



Young Adult Fiction: Adventure

Adam, Paul. ***Max Cassidy in: Escape from Shadow Island.*** YA ADA

British fourteen-year-old Max Cassidy calls on his skills and training as a professional escape artist when he attempts to clear his mother of murdering his father, who disappeared two years earlier in the Central American country of Santo Domingo.

Adams, Douglas. ***So Long, and Thanks For All the Fish.*** YA ADA

The fourth adventure in the bestselling "Hitchhiker's" series brings Arthur Dent back to Earth with nothing more to show for his long, strange travel than a ratty towel, a plastic shopping bag, and the belief it was all a figment of his stressed-out imagination.

Anderson, M. T. ***Jasper Dash and the Flame-Pits of Delaware.*** YA AND

Boy Technonaut, Jasper Dash, and his friends Lily Gefelty and Katie Mulligan travel into the mist-shrouded heart of the forbidden mountainous realm of Delaware to try and unravel a terrible mystery.

Barrett, Tracy. ***King of Ithaka.*** YA BAR

When sixteen-year-old Telemachos and his two best friends, one a centaur, leave their life of privilege to undertake a quest to find Telemachos's father Odysseus, they learn much along the way about what it means to be a man and a king.

Bell, Hilari. ***Trickster's Girl.*** YA BEL

In the year 2098, grieving her father and angry with her mother, fifteen-year-old Kelsa joins the magical Raven on an epic journey from Utah to Alaska to heal the earth by restoring the flow of magic that humans have disrupted.

Booth, Martin. ***Doctor Illuminatus.*** YA BOO

Pip and her twin brother, Tim, awaken an alchemist's son from a centuries-long slumber when their family moves to an old English country estate, and he enlists them in the fight against an evil alchemist who seeks to create a homunculus.

Bradford, Chris. ***Young Samurai: The Way of the Warrior.*** YA BRA

Orphaned by a ninja pirate attack off the coast of Japan in 1611, twelve-year-old English lad Jack Fletcher is determined to prove himself, despite the bullying of fellow students, when the legendary sword master who rescued him begins training him as a samurai warrior.

Briggs, Andy. ***Council of Evil.*** YA BRI

Fourteen-year-old Jake Hunter goes from average bully to villain after finding a website that lets him download superpowers, but when he joins forces with the supervillain Basilisk, he may be in over his head.

Chee, Traci. ***The Reader***. YA CHE

Sefia knows what it means to survive. After her father is brutally murdered, she flees into the wilderness with her aunt Nin, who teaches her to hunt, track, and steal. But when Nin is kidnapped, leaving Sefia completely alone, none of her survival skills can help her discover where Nin's been taken, or if she's even alive. The only clue to both her aunt's disappearance and her father's murder is the odd rectangular object her father left behind, an object she comes to realize is a book--a marvelous item unheard of in her otherwise illiterate society. With the help of this book, and the aid of a mysterious stranger with dark secrets of his own, Sefia sets out to rescue her aunt and find out what really happened the day her father was killed--and punish the people responsible.

Christopher, Nicholas. ***The True Adventures of Nicolo Zen***. YA CHR

Orphan Nicolo Zen is all alone in 1700s Venice, save for his clarinet, enchanted by a mysterious magician to allow its first player to perform expertly. Soon Nicolo is a famous virtuoso, wealthy beyond his dreams, but he can't stop wondering if he earned the success -- or the girl he met in Venice is safe from the harm.

Cohen, Roger. ***Danger in the Desert***. YA B COH

In the movies, there's Indiana Jones; but in the "real" world, there was Roy Chapman Andrews. Some say this fearless, larger-than-life adventurer--who, like Indiana, had a wide-brimmed hat, leather jacket, and six-shooter--may have been the inspiration for the big-screen hero.

Colfer, Eoin. ***Artemis Fowl***. YA COL

Twelve-year-old Artemis is a millionaire, a genius-and above all, a criminal mastermind. But Artemis doesn't know what he's taken on when he kidnaps a fairy, Captain Holly Short of the LEPrecon Unit. These aren't the fairies of the bedtime stories-they're dangerous!

