

MG/YA Novels as Mirrors, Maps, and Windows:
Issues & Challenges in Adolescent Life (Grades 4-12)

RELATIONSHIPS

Family Relationships

- Creech, Sarah - *Walk Two Moons*
Weeks, Sarah - *So Be It* (mentally-disabled mother)
Alexander, Kwame - *The Crossover* (twins' relationship)
Paterson, Katherine - *The Great Gilly Hopkins* (foster child)
Anderson, Laurie Halse - *The Impossible Knife of Memory*
Paterson, Katherine - *Park's Quest*
Paterson, Katherine - *Preacher's Boy*
Johnson, Angela - *The First Part Last* (adolescent male parent raising baby)
Piccolt, Jodi - *My Sister's Keeper* (emancipation; donor for sister)
Ryan, Pam Munoz - *Becoming Naomi Leon*
Sarah Crossan - *Apple and Rain* (abandonment)
Alexander, Kawame - *Booked* (parent separation)
Testa, Maria - *Becoming Joe DiMaggio* (incarcerated father; raised by grandfather)
Holt, K.A. - *House Arrest* (brother with severe medical issues)
Lord, Cynthia - *Rules* (autism; physical disabilities; Peer Relationships)
Hunt, Lynda Mullaly - *One for the Murphys* (foster child)
Jensen, Cordelia - *Skyscraping* (gay father with AIDS, peer relationships, identity)
Crossan, Sarah - *The Weight of Water* (parent abandonment)
King, A.S. - *Still Life with Tornado*
Crossan, Sarah - *One #*
Burg, Ann E. - *All the Broken Pieces* (foster child)
Knowles, Jo - *Still a Work in Progress*
Woodson, Jacqueline - *If You Come Softly* [see also Racism & Adversity]
Woodson, Jacqueline - *The House You Pass on the Way* [see also LBGQTQ]
Erskine, Kathy - *Quaking* [see also Facing Adversity]
Swartz, Elly - *Smart Cookie*
Sonnichsen, A.L. - *Red Butterfly*
Stead, Rebecca - *When You Reach Me*
Friend, Natasha - *The Other F Word*
LaMarche, Una - *Don't Fail Me Now #*
Voight, Cynthia - *Building Blocks*
Connor, Leslie - *All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook* (incarcerated mother)
Baskin, Nora Raleigh - *Nine, Ten: A September 11 Story* [see also Trauma & Loss]
Rogers, Tom - *Eleven* [see also Trauma & Loss]
Crowder, Melanie - *Three Pennies* (foster child)
Erskine, Kathy - *The Incredible Magic of Being*
Reynolds, Jason - *Patina*
Stork, Francisco X. - *Disappeared* [see also Moral Dilemmas]
Harmon, Michael - *The Last Exit to Normal* [see also Loss] (gay father)
Benway, Robin - *Far From the Tree* (adopted and foster half siblings)
Holt, K.A. - *Knock-Out*
Baskin, Nora Raleigh - *Basketball (or Something Like It)* [see also Peer Relationships]
Schmidt, Gary D. - *Orbiting Jupiter* (foster teen parent)
Phillips, Linda Vigen - *Crazy* (mother with bipolar disorder)
Choldenko, Gennifer - *Al Capone Throws Me a Curve* (sister with Autism)
Atkinson, Mary - *Tillie Heart and Soul* (mother in rehab)
Varnes, Allison - *Property of the Rebel Librarian* (parents banning books)
Shull, Megan - *The Swap* (bullying) {see also Bullying}
Crowder, Melanie - *The Lighthouse Between the World*

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Youth is the seed
time of good

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~~spirit~~
Thomas Paine
Lesson
I. 60 Crossing
Selma Bridge.
LH Andrews
careful in use of language
1. self-liberation
vs running away
2. enslavement
instead of slavery

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Rich & Sandra Wallace
non-fiction
Blood Brother
story of Jonathan Daniel
civil rights movement in 1960s

