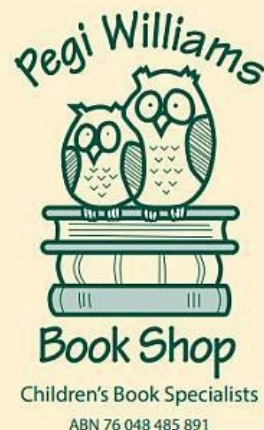


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#### 1. BORDERLANDS: RIDING THE SLIPSTREAM

Paul Collins | Hardback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$29.95** | **School Price \$23.96**

Featuring over forty short stories and poems by some of Australia's best-loved authors — including Ursula Dubosarsky, Steven Herrick, Leigh Hobbs, Barry Jonsberg, Sophie Masson and Shaun Tan, and illustrated by quirky artist Anne Ryan — this unique collection spans a kaleidoscope of genres and themes.

**Categories:** [Short Stories](#), [Anthology](#), [Poetry](#)



#### 2. DEEP IS THE FEN

Lili Wilkinson | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$19.99**

Merriwether Morgan doesn't need a happily-ever-after. Her life in the idyllic town of Candlecott is fine just as it is: simple, happy, and with absolutely no magic. Magic only ever leads to trouble. But Merry's best friend, Teddy, is joining the Toadmen — a secret society upholding backward thinking and suspiciously supernatural traditions — and she is determined to stop him. Even if it means teaming up with her academic arch-nemesis, Caraway Boswell, an ice-cold snob who hides his true face behind a glamour. An ancient Toad ritual is being held in the nightmarish Deeping Fen, and if Merry doesn't rescue Teddy, she'll lose him forever. But the further she travels into Deeping Fen's foul waters, the more Merry wonders if she can possibly save her friend — or if she's walking straight into a trap. Because there's nothing the Toadmen love more than a damsel in distress...

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Magic](#), [Friendship](#), [Feminism](#), [Romance](#), [LGBTQIA+](#)



#### 3. INTO THE MOUTH OF THE WOLF

Erin Gough | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Iris lives on the run with her mother, Rohan. They're travelling to escape the earthquakes, though of course that's impossible. And they're being followed. One day, Rohan insists Iris repeat the phrase in bocca al lupo: into the mouth of the wolf. The next day, Rohan's vanished, leaving no clues about where she's gone besides a contact in an unknown town. Entirely alone and fearing the worst, Iris reaches out to a stranger for help. When Lena gets Iris's message, she's busy panic-studying for year 12 and helping run her family's hostel. She's intrigued by Iris, and can't deny there's a spark between them — but she's also worried. A dead body has just washed up at the beach in Glassy Bay. And Lena's old best friend — who's just returned after an unexplained absence — seems to know something about it. Missing people. Mysterious deaths. A growing attraction between two girls caught up in the search for the truth. Somehow, they're all connected. But in order to find out how — and in order to even meet each other — Iris and Lena will have to go into the mouth of the wolf...

**Categories:** [Dystopian](#), [Futuristic](#), [Relationships](#), [LGBTQIA](#)



#### 4. LIAR'S TEST

Ambelin Kwaymullina | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Liar's Test is a fast-paced, intricately woven fantasy novel with an unforgettable heroine inspired by the strength and power of Aboriginal women. Bell Silverleaf is a liar. It's how she's survived. It's how all Treesingers have survived since they were invaded by the Risen and their fickle gods. But now Bell is in the Queen's Test—she's one of seven girls competing in deadly challenges to determine who will rule for the next twenty-five years. If Bell wins, she'll have the power to help her people and take revenge on the Risen. But first she has to make it through the challenges alive.

**Categories:** [First Nations](#), [Fantasy](#), [Mystery](#), [Strength](#), [Survival](#)



## 5. ONE BY ONE THEY DISAPPEAR

Mike Lucas | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$15.99**

The fog is coming. And when it does, everything disappears . . . One girl. Two identities. Three friends. One disappears. One forgets. One remembers. There is truth in every tale . . . Find it!

**Categories:** War Stories, History, Thriller, Identity, Supernatural

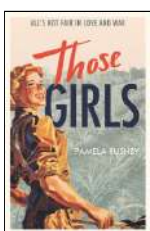


## 6. PERFECT GUY DOESN'T EXIST, THE

Sophie Gonzales | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

While her parents are away for the week, sixteen-year-old Ivy Winslow plans on binge-watching her favourite TV show and hanging out with her best friend, Henry. But things quickly go downhill on the very first morning, when Ivy wakes up to find Weston, the gorgeous lead character of her favourite show, in her bedroom. And, oh yeah, he thinks that she's his soulmate. Ivy realizes that her writing has somehow brought Weston as she's imagined him to life, and now he's living out her fanfiction dreams. But those fairytale dreams soon turn into disasters. Mack, Ivy's best-friend-turned-enemy who lives next door, and Henry get involved and the three of them need to figure out why Weston is here and how to get rid of him. As Ivy and Mack grow closer again, old feelings resurface and they finally face the fallout of their broken friendship, and question if they've both secretly always wanted something more . . .

**Categories:** Relationships, Romance



## 7. THOSE GIRLS

Pamela Rushby | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

'The poster had a picture of a tanned, healthy girl, wearing a regulation uniform hat and shorts that were, surely, anything but regulation.' When Hilly volunteers for the Women's Land Army in 1942, she's sixteen years old. She expects to be picking sun-kissed fruit and bottle-feeding fluffy white lambs, all while she's wearing a flattering outfit. Travelling to farms across Queensland, Hilly encounters backbreaking work, but also friendship and fellowship with other Land Army girls, Aileen and Glad, all seeking independence for their own reasons. War is a chance for a life away from family and familiarity, offering adventure and romance. But the poster didn't mention crutching sheep or 4 am starts. Or the prejudice they would face, and that some men needed to be fought off, rather than fought for. In the midst of adversity, Hilly finds exactly what she is capable of ... and it might be more than she ever thought possible. She is one of 'those girls with grit'.

**Categories:** War Stories, History, Adversity, Romance, World War 2



## 8. UNEXPECTED MESS OF IT ALL, THE

Gabrielle Tozer | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Jamila Dakhoul wants to escape her life. Forget everything. Forget that her only friends are strangers on the internet. Forget she's stuck in a caravan after a fire destroyed her family's house. Forget that Year 12 is a brutal hellhole where bullying is an Olympic sport. Forget Billy Radcliffe once and for all. But as Jamila tries to untangle the messy threads of her life on a weekend away with her family, it becomes clear that she can't outrun her past, no matter how hard she tries ...

