

# Diversity- Teens

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**Abdel-Fattah, Randa**

***Lines We Cross***

**YA Abdel-Fattah, Randa\***

Every once in a while, Miachel's parents drag him to meetings and rallies with their anti-immigrant group. It all makes sense to him until Mina, a girl from the other side of the protest lines, shows up at his school.

**Albertalli, Becky**

***Simon vs the Homo Sapiens Agenda***

**YA Albertalli, Becky\***

When an email falls into the wrong hands, sixteen-year-old and not-so-openly gay Simon Spier is at risk of being thrust into the spotlight. He has to find a way to step out of his comfort zone without alienating his friends, compromising himself, or fumbling a shot at happiness with the most confusing, adorable guy he's never met.

**Alexander, Kwame**

***Crossover***

**YA Alexander, Kwame\***

Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health.

**Carleson, J. C.**

***The Tyrant's Daughter***

**YA Carleson, J. C.\***

**YA Audio Bk Carleson**

Exiled to the United States after her father, a Middle Eastern dictator, is killed in a coup, fifteen-year-old Laila must cope with a completely new way of life, the truth of her father's regime, and her family's ways of adjusting.

**Daniels, April**

***Dreadnought***

**YA Daniels, April**

*Nemesis #1*

Danny Tozer just inherited the powers of Dreadnought, the world's greatest superhero. Those secondhand powers transformed Danny's body into what she's always thought it should be. Now there's no hiding that she's a girl.

**Dimaline, Cherie**

***Marrow Thieves***

**YA Dimaline, Cherie**

In a future world ravaged by global warming, dreamlessness has led to widespread madness. The only people still able to dream are North America's indigenous population. Their marrow holds the cure for the rest of the world, but collecting it means death for the unwilling donors.

**Duyvis, Corinne**

***On the Edge of Gone***

**YA Duyvis, Corinne**

In Amsterdam in 2034, a comet is due to hit the Earth within the hour. Denise, who's sixteen years old and autistic, must try to find her missing sister and also help her neglectful, undependable mother safely aboard a spaceship.

**Garvin, Jeff**

***Symptoms of Being Human***

**YA Garvin, Jeff\***

Riley Cavanaugh is punk rock, snarky, rebellious, and gender fluid. Some days Riley identifies as a boy, and others as a girl, but Riley isn't exactly out yet. Between starting a new school and having a congressman father running for reelection in über-conservative Orange County, the pressure is building up in Riley's life.

**Gibney, Shannon**

***See No Color***

**YA Gibney, Shannon\***

Alex has always identified herself as a baseball player, the daughter of a winning coach, but when she realizes that is not enough she begins to come to terms with her adoption and her race.

**Giles, Gail**

***Girls Like Us***

**YA Giles, Gail\***

Quincy and Biddy are both graduates of their high school's special ed program, but they couldn't be more different. When they're thrown together as roommates in their first "real world" apartment, it initially seems to be an uneasy fit. But as Biddy's past resurfaces and Quincy faces a harrowing experience that no one should have to go through alone, the two of them realize that they might have more in common than they thought.

**Green, John**

***Turtles All the Way Down***

**YA Green, John\***

**YA Audio Bk Green**

**YA Playaway Green**

Sixteen-year-old Aza never intended to pursue the mystery of fugitive billionaire Russell Pickett, but there's a hundred-thousand-dollar reward at stake and her Best and Most Fearless Friend, Daisy, is eager to investigate. So together, they navigate the short distance and broad divides that separate them from Russell Pickett's son, Davis.

**Jennings, Jazz*****Being Jazz*****Biography Jennings,  
Jazz YA\***

Teen activist and trailblazer Jazz Jennings--named one of "The 25 most influential teens" of the year by Time--shares her very public transgender journey, as she inspires people to accept the differences in others while they embrace their own truths.

**Ireland, Justina*****Dread Nation*****YA Ireland, Justina\***

Jane McKeene was born two days before the dead began to walk the battlefields of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, changing the nation forever. In this new America, laws like the Native and Negro Education Act require certain children attend combat schools to learn to put down the dead. It's a chance for a better life for Negro girls like Jane. After all, not even being the daughter of a wealthy white Southern woman could save her from society's expectations.

