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hot picks

check out for teens these hot new titles for teens!







SENSE AND SECOND-DEGREE MURDER

By Tirzah Price (YA F Pric)

402 pages 2022 Mystery Fiction

This retelling of Jane Austen's Sense and Sensibility begins in early 1800s London when Elinor Dashwood discovers the body of her father slumped over the desk in his study. At first, his death is attributed to natural causes, but when Elinor, her mother, and her sisters Marianne and Margaret are forced out of their home by their half-brother, they begin to suspect that he was murdered. With the assistance of several young men, who may or may not have innocent motives, Elinor and Marianne begin to piece together the last days of their father's life and uncover a plot that casts a wider net than they originally suspected. (Grades 9 & up)

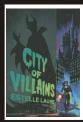


CINDER & GLASS

By Melissa de la Cruz (YA F De I)

316 pages 2022 Fantasy Fiction

A reimagining of the classic fairy tale "Cinderella". In 1682 France, Cendrillion's father has unexpectedly passed away and left her in the hands of her cruel stepmother and stepsisters. Cendrillion is forced to wait on her wicked new family day and night. Her only chance of escaping the life she's been forced to now live is to sneak away and attend the royal ball, in which one lucky lady will win the Prince's hand in marriage. But when she meets the Prince's younger brother and quickly falls for him, Cendrillion will have to decide if she's willing to give up on true love to leave the life she so desperately wants to escape behind. (Grades 7 & up)



CITY OF VILLAINS

By Estelle Laure (YA F Laur)

232 pages 2021 Fantasy Fiction

Mary Saint is living through troubling times in her beloved Monarch City. Magic has disappeared, people are disappearing, and there is a growing divide between those who used to have magic, like herself, and those who never did. Mary wants to help her city by interning on the police force and finally gets her chance when her classmate Mally goes missing. She races to find her with help from her new partner Bella, her boyfriend James, and friend Ursula. This book answers the question you never thought to ask, "What if all the Disney characters were teenagers living in a big city?" The story that answers that question will have you racing to the end, but you may have more questions by the time you get there. (Grades 6 & up)



THIS GOLDEN STATE

By Marit Weisenberg (YA F Weis)

384 pages 2022 Realistic Fiction

Poppy would love to stay in one place and get to do things with her friends, but every few months she is forced to ride away from the life she has created with her family to make a new life wherever they end up. They keep their secrets well until Poppy slips and uses a DNA home test, which begins to unravel her family's lives. Will she uncover the truth behind her parents' identities to help them or will she ruin the lives of those closest to her? (Grades 8 & up)



ARE YOU LISTENING?

By Tillie Walden (YA F LISTENING)

305 pages 2019 Graphic Novel

This is a fantastic graphic novel that I have enjoyed reading time and time again. Each panel brings something new with its beautiful art and its heart-wrenching story. Two strangers take to the road to get out for a while, finding each other and a cat along the way, eventually getting pulled into a fantastical situation that holds loss and a friendship neither knew they needed. The book stands out to me because of the representation shown and the way it handles heavy topics within the pages. From its phenomenal art to the amazing storytelling, it's a truly heartbreaking story that will stick with me for a long time. Reviewed by TAB member Taylor M. (Grades 9 & up)