and Ryan Estrada, illustrated by Ryan Estrada
(Penguin Workshop/Penguin Random House, P \$17.99), 978-0-593-52130-4
In South Korea in the 1980s Sook's adventure at a winter camp allows her and others a night of freedom and a chance to keep a banned book club alive. Expressive graphics. Semi-autobiographical. (13-16)

A Suffragist's Guide to the Antarctic

by Yi Shun Lai, maps by Filippo Vanzo
(Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster, \$19.99)
978-1-6659-3776-4
In 1914 an 18-year-old suffragist signs onto a hazardous expedition to the Antarctic and fights for gender equality. Detailed black-and-white maps. Inspired by an actual expedition. Author's note. (14-17)

(D) Take a Sad Song

by Ona Gritz
(West 44 Books, \$25.80) 978-1-9785-9742-6
Jane stayed out late with a boy, but her mother reported her a runaway. Sent to a girls' reformatory, Jane struggles to cope and finds others to support her there. Set in 1970. Free verse. (14-17)

(D) Tangleroot

by Kalela Williams
(Feiweil and Friends/Macmillan, \$19.99)
978-1-250-88066-6
Noni Reid, 18, uncovers shocking secrets when tracing her Black enslaved and white enslaver ancestors in a rural Virginia town. Author's note on research. (16-18)

(D) (M) To the Bone

by Alena Bruzas
(Rocky Pond Books/Penguin Random House, \$19.99)
978-0-593-61620-8
Ellis arrives in Jamestown glad to leave her poverty behind, but life in the colonial settlement is so much more grim than she expected. Author's note. (16-18) Mature content

(D) Trajectory

by Cambria Gordon
(Scholastic Press/Scholastic, \$19.99)
978-1-338-85382-7
After her mathematician father suffers a stroke, Eleanor conceals her problem-solving skills. Recruited in 1942 to an all-female team to improve ballistic trajectories, she comes into her own. (14-17)

Yours from the Tower

by Sally Nicholls

(Walker Books/Candlewick Press, \$17.99)

978-1-5362-2319-4

In Victorian England, three friends—idealistic Polly, socialite Sophia, and lonely Tirzah—leave their boarding school and keep in touch by writing each other letters. (13-16)

Magical Realism

When the World Tips Over

by Jandy Nelson

(Dial BFYR/Penguin Random House, \$21.99)

978-0-525-42909-8

In a small Northern California wine country town, a mysterious rainbow-haired girl upends the lives of three broken siblings whose father disappeared 12 years before. (14-17)

Romance

(M) * The Ballad of Darcy & Russell

by Morgan Matson

(Simon & Schuster BFYR/S & S, \$19.99)

978-1-4814-9901-9

Darcy and Russell meet after a music festival and have an immediate connection, but family secrets may tear them apart. (14-17) Mature content

(D) Bite Me, Royce Taslim

by Lauren Ho

(Disney•Hyperion/Buena Vista Books, \$18.99)

978-1-368-09535-8

After an injury ends her track career, Chinese Malaysian high school senior Agnes Chan turns to stand-up comedy to excel, competing against her former athletic archrival. (13-16)

(D) Daniel, Deconstructed

by James Ramos

(Inkyard Press, \$19.99) 978-1-335-01002-5

Figuring out feelings is hard for Daniel, who is on the autism spectrum, but he thinks Gabe and Mona would be a perfect match. Is he right? (14-17)

(D) Escaping Mr. Rochester

by L. L. McKinney

(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$19.99)

978-0-06-298626-9

Bertha Mason (Mrs. Rochester) and Jane Eyre alternate as narrators in this imaginative postmodern retelling of the literary classic. (16-18)

(M) If You Can't Take the Heat

by Michael Ruhlman

(Penguin Workshop/Penguin Random House, \$19.99)

978-0-593-52344-5

Devastated by a medical emergency that upends his high school athletic career, Theo, 16, meets Julia, who introduces him to the world of restaurants and gourmet cooking. (14-17) Mature content