Colfer, Eoin. ***Airman***. YA COL

In the late nineteenth century, when Conor Broekhart discovers a conspiracy to overthrow the king, he is branded a traitor, imprisoned, and forced to mine for diamonds under brutal conditions while he plans a daring escape from Little Saltee prison by way of a flying machine that he must design, build, and, hardest of all, trust to carry him to safety.

Collison, Linda. ***Star-Crossed***. YA COL

Having been discovered as a stowaway as she tries to reach Barbados in 1760 to claim her father's estate, teenaged English orphan Patricia Kelley struggles to survive by learning to be a ship's doctor and by disguising herself as a man when necessary. Includes glossary of nautical terms.

Cornwell, Autumn. ***Carpe Diem***. YA COR

Sixteen-year-old Vassar Spore's detailed plans for the next twenty years of her life are derailed when her bohemian grandmother insists that she join her in Southeast Asia for the summer, but as she writes a novel about her experiences, Vassar discovers new possibilities.

Crockett, S.D. ***After the Snow***. YA FIC CRO

Fifteen-year-old Willo Blake, born after the 2059 snows that ushered in a new ice age, encounters outlaws, halfmen, and an abandoned girl as he journeys in search of his family, who mysteriously disappeared from the freezing mountain that was their home.

Cross, Gillian. ***The Black Room***. YA CRO

Tom, his friend Robert, and Robert's sister Emma attempt to rescue a strange girl Robert believes is the counterpart of Lorn, a tiny person that he met during his own ordeal as a miniature copy of himself.

Easton, Kelly. ***Aftershock***. YA EAS

In shock and unable to speak after being in a car accident in Oregon which has killed his parents, seventeen-year-old Adam journeys across the country to his home in Rhode Island.

Elliott, Patricia. ***The Pale Assassin***. YA ELL

In early 1790s' Paris, as the Revolution gains momentum, young and sheltered Eugenie de Boncoeur finds it difficult to tell friend from foe as she and the royalist brother she relies on become the focus of "le Fantome," the sinister spymaster with a long-held grudge against their family.

Farmer, Nancy. ***A Girl Named Disaster***. YA FAR

While journeying to Zimbabwe, eleven-year-old Nhamo struggles to escape drowning and starvation, and in so doing, comes close to the luminous world of the African spirits.

Frazier, Angie. ***Everlasting***. YA FRA

In 1855, seventeen-year-old Camille sets out from San Francisco, California, on her last sea voyage before entering a loveless marriage, but when her father's ship is destroyed, she and a friend embark on a cross-Australian quest to find her long-lost mother who holds a map to a magical stone.

Friesner, Esther. ***Nobody's Princess***. YA FRI

Determined to fend for herself in a world where only men have real freedom, headstrong Helen, who will be called queen of Sparta and Helen of Troy one day, learns to fight, hunt, and ride horses while disguised as a boy, and goes on an adventure throughout the Mediterranean world.

Golding, Julia. ***The Diamond of Drury Lane: A Cat Royal Adventure***. YA GOL

Catherine "Cat" Royal, an orphan who lives at the Drury Lane Theater in 1790s London, tries to find the "diamond" supposedly hidden in the theater, which unmasks a treasonous political cartoonist and involves her in the street gangs of Covent Garden and the world of nobility. (First book in the Cat Royal series)

Gout, Leopoldo. ***Genius: The Game***. YA GOU

The Game: Get ready for Zero Hour as 200 geniuses from around the world go head to head in a competition hand-devised by India's youngest CEO and visionary. **The Players:**

Rex- One of the best programmers/hackers in the world, this 16-year-old Mexican-American is determined to find his missing brother. Tunde-This 14-year-old self-taught engineering genius has drawn the attention of a ruthless military warlord by single-handedly bringing electricity and internet to his small Nigerian village.