**Leatherdale, Mary Beth*****#NotYourPrincess*****971.004 Not YA**

Presents an eclectic collection of poems, essays, interviews, and art that combine to express the experience of being a Native woman. Stories of abuse, humiliation, and stereotyping are countered by the voices of passionate women making themselves heard and demanding change.

**Lee, Mackenzi*****The Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue*****YA Lee, Mackenzi\******Montague Siblings #1***

Henry "Monty" Montague's quest for pleasures and vices have led to one last hedonistic hurrah as Monty, his best friend and crush Percy, and Monty's sister Felicity begin a Grand Tour of Europe. When a reckless decision turns their trip abroad into a harrowing manhunt, it calls into question everything Monty knows, including his relationship with the boy he adores.

**Mafi, Tahereh*****A Very Large Expanse of Sea*****YA Mafi, Tahereh\*****YA Audio Bk Mafi**

It's 2002, a year after 9/11. It's an extremely turbulent time politically, but especially so for someone like Shirin, a sixteen-year-old Muslim girl who's tired of being stereotyped. Shirin is tired of the rude stares, the degrading comments, even the physical violence, she endures as a result of her race, her religion, and the hijab she wears every day. But then she meets Ocean James. He's the first person in forever who really seems to want to get to know Shirin.

**McLemore, Anna-Marie*****When the Moon Was Ours*****YA McLemore, Anna-Marie\***

As their deep friendship turns to love, Latina teenager Miel, who grows roses from her wrist, and Italian-Pakistani Samir, a transgender boy, fear their secrets will be exposed by the beautiful Bonner girls, four sisters rumored to be witches.

**Menon, Sandhya*****When Dimple Met Rishi*****YA Menion, Sandhya\*****YA Audio Bk Menion**

With graduation behind Dimple Shah, she's more than ready for a break from her family and Mamma's obsession with her finding the "Ideal Indian Husband." Rishi Patel is a hopeless romantic. So when his parents tell him that his future wife will be attending the same summer program as him, he's totally on board. Because as silly as it sounds, Rishi believes in the power of tradition, stability, and being a part of something much bigger than himself.

**Murphy, Julie*****Ramona Blue*****YA Murphy, Julie\*****YA Audio Bk Murphy**

Ramona was only five years old when Hurricane Katrina changed her life forever. Since then, it's been Ramona and her family against the world. Standing over six feet tall with unmistakable blue hair, Ramona is sure of three things: she likes girls, she's fiercely devoted to her family, and she knows she's destined for something bigger than the trailer she calls home in Eulogy, Mississippi.

**Older, Daniel José*****Shadowshapers*****YA Older, Daniel José\*****YA Audio Bk Older**

When the murals painted on the walls of her Brooklyn neighborhood start to change and fade in front of her, Sierra Santiago realizes that something strange is going on--then she discovers her Puerto Rican family are shadowshapers and finds herself in a battle with an evil anthropologist for the lives of her family and friends.

**Patel, Sonia*****Rani Patel in Full Effect*****YA Patel, Sonia\***

Rani Patel, almost seventeen and living on remote Moloka'i island, is oppressed by the cultural norms of her Gujarati immigrant parents. But when Mark, an older man, draws her into new experiences, red flags abound.

**Perkins, Mitali**

***You Bring the Distant Near***

**YA Perkins, Mitali\***

From 1965 through the present, an Indian American family adjusts to life in New York City, alternately fending off and welcoming challenges to their own traditions.

**Quintero, Isabel**

***Gabi, a Girl in Pieces***

**YA Quintero, Isabel\***

Sixteen-year-old Gabi Hernandez chronicles her senior year in high school as she copes with her friend Cindy's pregnancy, friend Sebastian's coming out, her father's meth habit, her own cravings for food and cute boys, and especially, the poetry that helps forge her identity.

**Reynolds, Jason**

***All American Boys***

**YA Reynolds, Jason\***

When sixteen-year-old Rashad is mistakenly accused of stealing, classmate Quinn witnesses his brutal beating at the hands of a police officer who happens to be the man raising him. Quinn refuses to believe that the man who has basically been his savior could possibly be guilty. However, Rashad is absent from school multiple days and soon everyone is taking sides. Simmering tensions threaten to explode as Rashad and Quinn are forced to face decisions and consequences they had never considered before.

