# **New Books**

# FICTION/SHORT STORIES/POETRY



F DAV Davis, Dana L.

### Roman + Jewel

A hip-hopera version of Romeo and Juliet is racing towards Broadway and Jerzie Jhames is cast as the understudy below R & B megastar, Cinny. That would be amazing, but Jerzie had been told the lead was hers -- and when a video of her rehearsing with the leading man is leaked, the internet seems to agree! How much power can Cinny wield to keep the lead and leading man for herself?



F BLA Various authors

#### Blackout

Six critically acclaimed, bestselling, and award-winning authors bring the glowing warmth and electricity of Black teen love to this interlinked novel of charming, hilarious, and heartwarming stories that shine a bright light through the dark.

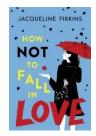


F FOR Forest, Kristina

# I wanna be where you are

When Chloe Pierce's mom forbids her to apply for a spot at the dance conservatory of her dreams, she devises a secret plan to drive two hundred miles to the nearest audition. But Chloe hits her first speed bump when her annoying neighbor Eli insists upon hitching a ride, threatening to tell Chloe's mom if she leaves him and his smelly dog, Geezer, behind. So now Chloe's chasing her ballet dreams

down the east coast--two unwanted (but kinda cute) passengers in her car, butterflies in her stomach, and a really dope playlist on repeat.



F FIR Firkins, Jacqueline

### How not to fall in love

Harper works in her mom's wedding shop, altering dresses for petulant and picky brides who are more focused on hemlines than love. After years of watching squabbles break out over wedding plans, Harper thinks romance is a marketing tool. Nothing more. Her best friend Theo is her opposite. One date and he's already dreaming of happily-ever-afters. He also plays the accordion, makes chain mail for Ren Festers, hangs out in a windmill-shaped tree house, cries over rom-coms, and takes his word-

of-the-day calendar very seriously. When Theo's shocked to find himself nursing his umpteenth heartbreak, Harper offers to teach him how not to fall in love. Theo agrees to the lessons, as long as Harper proves she can date without falling in love. As the lessons progress and Theo takes them to heart, Harper has a harder time upholding her end of the bargain. She's also checking out her window to see if Theo's home from his latest date yet. She's even watching rom-coms. If she confesses her feelings, she'll undermine everything she's taught him. Or was he the one teaching her?

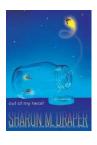


F GOF Goffney, Joya

# Excuse me while I ugly cry

Quinn's journal is where she writes down everything -- in list format -- that she doesn't want to admit out loud, or even face; once they're written, she can release them and feel a little bit more at peace. When the journal goes missing and her list of biggest fears is posted online with a challenge to face each of them or else have the entire journal go public, it's time for Quinn to move out of the realm of her mind and into real life. She's not going quietly, however, and finds herself working to track down

the blackmailer before time runs out.



F DRA Draper, Sharon M.

# Out of my heart

Because she loves horses but is scared of them, Melody wants to conquer her fears, so she hopes a summer camp will be the place to welcome someone with cerebral palsy who wants to learn to ride.

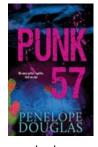


F MCCR McCrossen, Carrie

# Margot Mertz takes it down

For the right price, high school junior Margot Mertz will go to the ends of the internet to remove your nip-slip, dick pic, or embarrassing DM. At least that's what it says on her business card. Margot founded a now notorious company that helps students, teachers, even a local weatherman, discreetly clean up their digital shame. And since her parents lost her college fund, Margot is happy to work for anyone ... if they can pay, she can clean. But when a fellow student hires her to take down some

leaked nudes, Margot discovers a secret revenge porn site featuring Roosevelt High girls. And hell hath no fury like Margot when she sees girls' butts shared without their consent. With the help of an unwitting ally, the popular and uncomfortably handsome Avery Green, Margot will gain access to the far flung cliques of Roosevelt High. Anything to find the mastermind (read: asshole) behind the site. But the more she digs, the deeper and darker the case becomes until Margot realizes that some jobs are so dirty, no one can come away clean. Even her. Gross.



