

**FICTION****Adventure and Mystery****The Book of Blood and Shadow**

by Robin Wasserman

(Knopf/Random House, \$17.99) 978-0-375-86876-4

Brainy Nora embarks on a *Da Vinci*-code-like adventure in Prague, where she and her friends unravel what may be the key to communicating directly with God. (12-16)

The Dead of Winter

by Chris Priestley

(Bloomsbury, \$16.99) 978-1-59990-745-1

In Victorian England, an orphaned boy is taken to his strange guardian's country estate where ghosts and evil spirits visit. (12-16)

Dead Time (The Murder Notebooks series)

by Anne Cassidy

(Bloomsbury, \$16.99) 978-0-8027-2351-2

Rose and her stepbrother work together to solve mysteries, including the strange disappearance of their parents five years before. (11-14)

***Endangered**

by Eliot Schrefer

(Scholastic, \$17.99) 978-0-545-16576-1

While rescuing bonobos for her mother's animal sanctuary, Sophie must flee to the jungle to escape rebels and government soldiers fighting during the Civil War in the Congo. (11-16)

The False Prince (The Ascendance Trilogy, Vol. 1)

by Jennifer A. Nielsen

(Scholastic, \$17.99) 978-0-545-28413-4

Fourteen-year-old Sage is chosen by a mysterious lord who has a plan to prevent a civil war in the kingdom. But is it treason? (12-15)

Guy Langman: Crime Scene Procrastinator

by Josh Berk

(Knopf/Random House, \$16.99) 9780375857010

When a school forensics club stumbles on a possible murder and a robbery, Guy and his pals work together to solve the mysteries. (11-14)

My Sister's Stalker

by Nancy Springer

(Holiday House, \$16.95) 978-0-8234-2358-3

Dealing with his parents' divorce and alienation from his dad, a sixteen-year-old uncovers a chilling, menacing plot concerning his older sister. (11-14)

The Raft

by S. A. Bodeen

(Feiwel & Friends/Macmillan, \$16.99) 978-0-312-65010-0

On her way home to the Midway Island, Robie is the lone survivor of a cargo plane crash in the Pacific. Will her rebellious streak help her survive? (12-16)

Ripper

by Stefan Petrucha

(Philomel/Penguin, \$17.99) 978-0-399-25524-3

In New York, when Teddy Roosevelt was police commissioner, a teenager raised in an orphanage seeks his father, who he discovers is a notorious serial killer. (13-15)

Robbie Forester and the Outlaws of Sherwood Street

by Peter Abrahams

(Philomel/Penguin, \$16.99) 978-0-399-25502-1

Inspired by the Robin Hood story and given a charm bracelet with magic powers, Robbie and her friends fight injustice in their Brooklyn, New York, neighborhood. (11-16)

**Adventure and Mystery, continued****Scarlet**

by A. C. Gaughen

(Walker/Bloomsbury, \$17.99) 978-0-8027-2346-8
Romance, surprise, and bloodthirsty adventure abound in this new take on the Robin Hood legend with a girl in the outlaw band protecting the villagers from the evil Sheriff of Nottingham. (12-16)

Secret Letters

by Leah Scheier

(Hyperion/Disney, \$16.99) 978-1-4231-2405-4
Sixteen-year-old Dora defies Victorian social expectations as she uses her supersleuth talents in Sherlock Holmes style to discover her cousin's blackmailer. (11-14)

Wonder Show

by Hannah Barnaby

(Houghton Mifflin/HMH, \$16.99)
978-0-547-59980-9
Abandoned by her family, fourteen-year-old Portia escapes from a cruel home for wayward girls and seeks asylum in a traveling circus. (11-14)

Coming of Age**Anyway: A Story About Me with 138 Footnotes, 27 Exaggerations, and 1 Plate of Spaghetti**

by Arthur Salm

(Simon & Schuster, \$15.99) 978-1-4424-2930-7
Twelve-year-old Max is tired of being just an ordinary always-good kid. At a camp where no one knows him, he tries on a new persona—with some surprising results. (11-14)