**Categories:** Romance, Humour, Growing Up, Coming of Age



## 9. WAY HOME, A

Emily Brewin | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Sixteen-year-old Grace lives under a bridge in Melbourne's CBD. It's cold and wet, but hidden. Safe, at least, until she can go home. When winter drives her to the City Library one morning, Grace meets Louie, a weird kid with his own problems, and discovers a community piano. The piano reminds Grace of her mum, a celebrated pianist whose mental illness makes life a rollercoaster — and not always a fun one. When Grace comes up with a plan to find the help she and Mum need, life begins to look up. But things don't work out as Grace imagines and suddenly her world's turned upside down again, and maybe for good this time.

**Categories:** Homelessness, Family, Mental Health



## 10. WRONG ANSWERS ONLY

Tobias Madden | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Marco should be at university, studying biomedicine. Instead, he's been sent to live on a cruise ship in the Mediterranean with his estranged uncle, all because of a 'blip' everyone else is convinced was a panic attack. (Which it most definitely was not.) And even though Marco's trip is supposed to provide answers — about himself, about his family — all he finds on board the Ocean Melody are more and more questions. But then his best friend CeCe proposes a new plan — for someone who has always done the right thing, in every possible way, it's time for Marco to get a few things wrong. And hooking up with a hot dancer from the ship is only the beginning . . .

**Categories:** LGBTQIA, Romance, Family, Secrets, Mental Health

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## 11. AN EMERALD SKY

[Aneesa Marufu](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Khadija's sister, Talia, has been kidnapped and stolen into the magical realm of Al-Ghaib. Khadija embarks on a quest to rescue her. But Al-Ghaib, where the sky is emerald green, is a place of trickery: she will have to have all her wits about her if she's to outfox her sister's captor ...



## 12. BAD LIKE US

[Gabriella Lepore](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Partying with popular classmates they barely know is not what Eva and her BFFs had in mind for their spring break. But things have been off ever since Miles' academic career took a turn for the worse (they don't talk about it), so a trip to a private beach lodge might be exactly what they need. And Eva won't admit it, but the chance to reconnect with Colton is worth putting up with Piper's constant livestreams to her thousands of "besties." At first, it's all sand and waves, but tensions run high when an anonymous letter shakes up an already-flailing love triangle. When someone turns up dead, Eva can't even trust her closest friends -- but she thinks she can trust Colton. As they get closer to the truth, they uncover secrets that upend everything they thought they knew about their fellow spring breakers.

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Murder](#)

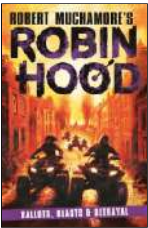


## 13. BAD ONES, THE

[Melissa Albert](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Goddess, Goddess, count to five. In the morning, who's alive? One town. One night. Four people gone. Nora's best friend, Becca, is one of the lost. As Nora tries to piece together the truth, she uncovers dark events in her high school's history and a string of coded messages Becca has left for her. These clues point to another missing girl thirty years previously and a sinister urban legend- a goddess figure, who played an eerie role in Nora and Becca's own childhood games ...

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Crime](#), [Supernatural](#)



## 14. BALLOTS, BLASTS AND BETRAYAL ROBIN HOOD

[Robert Muchamore](#) | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Robin Hood is campaigning to get his dad, Ardagh Hood, elected Sheriff of Nottingham but their rival won't hesitate to stuff ballot boxes with fake votes to ensure that he wins the vote. And Robin has more personal worries - is he losing confidence in his ability to shoot arrows with deadly accuracy? Meanwhile Little John is caught up in his mother's presidential election campaign, further complicating contact with Robin, his father Ardagh and his relationship with his girlfriend, Clare. The stakes get ever higher for both brothers in the eighth book of this all-action series.

**Categories:** [Adventure](#), [Justice](#), [Survival](#)



## 15. BEASTLY BEAUTY

[Jennifer Donnelly](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Is Arabella seen as having too much ambition? And is she too proud? And does this make a girl seem 'beastly'? When Arabella's parents ask that she be sweet and compliant so that she can marry well, she can't extinguish the fire that burns within her. And when a mysterious figure one day punishes Arabella with a curse, she and everyone that she cares about is trapped inside the castle. Until a young man named Beau makes his way into the castle. Of course, the servants are thrilled, convinced he is the one who can break the curse. But Beau only wants to escape, believing that love is an illusion.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Power](#), [Perception](#)



## 16. BITE RISK: CAUGHT DEAD BITE RISK

[S.J. Wills](#) | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

After Sel Archer and his friends uncover a conspiracy that turns the whole world upside down, it seems that the residents of Tremorglade are finally free. Adults can Turn at the full moon with no restrictions, no longer locked in cages and left to roam free. But the town's new found fame is at risk as attacks begin to happen on Howl Night. Rumours of a foul, unkillable beast begin to stir ... someone or something is plotting to control the Turned once and for all.

**Categories:** [Horror](#)



## 17. BREAKUP LISTS, THE

[Adib Khorram](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

As a techie--a stage manager, a lighting guy, a jack-of-all-theatrical-trades-- Jackson Ghasnavi is not a fan of the spotlight. And he isn't too fond of romance, either, ever since his actor ex-boyfriend decided he was too cool to date a techie freshman year. Jackson's sister Jasmine, on the other hand, loves love. It just doesn't love her back. But luckily for her, Jackson is always waiting in wings when she gets her heart broken, ready to cheer her up with a breakup list cataloging of all her ex's faults. Enter Liam Coquyt-- senior, swim captain, hot white boy--and the surprise lead in the fall musical. Even more surprising than how incredible Liam is on the stage is how much Jackson likes spending time with him off it. (Not that Jackson is falling for him. Liam is probably --no, definitely--straight.) So why is Jackson crushed when Jasmine sets her sights on him? And why does the idea of eventually drafting breakup list for Liam feel impossible?

**Categories:** [Relationships](#), [LGBTQIA](#)



## 18. BURNING CROWNS TWIN CROWNS

[Katherine Webber](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Wren and Rose rule the kingdom of Eana. But an ancient, powerful enemy moves in the shadows. Oonagh, the twins' evil undead ancestor, is creating a terrifying army, and she is determined to fight for the throne. Rose must gather support from the four corners of the kingdom whilst she wrestles with what the future holds for her and her beloved Shen. Meanwhile, Wren and Alarik set out to destroy the curse that both unites and weakens them. Caught between the King of Gevra and his Captain of the Guard, Tor, Wren must decide where her heart truly lies . . . When Oonagh's true plans are revealed and Rose's life hangs in the balance, the stage for the final battle is set. Sacrifices will be made, blood will be spilled. Who will survive to rule the kingdom of Eana?



## 19. CHANNEL FEAR

[Lisa Richardson](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Iris is obsessed with star YouTube ghost hunting duo, Zach and Lucas, who disappeared at an undisclosed location several months ago. Alongside her friend Byron and his girlfriend Molly, Iris has been searching for the location ever since. When they find it, a horrifying truth emerges: whatever came for Zach and Lucas is coming for them too ...

