



Featherstone High School Library

Recommended Reading List

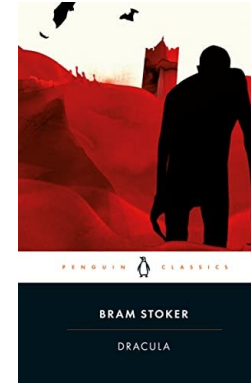
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All of the books within this booklet can be borrowed or reserved from the library.

Many are also available on the e-platform.



Classics



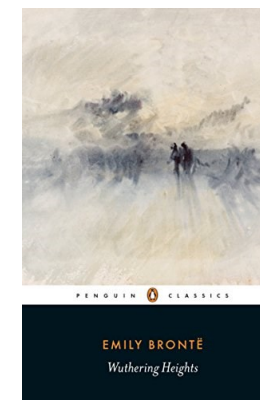
A masterpiece of the horror genre, Dracula also probes identity, sanity and the dark corners of Victorian England. It begins when Jonathan Harker visits Transylvania to help Count Dracula purchase a London house, and makes horrifying discoveries in his client's castle.

Soon afterwards, disturbing incidents unfold in England - an unmanned ship is wrecked; strange puncture marks appear on a young woman's neck; a lunatic asylum inmate raves about the imminent arrival of his 'Master' - and a determined group of adversaries prepare to battle the Count.



A novel of intense emotional power, heightened atmosphere and fierce intelligence, Jane Eyre dazzled and shocked readers with its depiction of a woman's search for equality and freedom on her own terms.

Its heroine Jane endures loneliness and cruelty in the home of her heartless aunt and the cold charity of Lowood School. Her natural independence and spirit prove necessary when she takes a position as governess at Thornfield Hall. But when she finds love with her employer, Rochester, the discovery of a shameful secret forces her to make a terrible choice.



Emily Brontë's novel of impossible desires, violence and transgression is a masterpiece of intense, unsettling power. It begins in a snowstorm, when Lockwood, the new tenant of Thrushcross Grange on the bleak Yorkshire moors, is forced to seek shelter at Wuthering Heights. There he discovers the history of the tempestuous events that took place years before: the intense passion between the founding Heathcliff and Catherine Earnshaw, her betrayal of him and the bitter vengeance he now wreaks on the innocent heirs of the past.

Also try...

Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde by Robert Louis Stevenson

Frankenstein by Mary Shelley

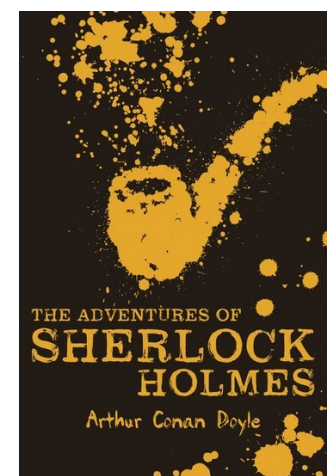
1984 by George Orwell

Rebecca by Daphne Du Maurier

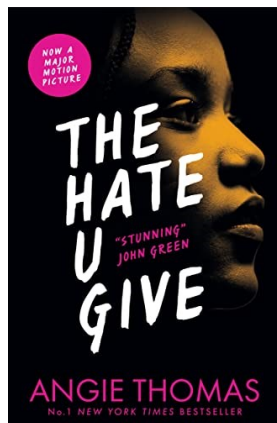
Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen

Great Expectations by Charles Dickens

The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes by Arthur Conan Doyle



Contemporary/Real Life



Sixteen-year-old Starr lives in two worlds: the poor neighbourhood where she was born and raised and her posh high school in the suburbs. The uneasy balance between them is shattered when Starr is the only witness to the fatal shooting of her unarmed best friend, Khalil, by a police officer. Now what Starr says could destroy her community. It could also get her killed.

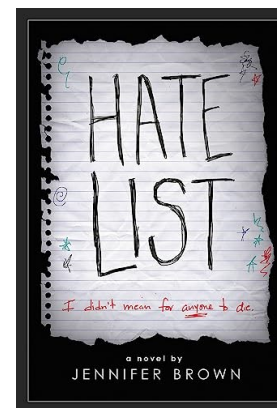
Inspired by the Black Lives Matter movement, this is a powerful and gripping YA novel about one girl's struggle for justice.



I Am Thunder is the Branford Boase Award-winning debut YA novel which questions how far you'll go to stand up for what you believe.

Fifteen-year-old Muzna Saleem is used to being invisible. So no one is more surprised than her when Arif Malik, the hottest boy in school, takes a sudden interest.

