

### **Soldier Boys** by Dean Hughes

Two teen-age boys, one from Germany and the other from the U.S., both have a strong desire to go to battle, which they soon find is not what they expected.

### **Tamar** by Mal Peet

After her grandfather dies, a fifteen-year-old girl inherits a box containing clues and codes and starts to unravel the mystery of what happened to two British spies in Holland during World War II.

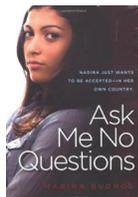
### **Then** by Morris Gleitzman

The winning characters of *Once* continue to struggle with the brutality of war, always remembering what matters most – family, love, and hope.

## POST WORLD WAR II

### **Ask Me No Questions** by Marina Tamar Budhos

Everything changes after 9/11. Nadira and her family, immigrants from Bangladesh, are now seen as terrorists as they try to survive in New York City.



### **Bone By Bone By Bone** by Tony Johnston

In 1950, David, white, is forbidden by his racist father to associate with his longtime friend Malcolm who is black.

### **Everybody Sees the Ants: A Novel** by A.S. King

Lucky's family is dysfunctional, the school bully is after him, and his grandfather went missing in the Vietnam War.

### **Fallen Angels** by Walter Dean Myers

Seventeen-year-old Richie, recently of Harlem, is now in the Army and enduring a horrific year in Vietnam.

### **Going After Cacciato** by Tim O'Brien

Winner of the 1979 National Book Award, this title tells the story of men in battle during the Vietnam War and how they deal with the fear and heroism that defines their lives.

### **Hurricane Song: A Novel of New Orleans** by Paul Volponi

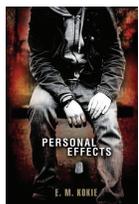
Miles is not close to his jazz musician father but that changes as they try to survive the horrors of the Superdome during Hurricane Katrina.

### **Life: An Exploded Diagram** by Mal Peet

In the midst of the Cold War and the Cuban Missile Crisis, Peet explores life and young love through three generations of wartime.

### **My Own Revolution** by Carolyn Marsden

In 1960's Czechoslovakia, fourteen-year-old Patrik rebels against the communist regime by listening to the Beatles and painting graffiti until he and his family must risk everything for a chance at freedom.



### **Personal Effects** by E.M. Kokie

After his brother is killed in Iraq, Matt becomes obsessed with trying to discover who and what his brother really was.

### **Purple Heart** by Patricia McCormick

A traumatic brain injury has earned eighteen-year-old Matt a medal but he doesn't feel like a hero and he can't remember what really happened.

### **Search and Destroy** by Dean Hughes

Rich just graduated from high school, doesn't know what to do next, and is unhappy at home so he joins the Army and experiences the Vietnam War.

### **Sunrise Over Fallujah** by Walter Dean Myers

Operation Iraqi Freedom is the code name for the action in Iraq, but Robin and his fellow soldiers call it war in all its misery.

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# HISTORICAL FICTION

By Time Period

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TEENS

## ANCIENT TIMES

### **Cleopatra Confesses** by Carolyn Meyer

In the first century B.C., Cleopatra's father chooses her, the third of his six children, to be the next queen of Egypt.

### **Cleopatra's Moon** by Vicky Shecter

It is not easy being the daughter of Marc Anthony and Cleopatra but it makes a romantic, dramatic, and adventurous story.



### **Fire of Ares: Spartan Quest** by Michael Ford

Lysander is a slave in Sparta but he is also a Spartan warrior in possession of a powerful amulet.

### **Nobody's Princess** by Esther Friesner

Helen of Troy is only Helen of Sparta in this novel of her early life. Beautiful, but a true tomboy, she is feisty, independent, and looking for adventure.

### **Song of the Sparrow** by Lisa Ann Sandell

The Anglos battle the Saxons in this historical romance that includes Arthur, Gwynivere, Lancelot, and Elaine, a young Lady of Shalott who grew up in Arthur's camp.