**Categories:** [Paranormal](#), [Mystery](#)



## 20. CITY OF NIGHTMARES

[Rebecca Schaeffer](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Ever since her sister became a man-eating spider, Ness has been terrified of waking up as her own Nightmare. Because in the city that never sleeps, dreaming means becoming your worst fear. Ness seeks protection with the Friends of the Restful Soul, which may or may not be a cult. To prove her worth, she accepts what is meant to be a simple job. Only for it to blow up in her face. Literally. Ness and the only other survivor of the explosion - a Nightmare boy with an agenda of his own - must find their way back to the city and uncover the sinister truth behind the attack...

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Thriller](#), [Crime](#)



## 21. CROSS MY HEART AND NEVER LIE

[Nora Dasnes](#) | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Tuva is starting seventh grade, and her checklist of goals includes: writing a diary, getting a cool look, building the best fort in the woods with her BFFs, and sharing EVERYTHING with her best friends. But when she starts school, nothing is how she hoped it would be. Seventh grade has split her friends into rival factions: Team Linnea and the girls who fall in love and Team Bao and the girls who are still playing. Linnea has a boyfriend, Bao hates everything related to feelings. Worst of all, Tuva is expected to choose a side! Then Mariam shows up and suddenly things begin to make a little more sense. But with all her friends fighting, this is one part of growing up that Tuva isn't quite sure how to share . . . Translated by Matt Bagguely

**Categories:** [Coming of Age](#), [Friendship](#)



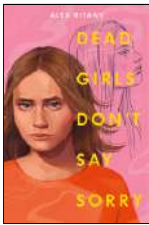
## 22. DANIEL, DECONSTRUCTED

[James Ramos](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Photographer and film buff Daniel Sanchez learned a long time ago that the only way to get by in an allistic world is to mask his autism and follow the script. Which means he knows that boisterous, buff, and beautiful soccer superstars like his best friend, Mona Sinclair, shouldn't be wasting time hanging out with introverts who prefer being behind the camera. So when Daniel meets a new classmate, Gabe Mendes, who is tall, mysterious, nonbinary, and-somehow-as cool as Mona, Daniel knows exactly how this is going to play out. Mona and Gabe will meet cute, win their nominations for Homecoming Court, and ride off into the sunset together. Daniel just needs to do a little behind-the-scenes directing. But matchmaking means stepping into the mystifying and illogical world of love, dating, and relationships, where nothing is as it seems and no one knows their lines. And when Daniel finds himself playing a starring role in this romance, he'll question everything he thought he knew about himself and his place in the world.

**Categories:** [LGBTQIA](#), [Neurodiversity](#), [Friendship](#), [Relationships](#), [Romance](#)



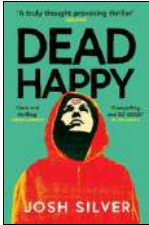


### 23. DEAD GIRLS DON'T SAY SORRY

[Alex Ritany](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Before- One year ago, best friends Nora and Julia were starting their senior year of high school, with plans to apply to the same university so they wouldn't be separated. When Dillan Fletcher comes back to town, life as Nora knows it begins to unravel. And then, the unthinkable happens. After- Months after surviving the accident that killed her best friend, Nora Radford is stagnating. Dillan has remained by her side, but he and other friends are starting university, while Nora is still trying to unravel the lies that Julia told, lies disguised as friendship. What does it mean when your best friend is dead and your instinct is relief? A stunningly immersive debut about toxic friendships, grief, romance, and new beginnings.

**Categories:** [Grief](#), [Friendship](#), [Romance](#)



### 24. DEAD HAPPY

[Josh Silver](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

After discovering that Happyhead was a sinister eugenics experiment, Seb along with a select group of participants, finds himself washed up (literally) on an isolated island called Elmhallow. Here the teens are split into two groups the chosen Ten and the Bottom Percentile. With the boys divided, Seb's burgeoning relationship with Finn is put to the test and when the competition takes a deadly turn, their plan to take down HappyHead rapidly unravels...

**Categories:** [Mental Health](#), [Depression](#), [LGBTQIA](#), [Thriller](#)

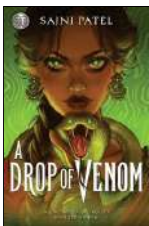


### 25. DRAW DOWN THE MOON

[Pc Cast](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$29.99** | **School Price \$27.00**

Wren Nightingale isn't supposed to have any powers. But in a heartbeat, her life is turned upside down, and she's suddenly leaving her home for a secret magical school on a hidden island off the Seattle coast. Lee Young has always known about his future at the Academia. He has one goal: pass the trials, impress the Moon Council, and uphold his family's reputation. But he wasn't expecting to be attending alongside the girl he's been secretly in love with for as long as he can remember. As Wren and Lee are thrown into the Academia's gruelling trials, they quickly learn there's something different about the school this year. Wren will have to navigate a web of secrets, prophecies and murder. And Lee will have to decide who to protect, his family's legacy, or the girl he loves.

**Categories:** [Magic](#), [Fantasy](#), [Romance](#)

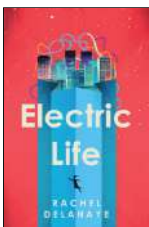


### 26. DROP OF VENOM, A

[Sajni Patel](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Circe goes YA in this unapologetically feminist retelling of the Medusa myth steeped in Indian mythology, a YA epic fantasy addition to the Rick Riordan Presents imprint. All monsters and heroes have beginnings. This is mine. Sixteen-year-old Manisha is no stranger to monsters-she's been running from them for years, from beasts who roam the jungle to the King's army, who forced her people, the naga, to scatter to the ends of the earth. You might think that the kingdom's famed holy temples atop the floating mountains, where Manisha is now a priestess, would be safe-but you would be wrong. Seventeen-year-old Pratyush is a famed slayer of monsters, one of the King's most prized warriors and a frequent visitor to the floating temples. For every monster the slayer kills, years are added to his life. You might think such a powerful warrior could do whatever he wants, but true power lies with the King. Tired after years of fighting, Pratyush wants nothing more than a peaceful, respectable life. When Pratyush and Manisha meet, each sees in the other the possibility to chart a new path. Unfortunately, the kingdom's powerful have other plans. A temple visitor sexually assaults Manisha and pushes her off the mountain into a pit of vipers. A month later, the King sends Pratyush off to kill one last monster (a powerful nagin who has been turning men to stone) before he'll consider granting the slayer his freedom. Except Manisha doesn't die, despite the hundreds of snake bites covering her body and the venom running through her veins. She rises from the pit more powerful than ever before, with heightened senses, armor-like skin, and blood that can turn people to stone. And Pratyush doesn't know it, but the "monster" he's been sent to kill is none other than the girl he wants to marry. Alternating between Manisha's and Pratyush's perspectives, Sajni Patel weaves together lush language, high stakes, and page-turning suspense, demanding an answer to the question "What does it truly mean to be a monster?"