F DOU Douglas, Penelope

### Punk 57

Grades 10 & 11 MISHA I can't help but smile at the lyrics in her letter. She misses me. In fifth grade, my teacher set us up with pen pals from a different school. Thinking I was a girl, with a name like Misha, the other teacher paired me up with her student, Ryen. My teacher, believing Ryen was a boy like me, agreed. It didn't take long for us to figure out the mistake. And in no time at all, we were arguing about everything. The best take-out pizza. Android vs. iPhone. Whether or not Eminem is the

greatest rapper ever... And that was the start. For the next seven years, it was us. Her letters are always on black paper with silver writing. Sometimes there's one a week or three in a day, but I need them. She's the only one who keeps me on track, talks me down, and accepts everything I am. We only had three rules. No social media, no phone numbers, no pictures. We had a good thing going. Why ruin it? Until I run across a photo of a girl online. Name's Ryen, loves Gallo's pizza, and worships her iPhone. What are the chances? F\*ck it. I need to meet her. I just don't expect to hate what I find. RYEN He hasn't written in three months. Something's wrong. Did he die? Get arrested? Knowing Misha, neither would be a stretch. Without him around, I'm going crazy. I need to know someone is listening. It's my own fault. I should've gotten his phone number or picture or something. He could be gone forever. Or right under my nose, and I wouldn't even know it.





ROM LOR Lord, Gabrielle

# Conspiration 365 : Février

Depuis un mois le sort s'acharne sur Cal. Menacé de mort, il est poursuivi par deux bandes rivales... et par la police! Sa famille ne lui faisant plus confiance, il est obligé de fuir, de se cacher et de vivre dans la rue. Mais il est déterminé à élucider le secret de son père avec l'aide de son ami Boris. Il a 334 jours pour survivre.



ROM LOR Lord, Gabrielle

# **Conspiration 365: Mars**

Depuis deux mois, Cal est un fugitif. Il croit savoir désormais qui sont ses ennemis... et cela n'est pas fait pour le rassurer. Il se méfie de tous, même s'il voudrait faire confiance à Winter et à Jennifer qui proposent de l'aider. A qui se fier ? Il a 306 jours pour survivre.



ROM LOR Lord, Gabrielle

### Conspiration 365 : Avril

Pour la première fois depuis trois mois, la chance semble sourire à Cal. Il possède désormais l'Énigme Ormond. Mais il est traqué car elle fait l'objet de toutes les convoitises. C'est alors qu'il apprend une terrible nouvelle : sa petite sœur Gaby est en danger de mort ! Pourra-t-il la sauver ? Cal a 275 jours pour survivre.



ROM LOR Lord, Gabrielle

# **Conspiration 365 : Juillet**

Pour Cal, le mois de juillet s'annonce mouvementé. Tandis qu'il poursuit ses recherches sur sa famille, il a la désagréable impression que tout, autour de lui, n'est que mensonge et dissimulation. A force de traquer la vérité, il se pourrait bien qu'il déterre un sombre secret... Cal a 184 jours pour survivre.

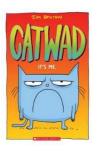


ROM LOR Lord, Gabrielle

# **Conspiration 365: Août**

Cal doit à tout prix récupérer le Joyau et l'Enigme Ormond, tombés aux mains de ses adversaires. Cependant il y a plus urgent : sa petite soeur Gaby a été kidnappée ! Fou d'inquiétude, il part à la recherche de ses ravisseurs. Mais qui sont-ils ? L'attirent-ils dans un piège ? Cal a 153 jours pour survivre.

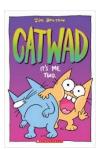
# Graphic Novels/Albums



GRA BEN Benton, Jim

### Catwad, 01: It's me

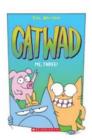
Meet Catwad. He's blue, he's a bit of a grouch, and his best friend is a happy-go-lucky cat named Blurmp who can see the bright side of anything. From pizza and computers to love and happiness, this burball has a funny take on just about everything, and he's not afraid to share it. It's an all-new, laugh-out-loud series that will make even the grumpiest of grumblers smile!



GRA BEN Benton, Jim

# Catwad, 02: It's me, two

Catwad and Blurmp are back and ready for more adventures! In this newest collection of hilarious stories, the dynamic feline duo explore fine art, travel to an alternate reality where the world has become extraordinarily dumb, get into gaming, and more!



GRA BEN Benton, Jim

# Catwad, 03: Me, three

Catwad and Blurmp are back and ready for more adventures in this newest volume in which they meet new friends, try out yoga (spoiler alert: Catwad hates it), and more! It's a laugh-out-loud romp not to be missed, even if Catwad claims otherwise.