Painted Wolf- One of China's most respected activist bloggers, this mysterious 16-year-old is being pulled into the spotlight by her father's new deal with a corrupt Chinese official. **The Stakes:** Are higher than you can imagine. Like life and death. Welcome to the revolution. And get ready to run

Grant, Victoria. ***Pigboy***. YA GRA

Dan is not sure he'll survive the boring field trip to a remote heritage farm. How could a place with no running water, telephone or electricity be anything but dull? The farmer knows nothing about farming and is angry about having to conduct the tour. And what's with his tattoo? The teacher requests a private word with the farmer and then mysteriously disappears.

Gray, Claudia. ***A Thousand Pieces of You***. YA GRA

Marguerite Caine's physicist parents are known for their groundbreaking achievements. Their most astonishing invention, called the Firebird, allows users to jump into multiple universes—and promises to revolutionize science forever. But then Marguerite's father is murdered, and the killer—her parent's handsome, enigmatic assistant Paul— escapes into another dimension before the law can touch him. Marguerite refuses to let the man who destroyed her family go free. So she races after Paul through different universes, always leaping into

another version of herself. But she also meets alternate versions of the people she knows—including Paul, whose life entangles with hers in increasingly familiar ways. Before long she begins to question Paul's guilt—as well as her own heart. And soon she discovers the truth behind her father's death is far more sinister than she expected.

Hall, Maggie. ***Map of Fates***. YA HAL

That's how long it took for Avery West's ordinary life to change forever. In two weeks, she discovered she was heiress to a powerful secret society known as the Circle, learned her mother was taken hostage by the Circle's enemies, and fell for a boy she's not allowed to love, just as she found out another was her unwelcome destiny. Now Avery's on the hunt for clues that will uncover the truth about the Circle, setting her mom *and* herself free before it's too late. By her side are both the boys: Jack—steady, loyal, and determined to help her even at the expense of his own duty—and Stellan, whose connection to Avery grows stronger by the day, making her question what she believes at every turn. In the world of the Circle, is anyone what they seem?

Heath, Jack. ***The Lab***. YA HEA

When Agent Six, a member of The Deck, a group fighting against their corrupt society, discovers that he is the product of an illegal experiment by the evil Lab, he takes dangerous steps to discover the truth about himself.

Higgins, Jack, with Justin Richards. ***Sure Fire***. YA HIG

Resentful of having to go and live with their estranged father after the death of their mother, fifteen-year-old twins, Rich and Jade, soon find they have more complicated problems when their father is kidnapped and their attempts to rescue him involve them in a dangerous international plot to control the world's oil. (First book in a series)

Higson, Charlie. ***Blood Fever : A James Bond Adventure***. YA HIG

During a summer holiday in Italy, the teen-age James Bond tangles with an underground empire of criminals as he attempts the rescue of a kidnapped young girl.

Horowitz, Anthony, ***Stormbreaker***. YA HOR

After the death of the uncle who had been his guardian, fourteen-year-old Alex Rider is coerced to continue his uncle's dangerous work for Britain's intelligence agency, MI6. (First book in the Alex Rider series)

Ibbotson, Eva. ***The Dragonfly Pool***. YA IBB

Tally, a twelve-year-old English girl, and her classmates at Delderton, a progressive boarding school, help Karil, the young prince of Bergania, escape into England after the Nazis invade Bergania and kill the king.

Jensen, Danielle L. ***Dark Shores***. YA JEN

Told from two viewpoints, Teriana, a sea captain's daughter, and Marcus, a soldier, are compelled by Celendor's tyrannical new ruler to undertake the conquest of the West.

Kaufman, Amie. ***Aurora Rising***. YA KAU

Told in separate voices, eighteen-year-old Tyler Jones, top graduate of Aurora Academy, and a group of misfits and troublemakers embark on their first mission with Auri, a stowaway from the distant past.