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Rhuday-Perkovick, Olugbemisola and Audrey Vernick - *Two Naomis* (blended family; interracial relationship)
Magoon, Kekla - *The Season of Styx Malone* (foster child)
O'Connor, Barbara - *Wish* ("foster" child)
Abbott, Tony - *Denis Ever After*
Sloan, Holly Goldberg and Meg Wolitzer - *To Night Owl and Dogfish* (blended, extended family)

Peer Relationships

Grimes, Nikki - *Bronx Masquerade*
Zevin, Gabrielle - *Memoirs of a Teenage Amnesiac*
Peters, Julie Anne - *Define Normal*
Crutcher, Chris - *Whale Talk*
Crutcher, Chris - *Staying Fat for Sarah Byrne*
Howe, James - *The Misfits*
Howe, James - *Addie on the Inside* [see also Adversity]
Howe, James - *Also Known as Elvis*
Howe, James - *Totally Joe* [see also LBGQTQ]
Woodson, Jacqueline - *After Tupac and D. Foster*
Oates, Joyce Carol - *Big Mouth & Ugly Girl*
Wiviott, Meg - *Paper Hearts*
Woodson, Jacqueline - *I Hadn't Meant to Tell You This* (interracial relationship)
Chbosky, Stephen - *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* [see also Surviving Trauma]
Alire Saenz, Benjamin - *Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe* [see LGBT]
Mathieu, Jennifer - *Afterward*
Reynolds, Jason - *Ghost*
Dean, Carolee - *Take Me There* #
Lindstrom, Eric - *Not If I See You First* #
Friend, Natasha - *Where You'll Find Me*
Knowles, Jo - *Still a Work in Progress*
Lyga, Barry - *The Astonishing Adventures of Fanboy and Goth Girl* [see also Loss/Trauma]
Telgemeier, Raina - *Drama* [see also LBGQTQ]
Roe, Robin - *A List of Cages* [see also Loss/Trauma]
Magoon, Kekla - *Camo Girl* [see also Loss/Trauma]
Harmon, Michael - *Stick* [see also Loss/Trauma]
Stead, Rebecca - *Goodbye Stranger*
Wilhelm, Doug - *The Revealers* [see also Adversity-bullying]
Polisner, Gae - *The Pull of Gravity*
Fogelin, Adrian - *Crossing Jordan* [see also Racism]
Lyga, Barry - *Bang* [see also Loss/Trauma]
Warga, Jasmine - *My Heart and Other Black Holes* (suicide partners)
Grimes, Nikki - *Between the Lines* [also fits in every other category]
Buyea, Rob - *The Perfect Score* [see also Adversity]
Baskin, Nora Raleigh - *Basketball (or Something Like It)* [see also Family Relationships]
Connor, Leslie - *The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle* [see also Trauma/Loss]
Jensen, Cordelia and Morrison, Laurie - *Every Shiny Thing*
Sonnenblick, Jordan - *Falling Over Sideways* (parent—stroke)
Medina, Meg - *Merci Suarez Changes Gears* (grandfather—Alzheimers)
Woodson, Jacqueline - *Harbor Me* (immigration, ESL, incarcerated parent)
Kelly, Erin Entrada - *Hello, Universe*
Kelly, Lynne - *Song for a Whale* (isolation and belonging) [see also Facing Challenges]
Abbott, Tony - *Firegirl*

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Inter-Generational Relationships

- Sonnenblick, Jordan – *Notes from a Midnight Driver*
Sloan, Holly Goldberg - *Short*
Padian, Maria. *Out of Nowhere*. # [see also Facing Adversity]
Jacobson, Jennifer Richard – *The Dollar Kids* [see also Loss]

