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After - Amy Efaw 2009-08-11

An infant left in the trash to die. A teenage mother who never knew she was pregnant . . . Before That Morning, these were the words most often used to describe straight-A student and star soccer player Devon Davenport: responsible, hardworking, mature. But all that changes when the police find Devon home sick from school as they investigate the case of an abandoned baby. Soon the connection is made?Devon has just given birth; the baby in the trash is hers. After That Morning, there?s only one way to define Devon: attempted murderer. And yet gifted author Amy Efaw does the impossible? she turns Devon into an empathetic character, a girl who was in such deep denial that she refused to believe she was pregnant. Through airtight writing and fast-paced, gripping storytelling, Ms. Efaw takes the reader on Devon?s unforgettable journey toward clarity, acceptance, and redemption.

Somebody's Baby - Lurlene McDaniel
2017-07-11

"Sorry, John Green fans, but McDaniel's been making us cry . . . for decades." –Bustle.com Love, family, acceptance, and forgiveness

are at the center of this heartfelt novel that explores the unpredictable paths that allow people to follow their dreams and help them find a way back home. Ever since Sloan won a reality television singing competition, her music career has taken off. She suddenly finds herself with a manager, a recording contract, and a tour in the works. Her manager warned her that strangers would ask her for all sorts of things, and that she must not respond. But one email stands out—from a young woman who claims to be Sloan's half sister. Sloan's mother, now deceased, never told her who her father was, so the prospect of knowing some family history is too strong a desire to ignore. Now Sloan must return to Windemere, the town where she grew up, to face a past she's worked hard to forget. One trip leads to another, and when circumstances take a devastating turn, Sloan is faced with a complicated choice involving not only herself, but also those who have come to depend on her.

Wanderlove - Kirsten Hubbard
2012-03-13

Are you a Global Vagabond? No, but 18-year-old Bria wants to be. In a

quest for independence, her neglected art, and no-strings-attached hookups, she signs up for a tour of Central America—the wrong one. Middle-aged tourists are hardly the key to self-discovery. So when Bria meets Rowan, devoted backpacker and dive instructor, and his outspoken sister Starling, she seizes the chance to ditch her group and join them off the beaten path. Bria's a good girl trying to go bad. Rowan's a bad boy trying to stay good. As they travel through Mayan villages and remote Belizean islands, they discover they're both seeking to leave behind the old versions of themselves. The secret to escaping the past, Rowan's found, is to keep moving forward. But Bria realizes she can't run forever. At some point, you have to look back.

Don't Die, My Love - Lurlene McDaniel
2010-10-27

Julie Ellis and Luke Muldenhower have always been the perfect high school sweethearts. Luke is a talented football player set to receive an athletic scholarship to a top college, and Julie is prepared to follow wherever he goes. When Luke is unexpectedly diagnosed with a life-threatening illness, however, their relationship will be tested beyond anything they've ever experienced before. In this national bestseller, Lurlene McDaniel expertly weaves a heart-wrenching story of enduring love that is perfect for fans of *The Fault in Our Stars*.

Baby Alicia Is Dying - Lurlene McDaniel
2010-10-27

Desi thinks it's totally unfair that innocent baby Alicia was born HIV positive. Now the eight-month-old Alicia lives at Childcare because she was given away by her sick teenage mother. Desi can relate to feeling unloved. Her parents give her all the material things she needs, but there seems to be a wall between her mother and herself. Working at Childcare has

opened Desi's heart and allowed her to feel the love that she's been longing for. But Alicia is not her child and there is no cure for her condition. Can Desi cope with the harsh realities and still believe in love? Working at Childcare has opened Desi's heart and allowed her to feel the love that she's been longing for. But Alicia is not her child and there is no cure for her condition. Can Desi cope with the harsh realities and still believe in love? -->

Rage: A Love Story - Julie Anne Peters
2009-09-08

A National Book Award Finalist offers an intense portrait of an abusive relationship. Johanna is steadfast, patient, reliable; the go-to girl, the one everyone can count on. But always being there for others can't give Johanna everything she needs—it can't give her Reeve Hartt. Reeve is fierce, beautiful, wounded, elusive; a flame that draws Johanna's fluttering moth. Johanna is determined to get her, against all advice, and to help her, against all reason. But love isn't always reasonable, right? In the precarious place where attraction and need collide, a teenager experiences the dark side of a first love, and struggles to find her way into a new light.

