

## [Girls of Paper and Fire](#)

*By Natasha Ngan*

When Lei, seventeen, is stolen from her home to become one of nine Paper Girls, the Demon King's concubines, she proves to be more fire than paper.

## [The Astonishing Color of After](#)

*By Emily X.R. Pan*

After her mother's suicide, grief-stricken Leigh Sanders travels to Taiwan to stay with grandparents she never met, determined to find her mother who she believes turned into a bird.

## [Bloody Seoul](#)

*By Sonia Patel*

Supremely loyal, sixteen-year-old Rocky expects to take over his father's notorious gang, Three Star Pa, one day but after catching his father in a lie, discovers they are not as alike as he believed.

## [Want](#)

*By Cindy Pon*

Jason Zhou is trying to survive in Taipei, a city plagued by pollution and viruses, but when he discovers the elite are using their wealth to evade the deadly effects, he knows he must do whatever is necessary to fight the corruption and save his city.

## [Parachutes](#)

*By Kelly Yang*

A wealthy Chinese teen is sent to America on her own to attend private school. Claire is a rich 11th grader in Shanghai; Dani is a scholarship student at a private school in Southern California who helps her mother clean houses. When Claire is parachuted into America to finish high school and Dani's mother needs the income from a boarder, they become unlikely housemates.

## [Frankly In Love](#)

*By David Yoon*

High school senior Frank Li takes a risk to go after a girl his parents would never approve of, but his plans will leave him wondering if he ever really understood love--or himself--at all.

## NONFICTION/GRAPHIC NOVELS

### [Muslim Girl: A Coming of Age](#)

*By Amani Al-Khatahtbeh*

From the founder of MuslimGirl.com, an account of what it's like to be a young Muslim woman in the wake of 9/11, during the war on terror and in an era of casual racism.

Teen Biography *Al-Khatahtbeh*

### [Disguised: A War Memoir](#)

*By Rita la Fontaine de Clercq Zubli*

Told in her own words, here is the true story of a girl who posed as a boy during World War II -- and dared to speak up for her fellow prisoners of war. Teen Biography  
Clercq

### [Red Scarf Girl](#)

*By Ji-li Jiang*

It's 1966, and twelve-year-old Ji-li Jiang has everything a girl could want: brains, popularity, and a bright future in Communist China. But it's also the year that China's leader, Mao Ze-dong, launches the Cultural Revolution--and Ji-li's world begins to fall apart. Teen Biography  
Jiang

### [Almost American Girl](#)

*By Robin Ha*

For as long as she can remember, it's been Robin and her mom against the world. Growing up as the only child of a single mother in Seoul, Korea, wasn't always easy, but it has bonded them fiercely together. So when a vacation to visit friends in Huntsville, Alabama, unexpectedly becomes a permanent relocation, Robin is devastated.

Teen Graphic Ha

### [American Born Chinese](#)

*By Gene Luen Yang*

Three very different characters, one simple goal: to fit in. Teen Graphic Yang



# READ DIVERSE BOOKS

## [Seven Deadly Shadows](#)

*By Courtney Alameda*

Seventeen-year-old Kira Fujikawa has never had it easy. She's bullied by the popular girls in school. Her parents ignore her. And she's also plagued with a secret: She can see yokai, the ghosts and demons that haunt the streets of Kyoto.

## [The Candle and the Flame](#)

*By Nafiza Azad*

Set in a city along the Silk Road that is a refuge for those of all faiths, where a young woman is threatened by the war between two clans of powerful djinn.

## [A Match Made In Mehendi](#)

*By Nandini Bajpai*

Simran "Simi" Sangha comes from a line of Indian matchmakers, so when she accidentally sets up her cousin with an aspiring lawyer her family thinks she has the gift, but when she tries her skills at school she upsets the high school hierarchy.

## [Watched](#)

*By Marina Tamar Buhos*

Far from the "model teen," Naeem moves fast to outrun the eyes of his hardworking Bangladeshi parents, their gossipy neighbors, and the other forms of surveillance in his immigrant neighborhood in Queens, but when his mistakes catch up with him and the police offer a dark deal, will Naeem be a hero or a traitor?

## [Forest of a Thousand Lanterns](#)

*By Julie C. Dao*

Beautiful eighteen-year-old Xifeng, raised by a cruel aunt who says the stars destine her to be Empress of Feng Lu, chooses to spurn the man who loves her and exploit the dark magic that can make her dream real.

## [We Hunt the Flame](#)

*By Hafsah Faizal*

In a world inspired by ancient Arabia, seventeen-year-old huntress Zafira must disguise herself as a man to seek a lost artifact that could return magic to her cursed world.

## [Somewhere Only We Know](#)

*By Maurene Goo*

Told from two viewpoints, teens Lucky, a very famous K-pop star, and Jack, a part-time paparazzo who is trying to find himself, fall for each other against the odds through the course of one stolen day.

## [Descendent of the Crane](#)

*By Joan He*

Tyrants cut out hearts. Rulers sacrifice their own. Princess Hesina of Yan is thrust into power when her beloved father is murdered, and she's determined to find his killer--whatever the cost.

## [Empress of All Seasons](#)

*By Emiko Jean*

During a once-in-a-generation competition to find the new empress, Mari, who hides a terrible secret, Taro, the prince who would denounce the imperial throne, and Akira, a half-human outcast, will decide the fate of Honoku.

## [Darius the Great Is Not Okay](#)

*By Adib Khorram*

Clinically-depressed Darius Kellner, a high school sophomore, travels to Iran to meet his grandparents, but it is their next-door neighbor, Sohrab, who changes his life.

## [Outrun the Moon](#)

*By Stacey Lee*

On the eve of the San Francisco Earthquake of 1906, Mercy Wong--daughter of Chinese immigrants--is struggling to hold her own among the spoiled heiresses at prestigious St. Clare's School. When tragedy strikes, everyone must band together to survive.

## [Spin the Dawn](#)

*By Elizabeth Lim*

Maia Tamarin dreams of becoming the greatest tailor in the land, but as a girl, the best she can hope for is to marry well. When a royal messenger summons her ailing father, once a tailor of renown, to court, Maia poses as a boy and takes his place.

## [Warcross](#)

*By Marie Lu*

After hacking into the Warcross Championships' opening game to track illegal betting, bounty hunter Emika Chen is asked by the game's creator to go undercover to investigate a security problem, and she uncovers a sinister plot.

## [A Very Large Expanse of Sea](#)

*By Tahereh Mafi*

A year after 9/11, Muslim teenager Shirin has completely withdrawn from social life, until she meets Ocean James in her biology class and is tempted to actually let her guard down.

## [When Dimple Met Rishi](#)

*By Sandhya Menon*

When Dimple Shah and Rishi Patel meet at a Stanford University summer program, Dimple is avoiding her parents' obsession with "marriage prospects" but Rishi hopes to woo her into accepting arranged marriage with him.