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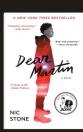














DEATH AT MORNING HOUSE

By Maureen Johnson (YA F John)

370 pages 2024 Mystery Fiction

Marlowe didn't mean to set the house on fire – she was just trying to impress a girl. Now that her house-sitting career is over, she takes a job as a tour guide at Morning House, a mansion built on an island in the mid 1920s that was abandoned after a deadly tragedy that has never been satisfactorily explained. And Marlowe may have stumbled across a clue as to what really happened. When the person who hired her goes missing, it seems tragedy has struck again. But with a hurricane bearing down on the island and no way to contact the mainland to help, Marlowe must decide who of her fellow tour guides she can trust. (Grades 9 & up)



BUFFALO DREAMER

By Violet Duncan (YA F Dunc)

110 pages 2024 Realistic Fiction

Summer and her family visit their beloved Cree family members in Canada every year. While traveling, Summer begins dreaming about Buffalo Dreamer, a girl who is running to escape the horrors of the local residential school. Summer is puzzled and wonders if the dreams are tied to the excavation that is currently happening at the site of the old residential school that her grandfather attended as a child. When unmarked children's graves are unearthed at the site, it devastates Summer while leading to more people in her life sharing their experiences at these traumatic institutions. (Grades 6 & up)



THIS BOOK KILLS

By Ravena Guron (YA F Guro)

356 pages 2024 Mystery Fiction

Jess Choudhary has made it to an elite British school on an academic scholarship and finds herself at the center of an investigation when a fellow student is found dead in the same way as a character died in a short story she wrote. To make matters worse, Jess receives an anonymous text thanking her for the inspiration. Rumors begin to spread as secrets hidden in the traditions of the boarding school come to light and Jess finds that she must work hard to solve the mystery before she is trapped in the murderer's plan (Grades 9 & up)



BYE FOREVER, I GUESS

By Jodi Meadows (YA F Mead)

284 pages 2024 Realistic Fiction

Thirteen-year-old Ingrid doesn't have any friends at school aside from Rachel, a popular girl who treats her like a charity case. Instead, Ingrid thrives online where she runs a very popular social media account and crushes it in her favorite video game. When Ingrid gets a super sweet text from a mystery boy, everything starts to go right. Can they bring their friendship offline or is the mystery boy way too cool to be into someone like her? (Grades 6 & up)



DEAR MARTIN

By Nic Stone (YA F Ston)

210 pages 2017 Realistic Fiction

Dear Martin is a very intense book about a black highschooler named Justyce who's trying to figure out his life. He has good grades, plays basketball, and stays out of trouble. Suddenly, he must deal with racism and police brutality. Nic Stone's writing style makes you feel like you are facing the challenges with Justyce. Many parts of the story allow us to make connections from the past to today. If you are looking for a book to keep you at the edge of your seat, Dear Martin is the one! Reviewed by TAB member Chenuli A. (Grades 8 & up)