Kenyon, Sherrilyn. ***Inferno: The Chronicles of Nick***. YA KEN

Turning sixteen is not what Nick thought it would be like. While other boys his age are worried about prom dates and applying to college, Nick is neck deep in enemies out to stop him from living another day.

Kerr, P.B. ***The Akhenaten Adventure***. YA KER

When twelve-year-old twins Philippa and John discover that they are descended from a long line of djinn, their mother sends them away to their Uncle Nimrod, who takes them to Cairo where he starts to teach them about their extraordinary powers.

Klass, David. ***Whirlwind***. YA KLA

Jack finds himself embroiled in another dangerous adventure when, after a six-month absence, he returns to the Hudson River town where he grew up to find his girlfriend PJ only to discover that she is missing and everyone believes him to be responsible for her disappearance and the death of his family.

Lawlor, Laurie. ***Dead Reckoning: A Pirate Voyage with Captain Drake***. YA LAW

Emmet, a fifteen-year-old orphan, learns hard lessons about survival when he sails from England in 1577 as a servant aboard the Golden Hind--the ship of his cousin, the explorer and pirate Francis Drake--on its three-year circumnavigation of the world.

Laybourne, Emmy. ***Monument 14***. YA LAY

When a group of kids trapped together in a chain superstore build a refuge for themselves inside, outside, a series of disasters from a monster hailstorm to a chemical weapons spill, seems to be tearing the world apart. (First book in the *Monument 14* series)

Lee, Tanith. ***Piratica: Being a Daring Tale of a Singular Girl's Adventure Upon the High Seas***. YA LEE

A bump on the head restores Art's memories of her mother and the exciting life they lead, so the sixteen-year-old leaves Angels Academy for Young Maidens, seeks out the pirates who were her family before her mother's death, and leads them back to adventure on the high seas.

Lloyd, Alison. ***Year of the Tiger***. YA LLO

In ancient China, two boys forge an unlikely alliance in an effort to become expert archers and, ultimately, to save their city from invading barbarians.

Lucier, Makiia, ***Song of the Abyss***. YA LUC

When men start vanishing at sea without a trace, seventeen-year-old Reyna, a Master Explorer, must travel to a country shrouded in secrets to solve the mystery before it is too late.

MacLean, Sarah. ***The Season***. YA MAC

Showing no interest in the sumptuous balls, lavish dinner parties, and country weekends enjoyed by the rest of early nineteenth-century London society, seventeen-year-old Lady Alexandra Stafford seeks adventure as she investigates the puzzling murder of the Earl of Blackmoor, father of devilishly handsome Gavin.

Marsh, Katherine. ***Nowhere Boy***. YA MAR

Fourteen-year-old Ahmed, a Syrian refugee, and thirteen-year-old Max, an American boy, are bound by a secret that sets them on the adventure of a lifetime.

Mayo, Simon. ***Itch: The Explosive Adventures of an Element Hunter***. YA MAY

When fourteen-year-old Itchingham "Itch" Lofté discovers a new radioactive element, he must use all of his wits and scientific knowledge to stop a top-secret government agency, his greedy teacher, and an evil corporation from getting hold of it.

McCaughrean, Geraldine. ***The Death-Defying Pepper Roux***. YA MCC

Having been raised believing he will die before he reaches the age of fourteen, Pepper Roux runs away on his fourteenth birthday in an attempt to elude his fate, assumes another identity, and continues to try to outrun death, no matter the consequences.

McIntosh, Will. ***Burning Midnight***. YA MCI

Sully is a sphere dealer at a flea market. It doesn't pay much - Alex Holliday's stores have muscled out most of the independent sellers - but it helps him and his mum make the rent. No one knows where the brilliant-coloured spheres came from. One day they were just there, hidden all over the earth like huge gemstones. Burn a pair and they make you a little better: an inch taller, skilled at maths, better-looking. The rarer the sphere, the greater the improvement - and the more expensive the sphere. When Sully meets Hunter, a girl with a natural talent for finding spheres, the two start searching together. What they find will change more than just their lives...Because the entire world fights over spheres, but no one knows why they're here or what their powers are ...until now.

