

Favorite Books for Teen Boys

YA Fic Shusterman

Unwind

In a future world where those between the ages of thirteen and eighteen can have their lives "unwound" and their body parts harvested for use by others, three teens go to extreme lengths to uphold their beliefs--and, perhaps, save their own lives.

YA Fic Brooks

Road of the Dead

Two brothers, sons of an incarcerated gypsy, leave London traveling to an isolated and desolate village, in search of the brutal killer of their sister.

YA Fic Brooks

Lucas

On an isolated English island, fifteen-year-old Caitlin McCann makes the painful journey from adolescence to adulthood through her experiences with a mysterious boy, whose presence has an unsettling effect on the island's inhabitants.

YA Fic Farmer

House of the Scorpion

In a future where humans despise clones, Matt enjoys special status as the young clone of El Patrón, the 142-year-old leader of a corrupt drug empire nestled between Mexico and the United States. This book is a National Book Award winner, a Newbery Honor Book, and a Michael L. Printz Award for Excellence in Young Adult Literature Honor Book.

YA Fic Colfer

Artemis Fowl (series)

When a twelve-year-old evil genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and demanding a ransom in gold, the fairies fight back with magic, technology, and a particularly nasty troll.

J Corder

Lionboy (series)

In the near future, a boy with the ability to speak the language of cats sets out from London to seek his kidnapped parents and finds himself on a Paris-bound circus ship, learning to train lions.

YA Fic Yancey

Extraordinary Adventures of Alfred Kropp

Through a series of dangerous and violent misadventures, teenage loser Alfred Kropp rescues King Arthur's legendary sword Excalibur from the forces of evil.

J Nix

Mister Monday

In this first book of the **Keys to the Kingdom** series, Arthur's life is saved by a key shaped like the minute hand of a clock, but bizarre creatures from another realm are determined to take the key even if it means killing him.

J Flanagan**Ruins of Gorlan**

When fifteen-year-old Will is rejected by battleschool, he becomes the reluctant apprentice to the mysterious Ranger Halt and winds up protecting the kingdom from danger. This is book one of the **Ranger's Apprentice** series.

J Delaney**Revenge of the Witch**

Young Tom, the seventh son of a seventh son, starts work as an apprentice for the village spook, whose job is to protect ordinary folk from "ghouls, boggarts, and all manner of wicked beasts." The Last Apprentice Book 1

J Fic Shan**YA Fic Shan****The Cirque du Freak Series**

After traveling with Mr. Crepsley, the vampire who made him into a half-vampire, Darren returns to the freak show known as the Cirque du Freak and continues to fight his need to drink human blood. (11 sequels)

YA Fic Myers**Monster**

While on trial as an accomplice to a murder, sixteen-year-old Steve Harmon records his experiences in prison and in the courtroom in the form of a film script as he tries to come to terms with the course his life has taken. Michael L. Printz Award, 2000.

YA Fic Deuker**Runner**

Living with his alcoholic father on a broken-down sailboat on Puget Sound has been hard on seventeen-year-old Chance Taylor, but when his love of running leads to a high-paying job, he quickly learns that the money is not worth the risk.

YA Fic Hautman**Godless**

When sixteen-year-old Jason Bock and his friends create their own religion to worship the town's water tower, what started out as a joke begins to take on a power of its own.

FIC Card**YA PBK Card****Ender's Game**

After being sent to Battle School, Ender quickly becomes Earth's best hope to defeat the alien invaders who nearly destroyed the planet. But can Ender withstand the pressures of training to be the world's hero? Hugo and Nebula Awards

J Stroud**Amulet of Samarkand: Bartimaeus Series: Book 1**

Nathaniel, a magician's apprentice, summons up the djinni Bartimaeus and instructs him to steal the Amulet of Samarkand from the powerful magician Simon Lovelace. Sequels: Golem's Eye and Ptolemy's Gate.

YA Fic Hornby
Slam

At the age of fifteen, Sam Jones's girlfriend gets pregnant and Sam's life of skateboarding and daydreaming about Tony Hawk changes drastically.

J MacHale
Merchant of Death

Bobby Pendragon is a seemingly normal and somewhat reluctant 14 year-old boy who is swept into an amazing five-year quest. (9 sequels)

YA B Gantos
Hole in My Life

The author relates how, as a young adult, he became a drug user and smuggler, was arrested, did time in prison, and eventually got out and went to college, all the while hoping to become a writer.

YA Fic Thomas
Rats Saw God

In hopes of graduating, Steve York agrees to complete a hundred-page writing assignment which helps him to sort out his relationship with his famous astronaut father and the events that changed him from promising student to troubled teen.

J 810.0 Guys
Guys Write for Guys Read

There's something for every guy in this collection of stories, mini-memoirs, advice, poems, comics and drawings chosen by readers on the Guys Read web site.

YA LP Fic Crutcher
Athletic shorts: six short stories

A collection of short stories featuring characters from earlier books by Chris Crutcher.

LP Fic Sebold/PBK
The Lovely Bones

The heroine of this novel, fourteen-year-old Suzy Salmon, narrates from heaven because she's been murdered in the first chapter. She watches her family and friends struggle with their lives after her death, and misses them all terribly.

CD Spk Fic Richardson
The Wrong Hands

Fourteen-year-old Graham Sinclair, born with mysterious hands and a strange secret, finds his life further complicated when he saves a baby after a plane crash and meets a beautiful girl.