FOURTEEN AND UP

ADVENTURE

*Cold Skin
by Steven Herrick
(Front Street, $18.95)  978-1-59078-572-0
A rural Australian coal town after World War II confronts the brutal murder of a teenage girl and discovers truths about their community. Told in verse. (14-16)

Going Bovine
by Libba Bray
(Delacorte, $17.99)  978-0-385-73397-7
Sixteen-year-old Cameron, diagnosed with Cruetzfeldt-Jakob’s disease, goes on a quest and learns to trust and to care. (14-18)

Kisses and Lies
by Lauren Henderson
(Delacorte, $16.99)  978-0-385-73489-9
Scarlett is determined to find out who murdered Dan. Will she succeed, or will she be the next victim? (14-16)

COMING OF AGE

Angry Management
by Chris Crutcher
(Greenwillow, $16.99)  978-0-06-050247-8
In three short stories, teenagers struggle and find ways to cope with anger and precarious life situations. (14-17)

Backtracked
by Pedro de Alcantara
(Delacorte, $15.99)  978-0-385-73419-6
Fifteen-year-old Tommy’s time travels teach him a lot about early 20th-century immigrant life, the Depression, World War II - and himself. (13-15)
Because I am Furniture
by Thalia Chaltas
(Viking, $16.99)  978-0-670-06298-0
Fourteen-year-old Anke feels like an invisible witness to her father’s abusiveness toward her siblings. Will she be able to summon the courage to take action? Free verse. (14-17)

Broken Soup
by Jenny Valentine
(HarperCollins, $16.99)  978-0-06-085071-5
When fifteen-year-old Rowan’s older brother dies, she must deal with her own grief as well as that of her parents and younger sister. (14-16)

Destroy All Cars
by Blake Nelson
(Scholastic, $17.99)  978-0-545-104474-6
Seventeen-year-old James fights consumerism and global warming while trying to deal with dating and his future. (14-17)

Dope Sick
by Walter Dean Myers
(HarperCollins, $16.99)  978-0-06-121477-6
Caught up in the downward spiral of his life in Harlem, Lil J meets a man who shows him how he could have made “better” or “different” choices. (14-17)

If I Stay
by Gayle Forman
(Dutton, $16.99)  978-0-525-42103-0
Mia’s family has been killed in the crash that left her comatose. She lives because of her love for music, Adam, relatives, and her best friend. (14-16)

Jumping Off Swings
by Jo Knowles
(Candlewick, $16.99)  978-0-7636-3949-5
The pregnancy of a sixteen-year-old has sharp ramifications for her friends and family. Varied points of view including that of the boy involved. (14-16)

Love is the Higher Law
by David Levithan
(Knopf, $15.99)  978-0-375-83468-4
Three New York teens deal with the horrors of September 11, 2001, and learn about the nature of love and friendship. (14-17)

Marcelo in the Real World
by Francisco X. Stork
(Arthur A. Levine, $17.99)  978-0-545-05474-4
Marcelo, a bright autistic teen, spends a challenging summer working at his father’s law firm and considers the transition to a regular high school. (14-16)

North of Beautiful
by Justina Chen Headley
(Little, Brown, $16.99)  978-0-316-02505-8
Terra, beautiful and talented but insecure, struggles to create a life that is not defined by her portwine birthmark and bullying father. (14-17)

Response
by Paul Volponi
Noah, a black teen, is attacked by three white teens and seriously hurt. The ensuing arrests and trial show Noah’s growth toward manhood. (14-17)

Rosie and Skate
by Beth Ann Bauman
(Viking, $15.99) 978-0-385-73735-7
Two sisters deal with the challenges of adolescence plus an alcoholic father, aided by friends and relatives and a teen support group. (14-17)

Sprout
by Dale Peck
(Bloomsbury, $16.99) 978-1-59990-160-2
Sprout, a high school junior and budding writer, has his first romantic relationship with a boy. Full of smart-alecky remarks as well as pathos. (14-16)

*Tempo Change
by Barbara Hall
(Delacorte, $16.99) 978-0-385-73607-7
Sixteen-year-old Blanche’s father, a famous rock musician, left when she was six. Will becoming a musician herself help her reconnect with him? (13-15)

Willow
by Julia Hoban
(Dial, $16.99) 978-0-8037-3356-5
Holding herself responsible for her parents’ deaths, Willow can’t believe that she has a right to be pain free and beloved by others. (14-17)

*Wintergirls
by Laurie Halse Anderson
(Viking, $17.99) 978-0-670-01110-0
When the death of a friend triggers Lia’s anorexia, the physical and emotional tolls of her illness threaten her life. (14-16)