Meehl, Brian. ***Suck It Up***. YA MEE

After graduating from the International Vampire League, a scrawny, teenaged vampire named Morning is given the chance to fulfill his childhood dream of becoming a superhero when he embarks on a League mission to become the first vampire to reveal his identity to humans and to demonstrate how peacefully-evolved, blood-substitute-drinking vampires can use their powers to help humanity.

Meyer, L.A. ***Bloody Jack***. YA MEY

Life as a ship's boy aboard HMS "Dolphin" is a dream come true for Jacky Faber. Gone are the days of scavenging for food and fighting for survival on the streets of eighteenth-century London. Instead, Jacky is becoming a skilled and respected sailor as the crew pursues pirates on the high seas. There's only one problem: Jacky is a "girl." And she will have to use every bit of her spirit, wit, and courage to keep the crew from discovering her secret. This could be the adventure of her life--if only she doesn't get caught. . . . (First book in the Jacky Faber series)

Moore, James. ***Subject Seven***. YA MOO

Years ago, scientists began developing the ultimate military weapon: deadly sleeper assassins housed within the bodies of teenagers. Now Subject Seven, the dangerous alter-ego living inside a 16-year-old boy, has escaped the lab and is on a mission. His objective? To seek out others like him and build an army capable of destroying their creators.

Mowll, Joshua. ***Operation Red Jericho***. YA MOW

The posthumous papers of Rebecca MacKenzie document her adventures, along with her brother Doug, in 1920s China as the teenaged siblings are sent to live aboard their uncle's ship where they become involved in the dangerous activities of a mysterious secret society called the Honourable Guild of Specialists. (First book in the Guild of Specialists trilogy)

Mussi, Sarah. ***The Door of No Return***. YA MUS

Sixteen-year-old Zac never believed his grandfather's tales about their enslaved ancestors being descended from an African king, but when his grandfather is murdered and the villains come after Zac, he sets out for Ghana to find King Baktu's long-lost treasure before the murderers do.

Napoli, Donna Jo. ***Hush: An Irish Princess' Tale***. YA NAP

Fifteen-year-old Melkorka, an Irish princess, is kidnapped by Russian slave traders and not only learns how to survive but to challenge some of the brutality of her captors, who are fascinated by her apparent muteness and the possibility that she is enchanted.

Napoli, Donna Jo. **North**. YA NAP

Tired of his mother's overprotectiveness and intrigued by the life of African American explorer Matthew Henson, twelve-year-old Alvin travels north and spends a season with a trapper near the Arctic Circle.

Oppel, Kenneth, **Starclimber**. YA OPP

As members of the first crew of astralnauts, Matt Cruse and Kate De Vries journey into outer space on the Starclimber and face a series of catastrophes that threaten the survival of all on board.

Patterson, James. **Maximum Ride : The Angel Experiment**. YA PAT

After the mutant Erasers abduct the youngest member of their group, the "birdkids," who are the result of genetic experimentation, take off in pursuit and find themselves struggling to understand their own origins and purpose. (First book in the Maximum Ride series)

Pearson, Ridley. **Steel Trapp: The Challenge**. YA PEA

On a two-day train trip to enter his invention in the National Science Competition in Washington, D.C., fourteen-year-old Steven "Steel" Trapp, possessor of a remarkable photographic memory, becomes embroiled in an international plot of kidnapping and bribery that may have links to terrorists.

Perkins, Lynne Rae. **As Easy as Falling off the Face of the Earth**. YA PER

A teenaged boy encounters one comedic calamity after another when his train strands him in the middle of nowhere, and everything comes down to luck.

Rees, Celia. **Witch Child**. YA REE

In 1659, fourteen-year-old Mary Newbury keeps a journal of her voyage from England to the New World and her experiences living as a witch in a community of Puritans near Salem, Massachusetts.