(D) Joined at the Joints

by Marissa Eller

(Holiday House, \$19.99) 978-0-8234-5621-5

Both Ivy and her sister Caroline have chronic illnesses, but Ivy is the one isolating herself and staying home to watch the Food Network. Will a support group help? (14-17)

(D) Just Another Epic Love Poem

by Parisa Akhbari

(Dial BFYR/Penguin Random House, \$19.99)

978-0-593-53049-8

Why did Mitra's Iranian father enroll her in a Roman Catholic school? Unexpectedly, she makes a best friend there and falls in love through poetry. (14-17)

(D) * My Fair Brady

by Brian D. Kennedy

(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, \$19.99)

978-0-06-308571-8

To convince Reese, his ex-boyfriend, that he isn't self-absorbed, high school senior Wade plays Pygmalion to shy, nerdy Elijah, introducing him to his theater world. But then ... (15-18)

Shooting for Stars

by Christine Webb

(Peachtree Teen/Peachtree Publishing, \$18.99)

978-1-68263-601-5

Skyler wants to complete her dead mother's scientific research, but does she want that more than a budding romance? And does anything justify lying to her father? (14-17)

D M Time and Time Again

by Chatham Greenfield
(Bloomsbury YA/Bloomsbury, \$19.99)
978-1-5476-1390-8

Phoebe, a Jewish lesbian with a chronic illness, wakes up every morning and repeats August 6 over and over. It's not even a great day. Then one day a car crash disrupts the endless loop. (13-16)

D M * Twenty-four Seconds from Now...: A Love Story

by Jason Reynolds
(Caitlyn Dlouhy Books/Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster, \$19.99) 978-1-6659-6127-1
Neon, a Black 17-year-old high school senior, comically traces his intimate relationship with Aria, 17, beginning with his current anxieties, looking back on their developing relationship, and finally returning to the present moment. (15-18) Mature content

Science Fiction

D M Ghost Roast

by Shawnelle Gibbs and Shawneé Gibbs, illustrated by Emily Cannon
(Versify/HarperAlley/HarperCollins, P \$18.99)
978-0-35-814180-8
While working with her ghost hunter father, Chelsea realizes she can communicate with spirits and uncovers a secret about the murder of a biracial philanthropist. Colorful, dynamic, digital illustrations. (13-16) Mature content

D M Snowglobe

by Soyoung Park, translated from the Korean by Joungmin Lee Comfort
(Delacorte Press/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$20.99) 978-0-593-48497-5
In a frozen future, 16-year-old Chobahm is recruited to join a reality television show in a climate-controlled glass dome for the elite and soon discovers dark secrets. (14-17) Mature content

POETRY

D M * Bright Red Fruit

by Safia Elhillo
(Make Me a World/Random House Children's Books/PRH, \$19.99) 978-0-593-38120-5
A modern telling of the Persephone story, in a variety of verse forms, explores the motivation of the character, caught between conflicting desires. Layered, believable, and compelling. (13-16) Mature content

D Grace Notes: Poems About Families

by Naomi Shihab Nye
(Greenwillow Books/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-269187-3
In this collection of free verse poems, Nye recalls the life of her white, depressed, American mother, her Palestinian father, and their divorce. (13-16)

D Poemhood: Our Black Revival

edited by Amber McBride, Taylor Byas, and Erica Martin
(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-322528-2
A powerful anthology of Black poets past and present, highlighting the complexity and diversity of Black life through personal narrative, history, and folklore. Explanatory outros. Greyscale illustrations. Back matter. (14-17)

D The Unboxing of a Black Girl

by Angela Shanté
(Page Street YA/Page Street Publishing, \$18.99)
979-8-89003-953-8
In a mixture of free verse, haiku, and vignettes, the author creates a poetry memoir of her own girlhood in New York City and the lives of Black girls elsewhere. (14-16)