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Mythology](#), [Greek Myths](#), [Medusa](#)

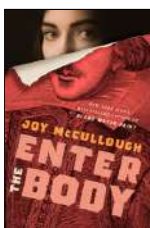


### 27. ELECTRIC LIFE

[Rachel Delahaye](#) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Estrella is the 'perfect' society: an immaculate, sanitised, hyper-connected environment where everything is channelled through the digital medium. There is no dirt, no pain, no disease and no natural world. Feelings like boredom are frowned upon and discouraged. Alara is dropped down to London Under and into a new-old world that bewilders and disorients her. How will she survive in a society where noise, dirt and sometimes pain are everyday experiences, and where food is not synthetic and tastes real? Will she accomplish her mission? Who can she trust? How will she get back to her family and her worry-free life in Estrella? This fast-paced and thrilling story set in a fictional yet believable future explores important themes and asks some big questions about where our society could be heading.

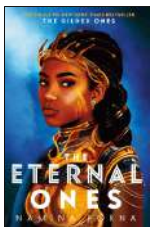
**Categories:** [Dystopian](#), [Futuristic](#), [Technology](#), [Gaming](#), [Survival](#), [Mystery](#)



## 28. ENTER THE BODY

[Joy McCullough](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$21.99** | **School Price \$19.80**

Enter the Body gives voice to a cast of the young women who die in Shakespeare's plays. Focusing on the stories of Juliet, Ophelia, and Cordelia, bestselling author of Blood Water Paint Joy McCullough brilliantly weaves retellings of Romeo and Juliet, Hamlet, and King Lear into a larger story about how young women can support each other and reclaim their stories in the aftermath of trauma. In the room beneath a stage's trapdoor, Shakespeare's dead teenage girls compare their experiences and retell the stories of their lives, their loves, and their fates in their own words. Bestselling author Joy McCullough offers a brilliant testament to how young women can support each other and reclaim their stories in the aftermath of trauma.



## 29. ETERNAL ONES, THE GILDED

[Namina Forna](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

Deka is a goddess-in-waiting with the potential to save her people from the brutal ancient goddesses who terrorize her kingdom of Otera. But first she must find the source of her divine power – and if the Gilded Ones find it before she does, they will drain her power and tear Otera apart. Alongside her army of friends, Deka faces the hardest battle of her life – not just with the goddesses but with her own doubts. What if becoming a goddess makes her as evil as the Gilded Ones? And is she ready to leave her earthly life and loves behind?



## 30. EXES, THE

[Anam Iqbal](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$17.00**

When Karim and Zara meet, sparks shouldn't fly. They've got nothing in common– Karim – with his on and offline clique, The Exes – is a globally renowned influencer. Zara is just a normal teen, trying to get into uni, and not bring shame to the family by getting distracted by silly boys. Sparks do fly though. With Zara, Karim can finally let his guard down, while his glamorous world offers Zara an escape from her parent's control. But someone has their eye on them – a secret gossip who's been spilling truths about The Exes for years. While Karim and Zara's dates get swoonier, the blogger's posts get more personal – and more threatening. Can Karim and Zara unmask their tormentor in time to get their happily ever after? Or does fate have other plans in store for them?

**Categories:** [Romance](#), [Fame](#)



## 31. FAMILY FORTUNA, THE

[Lindsay Eager](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Lindsay Eager's dazzling YA debut welcomes us backstage at the Family Fortuna circus, where wonders lurk in wait to steal your breath away. You won't believe your eyes! Beaked. Feathered. Monstrous. Avita was born to be a star. Her tent sells out nightly, and every performance incites bloodcurdling screams. But when a handsome young artist arrives to create posters of the performers, she's appalled by his rendering of Bird Girl. Is that all he sees? A hideous monster? Determined to be more, Avita devises a plan to snatch freedom out from under the greased moustache of her charismatic father. But will their fragile circus family survive the show she has in mind?

**Categories:** [Magic](#), [Fantasy](#), [Circus](#), [Family](#), [Freedom](#), [Survival](#)



## 32. FATHER OF THE LOST BOYS: YOUNGER READERS EDITION

[Yuot A Alaak](#) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

During the Second Sudanese Civil War, thousands of South Sudanese boys were displaced or orphaned. In 1989, teacher and community leader Mecak Ajang Alaak lead the Lost Boys on a four-year journey from Ethiopia to Kenya to protect them from becoming child soldiers. This young readers' addition is the account of that extraordinary true story as told by his son, Yuot, who walked beside him every step of the way. It is an inspiring tale about a man who never ceased to believe that the pen is mightier than the gun.

**Categories:** [Slavery](#), [War](#), [Africa](#), [Sudan](#), [Civil War](#)



## 33. GIRL, GODDESS, QUEEN

[Bea Fitzgerald](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Thousands of years ago, the gods told a lie– how Persephone was a pawn in the politics of other gods. How Hades kidnapped Persephone to be his bride. How her mother, Demeter, was so distraught she caused the Earth to start dying. Well, it's time to set the record straight. Persephone wasn't taken to hell– she jumped. There was no way she was going to be married off to some smug god more in love with himself than her. Now all she has to do is convince the Underworld's annoyingly sexy, arrogant and frankly rude ruler, Hades, to fall in line with her plan. A plan that will shake Mount Olympus to its very core.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Mythology](#), [Feminism](#)



#### 34. GOING DARK

[Melissa De La Cruz](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

The Influencer: Amelia Ashley shares everything with her followers — her favourite hole-in-the-wall restaurants, her best fashion tips, and her European trip-of-a-lifetime with her hot boyfriend. The Boyfriend: Josh has no choice but to return home without Amelia after she abandons him in Rome. He has no clue where she went or how her blood got in his suitcase. Why won't anyone believe him? The Hacker: To Harper Delgado, Amelia Ashley is just another missing white girl whipping up a media frenzy. But with each digital knot she untangles about the influencer, Harper wonders: who is Amelia Ashley? The Other Girl: Two years ago, another girl went missing, one who never made headlines or had a trending hashtag. The Truth: Amelia's disappearance has captured the world's attention. What comes next? Watch this space...

