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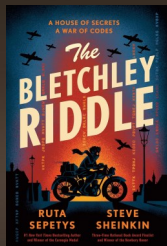
# hot picks for teens march 2025

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## 🔥 THE BLETCHLEY RIDDLE

By Ruta Sepetys (YA F Sepe)

392 pages 2024 Historical Fiction

Everyone, including Lizzie's brother Jakob, believes their mother Willa died in a bombing in Poland in 1939. But Lizzie is determined that Willa is just missing, not dead, and she's out to prove it. Eluding the chaperone who was supposed to see her safely to live with her grandmother in America, Lizzie stays in England and goes to live with her brother at Bletchley Park, where he's working on cracking the Nazi's Enigma code. As she discovers clues that reveal her mother may in fact still be alive, she learns the values of friendship and family in a country ravaged by war. (Grades 6 & up)

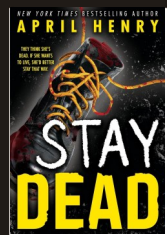


## 🔥 THE BLOOD ORCHID

By Kylie Lee Baker (YA F Bake)

386 pages 2024 Fantasy

In this stunning sequel to *The Scarlet Alchemist*, we pick back up with Zilan, the royal alchemist. Most of her loved ones are dead, having sacrificed themselves to help depose the evil empress. Zilan's specialty is resurrection magic, but needs some extra help when complications arise. She and her brother begin a quest to find the elixir for eternal life and Penglai Island where it is rumored to be. Uncovering this secret island means challenging some of the most powerful alchemists to ever live who guard the island. Can Zilan resurrect her family, friends, and beloved prince before too much time has passed? (Grades 9 & up)

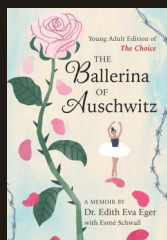


## 🔥 STAY DEAD

By April Henry (YA F Henr)

312 pages 2024 Mystery Fiction

Milan is having trouble coping after the unexpected death of her father. When she is expelled from yet another school, her senator mother makes an unexpected detour on her private jet to pick up Milan. On their way home, the plane crashes, and just before her mother dies, she hands Milan a key that holds secrets that many have died protecting, including her father. The only way for Milan to survive is to pretend she also died in the plane crash and figure out how to escape the snowy forest they crashed in. Will Milan be able to turn the key over to her parent's only trusted friend before the assassin who killed both her parents gets to her? Read this fast-paced thriller to find out! (Grades 7 & up)

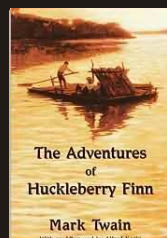


## 🔥 THE BALLERINA OF AUSCHWITZ

By Dr. Edith Eva Eger (YA B Eger)

182 pages 2024 Biography

This young adult edition of Dr. Edith Eger's award-winning memoir retells her harrowing life events during her survival of the Holocaust. As a young girl in Hungary in the early 1940s, Edie feels obscured by the shadows of her two sisters but has a dream to become an Olympic dancer and soon finds herself in love for the first time. However, her dreams are shattered when she is sent to Auschwitz and separated from her family. Through courage and hope, Edie draws upon the strength inside of herself to survive but must find a way to live and love again following the loss of her family and the trauma she endured at Auschwitz. (Grades 8 & up)



## 🔥 THE ADVENTURES OF HUCKLEBERRY FINN

By Mark Twain (YA F Twai)

305 pages 2003 Classic Fiction

*Huckleberry Finn* is a true adventure for all ages to enjoy. Set in the south of America pre-civil war, a young boy, Huckleberry Finn, and a runaway slave, Jim, run away to Ohio. On their raft, they encounter bandits, feuding families, and con men. *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* is a wild ride through the untamed rivers of America that gives the reader a glimpse into the darker times of America whilst remaining whimsical, with its fair share of heartwarming moments and lessons of friendship, loyalty, and kindness. This is a must-read for any lovers of classic adventures! Reviewed by TAB member Connor K. (Grades 6 & up)