CONFRONTING RACISM, ADVERSITY & BULLYING

- Rawl, Paige – *Positive: A Memoir* * (HIV+ bullying)
Dean, Carolee – *Forget Me Not* (attempted suicide, bullying)#
Langan, Paul – *The Bully*
Reynolds, Jason and Kiely, Brendan – *All American Boys* (racism, police brutality)#
Lowery, Lynda – *Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom: My Story of the Selma Voting Rights March**
Hilton, Marilyn – *Full Cicada Moon* (racism; feminism)
Spinelli, Jerry – *Maniac Magee* (racism)
Muse Daphne, ed – *Prejudice, a Story Collection*
Fogelin, Adrian - *Crossing Jordan* (racism) [see also Peer Relationships]
Woodson, Jacqueline – *If You Come Softly* (interracial relationship, racism) [see also Relationships]
Ellis, Deborah and Walters, Eric – *Bifocal* (Islamophobia)
King, A.S. – *Still Life with Tornado* (domestic abuse, alienation)
Medina, Meg – *Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass* (bullying; mean girls)
Lyga, Barry – *The Astonishing Adventures of Fanboy and Goth Girl* (bullying)
Khan, Hena – *Amina's Voice* (Islamophobia)
Thomas, Angie - *The Hate U Give* # (police brutality, gangs) [see also Loss/Trauma]
Magoon, Kekla- *How It Went Down* # (shooting of black teen by white adult) [see also Moral Dilemmas]
Erskine, Kathy — *Quaking* (bullying; anti-pacifism) [see also Family Relationships & Trauma]
Abdel_Fattah, Randa - *Lines We Cross* # (Islamophobia)
Sonnenblick, Jordan – *The Secret Sheriff of Sixth Grade* (bullying)
Crossan, Sarah and Conaghan, Brian – *We Come Apart* # (bullying, racism, domestic abuse)
Peters, Julie Anne – *By the Time You Read This, I'll Be Dead* # (bullying, sexual abuse, suicide attempt)
Wilhelm, Doug – *The Revealers* (bullying) [see also Peer Relationships]
Howe, James – *Addie on the Inside* (bullying) [see also Peer Relationships]
Harmon, Michael – *Stick* (bullying) [see also Surviving Loss & Trauma and Relationships]
Magoon, Kekla – *Camo Girl* (father's death; father's PTSD; father's leaving; homelessness; bullying)
[see also Peer Relationships]
Erskine, Kathy – *Seeing Red* (racism)
Weeks, Sarah and Varadarajan, Gita – *Save Me a Seat* (bullying)
Cerra, Kerry O'Malley – *Just a Drop of Water* (bullying; Islamaphobia)
Thompson, Holly – *Orchards* (bullying; bipolar disease)
Padian, Maria. *Out of Nowhere*. # (Islamophobia) [see also Peer Relationships]
Buyea, Rob – *The Perfect Score* (bullying) [see also Peer Relationships]
Korman, Gordon — *Restart* (bullying)
Mathieu, Jennifer — *Moxie* (feminism; sexual harassment)
Stone, Nic – *Dear Martin* (racism; police brutality)
Messner, Kate – *Breakout* (racism)
Easton, T.S. - *Boys Don't Knit (in Public)* (gender stereotypes, bullying) #
Stewart, Elizabeth - *Blue Gold* (Congo conflict, Chinese factory, peer pressure)
Myers, Walter Dean - *Bad Boy** (street life)
Davis, Sampson and George Jenkins, et al. - *We Beat the Streets* * (street life)
Crowder, Melanie – *Audacity* (historical fiction-garment district factory workers)
Thompson, Holly – *Falling into the Dragon's Mouth* (bullying)
Rhoads, Jewell Parker – *Ghost Boys* (racism)
Haston, Meg – *How to Rock Braces and Glasses* (bullying)
Shabazz, Ilyasha and Magoon, Kekla, X (racism) *#

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Morris, Chad & Shelly Brown – *Squint* (bullying, self-confidence)
Shull, Megan – *The Swap* (bullying) [see also Family Relationships]
Baskin, Nora Raleigh – *Runt* (bullying and bullies)
Yang, Kelly – *Front Desk* (racism, bullying) [See also Contemporary Immigrant Experience]

LBGTQ Issues (In many cases, could also be listed under Peer Relationships and/or Trauma)