Angel of Mercy - Lurlene McDaniel
2007-12-18

Heather Barlow has always been idealistic, and now she's finally ready to make a difference by setting sail to Uganda for a medical mission trip. Upon arrival, however, Heather realizes that she is unprepared to face the disease, famine, and misery she encounters everywhere. The overcrowded refugee camps and orphanages seem overwhelming until she meets Ian McCollum, who is also working with the medical staff. Ian is the only one who can see beyond the horror and help Heather change

the world by helping one person at a time - even at great cost to one's own self. Bestselling author Lurlene McDaniel expertly crafts a heart-wrenching story of love and sacrifice in this prequel to *Angel of Hope*.

Breathless - Lurlene McDaniel

2010-09-14

This moving and charged novel by Lurlene McDaniel, the bestselling author of inspirational fiction for young adults, presents ethical as well as moral dilemmas and explores the harsh reality of making a choice that, once made, can never be undone. Travis Morrison knows how good his life is. He's a champion diver and one of the most popular kids at school. He has Darla, the girl he loves; Emily, his kid sister, whom he actually doesn't mind hanging out with; and Cooper, his best friend. On the first day of summer vacation, all four go boating on the lake, and everything feels perfect. They cut the motor and drift toward their favorite spot, where cliffs abound—nature at its finest. Travis's friends ask him not to try the diving stunt, but he can't resist a challenge. Travis's silly stunt dive goes wrong, and he fears he has broken his leg. Instead, his trip to the hospital reveals devastating news. In an instant, Travis's life and the lives of everyone around him are forever changed. Travis understands that his parents believe they're doing what's best for him. But he's always been sure of himself, and he's sure of one thing now—that he and only he should decide the course of his life. He has a plan, but he can't carry it out alone. How will he convince the three people he feels he can count on most to help him? And when things get even worse, who will fulfill his most important request? In this honest and probing novel, Lurlene McDaniel tackles a controversial subject, sensitively

exploring the issues of personal choice and quality of life, and poignantly reminding readers that every individual deserves to be treated with dignity.

Last Dance - Lurlene McDaniel

2017-01-01

Audisee® eBooks with Audio combine professional narration and sentence highlighting to engage reluctant readers! Rachel Deering has her eyes on her toes: she wants to become a world-class ballerina. As a 14-year-old, she is already one of the best dancers in the country. Just as she prepares for an audition for an opening with a prestigious dance troupe, Rachel starts having some very disturbing symptoms. After collapsing at school, she has many tests and her doctor tells her the news: She has diabetes. Now her world consists of blood tests, insulin shots, a controlled diet, and constant fear that she will have a reaction and end up unable to dance—or worse.

Hit and Run - Lurlene McDaniel

2009-03-10

If no one meant for it to happen, should someone be guilty? Analise: She knows the roads and feels secure riding her bike. Laurie: When asked out by Quin, Laurie is happy. Then his car hits something. Later, Laurie realizes there is a way to get Quin to date her. Quin: Because Quin is athletically gifted, his father expects him to get a scholarship. Nothing is to get in his way of college, athletics, money, and success. When he realizes what has happened, he decides he must not let it ruin his future. Jeremy: It's been the perfect relationship with Analise. Little does Jeremy realize that the beautiful wood he carves will be used for something for Analise. As the lives of people who never wanted to hurt others intersect, harsh realities of choices

that cannot be changed are explored.

Angels in Pink: Raina's Story -

Lurlene McDaniel 2009-01-21

Raina is happy and relieved that her friends Kathleen and Holly found volunteering at the hospital rewarding. They loved their summers at the hospital so much they will be working for credit during their junior year. Raina is also looking forward to spending as much time as possible with Hunter during their last year of high school together. Kathleen is still dating Carson, but they are at different schools and she's worried it won't last. And poor Holly's still waiting for her parents to let up on their rules so she can actually go out on a date. Everything is going well until Raina's old boyfriend Tony shows up and threatens to ruin the thing that matters to Raina the most—her relationship with Hunter. But she isn't the only one with a secret. When Raina's mother reveals her family secret, Raina feels betrayed. Luckily she has Holly and Kathleen to lean on.