**Categories:** [Mystery](#)



#### 35. HEARTS THAT CUT

[Kika Hatzopoulou](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

It's been five weeks since Io, descendant of the Fates, left the city of Alante to follow the golden threads in search of the god on the other end. Her investigation takes a turn for the worse when her only lead vanishes, but not before she gathers some crucial clues. Now Io has a new mystery to solve – sibling disappearances across the Wastelands that seem to be connected to the murders in Alante. And all signs point to Nanzy, the Golden City, as the centre of the conspiracy. As Io journeys to Nanzy, she makes powerful enemies, finds allies and uncovers a horrifying plot that traces back centuries. The more she learns, the more she suspects that the future of the world rests on her shoulders. But how much of the future is Io's choice, and how much is simply her fate...?

**Categories:** [Mythology](#), [Greek](#), [Fantasy](#), [Mystery](#)



#### 36. HOUSE OF WAR AND BONE GILDED CITY

[Leia Stone](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

From USA Today bestselling author Leia Stone, House of War and Bone is the second book in the addictive Gilded City series, about a girl who must battle curses, dark powers, and her own heart. This world of dazzling fae magic and romantic pining is perfect for fans of Wednesday and Holly Black. The only guy in the world who could kiss me was about to be taken out by some Nightling with a vendetta against his family. Fallon Bane thought that being cursed to feel pain every time she was touched was the worst thing that would ever happen to her. She was wrong. The worst thing was finding and falling for Ariyon—the only person in the realm who can touch her—only to accidentally trap him in the land of souls and swap powers with him. Now she must act as Maven healer to Queen Solana while trying to figure out how to sneak into the Realm of Eternity to save Ariyon. She drove me crazy, in both good and bad ways, and all I wanted to do was finally kiss her, hold her, feel her body relax into mine like it'd found its missing other half. Ariyon Madden had enough to deal with— heir to the throne, Maven healing powers that meant he would die young, and orphaned by Marissa Bane. Then, he met Marissa's daughter and fell in love, upending everything he thought he knew. Now, he has to fight for his life—and maybe his afterlife—against the undead using Fallon's dark magic. And if that's not enough to worry about, all the while, the prophesied Nightling war is approaching.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Romance](#)

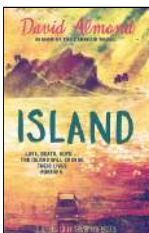


#### 37. I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU

[Mariko Turk](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Natalie and Imogen are inseparable, and wildly different – Imogen is infuriatingly humble and incredibly intelligent, while Natalie is brave, jumping into danger and new adventures. Still, one thing ties them together: their love of the supernatural. Every summer, they vacation with their parents at the famously haunted Harlow Hotel. Imogen is a true believer, while Natalie sees ghost stories as nothing but pure fun. Then, Imogen suddenly passes away from an undiagnosed heart condition that no one saw coming, and Natalie is left to take on the summer before senior year alone. Without Imogen, Natalie throws herself into her senior project. Her passion is still horror, so she plans to spend her summer back at the Harlow Hotel recording fun fake footage that will get her on the teen ghost hunting show of her dreams. And her plans would be a lot less complicated if Leander, her irritatingly attractive arch rival from school, wasn't working on his senior project at the very same hotel. The longer Natalie stays at the Harlow Hotel, the more she realizes that Leander might be helpful for her project. After all, she could use an extra hand to help record her fake footage. But, when strange things start happening at the Harlow, Natalie wonders, could there really be something to these ghosts after all?

**Categories:** [Coming of Age](#), [Challenges](#), [Friendship](#), [Relationships](#), [Loss](#), [Death](#), [Ghosts](#), [Romance](#)



#### 38. ISLAND

[David Almond](#) | [David Litchfield](#) (Illustrator) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Louise has travelled with her father to the island every year since she can remember – it's the place her mother loved best of all. The arrival of Hassan changes everything. Louise is restless and yearning for independence; meanwhile, the fiercely free and self-reliant Hassan seems to know the island from long ago as if it were his home from birth. Hassan is an acrobat, maybe a sorcerer, possibly a source of great danger. The wild boys who call the island their home want to cast him out. The forces of love, death and hope move Louise and Hassan together. The island will change their lives forever.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#), [Magical Realism](#), [Relationships](#), [Family](#), [Belonging](#)

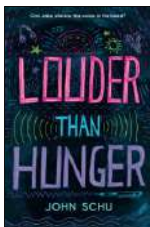


### 39. KINDLING

[Traci Chee](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Once, the war was fought with kindlings—elite, magic-wielding warriors whose devastating power comes at the cost of their own young lives. Now the war is over, and kindlings have been cast adrift—their magic outlawed, their skills outdated, their formidable balar weapons prized only as relics and souvenirs. Violence still plagues the countryside, and memories haunt those who remain. When a village comes under threat of siege, it offers an opportunity for seven kindlings to fight one last time. But war changed these warriors. And to reclaim who they once were, they will have to battle their pasts, their trauma, and their grim fates to come together again—or none of them will make it out alive.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#)



### 40. LOUDER THAN HUNGER

[John Schu](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Jake feels alone at school and alone at home. Some days it feels like the only people who understand him is the poet Emily Dickinson – and Jake's beloved grandma. But there is also the Voice inside him, louder than any other, who professes to know him best of all. The one that says "You have me." The Voice is loud enough to drown out everything else, even the hunger Jake feels, until his mom intervenes and sends him to Whispering Pines. Here Jake will learn how to confront the loneliness inside him, and find out who he is and what he has to live for. That is, if he can quiet the Voice...

**Categories:** [Mental Health](#), [Depression](#), [OCD](#), [Anorexia](#), [Verse Novel](#)

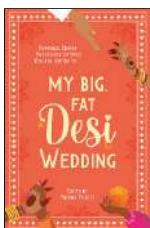


### 41. LOVE INTEREST, THE

[Helen Comerford](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Seventeen-year-old Jenna Ray lives in the quiet coastal town of Nine Trees. Despite its picturesque nature, it is also the epicentre of a dramatic prophecy. It is said that in the year 2024 a new Hero will emerge in Nine Trees an event that is usually accompanied by a catastrophic disaster. When Blaze, the new Hero, does arrive, Jenna has the misfortune of being the first person he saves. And, in the eyes of the public, that means one thing- Jenna Ray has already been cast as the Love Interest.

**Categories:** [Relationships](#), [Humour](#), [Superheroes](#), [Romance](#)

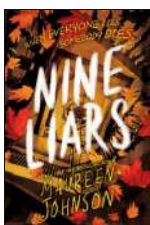


### 42. MY BIG, FAT DESI WEDDING

[Perna Pickett](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Romance. Drama. And plenty of spice. You are invited to . . . MY BIG, FAT DESI WEDDING. send in your RSVP, put on your best outfit, and take a front row seat as enemies become friends, friends become lovers, sceptics are convinced by the power of romance, and guests fall head over heels – even if they're not the ones saying 'I do'. Lose yourself in eight swoon-worthy and dreamy stories guaranteed to bring out the hopeless romantic in every reader. With a never-ending buffet of mouth-watering food, extravagant outfit changes and lots of drama!

