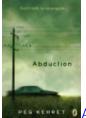
Guys Read (Tweens - 9 years & Up)



Abduction by Peg Kehret

Summary: Matt is missing. Bonnie's brother left his classroom to use the bathroom —and disappeared. A police dog traces his scent to the curb, where he apparently got into a vehicle. But why would Matt go anywhere with a stranger? Overwhelmed with fear, Bonnie discovers that her dog is gone, too. Was Pookie used as a lure for Matt? Bonnie makes one big mistake in her attempt to find her brother. In a chilling climax on a Washington State ferry, Bonnie and Matt must outsmart their abductor or pay with their lives.

YA F KEHRET

10 & Up



After the Snow by S.D Crockett

Summary: Fifteen-year-old Willo Blake returns to his home in Wales after a hunting trip to find that his family is missing. The year is 2059, and the sixth ice age has begun. As Willo goes in search of his family, he soon realizes that the elements are not the only dangerous obstacle in his way. There are outlaws--followers of a famous survivalist--who are planning an escape to a group of legendary islands. Willo's journey becomes more treacherous by the second, and is one that changes him forever.

YA F CROCKETT

11 & UP



Al Capone Shines My Shoes by Gennifer Choldenko

Summary: Moose Flanagan, who lives on Alcatraz along with his family and the families of the other prison guards, is frightened when he discovers that gangster Al Capone wants a favor in return for the help that he secretly gave Moose.

YA F CHOLDENKO 9 & Up



Aliens on Vacation by Clete Barrett Smith

Summary: David isn't happy about leaving Florida and his friends to summer with his crazy grandmother in "Middle-of-Nowhere," Washington. Arriving at her Intergalactic Bed & Breakfast, he isn't surprised by its the-60's-meets-Star-Wars décor, but he is surprised by the weird-looking guests. It turns out that each room in the inn is an off-earth portal and his grandma the gate-keeper, allowing aliens to vacation on Earth.

YA F SMITH

9 & Un



Archvillain by Barry Lyga

Summary: Twelve-year-old Kyle Camden develops greater mental agility and superpowers during a plasma storm that also brings Mighty Mike, an alien, to the town of Bouring, but while each does what he thinks is best, Kyle is labeled a villain and Mike a hero.

QR LYGA

9 & Up



Counting Stars by David Almond

Summary: This collection of stories is drawn from Almond's youth growing up in a large Roman Catholic family. Although based in reality, these family stories are "truth and memories and dreams and bits made up," as his long-dead father declares in one story. Recurring themes include love, death, religious doubt, and remembrance of lost family.

YA F ALMOND



Summary: When he finds his former classmate, Troy, standing on a subway platform contemplating suicide, Curt takes action and a strange friendship develops between the two where soon Troy is recruited to be the drummer for Curt's new punk rock band, in an amusing tale of an unlikely friendship.

YA F GOING

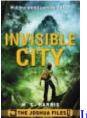
12 & Up



Kill Switch by Chris Lynch

Summary: Longing to spend a final summer before college with his aging grandfather, Daniel listens to his grandfather's rambling stories about a shocking past as an assassin until former associates show up to keep him quiet, causing Daniel to wonder if the stories are true.

QR LYNCH 12 & Up



Invisible City by M.G. Harris (series)

Summary: When his father is reported murdered in Mexico thirteen-year-old Josh refuses to believe it and sets out to get the true story, which he believes involves UFOs and alien abduction.

YA F HARRIS



Summary: Sean Rosen has an idea for a movie, one that he's certain is worth a lot of money. Unfortunately, he can't get it sold because he needs an agent or a manager. Since nobody wants to represent a 13-year-old boy, he moves to plan B: he invents Dan Welch to represent him. When the vice president of an entertainment company responds to Dan's email about his client, Sean must keep the myth alive while struggling with the decision to accept the offer he has received.

YAFBARON 10 & Up

No Safe Place by Deborah Ellis

Summary: Fifteen-year-old Abdul, having lost everyone he loves, journeys from Baghdad to a migrant community in Calais where he sneaks aboard a boat bound for England, not knowing it carries a cargo of heroin, and when the vessel is involved in a skirmish and the pilot killed, it is up to Abdul and three other young stowaways to complete the journey.

YA F ELLIS

13 & Up



Summary: Jake and his sister, children of the British ambassador to Burkina Faso, are kidnapped by someone who appears to be the notorious outlaw and alleged terrorist Yakuuba Sor. But when they meet the real Sor and discover he's more akin to Robin Hood, they help try to clear his name. The story offers a nuanced look into political complexities.