Peters, Julie Ann – *Luna* (T)
Howe, James – *Totally Joe* (G)
Wittlinger, Ellen – *Parrotfish* (T)
Ness, Patrick, *The Rest of Us Just Live Here* (G)
Hartinger, Brent – *The Geography Club* (G)
Garden, Nancy – *Annie on My Mind* (L)
Gino, Alex - *George* (T)
Cron-Mills, Kirsti - *Beautiful Music for Ugly Children* (T)
Wright, Bill – *Putting Makeup on the Fat Boy* (G)
Polonsky, Ami – *Gracefully Grayson* (T)
Gephart, Donna - *Lily and Dunkin'* (T) [see also Challenges-mental illness]
Russo, Meredith – *If I Was Your Girl* (T) #
Garvin, Jeff – *Symptoms of Being Human* (Q, gender fluidity) #
Clark, Kristin Elizabeth - *Freak Boy* (Q, gender fluidity)
Rainfield, Cheryl – *Scars* (L) [see also Loss/Trauma]
Peck, Richard – *The Best Man* (G)
Woodson, Jacqueline – *The House You Pass on the Way* (G) [see also Family Relationships]
Telgemeier, Raina – *Drama* [see also Peer Relationships]
Hopkins, Ellen – *Perfect* (L) [see also Difference & Challenges and Identity]
Gregorio, I.W. – *None of the Above* # (intersex)
Thrash, Maggie – *Honor Girl: A Graphic Memoir* * (L)
Slater, Dashka - *The 57 Bus* (nonbinary gender; hate crime) #
Murphy, Julie – *Ramona Blue* (Q, sexual fluidity)

FACING CHALLENGES, MENTAL ILLNESS, PHYSICAL DISABILITIES & NEORUDIVERSITY

Weeks, Sarah - *So Be It* (mentally-disabled parent)
Draper, Sharon – *Out of My Mind* (CP)
Hunt, Lynda Mullaly – *Fish in a Tree* (dyslexia)
Bell, Cece – *El Deafo* (hearing loss)
Truesdale, Terry - *Stuck in Neutral* and *Cruise Control* (severe CP)
Abeel, Samantha – *My Thirteenth Winter** (dyscalculia)
Taylor, Blake E.S. - *ADHD and Me: What I Learned from Lighting Fires at the Dinner Table* *
Rhodes-Courter, Ashley – *Three Little Words: A Memoir* * (homelessness)
Voight, Cynthia – *Izzy Willy-Nilly* (amputation)
Hamilton, Bethany – *Soul Surfer* * (amputation)
Wheatley, Sharon– *'Til the Fat Girl Sings: From an Overweight Nobody to a Broadway Somebody* *
Murphy, Julie - *Dumplin'* (body image)
Ellis, Deborah – *No Ordinary Day* (poverty/leprosy)
Ellis, Deborah – *I Am a Taxi* (incarcerated parents, cocaine slavery)
Burg, Anne E. – *Serafina's Promise* (poverty)
Jacobson, Jennifer Richard – *Paper Things* (homelessness)
Ayarbe, Heidi – *Compromised* (foster system, homelessness, Family and Peer Relationships)##
Olson, Gretchen – *Call Me Hope* (verbal abuse)
Walters, Eric – *Sketches* (homelessness, sexual abuse)
Gemeinhart, Dan - *The Honest Truth* (reoccurring cancer)
Reichardt, Marisa - *Underwater* (school shooting, mental illness, parent with PTSD)
Friend, Natasha – *Perfect* (anorexia)