Audition & Subtraction

by Amy Fellner Dominy

(Walker/Bloomsbury, \$16.99) 978-0-8027-2374-1
Tatum desperately wants to get the one open spot for a clarinetist in the District Honor Band and to remain Lori's best friend forever. (11-14)

Breathing Room

by Marsha Hayles

(Christy Ottaviano/Henry Holt BFYR/Macmillan, \$16.99) 978-0-8050-8691-5
When adolescent girls with tuberculosis are sent away to a sanatorium in the 1940s, friendships grow in the face of suffering and dying. (10-14)

Curveball: The Year I Lost My Grip

by Jordan Sonnenblick

(Scholastic, \$17.99) 978-0-545-32069-6
As Pete begins high school, he copes with both the injury that has shattered his hopes of being a baseball star and with his beloved grandfather's dementia. (12-15)

The Encyclopedia of Me

by Karen Rivers

(Arthur A. Levine/Scholastic, \$16.99) 978-0-545-31028-4
Thirteen-year-old biracial Tink writes an encyclopedia as she tries to find herself and deal with her dysfunctional family, a volatile best friend, and the cute boy next door. (11-14)

Fighting for Dontae

by Mike Castan

(Holiday House, \$16.95) 978-0-8234-2348-4
Faced with derision from the gang when he is assigned to help a severely disabled boy his age, seventh grader Javier realizes that working with Dontae is the one thing in his life worth fighting for. (11-13)

For What It's Worth

by Janet Tashjian

(Christy Ottaviano/Henry Holt BFYR/Macmillan, \$16.99) 978-0-8050-9365-0
Against the background of the Vietnam War and the 1970s music scene, fourteen-year-old Quinn grapples with moral decisions concerning draft dodging. (12-16)

**Coming of Age, continued****Fourmile**

by Watt Key

(Farrar Straus Giroux/Macmillan, \$16.99)

978-0-374-35095-6

Twelve-year-old Foster confronts the pain of his father's death, anger toward his mom's boyfriend, and the truths that Gary, a war veteran, reveals.

(12-15)

The Girl Who Could Silence the Wind

by Meg Medina

(Candlewick, \$17.99) 978-0-7636-4602-8

Burdened by the superstitious hopes and fears of her village in Mexico, a sixteen-year-old casts aside the role assigned her and finds power within herself.

(12-16)

***The Good Braider**

by Terry Farish

(Marshall Cavendish, \$17.99) 978-0-7614-6267-5

As her family flees from war-torn Sudan, Viola records their journey and new life in the United States. Free verse. (12-16)

The Jade Notebook

by Laura Resau

(Delacorte/Random House, \$16.99)

978-0-385-74053-1

Convinced that she can find clues about her father's past in Mexico, seventeen-year-old Zeeta encounters the truth about her family's history. Spanish glossary. (12-18)

The Journey Back

by Priscilla Cummings

(Dutton/Penguin, \$16.99) 978-0-525-42362-1

Fourteen-year-old Digger escapes from the detention facility where he has been deservedly imprisoned. Will running away solve any problems?

(12-16)

Laugh With the Moon

by Shana Burg

(Delacorte/Random House, \$16.99)

978-0-385-73471-4

Thirteen-year-old Clare travels to Africa with her doctor father. With the help of her new Malawian friends, she learns to accept her mother's death.