**Reynolds, Jason**

***Long Way Down***

**YA Reynolds, Jason\*  
YA Playaway Reynolds**

There are three rules in the neighborhood: Don't cry; Don't snitch; Get revenge. Will takes his dead brother Shawn's gun, and gets in the elevator on the 7th floor. As the elevator stops on each floor, someone connected to Shawn gets on. Someone already dead. Dead by teenage gun violence. And each has something to share with Will

**Rowell, Rainbow**

***Eleanor and Park***

**YA Rowell, Rainbow\*  
YA Audio Bk Rowell**

Set over the course of one school year in 1986, this is the story of two star-crossed misfits-smart enough to know that first love almost never lasts, but brave and desperate enough to try. When Eleanor meets Park, you'll remember your own first love-and just how hard it pulled you under.

**Saenz, Benjamin**

***Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets  
of the Universe***

**YA Saenz, Benjamin\*  
YA Audio Bk Saenz**

Aristotle is an angry teen with a brother in prison. Dante is a know-it-all who has an unusual way of looking at the world. When the two meet at the swimming pool, they seem to have nothing in common, but as the loners start spending time together, they discover that they share a special .

**Sánchez, Erika L.**

***I am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter***

**YA Sánchez, Erika L.**

When the sister who delighted their parents by her faithful embrace of Mexican culture dies in a tragic accident, Julia, who longs to go to college and move into a home of her own, discovers from mutual friends that her sister may not have been as perfect as believed.

**Stevenson, Noelle**

***Nimona***

**YA GN Stevenson, Noelle\***

Nimona is an impulsive young shapeshifter with a knack for villainy. Lord Ballister Blackheart is a villain with a vendetta. Their mission: prove to the kingdom that Sir Ambrosius Goldenloin and his buddies at the Institution of Law Enforcement and Heroics aren't the heroes everyone thinks they are. But as small acts of mischief escalate into a vicious battle, Lord Blackheart realizes that Nimona's powers are as murky and mysterious as her past. And her unpredictable wild side might be more dangerous than he is willing to admit.

**Stone, Nic**

***Dear Martin***

**YA Stone, Nic\*  
YA Audio Bk Stone**

Writing letters to the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., seventeen-year-old college-bound Justyce McAllister struggles to face the reality of race relations today and how they are shaping him.

**Thomas, Angie**

***The Hate You Give***

**YA Thomas, Angie\*  
YA Audio Bk Thomas**

Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. What everyone wants to know is: what really went down that night? And the only person alive who can answer that is Starr. But what Starr does or does not say could upend her community. It could also endanger her life.

**Whaley, John Corey**

***Highly Illogical Behavior***

**YA Whaley, John\* Corey**

**YA Audio Bk Whaley**

Agoraphobic sixteen-year-old Solomon has not left his house in three years, but Lisa is determined to change that-- and to write a scholarship-winning essay based on the results.

**Wilson, G. Willow**

***No Normal***

**YA GN Ms. Marvel**

*Ms. Marvel #1*

Kamala Khan is an ordinary girl from Jersey City - until she's suddenly empowered with extraordinary gifts. But who truly is the new Ms. Marvel? Teenager? Muslim? Inhuman? Find out as she takes the Marvel Universe by storm!

**Yoon, Nicola**

***The Sun is also a Star***

**YA Yoon, Nicola\***

**YA Audio Bk Yoon**

**YA Playaway Yoon**

Natasha is a girl who believes in science and facts, not fate, not destiny, or dreams that will never come true. Daniel has always been the good son, the good student, living up to his parents' high expectations. He is never the poet or the dreamer. Every moment in our lives has brought us to this single moment. A million futures lie before us. Which one will come true?

**Zoboi, Ibi Aanu**

***American Street***

**YA Zoboi, Ibi Aanu\***

**YA Audio Bk Zoboi**

When Fabiola's mother is detained upon their arrival to the United States, Fabiola must navigate her loud American cousins, the grittiness of Detroit's west side, a new school, and a surprising romance all on her own.