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- Anderson, Laurie Halse – *Wintergirls* (anorexia and peer death)
Gottlieb, Lori – *Stick Figure: A Diary of My Former Self* * (anorexia)
Runyon, Brent – *The Burn Journals* * (attempted suicide)
Stork, Francisco X. – *The Memory of Light* (attempted suicide, mental illness)
Stork, Francisco X. — *Marcelo in the Real World* (autism)
Anderson, Laurie Halse – *The Impossible Knife of Memory* (father with PTSD)
Sones, Sonya – *Stop Pretending: What Happened When My Big Sister Went Crazy** (mental illness)
Sones, Sonya – *Saving Red* (mental illness, homelessness)
Dean, Carolee – *Comfort* (alcoholism, incarcerated parent, poverty, physical abuse, teen pregnancy)
Yoon, Nicola - *Everything, Everything* (parental mental illness, rare disease)
Gephart, Donna - *Lily and Dunkin* (Bipolar disorder) {see also LBGTQ}
Hoffmeister, Peter Brown – *This is the Part Where You Laugh* #
Friend, Natasha – *Where You'll Find Me* (parent with Bipolar disorder) [see also Relationships]
Gerber, Alyson – *Braced* (scoliosis)
Swartz, Elly – *Finding Perfect* (OCD)
Toten, Teresa - *The Unlikely Hero of Room 13B* (OCD)
Stone, Tamara Ireland - *Every Last Word* (OCD)
Flake, Sharon – *Money Hungry* (poverty)
Palacio, R.J. - *Wonder* (physical difference)
Messner, Kate – *The Seventh Wish* (sister's addiction)
Knowles, Jo – *Still a Work in Progress* (sister's anorexia)
Hopkins, Ellen – *Perfect* (suicide, anorexia, steroids, body image) [see also LBGT]
Miller-Lachmann, Lynn – *Rogue* [Asperger's Syndrome]
Green, John – *Turtles All the Way Down* (acute anxiety)
Levithan, David – *Every Day*
Venkatraman, Padma – *A Time to Dance* (amputation)
Baskin, Nora Raleigh – *Anything But Typical* (autism)
Baskin, Nora Raleigh – *Ruby on the Outside* (incarcerated parent)
Messner, Kate – *The Exact Location of Home* (homelessness, incarcerated parent)
Terry, Ellie – *Forget Me Not* (Tourette syndrome)
Jensen, Cordelia – *The Way the Light Bends* (learning differences)
Pla, Sally - *The Someday Birds* (Autism spectrum)
Walton, Julia – *Words on Bathroom Walls* (schizophrenia)
McAnulty, Stacy – *The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl* (acquired savant syndrome)
Peete, Holly Robinson – *Same But Different: Teen Life on the Autism Express* (autism)
Lambert, Mary E. - *Family Game Night and Other Catastrophes* (parent with Hoarder Disorder)
Morris, Chad and Brown, Shelly – *Moustaches for Maddie* (brain tumor)
Respicio, Mae – *The House That Lou Built* [see also Culture]
Friend, Natasha – *How We Roll* (alopecia, autism, and bilateral amputee)
Kelly, Lynne – *Song for a Whale* (Deaf characters) [see also Peer Relationships]
Shepherd, Gail – *The True History of Lyndie B. Hawkins* (PTSD parent; foster child)
Abbott, Tony – *The Great Jeff* (homelessness; alcoholism)
Nielsen, Susin – *No Fixed Address* (homelessness)
Gerber, Alyson – *Focused* (ADHD)
Panteleakos, Nicole - *Planet Earth is Blue* (autism)

SURVIVING LOSS/TRAUMA AND RESILIENCE

- McCormick, Patricia – *Sold* (sex trafficking)
Anderson, Laurie Halse - *Speak* (rape)
Green, John – *The Fault in Our Stars* (cancer)
Erskine, Kathryn - *Mockingbird* (brother's death)
Sloan, Holly Goldberg – *Counting by 7's* (parents' deaths)