Telling Christina Goodbye - Lurlene McDaniel 2007-12-18

Trisha Thompson and her best friend Christina are having a great senior year. Trisha and her boyfriend, Cody, are making plans to attend Indiana University together in the fall, while Christina has already received a scholarship to the University of Vermont. Everything would be perfect if only Trisha got along with Christina's controlling boyfriend Tucker, who is trying to convince Christina not to go away for college. But suddenly their lives change one night when Tucker is driving the four home from an away basketball game. When his car hits a patch of black ice and overturns, Tucker walks away with barely a scratch, but Trisha is injured, Cody is in a coma, and Christina is dead. Those left behind must learn that it takes time for

their scars—both visible and not—to heal. And they must find the courage to move on with their lives.

Willow - Julia Hoban 2010-02-23

Seven months ago, on a rainy March night, sixteen-year-old Willow's parents drank too much wine and asked her to drive them home. They never made it. Willow lost control of the car and her parents died in the accident. Now she has left behind her old home, friends, and school, and blocks the pain by secretly cutting herself. But when Willow meets Guy, a boy as sensitive and complicated as she is, she begins an intense, life-changing relationship that turns her world upside down. Told in an

Prey - Lurlene McDaniel 2008-12-24

A teacher is supposed to impart a love of learning and a thirst for knowledge. It's a bit different with Ms. Lori Settles. All the kids are talking about how hot she is—and she is especially interested in Ryan Piccoli. When she starts giving Ryan extra attention, he's feeling more than happy—at first. He's used to being the class clown, but really he's a loner. One day after school, the friendship with Lori Settles goes farther than he ever expected. She's his teacher. She's at least twice his age. Intimacy with a teacher is wrong, yet it feels so good in every way. Soon, Lori is making demands and Ryan begins to feel overwhelmed, but Ryan refuses to even admit anything is going on. Something immoral is going on and before too long the choices made will change lives forever.

Till Death Do Us Part - Lurlene McDaniel 2009-01-16

Nothing in April Lancaster's future seems certain as she battles a brain tumor that doctors say is inoperable.

The hospital is the last place she would expect to find love - until she meets Mark Gianni. Mark is handsome and charming, and he also has terminal Cystic Fibrosis. Despite initial reservations, the two quickly fall in love and plan to spend the rest of their lives together...no matter how long that may be. When a sudden accident aggravates Mark's condition, April must make a decision that will change the course of her life forever. This is a heartbreaking story by bestselling author Lurlene McDaniel that is perfect for fans of *The Fault in Our Stars*.

Beasts of Ruin - Ayana Gray

2022-07-28

The powerful and magical sequel to the instant New York Times bestseller *BEASTS OF PREY*, perfect for fans of *AN EMBER IN THE ASHES*, *SHADOW AND BONE* and *THE GILDED ONES*. 'A fast-paced, rip-roaring ride that grabs you by the throat and never lets you go. A masterpiece of magic' - Namina Forna, New York Times bestselling author of *The Gilded Ones* on *Beasts of Prey* Koffi, gifted with powerful magic, has saved the boy she loves - at a terrible price. Now Koffi is a servant to the god of death, and must choose between the life she once had, or the life she could have if she truly embraced her power. Ekon is on the run from the ancient brotherhood he betrayed, and desperate to find Koffi: the girl who saved his life. But as he treks into the greater wilds of Eshoza in search of her, he must also contend with secrets his ancestors never wanted him to know. Separated by land, sea, and gods, Koffi and Ekon will have to risk everything. But the longer they're kept apart, the harder their loyalties are tested. An extraordinary adventure inspired by Pan-African mythology, from New York Times bestselling author Ayana Gray. [A Rose for Melinda](#) - Lurlene McDaniel

2009-06-10

Told in letters, journal entries, e-mails, doctors' reports, and instant messages, the heartbreaking story of an aspiring ballet dancer battling leukemia. From: Melinda Skye To: Readers Subject: Jesse Hi! I can't believe it. What a surprise from Jesse. When he got my e-mail about being accepted by the Washington School of Classical Dance's summer program, he called to congratulate me! I loved hearing his voice. We've been friends forever—could it turn into something more? Melinda From: Jesse Rose To: Readers Subject: Melinda I couldn't believe the news. Melinda is so young! How could she be sick? How did she get leukemia? She's got to get better. She's got to. Jesse