But Arif is hiding a terrible secret and, as they begin to follow a dark path, Muzna faces an impossible choice: keep quiet and betray her beliefs, or speak out and betray her heart.



5 months ago Valerie Leftman's boyfriend opened fire in their school cafeteria, killing five students and one teacher before turning the gun on himself. Valerie, who was shot trying to stop him, is initially implicated in the shootings because of the hate list she helped create. The hate list her boyfriend used to pick his targets.

As Valerie integrates back into school, more of an outsider than she ever thought she was before, she is forced to confront her feelings of guilt and loneliness. Exploring the grey area between hero and villain, she navigates the rocky relationships with her family, her former friends, and with the girl whose life she saved. As she moves toward graduation and the anniversary of the shooting, Valerie must come to grips with the tragedy that took place and her role in it all in order to make amends and move on with her life.

Also try...

The Art of Being Normal by Lisa Williamson

Paper Butterflies by Lisa Heathfield

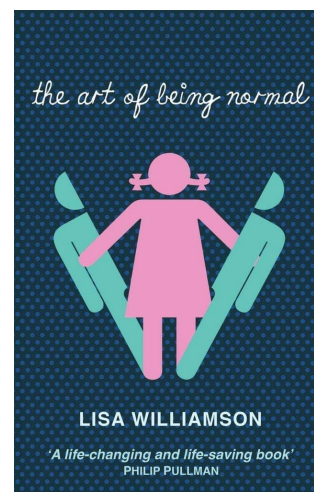
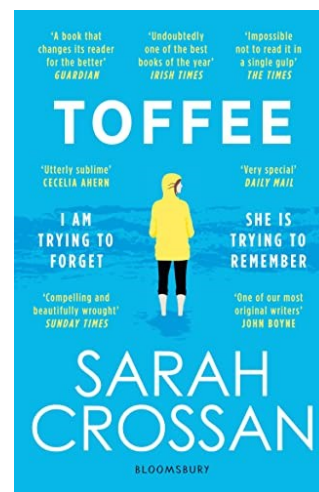
Toffee by Sarah Crossan

The Perks of Being a Wallflower by Stephen Chbosky

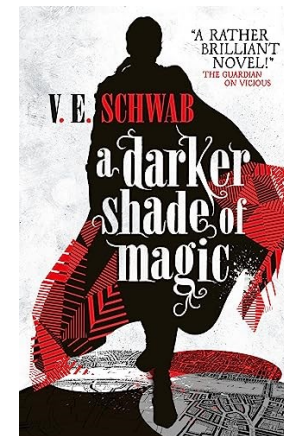
13 Reasons Why by Jay Asher

Old Dog New Tricks by Bali Rai

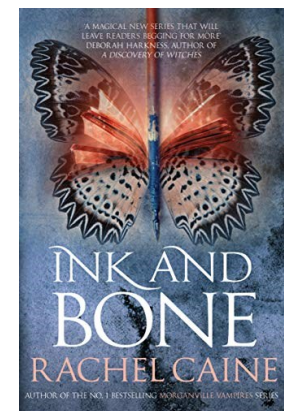
The Last Days of Archie Maxwell by Annabel Pitcher



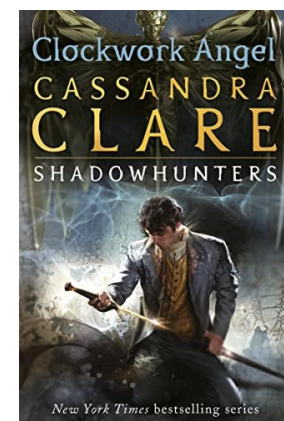
Fantasy/Urban Fantasy/Magic



Most people only know one London; but what if there were several? Kell is one of the last Travelers magicians with a rare ability to travel between parallel Londons. There is Grey London, dirty and crowded and without magic, home to the mad King George III. There is Red London, where life and magic are revered. Then, White London, ruled by whoever has murdered their way to the throne. But once upon a time, there was Black London...



Rachel Caine rewrites history, creating a dangerous world where the Great Library of Alexandria has survived the test of time. In 48 AD, a fire set by the troops of Julius Caesar destroyed much of the Great Library of Alexandria. It was the first of several disasters that resulted in the destruction of the accumulated knowledge of the ancient world. But what if the fire had been stopped? What would the Library have become? Fast forward: the Great Library is now a separate country, protected by its own standing army. It has grown into a vast power, with unquestioned and unrivalled supremacy. Jess Brightwell, seventeen and very smart, with a gift for mechanical engineering, has been sent into the Great Library as a spy for his criminal family.