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- Woodson, Jacqueline - *Locomotion* (mother's death – foster care)
Reynolds, Jason – *The Boy in the Black Suit* (death of mother)
Benjamin, Ali - *The Thing about Jellyfish* (death of friend)
Leaver, Trisha - *The Secrets We Keep* (twin sister's death)
Niven, Jennifer - *All the Bright Places* (sister's death; attempted suicide)
Koertge, Ron – *Coaltown Jesus* (brother's death)
Dooley, Sarah – *Free Verse* (brother/guardian's death)
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- Quick, Matt – *Boy21* (parent deaths)
Blount, Patty - *Some Boys #* (rape; bullying)
Yousafzai, Malala and Patricia McCormick - *I am Malala* *
Woodson, Jacqueline – *Miracle's Boys* (mother's death; Family Relationships)
Bryant, Jen – *Pieces of Georgia* (mother's death, poverty)
Polisner, Gae - *The Memory of Things* (9/11; amnesia)
Terri Fields - *After the Death of Anna Gonzales* (classmate's death)
Mathieu, Jennifer – *Afterward* (kidnapping, sexual assault) #
Rainfield, Cheryl – *Scars* (sexual abuse, cutting, alcoholic parent) # [see also LBGTOQ]
Lyga, Barry – *Boy Toy* (sexual abuse) #
Lyga, Barry – *The Astonishing Adventures of Fanboy and Goth Girl* (mother's death; suicide attempt)
Thomas, Angie - *The Hate U Give* # (police brutality; gangs) [see also Adversity & Racism]
Reynolds, Jason – *Ghost* (trauma)
Voight, Cynthia – *Izzy Willy-Nilly* (amputation)
Roe, Robin - *A List of Cages* (parents' death; abuse) # [see also Peer Relationships]
Warga, Jasmine – *My Heart and Other Black Holes* (suicide) [see also Family Relationships]
Erskine, Kathy — *Quaking* (child abuse) [see also Family Relationships & Confronting Adversity]
Swartz, Elly – *Smart Cookie* (mother's death) [see also Family Relationships]
Harmon, Michael – *Stick* (parent's death) [see also Peer Relationships and Adversity]
Chbosky, Stephen - *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* (abuse) [see also Peer Relationships]
Rhodes, Jewell Parker — *Towers Falling* (effects of 9/11; poverty; homelessness)
Lyga, Barry – *Bang* # (sibling shooting; suicide) [see also Peer Relationships]
Warga, Jasmine – *My Heart and Other Black Holes* (suicide) [see also Peer Relationships]
Polisner, Gae – *The Summer of Letting Go* (sibling death)
Rhodes, Jewell Parker – *Ninth Ward* (Hurricane Katrina)
Mills, Wendy – *All We Have Left* (9/11)
Baskin, Nora Raleigh – *Nine, Ten: A September 11 Story* [see also Family Relationships]
Rogers, Tom – *Eleven* (9/11) [see also Family Relationships]
Krossing, Karen – *Punch Like a Girl* (sexual assault)
Lowitz, Leza – *Up From the Sea* (tsunami)
Mills, Wendy – *All We Have Left* (9/11)
Cerra, Kerry O'Malley – *Just a Drop of Water* (9/11) [see Adversity]
Harmon, Michael – *The Last Exit to Normal* (abuse, mothers who leave) [See also Family Relationships]
Maynard, Joyce - *The Usual Rules* (9/11; mother's death)
Connor, Leslie – *The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle* (friend's death; bullying) [see also Peer Relationships]
Johnston, E.K. – *Exit, Pursued by a Bear* # (rape)
Jacobson, Jennifer Richard – *The Dollar Kids* (friend's death) [see also Peer Relationships]
Frost, Helen – *Hidden* (kidnapping)
Jacobson, Jennifer Richard – *Small Like an Elephant* (parental abandonment)
Zarr, Sara – *Gem & Dixie* (parental neglect) #
Woodson, Jacqueline – *Behind You* (loss)
Gephart, Donna - *In Your Shoes* (parent and grandparent loss)
Alexander, Kwame – *Rebound* (loss of father)
- Surviving Contemporary War & Genocide**
Park, Linda Sue – *A Long Walk to Water* (Sudanese genocide)
Mikaelsen, Ben - *Tree Girl* (Guatemalan genocide)

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Beah, Ishmael – *Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier* * (Sierra Leone civil war)
Chikwanine, Michel/Humphries, Jessica Dee—*Child Soldier: When Boys & Girls Are Used in War*
Nagai, Mariko - *Dust of Eden* (Japanese internment camp)
Gratz, Alan – *Refugee* (Nazi Germany, 1994 Cuba, 2015 Syria)
Stine, Catherine – *Refugees* (9/11, Afghanistan)
Paterson, Katherine – *The Day of the Pelican* (Kosovo; 9/11)