True Love: Three Novels - Lurlene McDaniel 2012-01-25

Love, romance, and friendship abound in this three-in-one omnibus edition of Lurlene McDaniel's bestselling inspirational young adult novels, all of which explore the timeless question "Can love survive, now and forever?" I'll Be Seeing You Carley Mattea never expected to become friends with a boy as handsome as Kyle Westin—especially not in the hospital. His doctors don't know whether he'll get his vision back, and he's deeply depressed. Carley can relate. She's been scarred by a facial deformity, but she's keeping that a secret from Kyle. She's worried that if his bandages are removed and he sees her, it will be the end of their relationship. Carley wants what's best for Kyle. But what will that mean for Carley? Don't Die, My Love Julie Ellis and Luke Muldenhower describe themselves as "meant for each other." Now in high school, they are deeply in love. Luke is a talented football player and is sure to receive an athletic scholarship to a top college, and

Julie intends to follow. When Luke gets a virus, Julie persuades him to see a doctor. The test results are devastating. But Julie believes their love is stronger than anything. Or is it? A Rose for Melinda Jesse and Melinda have been friends since the first grade. When Jesse and his mom move to California, he and Melinda bridge the miles with e-mail. When Melinda suddenly falls ill and her plans to become a prima ballerina are shattered, Jesse travels to see her, to be by her side. As their bond grows stronger, Melinda wonders whether she and Jesse can be more than just friends—and whether a new love could be enough to save her.

Too Young to Die - Lurlene McDaniel
2015-07-28

Melissa Austin has always worked hard to make things go her way, and now she's determined to have the best junior year ever. Everything appears to look promising as usual...until she receives the devastating news that she has cancer. Despite denying the doctor's diagnosis at first, Melissa quickly realizes that her illness is growing worse and so she agrees to start treatment. At the hospital, she finds unexpected friendship and love through Ric, another cancer patient who turns out to be the only other person who can truly understand what she's going through. Together, Melissa and Ric learn how to find the inner strength to face the mysteries of living and dying every day. This is an inspirational story by the bestselling author Lurlene McDaniel that is perfect for fans of *The Fault in Our Stars*.

The Girl with the Broken Heart -
Lurlene McDaniel 2018-12-18

"Sorry, John Green fans, but McDaniel's been making us cry . . . for decades." --Bustle.com An inspirational story about love, tragedy, heartbreak, and renewal as a

young woman deals with her serious health issues, a fractured family life, and the prospect of romantic love while trying to remain focused on her studies and a lifelong dream. Kenzie Caine is enrolled at Vanderbilt University, with the goal of becoming a veterinarian. When she lands a summer job caring for and helping to rehabilitate abused horses at the Bellmeade Estate stables, she is over-the-moon happy. One place she does not want to be is at home with her parents. Since the tragic death of Kenzie's younger sister, her mother has unraveled and her father has lost Kenzie's trust. At the stables, Kenzie is in her element. But a serious heart condition limits her ability to complete the more physical aspects of the job, so her employers have tasked the charming Austin Boyd with helping her. But Austin has secrets. And as Kenzie and Austin become closer, those secrets threaten to harm their relationship, as well as reveal other startling truths. Once again Lurlene McDaniel delivers the type of story for which she is famous--and readers everywhere will be reaching for their tissues.

Starry, Starry Night - Lurlene
McDaniel 2011

A collection of three stories in which teenagers face life-altering situations.

Keep Me In Your Heart: Three Novels -
Lurlene McDaniel 2012-01-25

Three of Lurlene McDaniel's bestselling novels in one volume. Readers will relate to the compassion and strength of the characters as they piece their lives back together after tragedy strikes. Letting Go of Lisa Nathan Malone has been home schooled his whole life. He hasn't spent much time with kids his own age, let alone dated. Now that his mother is busy with his new twin sisters, he must enroll at the local high school for his senior year. On

the first day of school a girl catches his eye. Lisa is a loner and doesn't care what anybody thinks of her. Nathan is intrigued. When he and Lisa finally start spending time together, he is the happiest he's ever been. But Lisa has a tragic secret and when she decides to deal with it herself, Nathan has to make a choice. Can he ever let go of Lisa?

