

Humorous Stories for Teens 2020

Absolutely, Positively Not · LaRochelle, David

Chronicles a teenage boy's humorous attempts to fit in at his Minnesota high school by becoming a macho, girl-loving, "Playboy" pinup-displaying heterosexual.

Find It: Y LAR

All American Girl · Cabot, Meg

A sophomore girl stops a presidential assassination attempt, is appointed Teen Ambassador to the United Nations, and catches the eye of the very cute First Son.

Find It: Y CAB

The Adventures of Superhero Girl · Hicks, Faith Erin

"What if you can leap tall buildings and defeat alien monsters with your bare hands, but you buy your capes at secondhand stores and have a weakness for kittens? Cartoonist Faith Erin Hicks brings charming humor to the trials and tribulations of a young, female superhero, battling monsters both supernatural and mundane in an all-too-ordinary world"--Publisher's web site.

Find It: Y HIC

Beauty Queens · Bray, Libba

When a plane crash strands thirteen teen beauty contestants on a mysterious island, they struggle to survive, to get along with one another, to combat the island's other diabolical occupants, and to learn their dance numbers in case they are rescued in time for the competition.

Find It: Y BRA

Deacon Locke Went to Prom · Katcher, Brian

The love life of an awkward teen takes an unforgettable turn after he brings his grandmother to prom in this funny, offbeat, and smile-inducing contemporary romance that is pitch perfect for fans of Jesse Andrews and Robyn Schneider.

Find It: Y KAT

Denton Little's Deathdate · Rubin, Lance

"In a world where everyone knows the day they will die, a teenage boy is determined to outlive his upcoming expiration date"--.

Find It: Y RUB

Dodger · Pratchett, Terry

"In an alternative version of Victorian London, a seventeen-year-old Dodger, a cunning and cheeky street urchin, unexpectedly rises in life when he saves a mysterious girl, meets Charles Dickens, and unintentionally puts a stop to the murders of Sweeny Todd"-- Provided by publisher.

Find It: Y PRA

The Epic Crush of Genie Lo · Yee, F.C.

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

Find It: Y YEE

How (Not) To Ask a Boy to Prom · Goslee, S.J.

When his older sister encourages him to ask someone to the prom, things do not go as planned and Nolan ends up fake dating a guy who used to bully him.

Find It: Y GOS

How You Ruined My Life · Strand, Jeff

Rod's life is going well until his rich, prankster cousin, Blake, moves in for three months--moving into his room and moving in on his girlfriend and band--ruining everything.

Find It: Y STR

Don't Even Think About It · Mlynowski, Sarah

A group of Tribeca high school kids go in for flu shots . . . and they discover that they now have telepathic abilities.

Find It: Y MLY

Grasshopper Jungle: A History · Smith, Andrew

Find It: Y SMI

"Austin Szerba narrates the end of humanity as he and his best friend Robby accidentally unleash an army of giant, unstoppable bugs and uncover the secrets of a decades-old experiment gone terribly wrong"-- Provided by publisher.

The Haters · Andrews, Jesse

Find It: Y AND

A road trip adventure about a trio of jazz-camp escapees who, against every realistic expectation, become a band.

I Am A Genius of Unspeakable Evil and I Want to Be Your Class President · Lieb, Josh **Find It: Y LIE**

Omaha, Nebraska, twelve-year-old Oliver Watson has everyone convinced that he is extremely stupid and lazy, but he is actually a very wealthy, evil genius, and when he decides to run for seventh-grade class president, nothing will stand in his way.

Lying Out Loud · Keplinger, Kody

Find It: Y KEP

High school senior Sonny Ardmore is an accomplished liar who uses lies to try and control her out-of-control life which has been further complicated by the fact that she is secretly staying every night in her best friend Amy's house because she has been kicked out by her own mother--but when she gets into a online conversation with the stuck-up new boy Ryder, who has a crush on Amy, she finds herself caught up in one lie to many.

My Plain Jane · Hand, Cynthia

Find It: Y HAN

You may think you know the story. Penniless orphan Jane Eyre begins a new life as a governess at Thornfield Hall, where she meets one dark, brooding Mr. Rochester--and, Reader, she marries him. Or does she? Prepare for an adventure of Gothic proportions, in which all is not as it seems, a certain gentleman is hiding more than skeletons in his closets, and orphan Jane Eyre, aspiring author Charlotte Bronte, and supernatural investigator Alexander Blackwood are about to be drawn together on the most epic ghost hunt this side of Wuthering Heights.

Not So Pure and Simple · Gilies, L.R.

Find It: Y GIL

High school junior Del Rainey unwittingly joins a Purity Pledge class at church, hoping to get closer to his long-term crush, Kiera.

Scarlett Epstein Hates It Here · Breslaw, Anna

Find It: Y BRE

When Scarlett's beloved TV show is canceled and her longtime crush, Gideon, is sucked out of her orbit and into the dark and distant world of Populars, Scarlett turns to the fanfic message boards for comfort. This time, though, her subjects aren't the swoon-worthy stars of her fave series -- they're the real-life kids from her high school.

Spud · Van de Ruit, John

Find It: Y VAN

In 1990, thirteen-year-old John "Spud" Milton, a prepubescent choirboy, keeps a diary of his first year at an elite, boys-only boarding school in South Africa, as he deals with bizarre housemates, wild crushes, embarrassingly dysfunctional parents, and much more.

Stickman Odyssey. Book One, An Epic Doodle · Ford, Christopher

Find It: Y GN STI V.1

In this humorous take on the Odyssey, Zozimos, banished from his country by his evil stepmother, has many adventures as he prepares to return home to reclaim the throne that is rightfully his.

Stickman Odyssey. Book Two, The Wrath of Zozimos · Ford, Christopher

Find It: Y GN STI V.2

"In his quest to reclaim the throne of Sticatha from his evil stepmother, the exiled prince Zozimos has fought golems, matched wits with a sphinx, and overcome his own ineptitude to, well, stay alive. Now, with his homeland finally in sight, he and his band of misfits ready themselves for battle. Only it's not quite the fight they were expecting"--P. [4] of cover.

Swim the Fly · Calame, Don

Find It: Y CAL

Fifteen-year-old Matt Gratton and his two best friends, Coop and Sean, always set themselves a summertime goal. This year's goal is to see a real-live naked girl for the first time. Given that none of the guys has the nerve to even ask a girl out on a date this is quite a challenge. But catching a girl in the buff starts to look easy compared to Matt's other summertime aspiration: to swim the 100-yard butterfly as a way to impress Kelly West, the sizzling new star of the swim team.

There Is No Dog · Rosoff, Meg

Find It: Y ROS

When the beautiful Lucy prays to fall in love, God, an irresponsible youth named Bob, chooses to answer her prayer personally, to the dismay of this assistant, Mr. B who must try to clean up the resulting catastrophes.

Ungifted · Korman, Gordon

Find It: Y KOR

Due to an administrative mix-up, troublemaker Donovan Curtis is sent to the Academy of Scholastic Distinction, a special program for gifted and talented students, after pulling a major prank at middle school.

Whatever · Goslee, S.J.

Find It: Y GOS

Junior year is going to be the best ever for slacker Mike until he loses his girlfriend, gets roped into school activities, and becomes totally confused about his sexual orientation after sharing a drunken kiss with a guy.