(11-14)

Lemonade Mouth Puckers Up

by Mark Peter Hughes

(Delacorte/Random House, \$16.99)

978-0-385-73712-8

When a major music promoter discovers the socially conscious garage band Lemonade Mouth, it seems like a dream come true. But will it turn into a nightmare? (13-16)

Love? Maybe.

by Heather Hepler

(Dial/Penguin, \$16.99) 978-0-8037-3721-1

When a high school girl endures a tough breakup, three friends hatch a romantic plan for her—with unanticipated results. (12-15)

Now

by Morris Gleitzman

(Henry Holt/Macmillan, \$16.99) 978-0-8050-9378-0

Named after her beloved grandfather's best childhood friend and companion during the Holocaust, Zelda struggles to live up to her memory. (12-15)

Pink Smog: Becoming Weetzie Bat

by Francesca Lia Block

(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-156598-4

Louise prefers to be called Weetzie, her father's nickname for her, but she has been lost since her father left her and her mother. (12-15)



Read Aloud



Mature Content

(11 - 15) Suggested Age Range



Graphic Format

Coming of Age, continued**Safekeeping**

by Karen Hesse

(Feiwel & Friends/Macmillan, \$17.99)

978-1-250-01134-3

Dependent solely on her own resources to survive, sixteen-year-old Radley flees her Vermont home in fear of a new fascist US government. Haunting photographs of the fictional route to Canada taken by the author.

(12-15)

**Take What You Can Carry**

written and illustrated by Kevin C. Pyle

(Henry Holt/Macmillan, P \$12.99)

978-0-8050-8286-9

Two distinct stories--one about Japanese American internment, the other about a daredevil teenager--intertwine to comment on the consequences of theft and the power of compassion. Copious cartoon and sepia illustrations. (10-14)

The Unbearable Book Club for Unsinkable Girls

by Julie Schumacher

(Delacorte/Random House, \$16.99) 978-0-385-73773-9

Forced to join a mother-daughter book club for the summer, four eleventh graders with nothing in common learn life lessons from literature and one another. (12-17)

Unbreak My Heart

by Melissa Walker

(Bloomsbury, \$16.99) 978-1-59990-528-0

During a summer boat trip with her family, sixteen-year-old Clementine recovers from a difficult year at school and finds happiness. (12-16)

Fantasy**Darkwater**

by Catherine Fisher

(Dial/Penguin, \$16.99) 978-0-8037-3818-8

To regain her family's wealth, sixteen-year-old Sarah bargains with "the devil." Now her time is up and she must save her friend from the same fate. (11-13)

The Diviners

by Libba Bray

(Little, Brown/Hachette, \$19.99) 978-0-316-12611-3

Some strange murders are happening in 1920s New York, and teen flapper Evie finds she must use her power as a diviner to help find the killer. (12-17)

Falling Kingdoms

by Morgan Rhodes

(Razorbill/Penguin, \$18.99) 978-1-59514-584-0

When three kingdoms battle for domination, the key to the outcome will be Lucia, who possesses magic long thought to have disappeared. (13-16)

The Gathering Storm (The Katerina Trilogy, Vol. 1)

by Robin Bridges

(Delacorte/Random House, \$17.99)

978-0-385-74022-7

In 1888 St. Petersburg, Russia, a young necromancer finds herself caught in the middle of a war between good and evil forces. (12-16)

The Girl Who Fell Beneath Fairyland and Led the Revels There

by Catherynne M. Valente

(Feiwel & Friends/Macmillan, \$16.99)

978-0-312-64962-3

Twelve-year-old September returns to Fairyland, where everyone's shadows are disappearing. Will she be able to figure out a way to get them back? (12-15)



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Fantasy, continued**Magisterium**

by Jeff Hirsch

(Scholastic, \$17.99) 978-0-545-29018-0

When her father is arrested, sixteen-year-old Glennora flees the technological Colloquium, crossing the Rift into the magical Magisterium and wearing the bracelet her father invented—sought by both governments—for protection. (12-16)

**On the Day I Died: Stories From the Grave**

by Candace Fleming

(Schwartz & Wade/Random House, \$16.99)

978-0-375-86781-1

In these deliciously creepy tales, nine teenagers tell the stories of their deaths so that they can rest peacefully in the afterlife. (12-16)

The Other Normals

by Ned Vizzini

(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, \$17.99)