Saving Jessica Jessica McMillan and Jeremy Travino are a perfect couple. When they met in high school, Jessica's upbeat spirit helped Jeremy to see that there must be a reason he was spared in the car accident that killed his brother. But now Jessica has been diagnosed with kidney failure. Her only hope is a kidney transplant but no one in her family is a match. Jeremy can't watch another person he loves die. He believes that his life was spared so he could save Jessica by donating a kidney. But his parents are terrified of losing their only child. Will Jeremy go against his parents' wishes to do what he must to save Jessica?

Telling Christina Goodbye Trisha Thompson and her best friend, Christina, are having a great senior year. Trisha and her boyfriend are making plans to attend Indiana University, and Christina received a scholarship to the University of Vermont. Everything would be perfect if only Trisha got along with Christina's controlling boyfriend, Tucker, who is trying to convince Christina not to go away for college. Their lives are forever changed when one night Tucker drives them all home from a basketball game. He hits black ice and the car overturns. Tucker walks away with barely a scratch, but Trisha is injured, Cody is in a coma, and Christina is dead. Those that are left must learn to heal, in order for their lives to move on.

Mediated Boyhoods - Annette Wannamaker 2011

Mediated Boyhoods: Boys, Teens, and Young Men in Popular Media and Culture brings together work from various disciplines that explores the relationships among the everyday lives of boys and such media platforms as television, films, games, sports, music, urban and suburban culture, fashion, young adult novels, Facebook, MySpace, and YouTube. Offering a comprehensive overview of boyhood studies, chapters consider questions about the current state of boyhood as it is represented in the popular media; the ways that boys are influenced by and work to influence popular culture; the ways that popular texts often reflect adult expectations, anxieties, and prejudices about boys and boyhood; and the ways that boys, teens, and young men are often able to reflect upon and to act, sometimes unpredictably, to resist, subvert, or re-imagine and re-create popular culture and media. The volume serves as a companion to *Mediated Girlhoods: New Explorations of Girls' Media Culture*, edited by Mary Celeste Kearney.

School Library Journal - 2008-04

Somewhere Between Life and Death -

Lurlene McDaniel 2010-10-27

The celebration isn't supposed to end in tragedy. The night of their high-school drama group's cast party starts out as fun for sisters Amy and Erin. Their lives come crashing down when Amy takes the car to get more food and has a horrible accident. Erin and her family pray for Amy to awaken from her coma. But as the monitor beeps and the respirator hisses, Amy lies somewhere between life and death. Erin and her parents must find the courage to accept the fact that Amy's life-support system will never bring her back. When she dies, can the family give some meaning to her senseless death? Can

Amy's dying become the hope for someone else's living?

How Do I Love Thee - Lurlene McDaniel
2009-01-21

Though written more than a century ago, Elizabeth Barrett Browning's beautiful sonnet rings true today for three young couples who believe in the power of love. In "Night Vision," Brett finds a way to brighten a special girl's lonely existence. "Bobby's Girl" features Dana, who must choose between two brothers, both of whom she loves. "Laura's Heart," the third story, introduces 16-year-old Laura Carson, who is hospitalized on a regular basis because of her weak heart. But when tragedy strikes a loved one, she realizes her heart is stronger than she thought and that love lives on forever.

Red Heart Tattoo - Lurlene McDaniel
2012-07-24

In the vein of *This is Where It Ends*, this exploration of grief and tragedy in the aftermath of a bomb explosion at a high school is sadly topical and powerfully heartrending. At 7:45 a.m. a bomb goes off at Edison High. Nine people die instantly. Fifteen are critically wounded. Twenty-two are injured. One is blinded. In the aftermath of the violent tragedy, survive struggle to cope and heal as a result of something they may never understand. Told in alternating points of view, *Red Heart Tattoo* deals with issues of violence, death, and trauma in the lives of five teens.

Naomi and Ely's No Kiss List - Rachel Cohn
2007-08-28

Now a motion picture starring Victoria Justice! From the New York Times bestselling authors of *NICK & NORAH'S INFINITE PLAYLIST*, *NAOMI AND ELY'S NO KISS LIST* is the quintessential Girl-Likes-Boy-Who-Likes-Boys story. Naomi and Ely are best friends. Inseparable since

childhood. Naomi is straight. Ely is gay. Naomi dates guys who she claims to like. They're okay, but she likes Ely more. To protect their feelings, Naomi and Ely created a No Kiss List—a list of people neither of them is allowed to kiss under any circumstances. Naomi's latest boyfriend Bruce isn't on that list. But he probably should have been. Because when Ely kisses Bruce, it breaks Naomi's heart. The result? A rift of universal proportions. Can these best friends come together again, or will this be end of Naomi and Ely: the Institution? Told in alternating voices using an array of emoticons and symbols by co-authors Rachel Cohn and David Levithan, co-author of *WILL GRAYSON*, *WILL GRAYSON* with John Green (*THE FAULT IN OUR STARS*), *NAOMI AND ELY'S NO KISS LIST* is the ultimate offbeat story about leaving room for every kind of love.