### **Sphinx's Princess** by Esther Friesner

Nefertiti, another ancient princess who always looks fantastic, navigates the intrigues of court life in Egypt during the time of the New Kingdom and Akhenaten.



### **Spirit's Princess** by Esther Friesner

Unable to become a hunter like her beloved older brother, Himiko struggles to find her path in third-century Japan.

### **Troy** by Adele Geras

This story of the Trojan War is told from the viewpoint of female onlookers in the last days of the war.

## MIDDLE AGES

### **Anna of Byzantium** by Tracy Barrett

Set in the eleventh century, a young princess fights for her claim to the Byzantine throne.

### **Breath** by Donna Jo Napoli

In thirteenth century Germany, a town fights illness and rats and hopes the pied piper will bring a solution to their problems.



### **Hush: An Irish princess' tale** by Donna Jo Napoli

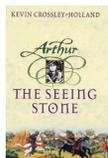
Fifteen-year-old Melkorka, an Irish princess, is kidnapped by Russian slave traders and must carve out a place for herself in a new world all without saying a word.

### **The Midwife's Apprentice** by Karen Cushman

In medieval England, a young homeless girl called Brat becomes apprenticed to a sharp-tongued midwife who gives her a home, love, and work.

### **Scarlet** by A.C. Gaughen

Scarlet, a woman who disguises herself as a boy, shadows Robin Hood and his merry band. A new version of an old story that is full of action, secrets, and romance.



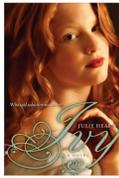
### **The Seeing Stone** by Kevin Crossley-Holland

A medieval fantasy based on the tale of King Arthur, this story is full of magic and a wealth of historical facts about life in 12th century England.

## 1500-1800 EUROPE

### **Ivy: A Novel** by Julie Hearn

Born into a family of thieves, Ivy, with flame-colored hair, is given to a pre-Raphaelite artist who is determined to make her his model and his muse.



### **Keeping the Castle: A Tale of Romance, Riches, and Real Estate** by Patrice Kindl

In Regency England, Althea Crowley must ensnare a wealthy husband in order to rescue her family from their state of genteel poverty.

### **Mary, Bloody Mary** by Carolyn Meyer

Mary Tudor started life like a fairy tale princess but ended up abandoned, abused, and written into history as a bloodthirsty tyrant.

### **The Minister's Daughter** by Julie Hearn

Set during the English Civil War, the healer's granddaughter is caught in the madness and passion of a witch hunt crafted to conceal an out-of-wedlock pregnancy.

### **Nine Days a Queen: The Short Life and Reign of Lady Jane Grey** by Ann Rinaldi

For nine days, Jane is the Queen of England. Then she is beheaded at the age of sixteen.

### **Ophelia: A Novel** by Lisa Klein

In 1601, love, murder, and revenge are the stuff of secrets in this reimagining of Shakespeare's Hamlet.

### **Ruby in the Smoke** by Philip Pullman

Sixteen-year-old Sally, orphaned and alone in nineteenth-century London, becomes entangled in a dangerous search for an unusual ruby.

### **The Smile** by Donna Jo Napoli

In Renaissance Italy, plain Elisabetta looks for romance. She finds Leonardo da Vinci, the Medici family, and, perhaps, immortality.

### **Treason** by Berlie Doherty

When his father is imprisoned for treason, Will, a page in the court of Henry VIII, must run for his life and fight for his father's freedom.

## COLONIAL AND REVOLUTIONARY DAYS

### **Copper Sun** by Sharon Draper

Two girls, one a slave, one an indentured servant, escape the hopelessness and despair of their Carolina plantation in the hope of finding freedom.

### **Fever, 1793** by Laurie Halse Anderson

Sixteen-year-old Matilda learns about self-reliance and perseverance during the yellow fever epidemic in eighteenth century Philadelphia.



### **The Fifth Of March: a story of the Boston Massacre** by Ann Rinaldi

Rachel, an orphan and indentured servant in the household of John and Abigail Adams in 1768, becomes involved in the uproar in Boston prior to the Massacre.

