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WAR GAMES

By Alan Gratz (YA F Gratz)

346 pages 2025 Historical Fiction

In 1936 Berlin, Evie Harris gets the chance to compete in the Olympics as part of the American gymnastics team in Germany. She's determined to win a gold medal, to help her family back home recover from the ravages of the Dust Bowl. Everyone is awed by the apparent wealth of the host country, but behind this façade lurks the influence of Adolf Hitler. As Evie begins to discover the terror and violence that grips some of the German people, she is offered the chance to get rich quickly by helping steal Nazi gold. Will she ignore the injustices around her or stand up for what is right? (Grades 6 & up)



THE COURT OF THE DEAD

By Rick Riordan (YA F Rior)

438 pages 2025 Adventure

In book two of the Nico Di Angelo series, power couple Nico and Will head to Camp Jupiter to help Hazel babysit a squad of reformed Underworld monsters trying to be good guys. Things go south fast when these monsters start vanishing, uncovering a sinister force that wants to permanently delete anyone with a villainous past. It's a high-stakes race where the trio must stop a supernatural purge while figuring out if redemption is actually possible for everyone — monsters and demigods alike. (Grades 6 & up)

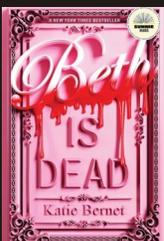


MOTH DARK

By Kika Hatzopoulou (YA F Hatz)

384 pages 2025 Fantasy

Eighteen-year-old Sascia has one of the most unusual side gigs imaginable. She leads unsanctioned tours through the Maw, a portal to a mysterious dimension called the Dark, right in the heart of Manhattan. But when she accidentally lets Nugau through, the first known Dark humanoid, things spiral fast. Nugau is a genderfluid elf with a grudge, and they want Sascia dead for something she hasn't even done yet. What follows is a mind-bending, timeline-jumping adventure that weaves together ancient elven mythology with romance that exists out of sequence, and a conspiracy centered on the Darkmoths — god-like creatures that only Sascia can reach. The deeper she goes, the clearer it becomes that her connection to the Darkmoths isn't random. It was always the point. (Grades 7 & up)

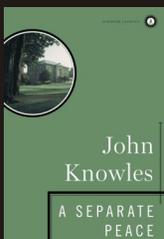


BETH IS DEAD

By Katie Bernet (YA F Bern)

400 pages 2026 Mystery

What if *Little Women* were a murder mystery? That's exactly the twist this modern retelling delivers. The March sisters are back — but this time, Beth didn't die from scarlet fever. She was murdered. From page one, Jo, Meg, and Amy are thrown into a desperate race to uncover what really happened that fatal New Year's Eve and who was responsible. Fast-paced, gripping, and impossible to put down, this Classic Remix takes a beloved story and turns it into something completely unexpected. If you think you know the March family, think again. (Grades 6 & up)



A SEPARATE PEACE

By John Knowles (F Know)

208 pages 1959 Historical Fiction

The book *A Separate Peace* perfectly encompasses the highs and lows of childhood. This story, set in the midst of World War II, follows a young boy named Gene. Gene and his best friend Finny relish the carefree days of summer by jumping off trees, wrestling, and lying to teachers. However, their days of galivanting come to an end when Gene and Finny's friendship takes a drastic turn for the worse, physically impacting one person's life forever. With the fear of war growing closer, panic starts to creep into the minds of the young boys at Devon, the school where Gene and Finny reside. *A Separate Peace* is the perfect coming-of-age story for anyone who enjoys the sweetness of a good friendship, as well as twists and turns that come with life! Reviewed by TAB member Nissi X. (Grades 9 & up)