Heart to Heart - Lurlene McDaniel
2010-06-08

From Lurlene McDaniel, the bestselling author of young adult inspirational fiction, comes *Heart to Heart*. This emotionally charged novel explores loss, love, renewal, and the ways in which these complex bonds within families and between friends are tested at life's most challenging moments. Elwyn Eden and Kassey Messechek are best friends. They share every aspect of their lives. But one thing Elwyn has not yet shared with Kassey is that she checked the organ donor box on her newly acquired driver's license. Kassey only learns of this in a startling and devastating way—when Elwyn's life-giving donor wishes are about to be honored. Arabeth St. Clair has not had the luck to have a best friend. Due to her diseased heart, she's led a sheltered life. When Arabeth is sixteen, she and her mother receive the call that will change their lives—but they don't

know to whom they should be forever grateful. When the worlds of these three girls and their families intersect, lives are changed in ways never imagined. Most especially, it is Kassey who sees things differently, for she can keep alive the memory of her dear friend by sharing the renewed life of another teenage girl, while helping to ease the pain of the two families involved and coming to terms with her own.

After The Moment - Garret Freymann-Weyr 2010-05-03

A novel by the Printz Honor author Garret Freymann-Weyr, about a boy who discovers what happens when love fails us—or we fail love. Maia Morland is pretty, only not pretty-pretty. She's smart. She's brave. She's also a self-proclaimed train wreck. Leigh Hunter is smart, popular, and extremely polite. He's also completely and forever in love with Maia Morland. Their young love starts off like a romance novel—full of hope, strength, and passion. But life is not a romance novel and theirs will never become a true romance. For when Maia needs him the most, Leigh betrays both her trust and her love. Told with compassion and true understanding, *After the Moment* is about what happens when a young man discovers that sometimes love fails us, and that, quite often, we fail love.

Voices From the Wreckage: Young Adult Voices in the #MeToo Movement - Kimberly Karshner 2023-04-18

'Voices From the Wreckage: Young Adult Voices in the #MeToo Movement' is an edited collection by Kimberly Greenfield Karshner (Lorain County Community College). This collection focuses on situating young adult voices in the #MeToo movement, and into American culture and identity. Children's and young adult literature is an area of study that has rapidly evolved in the past ten years,

bringing previously silenced voices to light. This is especially true for YA LGBTQ+ voices, and also for young narrators who are not only discovering, celebrating, and coming to terms with their identities, but also dealing with assaults on their identities. This collection will build on what writers like Laurie Halse Anderson have begun, first with her groundbreaking book on sexual assault, 'Speak', published in 1999, and more currently, her follow-up book, 'Shout' (2019). These authors continue what Anderson started, exploring texts from the perspectives of YA male and female voices, Native American and international perspectives, and LGBTQ+ character representation. Chapters investigate various literary forms such as graphic novels, memoirs, and novels, and cover topics such as sexual desire, consent, trauma, and survivorship. The literature featured in this volume will assure young people that they can tell their stories and that they will be heard. 'Voices From the Wreckage' will be a valuable tool for anyone who teaches Young Adult Literature, or for those who are avid readers and fans of the genre. The authors in this collection are starting and continuing very important conversations on the topic of sexual abuse and trauma, a conversation necessary for the intended audiences of these books, and for adult readers and teachers who are facilitating the emotions connected to these topics.

