

THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE CONFUSING: FRIENDSHIPS AND RELATIONSHIPS

Wanna read about good/bad friends, boyfriends/girlfriends, sisters/brothers, moms/dads, step-families, foster families? Then check out these titles



"Orbiting Jupiter" by Gary D. Schmidt (TEEN FIC Schmidt)

Jack, 12, tells the gripping story of Joseph, 14, who joins his family as a foster child. Damaged in prison, Joseph wants nothing more than to find his baby daughter, Jupiter, whom he has never seen. When Joseph has begun to believe he'll have a future, he is confronted by demons from his past that force a tragic sacrifice.

"Sisterhood of the traveling pants" series by Ann Brashares (J FIC Brashares and TEEN FIC Brashares)

During their first summer apart, four teenage girls, best friends since earliest childhood, stay in touch through a shared pair of secondhand jeans that magically adapts to each of their figures and affects their attitudes to their different summer experiences.

"Saint anything" by Sarah Dessen (TEEN FIC Dessen)

Sydney's older brother, Peyton, has always been the center of attention in the family but when he is sent to jail, Sydney struggles to find her place at home and the world until she meets the Chathams, including gentle, protective Mac, who makes her feel seen for the first time.

"Jake, reinvented" by Grodon Korman (TEEN FIC Korman)

Rick becomes friends with the popular new boy, Jake Garrett, football player and host of superlative parties, and in the process discovers the true nature of his schoolmates and uncovers the mystery of Jake's past.

"The Schwa was here" by Neal Shusterman (TEEN FIC Shusterman)

A Brooklyn eighth-grader nicknamed Antsy befriends the Schwa, an "invisible-ish" boy who is tired of blending into his surroundings and going unnoticed by nearly everyone.

"Bad girls in love" by Cynthia Voigt (TEEN FIC Voigt)

Now in eighth grade, best friends Mikey and Margalo try to figure out boys, crushes, and falling in love.

"Chicken soup for the teenage soul on love & friendship" by Jack Canfield (TEEN 158.1 Chicken)

Sometimes friendship is wonderful, overwhelming, confusing, or even lonely. But don't worry, it's like that for everyone. That's what the stories in this book are all about. They're from real teens, and they're about the bizarre, difficult and wonderful things that really happened to them and their friends.

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booklist



"The adventures of Huckleberry Finn" by Mark Twain
"All the bright places" by Jennifer Niven
"Angels in pink" series by Lurlene McDaniel
"Anne of Green Gables" by L. M. Montgomery
"Aristotle and Dante discover the secrets of the universe" by Benjamin Alire Saenz
"Belzhar: a novel" by Meg Wolitzer
"City love" by Susane Colasanti



"Clique" series by Lisi Harrison
"Criss cross" by Lynne Rae Perkins
"The daughters" by Joanna Philbin
"Define 'normal'" by Julie Anne Peters
"Faithful" by Janet Fox
"The future of us" by Jay Asher
"Golden & Grey" by Louise Arnold



"A handful of stars" by Cynthia Lord
"Heart on my sleeve" by Ellen Wittlinger
"Honey, Baby, Sweetheart" by Deb Caletti
"Just a drop of water" by Kerry O'Malley Cerra
"Okay for now" by Gary D. Schmidt
"Perfect season" by Tim Green
"Princess in love" by Meg Cabot
"Rainbow boys" by Alex Sanchez



"Say what you will" by Cammie McGovern
"The secret life of prince charming" by Deb Caletti
"Since you've been gone" by Morgan Matson
"That was then, this is now" by S.E. Hinton
"Triangles" by Ellen Hopkins
"Twilight" series by Stephenie Meyer
"Winter town" by Stephen Emond
"The year of secret assignments" by Jaclyn Moriarty
"Zipped" by Laura McNeal



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