Reeve, Philip. **Railhead**. YA REE

The Great Network is an ancient web of routes and gates, where sentient trains can take you anywhere in the galaxy in the blink of an eye. Zen Starling is a nobody. A petty thief from the filthy streets of Thunder City who aimlessly rides the rails of the Network. So when the mysterious stranger Raven offers Zen a chance to escape the squalor of the city and live the rest of his days in luxury, Zen can't believe his luck. All he has to do is steal one small box from the Emperor's train with the help of Nova, an android girl. But the Great Network is a hazardous mess of twists and turns, and that little box just might bring everything in this galaxy Ü and the next Ü to the end of the line. The highly anticipated novel from Carnegie-medal-winning author Philip Reeve, Railhead is a fast, immersive, and heart-pounding ride perfect for any sci-fi fan. Step aboard Ü the universe is waiting.

Shulman, Polly. **The Grimm Legacy**. YA SHU

New York high school student Elizabeth gets an after-school job as a page at the "New-York Circulating Material Repository," and when she gains coveted access to its Grimm Collection of magical objects, she and the other pages are drawn into a series of frightening adventures involving mythical creatures and stolen goods.

Silvera, Adam. **They Both Die at the End**. YA SIL

In a near-future New York City where a service alerts people on the day they will die, teenagers Mateo Torrez and Rufus Emeterio meet using the Last Friend app and are faced with the challenge of living a lifetime on their End Day.

Smith, Roland. **Jack's Run**. YA SMI

Kidnapped by drug czar Alonzo Asnar and held hostage in Argentina, Jack and his sister Joanne attempt a daring escape while their parents, aided by some old friends, set out to rescue them.

Torrey, Michele. ***Voyage of Midnight***. YA TOR

In the early nineteenth century, when his sea-captain uncle invites him to assist the ship's surgeon on his next voyage, orphaned, fourteen-and-a-half-year-old Phillip, eager to be with family, accepts only to find out that his uncle is a slave trader.

Tripp, Ben. ***The Accidental Highwayman***. YA TRI

In eighteenth-century England, young Christopher "Kit" Bristol unwittingly takes on the task of his dead master, notorious highwayman Whistling Jack, who pledged a fairy he would rescue feisty Princess Morgana from an arranged marriage with King George III.

Turner, Megan Whalen. ***The Thief***. J TUR

Gen flaunts his ingenuity as a thief and relishes the adventure which takes him to a remote temple of the gods where he will attempt to steal a precious stone. (First book in a series)

Ursu, Anne. ***The Shadow Thieves***. YA URS

After her cousin Zee arrives from England, thirteen-year-old Charlotte and he must set out to save humankind from denizens of the underworld, Nightmares, Death, Pain, and a really nasty guy named Phil. (First book in the Cronus Chronicles series)

Walters, Eric. ***The Rule of Three***. YA WAL

A teen's suburban neighborhood bands together for its own survival in a world stricken by a catastrophic blackout.

Westerfeld, Scott. ***So Yesterday***. YA WES

Hunter Braque, a New York City teenager who is paid by corporations to spot what is "cool," combines his analytical skills with girlfriend Jen's creative talents to find a missing person and thwart a conspiracy directed at the heart of consumer culture.

Yancey, Rick. ***The Extraordinary Adventures of Alfred Kropp***. YA YAN

Through a series of dangerous and violent misadventures, teenage loser Alfred Kropp rescues King Arthur's legendary sword Excalibur from the forces of evil. (First book in the Alfred Kropp series)

Yee, F.C. ***The Epic Crush of Genie Lo***. YA YEE

Sixteen-year-old Genie's focus on getting into a top-tier college is destroyed when an enigmatic transfer student, Quentin, helps her transform into a demon-fighter.

Zusak, Markus. ***I Am the Messenger***. YA ZUS

After capturing a bank robber, nineteen-year-old cab driver Ed Kennedy begins receiving mysterious messages that direct him to addresses where people need help, and he begins getting over his lifelong feeling of worthlessness.

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