SOCIETY & MORAL DILEMMAS

Myers, Walter Dean – *Monster*
Myers, Walter Dean – *Autobiography of My Dead Brother*
Myers, Walter Dean – *Scorpions*
Myers, Walter Dean – *Shooter*
Myers, Walter Dean – *Hoops*
Hinton, S.E. – *The Outsiders*
Neri, G. - *Yummy, Tales of Southside Shorty*
Woodson, Jacqueline - *Hush*
Paterson, Katherine - *Bread and Roses, Too*
Flinn, Alex - *Fade to Black*
Anderson, Laurie Halse – *Twisted*
Dean, Carolee – *Take Me There*
Mulligan, Andy - *Trash*
Budhos, Marina – *Watched*
Magoon, Kekla- *How It Went Down* #
Stork, Francisco X. *Disappeared* [see also Family Relationships]
Jackson, Tiffany D. – *Allegedly* # (abuse, parental neglect, infanticide)
Reynolds, Jason – *Long Way Down*
Varnes, Allison – *Property of the Rebel Librarian* (school library book banning)

CULTURE & THE CONTEMPORARY IMMIGRANT/REFUGEE EXPERIENCE

Fleischman, Paul - *Seedfolks*
Alexie, Sherman – *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*
Ryan, Pam Munoz - *Esperanza Rising* (Mexico)
Kadohata, Cynthia – *Kira-Kira*
Applegate, Kathryn - *Home of the Brave* (Africa)
Satrapi, Marjane – *Persepolis**
Crew, Linda – *Children of the River*
Paulsen, Gary – *The Crossing* (Mexico)
Burg, Ann E. – *All the Broken Pieces* (Vietnam)
Lai, Thanhha – *Inside Out and Back Again* (Vietnam)
Budhos, Marina – *Watched*
Yoon, Nicole – *The Sun Is Also a Star* #
Miller-Lachman, Lyn – *Gringolandia* # (Chile)
Crossan, Sarah – *The Weight of Water* (immigration)
Ahmed, Samira – *Love, Hate & Other Filters* (Indian-American Muslim)
Perkins, Mitali – *Open Mic: Riffs on Life Between Cultures in Ten Voice*
Respicio, Mae – *The House That Lou Built* (Filipino culture)
Yang, Kelly – *Front Desk* (Chinese immigrants) [See also Racism, Adversity & Bullying]

IDENTITY & SELF-DISCOVERY

Murdock, Catherine Gilbert - *Dairy Queen*
Spinelli, Jerry - *Stargirl*
Sonnenblick, Jordan – *Zen and the Art of Faking It*
Spinelli, Jerry – *Knots in My Yo-Yo* *

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Woodson, Jacqueline - *Brown Girl Dreaming* *
The Freedom Writers – *The Freedom Writers' Diaries* *
Woodson, Jacqueline – *The House You Pass on the Way*
LaPena, Matthew – *Mexican White Boy*
Nelson, Marilyn – *American Ace*
Margarita Engle – *Enchanted Air* *
Flake, Sharon G. – *The Skin I'm In*
DePrince, Michela – *Taking Flight: From War Orphan to Star Ballerina* *
Holt, K.A. – *Rhyme Schemer*
Crossan, Sarah – *One* #
Nelson, Marilyn — *How I Discovered Poetry* *
Dean, Carolee — *Take Me There* # (incarcerated parent, dyslexia, incarcerated youth)
Howe, James – *Addie on the Inside*
Wolk, Lauren – *Wolf Hollow*
Reynolds, Jason - *Ghost*
Zevin, Gabrielle – *Memoirs of a Teenage Amnesiac*
Abdel-Fattah, Randa – *Does My Head Look Big in This?*
Nikki Grimes – *Garvey's Choice*
Hopkins, Ellen – *Perfect* [see also Difference & Challenges and LBGTQ]
Yousafzai, Malala — *I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Changed the World* *
Abeel, Samantha – *My Thirteenth Winter: A Memoir* *
Donwerth-Chikamatsu, Annie – *Somewhere Among*
Smith, Cynthia Leitich – *Rain Is Not My Indian Name*
Acevedo, Elizabeth—*The Poet X* #

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