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# RECOMMENDED

## READS, MOVIES & MORE!

### 8 Intriguing Time Travel Reads for Teens



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# FOR TEENS

## 8 Intriguing Time Travel Reads



### Midnight Strikes

by Zeba Shahnaz

In this captivating fantasy, seventeen-year-old Anais finds herself trapped in a horrible time loop. Will she be able to unravel the mystery behind the explosion of the palace and prevent the midnight attack?



### Breaking Time

by Sasha Alsborg

Klara is shocked by the sudden appearance of an attractive Scotsman in the middle of the road. She will soon find out that he has come from another era on a special mission. A compelling blend of romance and mythology.



### The Space Between Here & Now

by Sarah Suk

Certain scents make Aimee travel back to her memories. When she finds a discrepancy between the memory of her mother and the story she was told, she embarks on a journey to unveil their family secrets.



### Future History 2050

by Thomas Harding

What would you do if you found a set of notebooks telling the history of the next thirty years? Thought-provoking and engaging, this story will keep you on the edge of your seat.



### Malice

by Pintip Dunn

In this thrilling science fiction novel, a voice from the future warns Alice about a virus that will become a real threat for the world's population. Is there anything she can do to change the outcome?



### The Wood

by Chelsea Bobulski

As the new guardian of the magical wood, Winter must protect the individuals who fall through the time-traveling portals. Breaking any of the rules can lead to destruction. A suspenseful novel not to be missed.



### Throwback

by Maurene Goo

Filled with humor and adventure, this contemporary romance follows a Korean American girl who is thrown back to the '90s. This might be her chance to connect with her mother and explore her cultural inheritance.



### The Secret Runners

by Matthew Reilly

Set in Manhattan, the novel follows Skye and her twin brother as they join the Secret Runners and gain access to an underground portal to the future. Will discovering the truth save them?

## FOR TEENS

### 8 Books for World Autism Awareness Day

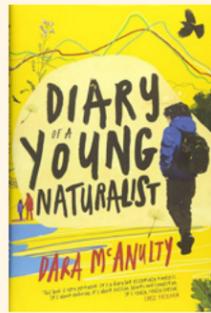
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### Diary of A Young Naturalist

by Dara McAnulty

Naturalist and teen Instagram creator McAnulty is a breath of fresh air on the platform. In this memoir, he runs the gamut -- from life with autism spectrum disorder to climate activism.



### Unseele

by Ivelisse Housman

The first in a fantasy series, this young adult novel follows twin sisters Seelie -- an autistic changeling-- and Isolde. 'Fae' or fairy lore says that changelings are babies that were switched out at birth with a fairy child.



### The "Luis Ortega" Survival Club

by Sonora Reyes

Protagonist Ariana Ruiz is trying to manage high school while on the spectrum. When a member of the popular crowd (Luis) starts to take an interest in her, it's a dream come true until it isn't, but it turns out she's not alone (*content warning for discussion of sexual assault*).



### The Awesome Autistic Guide for Trans Teens

by Yenn Purkis

Geared toward autistic and trans teenagers, this non-fiction guide has information on how to navigate life. With advice on common issues and well-known trans and 'gender divergent' folks included, there's a lot to learn!



### The Many Half-lived Lives of Sam Sylvester

by Maya MacGregor

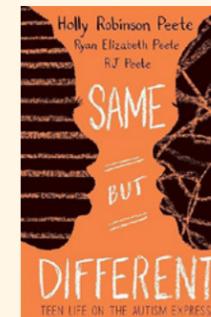
After moving to a new town in Oregon, nonbinary and autistic Sam Sylvester meets promising new friends and a potential love interest, but something is drawing them to solve the 1980s murder of a teen boy.



### The Boy Who Steals Houses

by C. G. Drews

Sam and Avery are trying to find a home. Desperate times call for desperate measures, and Sam starts breaking into houses the owners have left unoccupied to provide for his autistic elder brother.