Love is the most dangerous magic of all....

Something terrifying is waiting for American Tessa Gray in London's hidden Downworld, where vampires, warlocks and other supernatural folk stalk the gaslit streets. Tessa seeks refuge with the Shadowhunters, a band of warriors dedicated to ridding the world of demons and finds herself fascinated by and torn between two best friends....

Also try...

The Cruel Prince by Holly Black

The Lord of the Rings trilogy by J. R. R. Tolkein

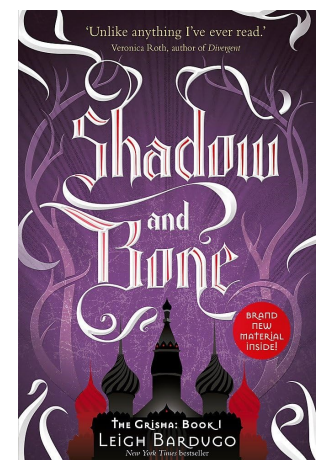
Shadow and Bone by Leigh Bardugo

Throne of Glass by Sarah J Maas

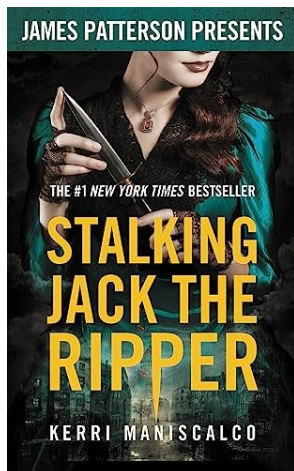
City of Bones by Cassandra Clare

The Final Empire by Brandon Sanderson

A Curse so Dark and Lonely by Brigid Kemmerer



Ghost/Horror/Hauntings



Seventeen-year-old Audrey Rose Wadsworth was born a lord's daughter, with a life of wealth and privilege stretched out before her. But between the social teas and silk dress fittings, she leads a forbidden secret life. Against her stern father's wishes and society's expectations, Audrey often slips away to her uncle's laboratory to study the gruesome practice of forensic medicine.

When her work on a string of savagely killed corpses drags Audrey into the investigation of a serial murderer, her search for answers brings her close to her own sheltered world. .



On Bird Rock, gannets circle and thick mist surrounds the lighthouse at its centre, hiding the secrets of a tragic past within ... From the second they set foot on the island to join their dad and his new family, Jess and Rosie feel that something's wrong. Nightmares haunt their dreams and there seems to be someone, or something, else with them in the lighthouse – their home for the summer.

Counting down the days until they can leave, Jess and Rosie decide to investigate. But when Rosie disappears, the countdown takes on a new meaning. Especially when no one but Jess remembers Rosie at all...



Maggie has witnessed impossible things. But no one believes her, and now her family has taken her away to spend the winter upstate in a remote, freezing farmhouse.

Bored and angry, Maggie and her sister Kate start to play tricks: rapping on the floorboards above their parents' bedroom, cracking their toes under the table, and telling tales about noises in the night. Then the house starts to make sounds of its own. Neither Maggie nor Kate can explain it, but it seems as though someone – or something – is trying to speak to them . . .

Inspired by the incredible true tale of the Fox Sisters, the girls who made their fortune in nineteenth-century America by speaking to ghosts.

Also try...

