

## 2018 Top Ten Best Fiction for Young Adults

The Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) recommends these fiction titles for teen. These titles are shelved in the Young Adult section by the first three letters of the author's last name unless otherwise noted.

Arnold, Elana. [What Girls Are Made Of](#). (Available through MORE)

Sixteen-year-old Nina Faye navigates the difficult world of teenage relationships and dysfunctional family dynamics.

Bardugo, Leigh. [The Language of Thorns: Midnight Tales and Dangerous Magic](#). (J BAR)

Inspired by myth, fairy tale, and folklore, author Leigh Bardugo has crafted a deliciously atmospheric collection of short stories filled with betrayals, revenge, sacrifice, and love.



Lee, Mackenzi. [The Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue](#). (YA LEE)

Vowing to make his yearlong escapade across Europe his last hurrah before taking over the family estate, Henry "Monty" Montague and his best friend Percy find themselves in the middle of a dangerous manhunt involving pirates and highwaymen.

Moon, Sarah. [Sparrow](#). (Available through MORE)

Fourteen-year-old Sparrow Cooke of Brooklyn has always been the kind of child who prefers reading books to playing with friends (not that she has many of those) and since fifth grade the one person who seemed to understand her was the school librarian--so when Mrs. Wexler was killed in an accident, Sparrow's world came apart, and when she was found on the edge of the school roof everyone assumed that it was a suicide attempt, which Sparrow denies, but cannot find the words to explain.

Reynolds, Jason. [Long Way Down](#). (YA REY)

As Will, fifteen, sets out to avenge his brother Shawn's fatal shooting, seven ghosts who knew Shawn board the elevator and reveal truths Will needs to know.



Taylor, Laini. [Strange the Dreamer](#). (YA RUB)

In the aftermath of a war between gods and men, a hero, a librarian, and a girl must battle the fantastical elements of a mysterious city stripped of its name.

Thomas, Angie. [The Hate U Give](#). (YA THO)

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. 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.



Watson, Renee. [Piecing Me Together](#). (Available through MORE and as an ebook through OverDrive)

Tired of being singled out at her mostly-white private school as someone who needs support, high school junior Jade would rather participate in the school's amazing Study Abroad program than join Women to Women, a mentorship program for at-risk girls.

Zappia, Francesca. [Eliza and Her Monsters](#). (Available through MORE and as an ebook through OverDrive)  
Eighteen-year-old Eliza Mirk is the anonymous creator of Monstrous Sea, a wildly popular webcomic, but when a new boy at school tempts her to live a life offline, everything she's worked for begins to crumble.

Zentner, Jeff. [Goodbye Days](#). (YA ZEN)

Looks at a teen's life after the death of his best friend and how he navigates through the guilt and pain by celebrating their lives--and ultimately learning to forgive himself