### Same but Different

by Holly Robinson Peete

Holly Robinson Peete (of *21 Jump Street* fame) has written a novel with her twins Ryan and RJ. Each twin has penned alternating stories about Charlie and Callie and what it's like to have a brother with autism.



### Ellen Outside the Lines

by A. J. Sass

Queer and Jewish identities combine in 13-year-old Ellen Katz. On a trip to Barcelona with burgeoning friends, Ellen must adapt to unexpected changes in her itinerary while experiencing social anxiety and sensory issues.

# FOR KIDS

## 9 Inspiring Books for Earth Day

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### Earth Day

by Joanna Ponto

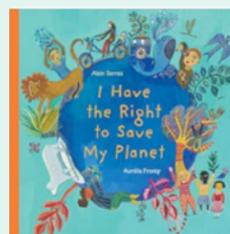
How do you celebrate Earth Day? This informative guide explores the history and traditions of this special holiday and provides helpful tips on how to take care of Earth every day.



### It's Earth Day, Cookie Monster!

by Mary Lindeen

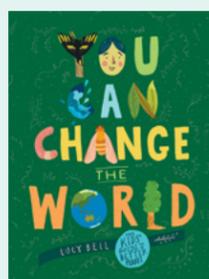
Earth is home to everyone. Join Cookie Monster and his friends from Sesame Street as they learn how to make our world a healthier and more beautiful place to live.



### I Have the Right to Save My Planet

by Alain Serres

Children have the right to change the future of our beautiful planet. Through vibrant illustrations, this guide inspires our young readers to learn about environmental issues and make a difference.



### You Can Change the World

by Lucy Bell

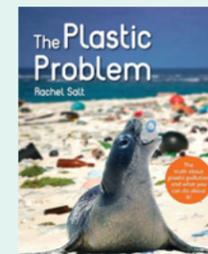
Conserving our planet starts with you. Filled with practical advice and fun activities, this book shows how to fix our mistakes one step at a time.



### On Our Nature Walk

by Jillian Roberts

Let's go on a nature walk and observe the problems our planet is facing. The book shows how everyone can participate in taking care of the environment.



### The Plastic Problem

by Rachel Salt

Plastic is harmful to the environment and our health. This insightful book explains how plastic is made and what measures you can take to reduce its impact on our planet.



### Kids Fight Plastic

by Martin Dorey

Would you like to know how to become a superhero in two minutes? This guide takes readers on a mission of saving the oceans for future generations.



### Recycling

by Harriet Brundle

Before you throw something away, think about whether it can be recycled. With clear text and step-by-step instructions, this manual highlights the importance of proper recycling.



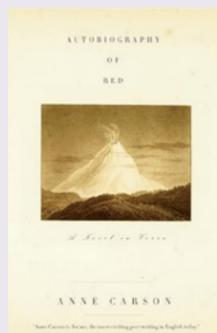
### Zero Waste Kids

by Rob Greenfield

From making your own recycled paper and fruit peel decorations to building a compost bin, the book offers exciting hands-on projects to help children embrace a zero-waste lifestyle.

# FOR ADULTS

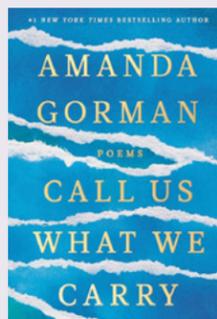
## 10 Moving Poetry Books for the Soul



### Autobiography of Red

by Anne Carson

At once a coming-of-age story and a modern retelling of a Greek myth, this landmark novel-in-prose by acclaimed Canadian poet Anne Carson defies convention.



### Call Us What We Carry

by Amanda Gorman

National Youth Poet Laureate Amanda Gorman brings us this powerful and relevant collection of poems, including her rousing poem for the 2021 presidential inauguration.



### Homie

by Danez Smith

A bright and joyful ode to the powers of friendship and queer community in the face of increasing antagonization and alienation.