978-0-06-207990-9

Perry is forced to spend his summer at camp. He needs all his game skills as he enters an alternate world, and he'll need social skills to return. Action-packed and very funny. (12-15)

Peaceweaver

by Rebecca Barnhouse

(Random House, \$16.99) 978-0-375-86766-8

The King sends his sixteen-year-old niece on a journey to make peace with a nearby kingdom. Warring tribes, monsters and dragons are the least of Hild's perils. (11-14)

**Redwing**

by Holly Bennett

(Orca, P \$12.95) 978-1-4598-0038-0

Rowan, his family's only survivor of the plague, and Samik, fleeing a warlord, form a friendship that uncovers their true abilities and affections. (12-15)

Mature content

***Seraphina**

by Rachel Hartman

(Random House, \$17.99) 978-0-375-86656-2

Seraphina, who alone can save her world by renewing the treaty between humans and dragons, finds she loves both. (11-14)

***Shadow and Bone**

by Leigh Bardugo

(Henry Holt/Macmillan, \$17.99) 978-0-8050-9459-6

Plucked from obscurity to train as a member of the magical elite, Alina finds an inner power. Will it be enough to save herself, her best friend, and her war-torn country? (11-14)

***Son**

by Lois Lowry

(Houghton Mifflin/HMH, \$17.99) 978-0-547-88720-3

In this beautiful conclusion to the *Giver* series, Claire overcomes great obstacles to search for her son. (12-16)

**Soonchild**

by Russell Hoban, illustrated by Alexis Deacon

(Candlewick, \$15.99) 978-0-7636-5920-2

When his soonchild tells him she can't hear the world songs that lure babies to be born, Sixteen-Face John must find them. Clever, expressive charcoal and pencil illustrations. (12-17)

Historical Fiction***A Beautiful Lie**

by Irfan Master

(Albert Whitman, \$16.99) 978-0-8075-0597-7

On the eve of historical change in his beloved India, can Bilal pull off an elaborate lie so his father can die in peace? (12-16)

**Historical Fiction, contnued****Cross My Heart**

by Sasha Gould

(Delacorte/Random House, \$17.99) 978-0-385-74150-7

Convent-raised Laura becomes involved with the Segreta, a secret society of women in sixteenth-century Venice, and uncovers mystery, murder, and other nefarious deeds. (12-14)

The Dark Unwinding

by Sharon Cameron

(Scholastic, \$17.99) 978-0-545-32786-2

In 1852 seventeen-year-old Katharine is sent by her great aunt to her family's estate to have her uncle declared insane and finds a genius inventor who employs a village of 900 people rescued from London workhouses. A Gothic tale of intrigue and romance. (12-16)

***Dodger**

by Terry Pratchett

(Harper/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-200949-4

Dodger's rescue of a beautiful young lady launches him on an adventure in Victorian London that requires the support of Charles Dickens and Benjamin Disraeli. (12-15)

Ghosts of the Titanic

by Julie Lawson

(Holiday House, \$16.95) 978-0-8234-2423-8

When his father inherits a house in Nova Scotia, seventeen-year-old Kevin becomes eerily involved in the events surrounding the recovery of the victims of the Titanic disaster. (13-16)

The Horse Road

by Troon Harrison

(Bloomsbury, \$16.99) 978-1-59990-846-5

Thirteen-year-old Kallisto—whose father is an aristocrat and whose mother is a nomad who lives for her horses—makes peace with an invader and proves her capability to herself and her parents. (11-14)

***Jepp, Who Defied the Stars**

by Katherine Marsh

(Hyperion/Disney, \$16.99) 978-1-4231-3500-5

A dwarf at the Infanta's court seeking answers to questions about his parentage creates his own destiny. (12-15)

Jump into the Sky

by Shelley Pearsall

(Knopf/Random House, \$16.99) 978-0-375-83699-2

In 1945, a thirteen-year-old African American boy is sent to North Carolina to live with his father—a World War II army pilot—and learns the harsh realities of Jim Crow. (12-15)

My Family for the War

by Anne C. Voorhoeve

(Dial/Penguin, \$17.99) 978-0-8037-3360-2

Raised as a Protestant, ten-year-old Ziska is taken out of Germany and placed with a Jewish family in London where she learns about the religion of her ancestors. (12-15)

No Crystal Stair: A Documentary Novel of the Life and Work of Lewis Michaux, Harlem Bookseller

by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson, illustrated by R.

