

# Friendship Fiction

for  
**TEENS**

## **Benny and Omar** by *Eoin Colfer*

Two very different cultures collide in this hilarious book about Benny who is forced to leave his home in Ireland and move with his family to Tunisia. He teams up with wild and resourceful Omar in a madcap friendship.



## **Born Confused** by *Tanuja Desai Hidier*

Seventeen-year-old Dimple's parents are from India, but she was born in the United States. When they try to match her up with a nice boy from India, it is Dimple's best friend Gwyn who becomes interested in him, and this leads to big changes in their friendship.

## **Bull Catcher** by *Alden Carter*

Two boys in a small Wisconsin town continue their friendship and their love of baseball through their high school years.

## **Crash** by *Jerry Spinelli*

John "Crash" Coogan has always been determined to be the best and toughest guy, but he questions his image when he gets to know a new boy in town and watches his grandfather suffer from a stroke.

## **The Darlings Are Forever** by *Melissa Kantor*

Jane, Victoria and Natalya are The Darlings, the best of friends and they believe they will stay that way forever. The Darlings' friendship faces its greatest test, though, when each goes off to high school at three different schools spread across New York City.

## **Fat Kid Rules the World** by *K.L. Going*

When he finds his former classmate, Troy, standing on a subway platform contemplating suicide, Curt takes action and an unlikely friendship develops between the two.



## **Flash Burnout** by *L.K. Madigan*

Blake has a girlfriend, Shannon, and a best friend, Marissa, a fellow photographer. When Blake inadvertently takes a photograph of Marissa's drug addicted mother for a school project, Blake becomes caught between the girl he goes out with and the best friend who needs him.

## **Hold Still** by *Nina LaCour*

Caitlin is utterly destroyed when her best friend Ingrid commits suicide. She doesn't know how she will be able to go on, until she discovers the notebook that Ingrid left behind specifically for Caitlin.

## **How to Say Goodbye in Robot** by *Natalie Standiford*

When Bea moves to Baltimore, she expects that her first friend will be an outgoing girl, not a loner like Jonah, aka "Ghost Boy." The alphabet and a strange AM radio show bring the two together. Sometimes the most unexpected friendships are the most powerful.



## **The Last Summer of the Death Warriors** by *Francisco X. Stork*

Recently orphaned after his sister is killed, Pancho is sent to live in an orphanage where he meets D.Q. who is dying of cancer. Each has their own reason to set out for Albuquerque, but on this journey together they will learn of love, hate, faith and what it might actually mean to be a "death warrior."

## **Mostly Good Girls** by *Leila Sales*

Sixteen-year-olds Violet and Katie, best friends since seventh grade despite differences in their family backgrounds and abilities, are pulled apart during their junior year at exclusive Westfield School.

## **My Most Excellent Year** by *Steve Kluger*

Three juniors, T.C, Augie and Alejandra complete an assignment which details their lives as freshmen, when they had their "most excellent year." In addition to love, Mary Poppins, and Fenway Park, there is discovery, triumph and laughter.

## **Naomi and Ely's No Kiss List** by *Rachel Cohn and David Leviathan*

Although they have been friends and neighbors all their lives, straight Naomi and gay Ely find their relationship severely strained during their freshman year at New York University.

## **Rival** by *Sara Bennett Wealer*

Two high school rivals compete in a prestigious singing competition while reflecting on the events that turned them from close friends to enemies.

## **Someone Like You** by *Sarah Dessen*

Halley's junior year of high school brings many changes including the death of her best friend Scarlett's boyfriend, Scarlett's pregnancy, and Halley's own first serious relationship.

## **Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes** by *Chris Crutcher*

Because of their "terminal uglies," Sarah Byrnes, a girl whose face and hands were badly burned in a mysterious childhood accident, and overweight Eric Calhoun become fast friends.

## **Surrender** by *Sonya Hartnett*

On his deathbed, Gabriel reflects on the events of his life. Memories and regrets include his dog Surrender, wild boy Finnigan, and the strange arson fires that broke out all over town.

## **TTYL** by *Lauren Myracle*

Three high school girls keep in touch and deal with the changes in their lives and friendship via instant messaging.

## **Will Grayson Will Grayson** by *John Green and David Leviathan*

When Will Grayson meets Will Grayson they realize they share the same name. What they don't realize is how intertwined and interconnected their lives are about to become.