### When I Grow Up I Want to Be a List of Further Possibilities

by Chen Chen

In this raw and tender collection, Chen explores themes of love and family from an immigrant perspective, carving the path towards his own identity as a queer Asian-American.



### Words of a Goat Princess

by Jessie Reyez

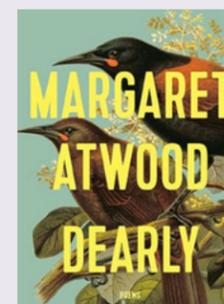
Juno Award winning musician Jessie Reyez brings us this poetry collection based on the experiences in her young life, from love to heartbreak to finding one's identity.



### Salt

by Nayyirah Waheed

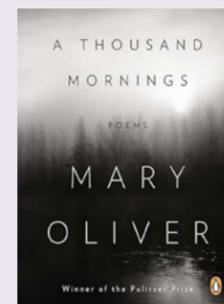
Short, punchy, and accessible, Waheed's poetry laid the foundation for the minimalist "Instagram poetry" genre flourishing on social media.



### Dearly

by Margaret Atwood

Canadian literary megastar Margaret Atwood returns to poetry in this collection of "late" poems, exploring themes of aging, nostalgia, and the environment.



### A Thousand Mornings

by Mary Oliver

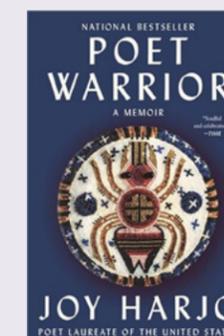
Beloved nature poet Mary Oliver uses the landscape of her hometown in Massachusetts as inspiration for these poignant and illuminating poems.



### Archipelago

by Laila Malik

Canadian poet Laila Malik explores themes of belonging and unbelonging, landscapes and ancestral legacies in this timely collection from a new voice.



### Poet Warrior

by Joy Harjo

A mix of poetry, prose, and song, this inspiring work from Native American poet laureate Joy Harjo reflects on her poetic influences, her homeland, and her path to becoming.

FOR ALL AGES

# 10 Exciting New Titles on our Radar



## [The Witching Tide](#)

by Margaret Meyer

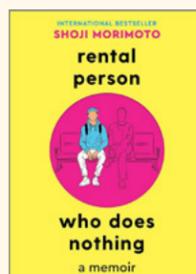
Inspired by true events, a 17th century English town is thrown into turmoil when a witchfinder arrives and starts capturing local women. For fans of Hilary Mantel and Margaret Atwood.



## [Blackouts](#)

by Justin Torres

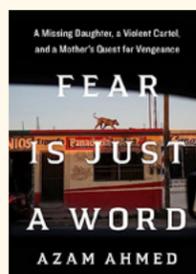
This experimental work of fiction combines oral histories, biography, and dual narratives about a queer researcher and her legacy. Winner of the National Book Award for Fiction.



## [Rental Person Who Does Nothing](#)

by Shoji Morimoto

This unique memoir follows Shoji Morimoto who becomes a “rental person” (hired to accompany lonely or socially anxious people) after being told he was lazy.



## [Fear Is Just a Word](#)

by Azam Ahmed

A woman on a quest for revenge against the cartel that killed her daughter finds herself the next target in this riveting true story.



## [The Invocations](#)

by Krystal Sutherland

In a fantasy London where women can wield magic, Zara and her teenage friends get caught up with a witch and a serial killer targeting magical women.



## [A Drop of Venom](#)

by Sajni Patel

The tale of Medusa gets a fresh feminist twist in this YA novel that combines the Greek myth with elements of Indian folklore.



## [Just Happy to Be Here](#)

by Naomi Kanakia

After coming out as trans, teen Tara switches from an elite all-boys school to the all-girls Ainsley Academy. Will joining a secret society be the key to acceptance?