**Categories:** [Short Stories](#), [Relationships](#), [Romance](#)

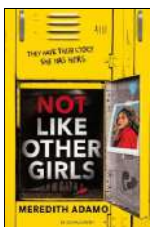


### 43. NINE LIARS

[Maureen Johnson](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

Senior year at Ellingham Academy for Stevie Bell isn't going well. Her boyfriend, David, is studying in London. Her friends are obsessed with college applications. With the cold case of the century solved, Stevie is adrift. There is nothing to distract her from the questions pinging around her brain—questions about college, love, and life in general. Relief comes when David invites Stevie and her friends to join him for study abroad, and his new friend Izzy introduces her to a double-murder cold case. In 1995, nine friends from Cambridge University went to a country house and played a drunken game of hide-and-seek. Two were found in the woodshed the next day, murdered with an axe. The case was assumed to be a burglary gone wrong, but one of the remaining seven saw something she can't explain. This was no break-in. Someone's lying about what happened in the woodshed. Seven suspects. Two murders. One killer still playing a deadly game.

**Categories:** [Murder](#), [Mystery](#)



### 44. NOT LIKE OTHER GIRLS

[Meredith Adamo](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Jo used to be the perfect high-school girl. Class president, popular, bright and successful. But when nude photos of her were leaked to the entire school, her grades plummeted, her friends fell away and now she's a reckless, difficult social outcast. Then her former best friend Maddie disappears. Everyone else assumes Maddie has just run away but that doesn't add up to Jo. To discover the truth, Jo needs to get back in with the group of classmates who have shut her out- the boys who betrayed her and the clique of girls who whisper behind her back. And she has to make it look as if she wants to be there. The only way back in is through Hudson. An old fling with his own reasons for finding Maddie, he persuades Jo to fake date him. And it works. But as the truth about Maddie's disappearance comes to light, so do long-hidden secrets from Jo's past. Who is Jo really trying to find? Maddie, or the girl she herself used to be?

**Categories:** [Romance](#), [Mystery](#), [Consent](#), [Thriller](#)





#### 45. ONE LAST BREATH

Ginny Myers Sain | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Mount Orange, Florida, is famous for two things: freshwater springs, ideal for free divers, and the gruesome cold case murder of best friends, Bailey and Celeste, twenty years ago. Tru has always lived in the shadow of Bailey's and Celeste's murders; they cast a permanent darkness over sunny Mount Orange. But now those unsolved murders invade her every thought. It's only when she's deep underwater that she feels free. Then a stranger called Rio rolls into town. And as the summer heat ignites, so does the spark between Tru and Rio...along with their other-worldly connection to Bailey and Celeste. But then someone begins stalking them. And if they keep digging into the past, Tru and Rio know that this time it could be their blood that makes the springs run red.



#### 46. OTHERWORLDLY

FT Lukens | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Ellery doesn't believe in magic. Sure, they've been stuck in a five-year winter, but there's got to be a scientific explanation for that. They're more concerned with working hard to send money back to the family farm than with whether there's a goddess out there who could put a stop to it. Knox has been trapped in the human realm for years. In service to a powerful witch for a decade, Knox is finally freed when her crossroads deal meets its terms. But Knox isn't sure he wants to return to the Other World, especially since his queen seems to have abandoned him. When a chance encounter finds Ellery coming to Knox's rescue, they're suddenly face to face with a (annoyingly attractive) guy who claims to be a supernatural familiar – something they definitely don't believe. But Ellery needs a way to stop the endless winter and save his family farm, and Knox needs a human who can tether him to their realm. A crossroads deal can't go wrong, can it?

**Categories:** [LGBTQIA](#), [Romance](#), [Fantasy](#)

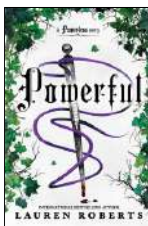


#### 47. PAST PRESENT FUTURE

Rachel Lynn Solomon | Paperback | Age 16+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

They fell for each other in just twenty-four hours. Now Rowan and Neil embark on a long-distance relationship during their first year of college in this romantic, dual POV sequel to Today Tonight Tomorrow. When longtime rivals Rowan Roth and Neil McNair confessed their feelings on the last day of senior year, they knew they'd only have a couple months together before they left for college. Now summer is over, and they're determined to make their relationship work as they begin school in different places.

**Categories:** [Romance](#), [Love](#), [Relationships](#)

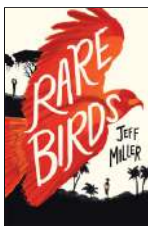


#### 48. POWERFUL POWERLESS TRILOGY

Lauren Roberts | Paperback | Age 16+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Adena and Paedyn have always been inseparable. Fate brought them together when they were young, but friendship ensured they'd always protect each other and the home they built in the slums of Loot. But now Paedyn – an Ordinary – has been selected for The Purging Trials, which means almost certain death. Now alone in Loot, Adena must fend for herself. After attempting to steal, it's a mysterious man from the market who comes to her rescue. Mak's shadowy past and secretive power set him apart from the other low-level Elites of Loot. And as the pair team up to see their loved ones before the Trials begin, the quest tests their loyalty, their love, and their lives...

**Categories:** [Dystopian](#)



#### 49. RARE BIRDS

Jeff Miller | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Twelve-year-old Graham Dodds is no stranger to hospital waiting rooms. Sometimes, he feels like his entire life is one big waiting room. Waiting for the next doctor to tell them what's wrong with his mum. Waiting to find out what city they're moving to next. Waiting to see if they will finally get their miracle – a heart transplant to save his mom's life. When Graham gets stuck in Florida for the summer, he meets a girl named Lou at the hospital, and he finds a friend who needs a distraction as much as he does. She tells him about a contest to find the endangered Snail Kite, which resides in the local gator-filled swamps. Together they embark on an adventure, searching for the rare bird...and along the way, Graham might just find something else – himself.



#### 50. REAPPEARANCE OF RACHEL PRICE, THE

Holly Jackson | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

18-year-old Bel has lived her whole life in the shadow of her mom's mysterious disappearance. Sixteen years ago, Rachel Price vanished and young Bel was the only witness. Rachel is gone, presumed dead. The case is dragged up from the past when the Price family agree to a true crime documentary. Bel can't wait for filming to end, for life to go back to normal. But then Rachel Price reappears, and life will never be normal again . . .