YA F DAVIES



Peak by Roland Smith

Summary: A fourteen-year-old boy attempts to be the youngest person to reach the top of Mount Everest.

YAFSMITH 12 & Up



Peril on the Sea by Michael Cadnum

Summary: In the tense summer of 1588, eighteen-year-old Sherwin Morris, after nearly perishing in a shipwreck, finds himself aboard the privateer Vixen, captained by the notorious and enigmatic Brandon Fletcher who offers him adventure and riches if Sherwin would write and disseminate a flattering account of the captain's exploits.

YA F CADNUM

10 & Up



Prisoner B-3087 by Alan Gratz

Summary: Based on the life of Jack Gruener, this book relates his story of survival from the Nazi occupation of Krakow, when he was eleven, through a succession of concentration camps, to the final liberation of Dachau.

YA F GRATZ

10 & Up



Sasquatch by Roland Smith

Summary: Thirteen-year-old Dylan follows his father into the woods on the slopes of Mount St. Helens, which is on the brink of another eruption, in an attempt to protect the resident Sasquatch from ruthless hunters.

QR SMITH

<u>The Secret of the Fortune Wookie</u> by Tom Angleberger (Series)

Summary: McQuarrie Middle School's students miss Origami Yoda when Dwight leaves for Tippett Academy, but he sends Sara a paper Fortune Wookiee that seems to give advice just as good as Yoda's--even if, in the hands of girls, it seems preoccupied with romance.

QR ANGLEBERGER 9 & Up

Sidekicks by Jack D. Ferraiolo

Summary: Scott Hutchinson has an alternate identity as Bright Boy, the sidekick of Phantom Justice, but with the help of his rival sidekick, Monkeywrench, Scott begins to question whether Phantom Justice is really a hero, which leads to a dangerous confrontation.

YA F FERRAIOLO 10 & Up

Snakebite by Jonahan Mary-Todd

Summary: On the plains of a near-future United States, Malik, Beckley, and a few other survivors of a catastrophe that killed most adults struggle to survive, and face off against a band led by a man who ensures their obedience by scarring them with non-lethal snakebites.

YA F MARY-TODD 12 & Up

Surviving the Applewhites by Stephanie S. Tolan

Summary: Having been thrown out of every school in his home state, Jake Semple arrives at the Creative Academy, a special school run by an unusual and outspoken family, where he is soon befriended by a girl who helps him cope with the wackiness of his new surroundings. A Newbery Honor Book & ALA Notable Children's Book.

QR TOLAN 9 & Up



Taken by Erin Bowman

Summary: Every boy in Claysoot is taken just after midnight the morning he turns 18 in what the villagers call the Heist. Every one, that is, except Gray. He and his brother, Blaine, are exactly one year apart in age, and when Blaine vanishes in a flash of light, Gray is grieved but unsurprised. However, the discovery of a letter left behind by his mother leads him to search through his own medical records where he discovers that he was not Blaine's younger brother but his twin. Compelled to learn the truth behind the Heist and the wall that surrounds his village, Gray and Emma, the daughter of the town medic, escape into the outside world-a world in which resources are scarce, rebels wage war against city dwellers, and allies are not what they seem.

YA F BOWMAN

12 & Up



Unforgettable by Loretta Ellsworth

Summary: Baxter Green isn't like everyone else. While most people would forget about the little details of everyday life, Baxter never forgets—not pain, not hurt, not embarrassment. In fact, Baxter never forgets anything—not even a string of account numbers, flashed before his eyes by his mother's criminal boyfriend, Dink, for use in a credit card scam. Years after his testimony has locked Dink away, Baxter and his mother are in a new town, trying to forget the danger Dink brought into their lives. Baxter wants to hide his unique ability, but it becomes increasingly more difficult when he reconnects with Hallie, a girl from his childhood who has lived on in his memory long after she has forgotten him.

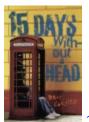
YA F ELLSWORTH 11 &Up



Summary: Calvin Layne seeks escape from his stressful life through his intricate yo-yo tricks which help him find success as a street performer, but his yo-yo success does not mean all his other problems are gone.

YA F KROSSING

12 & Up



15 Days Without a Head by Dave Cousins

Summary: When his alcoholic mother disappears, fifteen-year-old Laurence is determined to find her, take care of his little brother, and keep their predicament a secret, all while trying to win a luxury vacation for his mom in a radio call-in contest.

QR COUSINS