## [The School for Invisible Boys](#)

by Shaun David Hutchinson

In this middle grade novel, Hector is both metaphorically and literally invisible in his school's halls, where he encounters ghostly creatures and missing classmates.



## [Amil and the After](#)

by Veera Hiranandani

Half-Muslim and half-Hindu Amil tries to find his place in 1948 Mumbai in this touching middle grade novel about family and belonging.



## [Swimming Into Trouble](#)

by Angela Ahn

9-year-old Julia Nam loves being on the swim team and can't wait for Personal Best Day. But when an ear infection prevents her from swimming, Julia comes up with a plan that gets her in trouble.

# FRENCH BOOKS - FOR ALL AGES

## 8 Romans de suspense et aventure

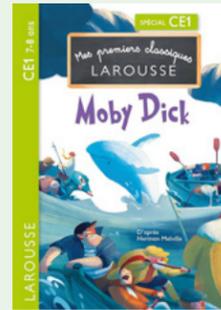
### 8 Suspense and Adventure Novels



#### La nature sauvage

par Steve McCarthy

La famille Vasylenko, qui aime l'aventure, tente de convaincre Octobre de braver la nature sauvage dans l'espoir qu'il se mette lui aussi à aimer les aventures. Pour les tout-petits. / *The adventure-loving Vasylenko family try to convince Octobre to brave the wilderness, in the hope that he too will start loving adventures. For young children.*



#### Moby Dick

par Laurence Bordas

Une adaptation du célèbre classique d'aventure Moby Dick, écrite pour les lecteurs débutants. / *An adaptation of the famous adventure classic Moby Dick, written for beginner readers.*



#### Un été chez les géants

par Mireille Villeneuve

Un livre "choisissez votre propre aventure", parfait pour les amateurs de sensations fortes. Pour les enfants d'âge scolaire. / *A "choose your own adventure" book, perfect for thrill-seekers. For school-aged kids.*



#### Jeux & merveilles

par Auréline Loncke

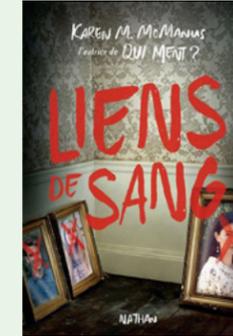
Tibotie s'ennuie dans le manoir de son grand-père jusqu'au jour où le vent apporte un mystérieux morceau de parchemin jauni. Pour les enfants d'âge scolaire. / *Tibotie is bored in her grandfather's manor until the wind brings a mysterious piece of yellowed parchment. For school-aged kids.*



#### Aurora squad

par Amie Kaufman

Aurora, déclencheur humain d'une arme ancienne, et les membres de la Légion Aurora doivent échapper à des forces maléfiques. Pour les adolescents. / *Aurora, the human trigger for an ancient weapon, and the members of the Aurora Legion must evade maleficent forces. For teens.*



#### Liens de sang

par Karen McManus

Milly, Aubrey et Jonah sont cousins, mais ne se connaissent pas jusqu'à recevoir une mystérieuse invitation de leur grand-mère qui leur propose de passer l'été sur une île dont elle est propriétaire. Pour les adolescents. / *Milly, Aubrey and Jonah are cousins who only meet each other when they receive a mysterious invitation from their grandmother, inviting them to spend the summer on her own private island. For teens.*



#### Naufrageurs

par Rodolphe

Une histoire de trésor maudit, de navires fracassés et de villageois pilleurs d'épaves. Un roman graphique pour adultes. / *A story of cursed treasure, smashed ships and wreck-robbing villagers. A graphic novel for adults.*



#### Ils finiront bien par t'avoir

par Sébastien Diaz

Le lendemain d'une tempête, une femme disparue depuis des mois entre dans un restaurant et parle d'un futur apocalyptique. Pour adultes. / *One day after a storm, a woman who has been missing for months walks into a restaurant and starts talking about an apocalyptic future. For adults.*



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