Gregory Christie

(Carolrhoda/Lerner, \$17.95) 978-0-7613-6169-5

The life of the author's great-uncle, a bookseller in Harlem whose store became a cultural center for iconic figures such as Langston Hughes and Malcolm X, is chronicled with archival photographs and pen and ink illustrations. (12-18)



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Historical Fiction, contnued**No-Name Baby**

by Nancy Bo Flood

(Namelos, \$18.95; P \$9.95) 978-1-60898-117-5;
978-1-60898-118-2

After World War I ends, fourteen-year-old Sophie helps on her family's farm and learns surprising family secrets. (12-14)

Rachel's Secret

by Shelly Sanders

(Second Story, P \$12.95) 978-1-926920-37-5

In 1903 Kishinev, the murder of a teenage boy results in a pogrom. Rachel, a Jewish friend, knows the truth but is afraid to tell. (12-16)

The Revolution of Evelyn Serrano

by Sonia Manzano

(Scholastic, \$17.99) 978-0-545-32505-9

In 1969 a fourteen-year-old becomes involved with Puerto Rican activists, the Young Lords, while exploring her identity and her family relationships. (11-14)

The Runaway

by Glen Huser

(Tradewind Books, P \$12.95) 978-1-896580-21-0

When fourteen-year-old Leroy is orphaned, he joins a traveling educational Chautauqua show and discovers his true talents. (11-14)

The Secret Keepers

by Paul Yee

(Tradewind Books, P \$12.95) 978-1-896580-96-8

How can fifteen-year-old Jackson make a new life for his San Francisco family after the 1906 earthquake when he is haunted by old ghosts? (11-14)

Shadow on the Mountain

by Margi Preus

(Amulet/Abrams, \$16.95) 978-1-4197-0424-6

A fourteen-year-old turns spy when Nazi Germany invades Norway. Inspired by real events. (10-14)

Spirit's Princess

by Esther Friesner

(Random House, \$17.99) 978-0-375-86907-5

In ancient Japan, a spirited young girl contrives to follow her life's path to become a shaman, though her father forbids it. (11-14)

**Victory: Resistance: Book 3**

by Carla Jablonski, illustrated by Leland Purvis

(First Second/Macmillan, P \$17.99)

978-1-59643-293-2

In the last year of World War II, a group of teens continues its work in the French Resistance despite the increasing wrath of the Nazis. Detailed illustration with effective use of two contrasting palettes. (12-16)

Yesterday's Dead

by Pat Bourke

(Second Story, P \$11.95) 978-1-926920-32-0

Will thirteen-year-old Meredith, a household servant, be able to manage the crisis when all the adults are stricken with the flu that swept Toronto in 1918? (12-14)

Science Fiction**Adaption**

by Malinda Lo

(Little, Brown/Hachette, \$17.99) 978-0-316-19796-0

Life changes for Reese after an airplane crash. As more crashes occur, it appears that it might be a conspiracy. Can she get to the bottom of it? (12-17)

A Confusion of Princes

by Garth Nix

(Harper/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-009694-6

Life as a Prince lacks the glamour Khemri had imagined. Moreover, there are ten million Princes striving to become Emperor. Intergalactic adventure. (12-15)

**Science Fiction, continued****Crewel**

by Jennifer Albin
(Farrar Straus Giroux/Macmillan, \$17.99)
978-0-374-31641-9
Gifted with the unusual ability to embroider the fabric of life, sixteen-year-old Adeline is summoned to become a Spinster and discovers a world of corruption and deception. (12-14)