INFORMATIONAL BOOKS

Biography and Memoir



*** Halfway There:**

A Graphic Memoir of Self-Discovery

written and illustrated by Christine Mari
(Little, Brown Ink/Little, Brown/Hachette, \$24.99)
978-0-316-41665-8
Christine, 19, struggles with her mental health from being bullied because she has a white American father and a Japanese mother. Can she make a fresh start in Tokyo? Expressive artwork in a muted palette. (16-18) Mature content



Homebody

written and illustrated by Theo Parish
(HarperAlley/HarperCollins, \$26.99)
978-0-06-331959-2
Follow Theo's journey of self-discovery, in which they emerge as transgender and nonbinary. Comic illustrations keep the narrative fresh and appealing. (13-16)



How the Boogeyman Became a Poet

by Tony Keith Jr.
(Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins, \$19.99)
978-0-06-329600-8
It takes Tony years to believe in his own talent and strengths and to accept his sexuality. Performing his poetry in public helps give him courage. (14-17) Mature content



Just Another Story:

A Graphic Migration Account

written and illustrated by Ernesto Saade
(Graphic Universe/Lerner, P \$17.99)
979-8-7656-2336-7
Carlos, 19, and his mother leave El Salvador in 2006 to migrate to the U.S., encountering harrowing dangers on their journey. Based on the author's cousin's experiences. Pastel illustrations. (14-17)

Ukraine:

Remember Also Me: Testimonies from the War

written and illustrated by George Butler, foreword by Oksana Markarova, Ambassador of Ukraine to the United States
(Candlewick Studio/Candlewick Press, \$27.99)
978-1-5362-4043-6
Ukrainians, young and old, told this acclaimed artist about their wartime experiences as he drew their portraits. Poignant, defiant, heartbreaking, and matter-of-fact reminiscences alongside ink, watercolor, and collage illustrations. (14-17) Mature content



Visitations

written and illustrated by Corey Egbert
(Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, P \$17.99)
978-0-374-30839-1
Teen Corey and his younger sister survive a terrifying kidnapping by their increasingly mentally ill, albeit loving, mother. Gentle pastel illustrations. Author's note. Includes mental health resources. (14-17) Mature content

Contemporary Issues



The Gender Binary Is a Big Lie: Infinite Identities Around the World

by Lee Wind
(Zest Books/Lerner, P \$19.99) 978-1-7284-1454-6
An engaging and informative look at historical conceptions of gender identity, with close examination of a wide range of primary sources. (15-18)

History



*** American Wings:**

Chicago's Pioneering Black Aviators and the Race for Equality in the Sky

by Sherri L. Smith and Elizabeth Wein
(G. P. Putnam's Sons/Penguin Random House, \$19.99)
978-0-593-32398-4
A comprehensive examination of how a group of determined Black pilots, beginning in the early 20th century, rose above racism and segregation. Archival photographs. Extensive back matter. (13-16)

④ Be a Scribe!:

Working for a Better Life in Ancient Egypt

by Michael Hoffen, Christian Casey, and Jen Thum,
images selected by Michael Hoffen and Christian Casey
(Callaway, \$24.99) 979-8-9874124-3-5

This translation of a papyrus dating from ancient
Egypt's Middle Kingdom tells the story of a teenage
boy living almost 4,000 years ago. Photographs of
artifacts and reproductions of artwork. (13-16)

Law and Justice

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**The Fourteenth Amendment and the Fight for
Equality (Whose Right Is It? series)**

by Hana Bajramovic

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An examination of how "equality" has been defined by
the 14th Amendment and how the law has shifted as
applied to 21st-century issues. Photographs. Footnotes
and resources. (14-17)

STEM (Science/Technology/Engineering/Mathematics)

Discovering Life's Story:

**The Evolution of an Idea (Discovering Life's Story
series)**

by Joy Hakim

(MiTeen Press/Candlewick Press, \$22.99)

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An excellently researched history of the scientists
who contributed to our understanding of evolution.
Well-placed, informative sidebars. Archival images and
photos. Bibliography, index. (13-16)