The Enemy by Charlie Higson

Anna Dressed in Blood by Kendare Blake

Dark Matter by Michelle Paver

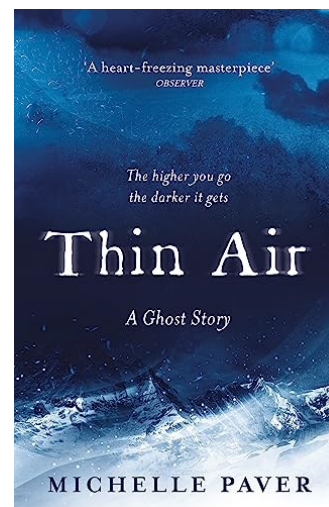
Thin Air by Michelle Paver

The Haunting by Natasha Preston

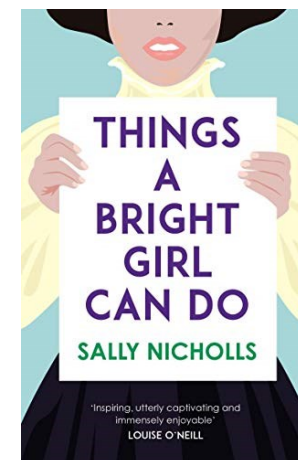
Frozen Charlotte by Alex Bell

Charlotte Says by Alex Bell

This Monstrous Thing by Mackenzie Lee

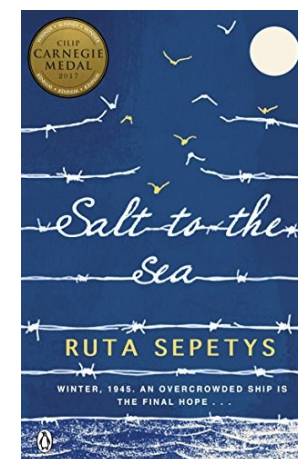


Historical & War Stories



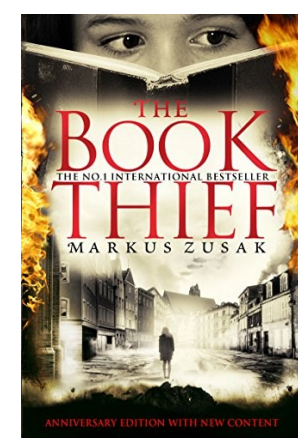
Through rallies and marches, in polite drawing rooms and freezing prison cells and the poverty-stricken slums of the East End, three courageous young women join the fight for the vote. Evelyn is 17, and though she is rich and clever, she may never be allowed to follow her older brother to university. Enraged that she is expected to marry her childhood sweetheart rather than be educated, she joins the Suffragettes, and vows to pay the ultimate price for women's freedom.

May is 15, and already sworn to the cause, though she and her fellow Suffragists refuse violence. When she meets Nell, a girl who's grown up in hardship, she sees a kindred spirit. Together and in love, the two girls start to dream of a world where all kinds of women have their place.



It's early 1945 and a group of people trek across Germany, bound together by their desperation to reach the ship that can take them away from the war-ravaged land. Four young people, each haunted by their own dark secret, narrate their unforgettable stories.

This inspirational novel is based on a true story from the Second World War. When the German ship the Wilhelm Gustloff was sunk in port in early 1945 it had over 9000 civilian refugees, including children, on board. Nearly all were drowned. Ruta Sepetys, acclaimed author of Between Shades of Grey, brilliantly imagines their story.



It is 1939. In Nazi Germany, the country is holding its breath. Death has never been busier - and will become busier still.

By her brother's graveside, Liesel's life is changed forever when she picks up a single object, abandoned in the snow. It is The Gravedigger's Handbook, and this is her first act of book thievery. So begins Liesel's love affair with books and words, and soon she is stealing from Nazi book-burnings, the mayor's wife's library . . . wherever there are books to be found.

But these are dangerous times, and when Liesel's foster family hides a

Also try...

Never Forget You by Jamilla Gavin

The Davenports by Krystal Marquis

The Dark Descent of Elizabeth Frankenstein

Liberty's Fire by Lydia Syson

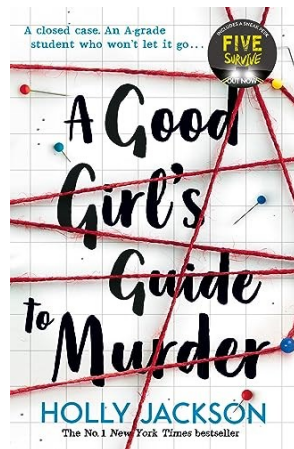
Young General by Simon Scarrow

Buffalo Soldier by Tanya Landman

Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein

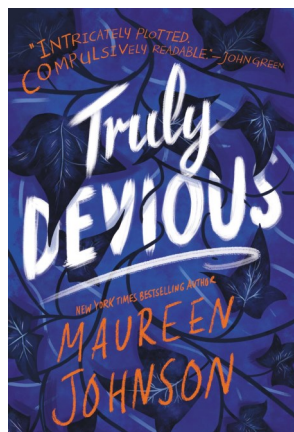


Mystery/Crime/Thriller



The case is closed. Five years ago, schoolgirl Andie Bell was murdered by Sal Singh. The police know he did it. Everyone in town knows he did it.