The Exceptionals

by Erin Cashman
(Holiday House, \$16.95) 978-0-8234-2335-4
A family tradition of special education lands fifteen-year-old Claire in the midst of a battle between good and evil. Will her extraordinary ability to read the minds of animals be enough to allow good to triumph? (11-13)

Fracture

by Megan Miranda
(Walker/Bloomsbury, \$17.99) 978-0-8027-2309-3
After seventeen-year-old Delaney miraculously survives death by drowning, she finds herself drawn to dying people. Does she cause their deaths? (12-16)

Insignia

by S. J. Kincaid
(Katherine Tegen/HarperCollins, \$17.99)
978-0-06-209299-1
Tom leaves behind the unstable existence with his gambling father to engage in virtual wars with corporate sponsors. Will Tom's combat instincts earn him a place in the Intrasoar Forces? (12-15)

Momentum

by Saci Lloyd
(Holiday House, P \$16.95) 978-0-8234-2414-6
In dystopian London, a privileged son of the ruling Citizen class aids a girl from the repressed, resourceful Outsiders' underclass and safeguards the Outsiders' most valuable secret. (13-17)

***Origin**

by Jessica Khoury
(Razorbill/Penguin, \$17.99) 978-1-59514-595-6
Raised in a secret lab in the Amazon, Pia is immortal, and scientists race to create her perfect mate. When she meets a boy in the jungle, everything changes. (12-14)

Slide

by Jill Hathaway
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, \$17.99)
978-0-06-207790-5
Teenager Vee's ability to "slide" into the minds of others enables her to solve the mystery of the deaths of her friends while resolving her own family's conflicts. (12-16)

Starters

by Lissa Price
(Delacorte/Random House, \$17.99)
978-0-385-74237-5
When Callie rents her body to a wealthy senior who longs to be young again, she soon realizes the evil truth behind the rental agency. (12-15)

The Survivors

by Will Weaver
(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, \$17.99)
978-0-06-009476-8
When teenagers Sarah and Miles cope with a world covered with volcanic dust, they uncover new truths about themselves and others. Sequel to Memory Boy. (12-16)

Time Snatchers

by Richard Ungar
(G.P. Putnam's Sons/Penguin, \$16.99)
978-0399-25485-7
Bullied and cruelly treated, Caleb begins to question his role in the time-travel missions. Set in New Beijing, formerly New York City, 2061. (12-14)

**Science Fiction, continued****Under the Moons of Mars: New Adventures on Barsoom**

edited by John Joseph Adams, inspired by the work of Edgar Rice Burroughs

(Simon & Schuster, \$16.99) 978-1-4424-2029-8

Fourteen exciting short stories by today's best science fiction writers are inspired by the Mars novels of Edgar Rice Burroughs. (12-16) Mature content

Under the Never Sky

by Veronica Rossi

(Harper/HarperCollins, \$17.99) 978-0-06-207203-0

Aria's only chance to return home is an Outsider, Perry, who could kill her at any moment. Perry needs her, too, if he wants to save his own life. (12-16)

Today***Beneath a Meth Moon**

by Jacqueline Woodson

(Nancy Paulsen Books/Penguin, \$16.99)

978-0-399-25250-1

Hurricane Katrina has taken Laurel's mother and grandmother. Now her methadone habit is taking her away from her father and loving younger brother. (13-16)

Choke

by Diana López

(Scholastic, \$17.99) 978-0-545-41822-5

Eighth grader Windy's longing to be part of the popular "in-crowd" leads her to unwilling participation in the choking game, with tragic consequences. (11-14)

Colin Fischer

by Ashley Edward Miller and Zack Stentz

(Razorbill/Penguin, \$17.99) 978-1-59514-578-9

Colin has Asperger's Disorder and lacks social skills, but his great investigative talent leads him to defend the school bully as a matter of justice. (12-16)