The First Time She Drowned - Kerry Kletter 2016-03-15

The beautiful struggle of a girl desperate for the one relationship that has caused her the most pain Cassie O'Malley has spent the past two and a half years in a mental institution—dumped there by her mother, against her will. Now, at 18, Cassie emancipates herself,

determined to start over. She attends college, forms new friendships, and even attempts to start fresh with her mother. But before long, their unhealthy relationship threatens to pull Cassie under once again. As Cassie struggles to reclaim her life, childhood memories persist and confuse, and Cassie must consider whose version of history is real, and more important, whose life she must save. A bold, literary story about the fragile complexities of mothers and daughters and learning to love oneself, *The First Time She Drowned* reminds us that we must dive deep into our pasts if we are ever to move forward. Praise for *The First Time She Drowned*: "Lyrical, emotional...resonant." –Entertainment Weekly, MUST LIST "Beautiful and passionate . . . [Kletter is] a writer of great distinction and infinite promise." –Pat Conroy, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Prince of Tides* and *South of Broad* "[A] lovely and haunting keep-you-up-all-night heart-wrencher that is both beautiful and raw, painful and uplifting. It's utterly amazing. An incredible read." –Jennifer Niven, New York Times bestselling author of *All the Bright Places* "Sentence by sentence . . . one of the most lyrical novels I've ever read. Haunting and exquisite." –Nicola Yoon, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Everything, Everything* "*The First Time She Drowned* is an exquisite and masterful dive, a brave exploration into the complexities of family, and the saving grace of friendship. Kletter's writing is hypnotic, her characters alive, her story tragic, beautiful, hopeful. Simply put, this book is stunning." –David Arnold, critically acclaimed author of *Mosquitoland* "[A] beautiful, gut-wrenching ache of a story. If you are at all interested in books, this is required reading."

–Becky Albertalli, author of the Morris Award-winning *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda* "The best writers are able to tell the most difficult stories with the most empathy, and that's just what Kletter does in this haunting debut. Complex, affirming, and beautifully written." –Stephanie Kuehn, author of the Morris Award-winning *Charm & Strange* "Gorgeous, sumptuously lyrical, luminous...a feast for lovers of language. *The First Time She Drowned* singlehandedly shatters every argument that YA books aren't fit fare for adults." –Jeff Zentner, author of *The Serpent King* * "[An] excellent debut novel...heart-wrenching...Readers who enjoy the suspense of unreliable narrators, as in Adele Griffin's *Loud Awake and Lost* or Stephanie Kuehn's *Complicit*, will appreciate this one." –Booklist *STARRED REVIEW* "This heartfelt, lyrical debut will strike a chord with older teens who appreciate contemporary fiction." –Kirkus Reviews "An absorbing read." –VOYA "Kletter's exploration of a dysfunctional family...is raw with emotion...a sophisticated read." –School Library Journal "Emotionally devastating...a complex novel that ultimately uplifts." –Publishers Weekly

The Alison Rules - Catherine Clark
2005-07-26

What is It About Alison? For one thing, she has rules: When stealing a rowboat, ALWAYS check that the oars are the same length, so you don't go in circles. In reference to your best friend's crush, KEEP your feelings to yourself. NEVER use your locker if that's where you were standing when told the very worst news of all. But rules — like hearts — are meant to be broken. Ages 12+

[Why Did She Have to Die?](#) - Lurlene N McDaniel
2013-08-01

For thirteen years, Elly has been in Kathy's shadow, always second best.

Even so, the two of them understand each other as only sisters can. Jealousy, anger, and resentment give way to guilt when Kathy dies suddenly and Elly is left to ask, "Why did she have to die?"

And We Stay - Jenny Hubbard

2014-01-28

When high school senior Paul Wagoner walks into his school library with a stolen gun, he threatens his girlfriend Emily Beam, then takes his own life. In the wake of the tragedy, an angry and guilt-ridden Emily is shipped off to boarding school in Amherst, Massachusetts, where she encounters a ghostly presence who shares her name. The spirit of Emily Dickinson and two quirky girls offer helping hands, but it is up to Emily to heal her own damaged self. This inventive story, told in verse and in prose, paints the aftermath of tragedy as a landscape where there is good behind the bad, hope inside the despair, and springtime under the snow.

Goodbye Doesn't Mean Forever -

Lurlene McDaniel 2010-10-27

Jory Delaney has always had lots of money. But there's one thing she knows she cannot buy--and that's her best friend Melissa's life. Although Melissa's leukemia is in remission, it's hard for both girls to hold on to the possibility of a very bright future. When Melissa's health begins to deteriorate, Jory watches her friend's courageous battle and is overwhelmed by a sense of loss. Distanced from her parents, Jory grows closer to Melissa's mother and older brother, Michael, as they give each other untold strength in the face of tragedy. As she grapples with the unfairness of Melissa's imminent death, can Jory find a way to turn her anger into the hope and inspiration that Melissa wanted to leave behind?