**Categories:** [Thriller](#), [Mystery](#), [Disappearance](#)



## 51. REVENANT GAMES, THE

Margie Fuston | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Blood is survival in Bly's world – any human can compete in the Revenant Games, an annual fight to the death between witches and vampires. The prize: resurrection or immortality. But Bly didn't bargain on her mortal enemy, a vicious vampire, being able to steal her heart.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#)



## 52. SEVEN MILLION SUNFLOWERS

Malcolm Duffy | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

Escaping war is only half the battle as the Kovalenko family swap Ukrainian dangers for life with a British family. 15-year-old Kateryno and her family live in Kharkiv. Their lives are shattered when on February 24th 2022 the Russian army invades. Their apartment block is struck by a missile. After weeks living in their basement, Kateryno, her mother, and brother, decide to leave, joining seven million Ukrainian refugees. They come to England and meet their host family, the Hawkins. But their new beginning brings a whole new set of problems.

**Categories:** [War Stories](#), [Refugees](#), [Ukraine](#)



## 53. SIREN, THE SONG AND THE SPY, THE

Maggie Tokuda-Hall | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

By sinking a fleet of Imperial Warships, the Pirate Supreme and their resistance fighters have struck a massive blow against the Emperor. Now allies from across the empire are readying themselves, hoping against hope to bring about the end of the conquerors' rule and the rebirth of the Sea. But trust and truth are hard to come by in this complex world of mermaids, spies, warriors, and aristocrats. Who will Genevieve – lavishly dressed but washed up, half dead, on the Wariuta island shore – turn out to be? Is warrior Koa's kindness towards her admirable, or is his sister Kaia's sharp suspicion wiser? And back in the capital, will pirate-spy Alfie really betray the Imperials who have shown him affection, especially when a duplicitous senator reveals he would like nothing better? Meanwhile, the Sea is losing more and more of herself as her daughters continue to be brutally hunted, and the Empire continues to expand through profits made from their blood. The threads of time, a web of schemes, shifting loyalties, and blossoming identities converge in this story of unlikely young allies trying to forge a new and better world.



## 54. SIRENS

Braden Cawthon | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Joel Walker wakes up to a world suddenly and frighteningly changed. In the wake of a massive power outage, an otherworldly siren begins to blare, changing all that listen to it for too long in frightening ways. Desperate to find his mother and little sister, Joel will have to survive in a world that is coming apart at its seams

**Categories:** [Apocalypse](#)



## 55. SIX MORE MONTHS OF JUNE

Daisy Garrison | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Mina has a stern face, long braid, and an attitude that has only got worse since her dad died. Caplan is the golden boy, complete with a vast social circle and an on-again/off-again girlfriend who hates Mina's guts. They're neighbours and somehow, despite all their differences, have always understood each other the most. But then in the last few weeks of high school, everything turns on its head. It's a shock when Caplan's best-friend Quinn confesses he wants to take Mina to the prom. It's an even bigger shock when she says yes. With the social hierarchy out the window and everybody on the brink of a new beginning, Mina finds herself opening up in ways she was too anxious to before. It turns out, everyone thinks she's pretty cool. But just because Mina's relationship with the world is changing, it doesn't mean anything has to change between her and Caplan's relationship. . . right?

**Categories:** [Relationships](#), [Romance](#)



## 56. SOMEONE IS ALWAYS WATCHING

Kelley Armstrong | Paperback | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Blythe and her friends – Gabrielle, and brother and sister Tucker and Tanya – have always been a tight friend group, attending a local high school and falling in and out of love with each other. But an act of violence has caused a rift between Blythe and Tucker . . . and unexpected bursts of aggression and disturbing nightmares have started to become more frequent in their lives. The strange happenings culminate in a shocking event at school– Gabrielle is found covered in blood in front of their deceased principal, with no memory of what happened. Cracks in their friendship, as well as in their own memories, start appearing, threatening to expose long-forgotten secrets which could change the group's lives forever. How can Blythe and her friends trust each other when they can't even trust their own memories?

**Categories:** [Psychological Thriller](#), [Suspense](#), [Friendship](#), [Trust](#)

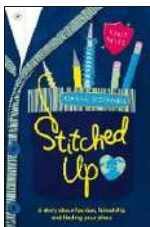


## 57. **SOUND THE GONG** KINGDOM OF THREE

Joan He | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$24.99** | **School Price \$22.50**

All her life, Zephyr has tried to rise above her humble origins as a no-name orphan. Now she is a god in a warrior's body, and she has never felt more powerless. Her lordess, Xin Ren, holds the Westlands, but her position is tenuous. In the north, the empress remains under Miasma's thumb. In the south, the alliance with Cicada is in pieces. Fate also seems to have a different winner in mind for the three kingdoms, but Zephyr has no intentions of respecting it. She will pay any price to see Ren succeed—and she will make her enemies pay, especially one dark-haired, dark-eyed Crow. What she'll do when she finds out the truth—that he worked for the South all along... Only the heavens know.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#)



## 58. **STITCHED UP**

Joanne O'Connell | Paperback | Age 12+ | **RRP \$16.99** | **School Price \$15.30**

Cassie has a passion for fashion so when the opportunity to redesign her school uniform comes up Cassie is thrilled. The only problem? She's stuck between eco-conscious Fern and label-loving Azra. As the competition heats up, Cassie joins The KnitWits – a local knitting group that immediately makes Cassie feel at home, especially once she sees that it's secretly attended by the coolest girl at school. As Cassie's skills grow, she has to learn to balance Azra's obsession with trends with her own love of sustainable fashion. But will the pressure cause the ultimate bestie break-up?

**Categories:** [School Stories](#), [Friendship](#), [Fashion](#)



## 59. **TELL ME WHAT REALLY HAPPENED**

Chelsea Sedoti | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

There are stories about the woods around Salvation Creek, about the people who have gone missing. Now their friend is one of them. A riveting, fast-paced YA mystery told entirely through first person police interviews of four teens over the course of a few hours. It was all her idea. They would get away from their parents and spend the weekend camping. Down by Salvation Creek, the five of them would make smores, steal kisses, share secrets. But sometime around midnight, she vanished. Now the four friends who came back are under suspicion—and they each have a very different story to tell about what happened in the woods. The clock is ticking. What are they hiding? Who is lying? Dark truths must come to light if their friend is to be found... Told entirely through first-person police interviews, this riveting mystery asks— what really happened that night?

**Categories:** [Mystery](#), [Crime](#), [Missing Person](#), [Police Procedural](#)



## 60. **THAT SELF-SAME METAL**

Brittany N. Williams | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Sixteen-year-old Joan Sands is a gifted craftswoman who creates and upkeeps the stage blades for William Shakespeare's acting company, The King's Men. Joan's skill with her blades comes from a magical ability to control metal—an ability gifted by her Head Orisha, Ogun. Because her whole family is Orisha-blessed, the Sands family have always kept tabs on the Fae presence in London. Usually that doesn't involve much except noting the faint glow around a Fae's body as they try to blend in with London society, but lately, there has been an uptick in brutal Fae attacks. After Joan wounds a powerful Fae and saves the son of a cruel Lord, she is drawn into political intrigue in the human and Fae worlds. A sweeping YA fantasy trilogy debut, placing black queerness at the centre of Shakespearean London. Perfect for fans of Holly Black, Leigh Bardugo and J. Elle.