***Dying to Know You**

by Aidan Chambers

(Amulet/Abrams, \$16.95) 978-1-4197-0165-8

To help him impress his girlfriend, a teenage boy enlists a famous writer and in the process finds himself. (12-16)

**Friends with Boys**

written and illustrated by Faith Erin Hicks

(First Second/Macmillan, P \$16.99)

978-1-59643-556-8

No longer homeschooled, Maggie must navigate public high school with a missing mother, battling brothers, and a cop dad. Black-and-white illustrations. (11-14)

The Glass Collector

by Anna Perera

(Albert Whitman, \$17.99) 978-0-8075-2948-5

A member of the Zabbaleen, fifteen-year-old Aaron subsists by sorting waste in his Cairo slum. He is drawn to glass for its beauty. (12-14)

In Honor

by Jessi Kirby

(Simon & Schuster, \$16.99) 978-1-4424-1697-0

Seventeen-year-old Honor takes off in her late brother's cherished car along with his former friend as they both struggle to deal with their grief and understand their loss. (12-14)

**Today, continued****Last Chance (Robyn Hunter Mysteries, Book 1)**

by Norah McClintock

(Darby Creek/Lerner, P \$8.95) 978-0-7613-8529-5
 Deathly afraid of dogs but sentenced to volunteer at an animal shelter, Robyn encounters a boy from her past and learns that things aren't always what they seem. (11-14)

Matthew Meets the Man

written and illustrated by Travis Nichols

(Roaring Brook/Macmillan, \$15.99)

978-1-59643-545-2

Matt plays trumpet in his school band but dreams of drumming in his own group. Humorous black-and-white illustrations. (12-15)

Meant to Be

by Lauren Morrill

(Delacorte/Random House, \$17.99)

978-0-385-74177-4

Uptight Julia, on a class trip in London, is paired with her nemesis, Jason, for the duration. Could he do anything more than annoy her for two weeks? (12-15)

My Name Is Parvana

by Deborah Ellis

(Groundwood/House of Anansi Press, \$16.95)

978-1-55498-297-4

In post-Taliban Afghanistan, after her mother's struggling girls' school is bombed, Parvana is imprisoned by Americans as a possible terrorist. Sequel to *The Breadwinner*. (12-16)

See You at Harry's

by Jo Knowles

(Candlewick, \$16.99) 978-0-7636-5407-8

When an unexpected tragedy turns twelve-year-old Fern's world upside down, she and her family struggle to manage their feelings of love and loss. (12-15)

Shadow

by Michael Morpurgo

(Feiwel & Friends/Macmillan, \$16.99)

978-0-312-60659-6

When he learns that his friend Aman is about to be deported back to Afghanistan, Matt asks his grandfather to help. After hearing Aman's harrowing story, his grandfather tries, but is it too late? (12-15)

Skinny

by Donna Cooner

(Point/Scholastic, \$17.99) 978-0-545-42763-0

Ever Davies weighs 302 pounds. Helped by gastric bypass surgery, she still must confront Skinny, her inner demon of self-doubt. (12-16)

Summer of the Wolves

by Polly Carlson-Voiles

(Houghton Mifflin/HMH, \$15.99) 978-0-547-74591-6

Can helping raise an orphaned wolf cub and experiencing wilderness life change the heart of a girl who has suffered too many losses? (12-15)

POETRY**Freedom's a-Callin Me**

by Ntozake Shange, illustrated by Rod Brown

(HarperCollins, \$16.99) 978-0-06-133741-3

A harrowing journey on the Underground Railroad from slavery to freedom is told in a series of poems and subdued oil paintings. (11-15)

**October Mourning: A Song for Matthew Shepard**

by Lesléa Newman

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A variety of poetic forms, all poignant and stark, provide different views concerning the hate-crime murder of Matthew Shepard in 1998. (12-16) Mature content

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