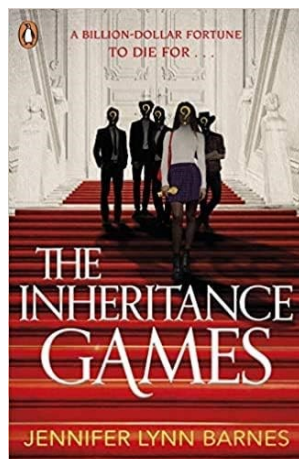
But having grown up in the same small town that was consumed by the crime, Pippa Fitz-Amobi isn't so sure. When she chooses the case as the topic for her final project, she starts to uncover secrets that someone in town desperately wants to stay hidden. And if the real killer is still out there, how far will they go to keep Pip from the truth ... ?



Ellingham Academy is a famous private school for the brightest thinkers, inventors, and artists. It was founded by Albert Ellingham, an early Twentieth Century tycoon, who wanted to make a wonderful place full of riddles, twisting pathways, and gardens. "A place," he said, "where learning is a game."

Shortly after the school opened, his wife and daughter were kidnapped. The only real clue was a mocking riddle listing methods of murder, signed with the frightening pseudonym "Truly, Devious." It became one of the great unsolved crimes of American history.

True-crime aficionado Stevie Bell is set to begin her first year at Ellingham Academy, and she has an ambitious plan: She will solve this cold case....



A BILLION-DOLLAR FORTUNE TO DIE FOR.

Avery has a plan: keep her head down, work hard for a better future. Then an eccentric billionaire dies, leaving her almost his entire fortune. And no one, least of all Avery, knows why.

A DEADLY GAME.

Now she must move into the mansion she's inherited. It's filled with secrets and codes, and the old man's surviving relatives - a family hell-bent on discovering why Avery got 'their' money.

WINNER TAKES ALL.

Soon she is caught in a deadly game that everyone in this strange family is playing. But just how far will they go to keep their fortune?

Also try...

This Book Kills by Ravena Guron

Eight Pieces of Silver by Patrice Lawrence

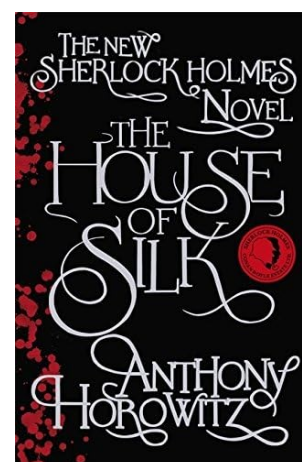
Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie

House of Silk by Anthony Horowitz

Girl Missing by Sophie Mckenzie

As Red as Blood by Salla Simukka

Don't Judge a Girl by her Cover by Ally Carter

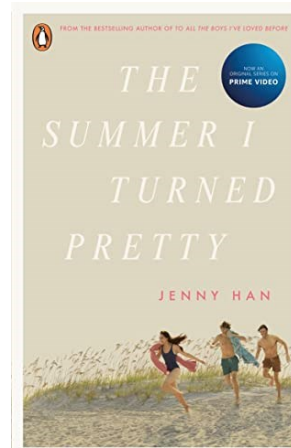


Romance

One girl. Two boys. And the summer that changed everything . . . Every year Isabel spends a perfect summer at her favourite place in the world - the Fisher family's beach house. It has everything a girl could want: a swimming pool, a private stretch of sandy beach... and two (very cute) boys:

Unavailable, aloof Conrad - who she's been in love with forever
Friendly, relaxed Jeremiah- the only one who's ever really paid her any attention.

But this year something is different. This year, the boys seem to really notice Isabel for the first time. It's going to be an amazing summer - and one she'll never forget . . .



Rob had it all - friends, a near-guaranteed lacrosse scholarship to college and an amazing family - but all that changed when his dad was caught embezzling funds from half the town. Now he's a social pariah.

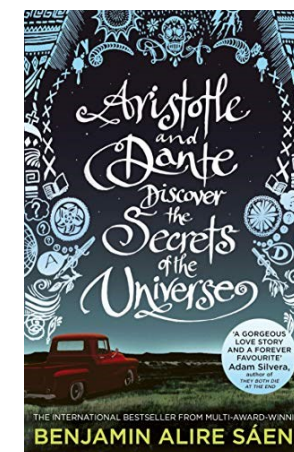
Maegan always does the right thing. But when her sister comes home from college pregnant, she's caught between telling their parents the truth about the father and keeping her sister's trust.

When Rob and Maegan are paired together for a project, they form an unexpectedly deep connection. But Rob's plan to fix his father's damage could ruin more than their new friendship .

Aristotle is an angry teen with a brother in prison.

Dante is a know-it-all who has a unique perspective on life.