**Categories:** [Fantasy](#)



## 61. **THE THINGS WE LEAVE BEHIND, THE**

Clare Furniss | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Civil unrest in London has reached an all-time high after years of a growing authoritarian regime, and it's no longer safe for Clem and her half-sister Billie in the city. Clem tells of their treacherous journey to Scotland, by road and then by sea, fleeing with nothing but a notebook filled with stories and memories of home. But is there something Clem's not saying? And how will this journey – and the sisters' story – end? With the start of a new life? Or a mirror held up to the past?

**Categories:** [Dystopian](#), [Futuristic](#), [Refugees](#)



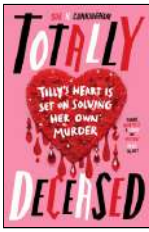
## 62. **THOSE WE DROWN**

Amy Goldsmith | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

When Liv lands an all-expenses-paid opportunity to study aboard the luxury cruise ship the Eos for a semester, she can't believe her luck. Especially since it will offer her the chance to spend time with Will, her ex-best friend, who's barely spoken to her since the night their relationship changed forever. But as soon as she steps on board, Liv realizes just how out of her depth she is. With Will, with the rest of the Seamester students – including the brittle and beautiful Constantine, who may be hiding his own ties to the Eos – and most of all, with the Sirens, three glamorous and mysterious influencers who seem to have the run of the ship. Liv quickly discovers that the only reason she was invited to join the trip is because another girl disappeared shortly after enrolling—and no one seems to know what happened to her. When further disappearances rock the ship and strange creatures begin haunting Liv's dreams, she wonders: Is the Eos hiding a dark secret within its shadowy decks?

**Categories:** [Mythology](#), [Greek](#), [Fantasy](#), [Horror](#)



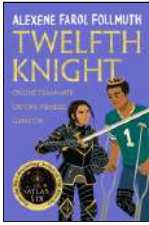


### 63. TOTALLY DECEASED

[Sue H Cunningham](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

Seventeen-year-old Jess is recovering from an emergency heart transplant only to realise she is being haunted by the disgruntled ghost of her donor, Tilly. Tilly is determined there is more to her death than meets the eye and insists that she won't stop haunting Jess until she helps solve her own murder. Their investigations take them via a Swiss bank, several five-star hotels, glitzy parties and some seriously high-end fashion boutiques ... But where do the clues lead, and will they solve the mystery of Tilly's death? More importantly, will Tilly rest and leave Jess alone if they do?

**Categories:** [Murder](#), [Mystery](#)



### 64. TWELFTH NIGHT

[Alexene Farol Follmuth](#) | Paperback | Age 13+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Viola Reyes is annoyed. Her painstakingly crafted tabletop game campaign was shot down, her best friend is suggesting she try being more "likable," and school runningback Jack Orsino is the most lackadaisical Student Body President she's ever seen, which makes her job as VP that much harder. Vi's favorite escape from the world is the MMORPG Twelfth Knight, but online spaces aren't exactly kind to girls like her, so Vi creates a masculine alter ego, choosing to play as a knight named Cesario to create a safe haven for herself. But when a football injury leads Jack Orsino to the world of Twelfth Knight, Vi is alarmed to discover their online alter egos are surprisingly well-matched.

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### 65. WHAT'S MURDER BETWEEN FRIENDS

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The last thing Hallie and her drama classmates expect to find on a high school scavenger hunt is a dead body. In a town with a population of about thirty-six, no one has experience with murder investigations, but now everyone's asking who killed Ms Lovelace. The drama kids thought they were the only people nerdy enough to be at school on a Sunday. When they learn that Adam Tolentino, football star, drama-club nemesis and the cutest boy in school, was there too, Hallie is given the task of finding out what he knows but she soon learns there's more to Adam than meets the eye.

**Categories:** [Murder](#), [Mystery](#), [Humour](#), [School](#)



### 66. WHERE SLEEPING GIRLS LIE

[Faridah Abike-iyimide](#) | Paperback | Age 15+ | **RRP \$19.99** | **School Price \$18.00**

This was a mistake, the voice in her head whispered. You should never have come... Sade Hussein is the new girl at the prestigious Alfred Nobel Academy. She has no idea what to expect of her mysterious new boarding school - an institution steeped in tradition and secrets. But she certainly didn't imagine her roommate, Elizabeth, to go missing on her first night. Or for people to think Sade had something to do with it. Suddenly everyone is talking about Sade, including the Unholy Trinity: the three most popular girls at school. Swept up in their circle, Sade can't shake the sense that there's more to Elizabeth's disappearance - especially as the teachers don't seem to care. And then a student is found dead. It's clear there's more to Alfred Nobel Academy and its students than Sade could have imagined - and she must race to uncover the truth. But secrets lurk around every corner and beneath every surface...secrets that rival even her own.

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### 67. WITH A LITTLE LUCK

[Marissa Meyer](#) | Paperback | Age 14+ | **RRP \$22.99** | **School Price \$20.70**

Jude is determined to fly under the radar. He just wants to draw his comics, host regular D&D nights with his friends, work at his parents' vinyl record store, and escape high school as unscathed as possible. That is, until the night he comes across a mysterious twenty-sided dice and finds himself inexplicably gifted with a bout of supernatural good luck. Suddenly, everything Jude has ever wanted is within reach. His first art submission is accepted to his favourite fanzine. He helps his friend's song become a finalist in a songwriting competition. And he's the 100th caller to a local radio contest, winning him a pair of coveted concert tickets, which he uses to ask out the popular girl he's been crushing on. For a few blissful weeks, he feels invincible. But when he loses the magic dice at a local music festival, his luck takes a turn for the worse. He struggles to reclaim his good fortune while fighting off long-buried feelings for his best friend - who is definitely not the girl he's supposed to be in love with. Can Jude risk stepping into the spotlight long enough to win the true girl of his dreams? Or is he doomed to be unlucky in love forever?

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### 68. WORK IT, LARA BLOOM

[Dee Benson](#) | Paperback | **RRP \$17.99** | **School Price \$16.20**

When Lara's school announces a young business competition, her friends are buzzing with ideas. But Lara's focus is on her football training - this is her big chance to take her playing to the next level! As Lara and her friends set their sights on the prize, can she figure out a way to balance everything and have fun? Certain people seem to be taking pleasure in watching Lara struggle to keep her cool . . . If Lara is going to achieve her dreams, she's going to have to work it!

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