GRA LAM GRA LEW Lewis, John

### March: Book one

A graphic novel trilogy based on the life of civil rights leader and congressman John Lewis.



GRA GUL Gulledge, Laura Lee

### The dark matter of Mona Starr

Sometimes, the world is too much for Mona Starr. She's sweet, geeky, and creative, but it's hard for her to make friends and connect with other people. Mona's struggle with depression takes on a vivid, concrete form. Mona calls it her Matter. The Matter gets everywhere, telling Mona she's not good enough, and that everyone around her wishes she would go away. But through therapy, art, writing,

and the persistence of a few good friends, Mona starts to understand her Matter, and how she can turn their fears into strengths.



GRA GIL Gill, Joel Christian

# Tales of the talented tenth, 03: Robert Smalls

Joel Christian Gill brings Robert Smalls to life by telling the true story of the enslaved African who pulled off one of the most daring and largest heists of the Civil War. Come along for the adventure as Robert earns a job working for the C.S.S. Planter, escapes to freedom, goes on to become a first-generation black politician, and makes history by writing and leading the passage of legislation that

led to the U.S.' first free and compulsory public school system.



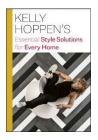
GRA LU Lu, Marie

# **Batman: Nightwalker**

A ruthless new gang of criminals known only as Nightwalkers is terrorizing Gotham, and the city's elite are being taken out one by one. On the way home from his 18th birthday party, newly minted billionaire Bruce Wayne makes an impulsive choice that puts him in their crosshairs and lands him in Arkham Asylym, the once-infamous mental hospital. There, he meets Madeleine Wallace, a brilliant killer...and Bruce's only hope. Madeleine is the mystery Bruce must unravel, but is he convincing her

to divulge her secrets, or is he feeding her the information she needs to bring Gotham City to its knees?

# Non-Fiction



747 HOP Hoppen, Kelly

# Kelly Hoppen's essential style solutions for every home

Kelly Hoppen, multi-award-winning designer and TV personality, shares her essential style solutions that will transform your home. Kelly knows what works, and here she shows you how to do it by bringing together creative ideas and inspiration alongside a wealth of professional know-how, practical advice and cost-effective style solutions that can work for every home, big or small. Whether you are a young professional renting a flat, a first-time homebuyer or an experienced homeowner who wants

to give your home a dash of Kelly Hoppen glamour, this book will help you create a beautiful, functional and relaxing home that suits your individual needs and reflects your personality.



391 ALL Allaire, Christian

# The power of style: how fashion and beauty are being used to reclaim cultures

Style is not just the clothes on our backs--it is self-expression, representation, and transformation. As a fashion-obsessed Ojibwe teen, Christian Allaire rarely saw anyone that looked like him in the magazines or movies he looked to for inspiration. Now the Fashion and Style Writer for Vogue, he is working to change that--because clothes are never just clothes.

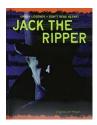
Men's heels are a statement of pride in the face of LGTBQ+ discrimination, while ribbon shirts honor Indigenous ancestors and keep culture alive. Allaire takes the reader through boldly designed chapters to discuss additional topics like cosplay, make up, hijabs, and hair, probing the connections between fashion and history, culture, politics, and social justice.



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#### WNBA

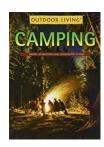
This title tells the story of the Women's National Basketball Association, from its founding in the 1990s to its status today as a world-class showcase for basketball talent. Readers will learn about the league's stars, teams, and coaches, as well as player efforts to earn higher pay. Features include infographics, a glossary, references, websites, source notes, and an index.



364.15 LOH Loh-Hagan, Virginia

# Jack the ripper

Jack the Ripper in the Urban Legends: Don't Read Alone! series explores the creepy legend of Jack the Ripper--from history to speculation to scientific explanation.



796.54 MAB Mableton, Barry

# Camping

In a world gone high-tech, it may seem a hard sell to convince young readers to unplug their devices and step out into the great outdoors. But this tip-packed, colorful guide to camping will do just that! This isn't your typical camping book. Within, readers will find ways to use the technology they love to research, prepare for, and even reserve their camping excursions. Consideration is given to safety while camping and the importance of being eco-friendly.