When the two meet at the swimming pool, they seem to have nothing in common. But as the loners start spending time together, they develop a special friendship – the kind that changes lives and lasts a lifetime. And it is through this friendship that Ari and Dante will learn the most important truths about the universe, themselves and the kind of people they want to be.



Also try...

All the Bright Places by Jennifer Niven

Everything, Everything by Nicola Yoon

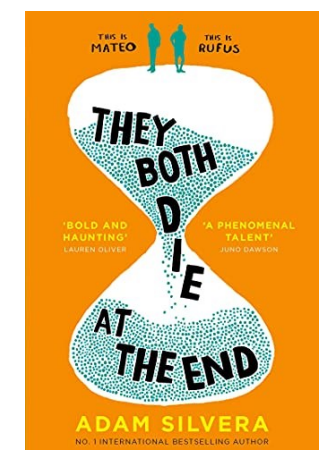
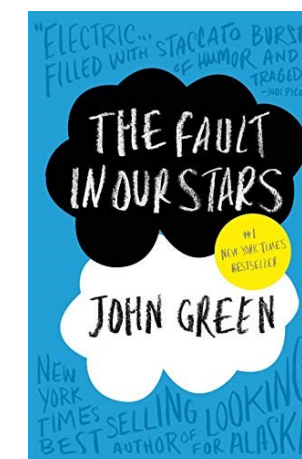
The Fault in Our Stars by John Green

To All the Boys I've Loved Before by Jenny Han

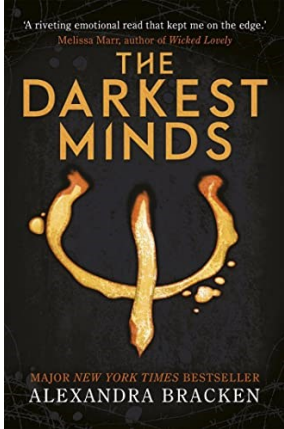
They Both Die at the End by Adam Silvera

Heartstopper by Alice Oseman (Graphic Novel)

Imogen, Obviously by Becky Albertalli

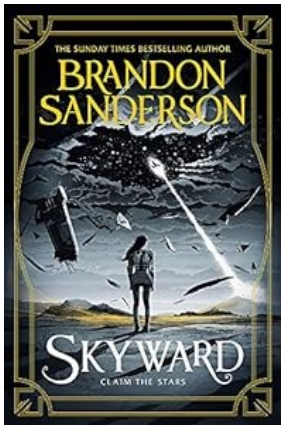


Science Fiction and Dystopian

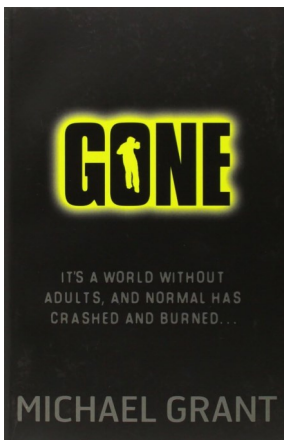


Ruby is sixteen. She is dangerous. And she is alive. For now.

A mysterious disease has killed most of America's children. Ruby might have survived, but she and the others have emerged with something far worse than a virus: frightening abilities they cannot control. Pressured by the government, Ruby's parents sent her to Thurmond, a brutal state 'rehabilitation camp', where she has learned to fear and suppress her new power. But what if mastering it is a whole generation's only chance for survival?



Spensa's world has been under attack for centuries. An alien race called the Krell leads an onslaught from the sky in a never-ending campaign to destroy humankind. Humanity's only defense is to take to their ships and fight in the skies. Spensa has always dreamed of soaring above Earth and proving her bravery. But her fate is intertwined with her father's - a pilot who was killed when he abruptly deserted his team, placing Spensa's chances of attending flight school somewhere between slim and none. No one will let Spensa forget what her father did, but she is still determined to fly. And the Krell just made that a possibility. They've doubled their fleet, making Spensa's world twice as dangerous . . .



In the blink of an eye all the adults disappear in a small town in southern California and no one knows why.

Cut off from the outside world, those that are left are trapped, and there's no help on the way. Sam Temple and his friends must do all they can to survive. Chaos rules the streets. Gangs begin to form. Sides are chosen – strong or weak. Cruel or humane.

And then there are those who begin to develop powers ...

Also try...

The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins

Divergent by Veronica Roth

Shatter Me by Tahereh Mafi

Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman

The 5th Wave by Nick Yancey

The Selection by Kiera Cass

The Young Elites by Marie Lu

The 100 by Kass Morgan