FANTASY

Shiver
by Maggie Stiefvater
(Scholastic, $17.99) 978-0-545-12326-6
Seventeen-year-old Grace and eighteen-year-old Sam, a werewolf, are transformed by love and learn new definitions of family. (14-16)

*Winter’s End
by Jean-Claude Mourlevat, trans. by Anthea Bell
(Candlewick, $17.99) 978-0-7636-4450-5
Four children escape from their repressive French boarding school. Exhibiting great courage, they fight for freedom against despotic officials and the terrifying dog-men. (13-16)
HISTORICAL FICTION

The Brooklyn Nine:
A Novel in Nine Innings
by Alan Gratz
(Dial, $16.99) 978-0-8037-3224-7
Follow 150 years in the life of many generations of a family - and of the history of baseball in the U. S. (13-15)

The Devil's Paintbox
by Victoria McKernan
(Knopf, $16.99) 978-0-375-83750-0
Help comes from unexpected places when Aiden and Maddy begin the harrowing journey from Kansas to Seattle. (14-17)

Gringolandia:
When History Calls Your Name, How Will You Answer?
by Lyn Miller-Lachmann
(Curbstone, $16.95) 978-1-93189649-8
Together with his family, Daniel, a seventeen-year-old Chilean refugee, tries to understand the effects of torture on their politically activist father. (14-17)

Hidden Voices:
The Orphan Musicians of Venice
by Pat Lowery Collins
(Candlewick, $17.99) 978-0-7636-3917-4
In 1700s Venice, as Antonio Vivaldi seeks to develop his career, his orphaned students practice their own music and hope for love. (14+)

TODAY

*After the Moment
by Garret Freymann-Weyr
(HMH, $16.00) 978-0-618-60572-9
Leigh changes high schools to help his stepsister after the death of her father, and then gets involved in trying to protect her complicated best friend. (15+)

*The Anatomy of Wings
by Karen Foxlee
(Knopf, $16.99) 978-0-375-85643-3
In this brilliantly written, touching novel set in an Australian mining town, ten-year-old Jennifer struggles to come to terms with her sister’s death. (14-16)

Breathless
by Lurlene McDaniel
(Delacorte, $10.99) 978-0-385-73459-2
Once a star of his high school swim team, Travis now battles terminal bone cancer. Does he have the right to decide when and how he dies? (13-17)
**Hate List**
by Jennifer Brown
(Little, Brown, $16.99)  978-0-316-04144-7
In the aftermath of a school shooting for which her boyfriend is responsible, sixteen-year-old Valerie faces feelings of guilt and difficulties in returning to school. (14-16)

**How Beautiful the Ordinary:**
**Twelve Stories of Identity**
edited by Michael Cart
(HarperCollins, $16.99)  978-0-06-115498-0
Twelve stories, some in graphic format, explore multiple aspects of what life is like for gay and transgendered youth. (15-18)

**Just One Wish**
by Janette Rallison
(Putnam, $16.99)  978-0-399-24618-0
Adventurous, feisty, seventeen-year-old Annika will do anything to help her six-year-old brother battle cancer. (13-15)

**Liar**
by Justine Larbalestier
(Bloomsbury, $16.99)  978-1-59990-305-7
Seventeen-year-old Micah is a self-confessed compulsive liar. But when she becomes a suspect in her boyfriend’s murder, she decides to come clean. Or does she? (15-18)

**Little Brother**
by Cory Doctorow
(Tor, $17.95)  978-0-7653-1985-2
Marcus and three techie friends get caught escaping from a terrorist attack on San Francisco and are interrogated as perps. Terrifyingly possible. (14-16)

**The Miles Between**
by Mary E. Pearson
(Henry Holt, $16.99)  978-0-8050-8828-1
When fifteen-year-old Des takes an unauthorized road trip in search of “one fair day,” she and her friends discover a lot about each other...and themselves. (14-17)

**Purple Heart**
by Patricia McCormick
(HarperCollins, $16.99)  978-0-06-173090-0
Matt, an eighteen-year-old in the United States Army, finds himself in combat in Iraq, trying to understand that conflict. A moving war tale. (14-16)

**Raven Summer**
by David Almond
(Delacorte, $16.99)  978-0-385-73806-4
Fourteen-year-old Liam’s discovery of an abandoned infant leads to other equally unexpected encounters, both wonderful and disturbing. (13-15)

**Tales of the Madman Underground**
by John Barnes
(Viking, $18.99)  978-0-670-06081-8
Teenagers from dysfunctional families help one another survive abuse. (14-16)
The Vast Fields of Ordinary
by Nick Burd
(Dial, $16.99) 978-0-8037-3340-4
In a funny, touching, hopeful story, eighteen-year-old Dade comes out of the closet while dealing with family problems and community intolerance. (14-16)