### **The Pox Party** by M.T. Anderson

Octavian, a young African-American boy who is born into slavery, is used in an experiment and given an education unlike other slaves at the time of the Revolutionary War.

### **Wicked Girls: A Novel of the Salem Witch Trials** by Stephanie Hemphill

Written in verse, this is a chilling portrait of three of the young women actually involved in the events of the Salem witch trials.

### **Woods Runner** by Gary Paulsen

Thirteen-year-old Samuel goes deep into enemy territory to rescue his parents from the British during the Revolutionary War.

## CIVIL WAR

### **Girl in Blue** by Ann Rinaldi

When her controlling father insists on an arranged marriage for her, Sarah escapes by disguising herself as a boy and joining a regiment to fight in the Civil War.

### **Mine Eyes Have Seen** by Ann Rinaldi

Fifteen-year-old Annie travels to see her father, John Brown, while he is preparing his provisional army for the 1859 raid on the U.S. Arsenal at Harpers Ferry.

### **Red Moon At Sharpsburg: A Novel** by Rosemary Wells

Twelve-year-old India goes in search of her missing father and is caught up in the battle at Antietam.

### **Soldier's Heart: A Novel of the Civil War** by Gary Paulsen

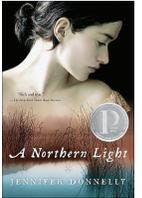
Fifteen-year-old Charley sets out to fight in the First Minnesota Volunteers early in the Civil War and finds that war is not the great adventure he thought it would be.

### **Soldier's Secret: The Incredible True Story of Sarah Edmonds, a Civil War Hero** by Marissa Moss

A new look into the life of Sarah Edmonds who served in the Union Army disguised as a man.

### **Kipling's Choice** by Geert Spillebeen

In this fictional account, John Kipling, son of the famous author, Rudyard Kipling, describes the horrors of fighting in his first and last battle in World War I.



### **A Northern Light** by Jennifer Donnelly

In 1906, sixteen-year-old Mattie grapples with her desire to go to college and be a writer or care for her family after her mother's death.

### **Private Peaceful** by Michael Morpurgo

The story of two English brothers, Tommo and Charlie Peaceful, and the high price they pay as they fight in World War I.

### **Shackleton's Stowaway** by Victoria McKernan

A teen-age boy tells of the adventures and difficulties of traveling on the Shackleton expedition to Antarctica in 1914.

### **Uprising** by Margaret Peterson Haddix

This story tells of three young girls who worked at the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory in 1911 and their participation in the strike just prior to the devastating fire.

## WORLD WAR II AND THE HOLOCAUST

### **The Book Thief** by Markus Zusak

During the Holocaust, Death tells the story of a young girl, Liesel, her love of books, her foster parents, and the Jewish man hiding in their basement.

### **The Boy Who Dared** by Susan Campbell Bartoletti

Helmuth was excited about the new power in Germany, but finally saw that he had to make a stand against Hitler's regime even if it meant risking his own life.

### **Code Talker: A Novel About the Navajo Marines of World War Two** by Joseph Bruchac

A teen-age Navajo boy enlists in the Marines after the attack on Pearl Harbor and uses the Navajo language to help the U.S. in World War II.

### **Eyes of the Emperor** by Graham Salisbury

Japanese-American Eddy Okubo, living in Hawaii, uses a fake I.D. to enlist in the Army at 16. When Pearl Harbor is attacked, he is suddenly suspect because of his background.



### **Flygirl** by Sherri L. Smith

Wanting to be a pilot all her life, Ida Mae Jones "passes" as white in order to join the Women Airforce Service Pilots during World War II.

### **I Had Seen Castles** by Cynthia Rylant

Told in flashbacks, John recalls his life in the early 1940s when he enlisted and fought in World War II and left the love of his life behind.

### **Once** by Morris Gleitzman

Running away from the safety of a Catholic orphanage, Felix, a Jewish boy, journeys across Nazi-occupied Poland to find his parents.