The Bermudez Triangle - Maureen

Johnson 2005-10-06

Grade 9 Up—Johnson begins this exceptional novel in a lightweight fashion but quickly segues into more serious issues that affect the three young women who make up the Bermudez Triangle. It is the summer before their senior year in Saratoga Springs, NY. At first, organized, serious Nina has trouble adjusting to her leadership workshop at Stanford University. Although she desperately misses Avery and Mel, who are waitresses at a restaurant back home, she quickly falls head over heels for eco-warrior Steve, who has grown up in a commune on the West Coast—so different from Nina's secure middle-class experience. When she returns to New York, she immediately senses that Mel and Avery are keeping secrets and soon discovers that they have become lovers. Rocked to the core, Nina wishes them happiness, but feels excluded and lonely, especially as her long-distance relationship begins to deteriorate. As is typical for teens, the girls obsess and nauseate over their romantic relationships. Yet this narrow focus lends authenticity to the narrative, and readers become drawn into the characters' lives as they stumble toward adulthood, fall in and out of love, enlarge their circle of friends, and rethink their values.

Lisa, Bright and Dark - John Neufeld

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Selected as one of TheNew York Times Book Review's Best Books of the Year and honored worldwide, Lisa, Bright and Dark was an immediate sensation when it was first published. Detailing how mental illness affects friends and family of the ill, Lisa, Bright and Dark has been in print for more than forty years. Its value has not diminished over time, and readers throughout the world contact the author regularly to discuss their reactions to it. A straight-through

read, it is full of romance, excitement, suspense, and finally triumph.

Keep Me in Your Heart - Lurlene McDaniel 2010-12-28

Three of Lurlene McDaniel's bestselling novels in one volume. Readers will relate to the compassion and strength of the characters as they piece their lives back together after tragedy strikes. *Letting Go* of Lisa Nathan Malone has been home schooled his whole life. He hasn't spent much time with kids his own age, let alone dated. Now that his mother is busy with his new twin sisters, he must enroll at the local high school for his senior year. On the first day of school a girl catches his eye. Lisa is a loner and doesn't care what anybody thinks of her. Nathan is intrigued. When he and Lisa finally start spending time together, he is the happiest he's ever been. But Lisa has a tragic secret and when she decides to deal with it herself, Nathan has to make a choice. Can he ever let go of Lisa? *Saving Jessica* Jessica McMillan and Jeremy Travino are a perfect couple. When they met in high school, Jessica's upbeat spirit helped Jeremy to see that there must be a reason he was spared in the car accident that killed his brother. But now Jessica has been diagnosed with kidney failure. Her only hope is a kidney transplant but no one in her family is a match. Jeremy can't watch another person he loves die. He believes that his life was spared so he could save Jessica by donating a kidney. But his parents are terrified of losing their only child. Will Jeremy go against his parents' wishes

to do what he must to save Jessica? *Telling Christina Goodbye* Trisha Thompson and her best friend, Christina, are having a great senior year. Trisha and her boyfriend are making plans to attend Indiana University, and Christina received a scholarship to the University of Vermont. Everything would be perfect if only Trisha got along with Christina's controlling boyfriend, Tucker, who is trying to convince Christina not to go away for college. Their lives are forever changed when one night Tucker drives them all home from a basketball game. He hits black ice and the car overturns. Tucker walks away with barely a scratch, but Trisha is injured, Cody is in a coma, and Christina is dead. Those that are left must learn to heal, in order for their lives to move on.

Amelia Anne is Dead and Gone - Kat Rosenfield 2012-07-05

An arresting un-coming-of-age story, from a breathtaking talent Becca has always longed to break free from her small, backwater hometown. But the discovery of an unidentified dead girl on the side of a dirt road sends the town--and Becca--into a tailspin. Unable to make sense of the violence of the outside world creeping into her backyard, Becca finds herself retreating inward, paralyzed from moving forward for the first time in her life. Short chapters detailing the last days of Amelia Anne Richardson's life are intercut with Becca's own summer as the parallel stories of two young women struggling with self-identity and relationships on the edge twist the reader closer and closer to the truth about Amelia's death.