



Oct 18-24 Teen Read Week

Check out some sci-fi, magic realism, virtual reality or paranormal books.

Featured Program



A Daunting Party of Monsters & Murder

Sat Oct 17, 1-4 pm CH (L107)

Monsters arrive at the Monster Summit expecting a typical planning meeting of this year's frightening events. Then, to everyone's shock...a monster is murdered! The victim threatens to haunt everyone forever if the murderer isn't unveiled.

Sign-up and choose your monster character – then come dressed in your most SPOOKY costume to play your role.

Accuse the monster whodunit!
Register beginning Oct 1. Age: 12-17

Saturday, November 14, 2009

READ, LEARN, PLAY

NATIONAL GAMING DAY

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Sat Nov 14 2-4 pm CH (L107)

Play popular board games and help set a national record!

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Teens' Top Ten nominees

see library bookmark list or view at www.ala.org/teenstopten

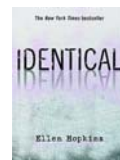
VOTE online at www.ala.org/teenstopten Aug 24– Sep18

Try one of these nominees:



Katsa: *I am trapped. I am the most powerful person in court. Everyone fears me. I am by myself, trammled by my own savagery, confined by my own monstrosity. I do not want this power, the captivity, the monster. Can I change what I am? Will I always be shunned, cursed, condemned, always to be the Graceling - the unwanted one? Feared, despised? Or is there anyone who dares to meet my gaze and accept me as I am?*

Kaeleigh: *I wish mother would love me. I want her to come back so we can be a family again. But since the accident nothings the same. Why? I'm trying to please father but I don't know how long I can keep doing this.*



Janie: *Why am I cursed this way? I don't want to know what others dream. The only thing that's going right in my life is Cabel. But I don't know how long this relationship will last once he finds out about my curse.*

Lucy: *I have to keep going. It's for my mother, for all of the Scarborough women, for Zach, for my baby. I have to...*



Jacob: *Sometimes the ones who make you the happiest also make you hurt the most. What is it like to feel like you have lost half of yourself? What if it's your natural sworn enemy that you lost to? Well... sometimes you're going to lose the battle, and you're just going to have to deal with it.*

Ever: *Since my parents and sister died in a car accident, I've seen the colors of others' emotions. Everyone hates me now and thinks I'm a freak, because I can see their emotions. Now a new boy named Damon is at my school, and he acts as though he knows what I can do... What's wrong with me, and more importantly, what's wrong with him?*



Dylan: *my life is perfect... or at least it was... until my brand new Serge handbag fell into the fountain at the dell :(and i met josh... the geek who wants to make a movie of my life... :) and that's when my whole life went down the tubes... :'(*

CD Review:



Kelly Clarkson's *All I Ever Wanted* is this summer's favorite album with pop dance songs like *I Want You, My Life Would Suck Without You*, and *I Do Not Hook Up* - my personal favorite because of its great beginning guitar and vocals. *If I Can't Have You* is a very upbeat song about a girl who can't have any other boy than the one she loves - similar to Rihanna's *Drive* and *Disturbia*. The album is full of pop-techno music mixed in with a little rock & roll that'll make you want to dance. -Thy Thy



Carolina Liar's *Coming to Terms* features many great rock hits: *Coming to Terms*, *I'm Not Over*, and *Show Me What I'm Looking For*, which is featured in a few movie trailers like the Post Grad and the Time Traveler's Wife. While some of their songs don't have a fast beat, many will enjoy them. -Christine S



Fall For You by Secondhand Serenade is not a widely known band, but this absolutely amazing and beautiful song is definitely getting them some attention. If you are in a sentimental mood this is the perfect song for romantics to listen to over and over again. -Jennifer S

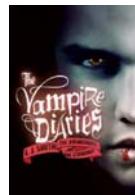


Audrey, Wait! by Robin Benway. Who ever knew that by breaking up with my boyfriend Evan, who is the lead singer of a little band called the Do-Gooders, could make me famous? Without this being planned, he wrote a song (unfortunately about me) called, "Audrey Wait!" making this break-up an international hit. Sure, the song is great, but with it: my journey through high school changed; brought me an awesome opportunity to meet pretty cool bands and singers (although after "dating" another lead singer, I think they suck now); got me to be on live TV (MTV); and gave me an amazing new boyfriend way better than my ex! Reading this book about how my normal life became the famous rock-star-life would really bring out the popularity in you. -Rachel A

The Warrior Heir by Cinda Williams Chima is an outstanding book. I absolutely loved reading it. It mixes the story of a teenager with fantasy, and war. Each page you read something happens and keeps you eager to get to the conclusion, but, yet you don't want to stop reading it. At the end of the book it has a twist, that no one would've expected, which is why this happens to be one of my favorite books. Cinda Williams Chima did a spectacular job. This is a perfect book for readers that like fantasy and action



I would rate this book a 10 of 10. 😊 -Alahna



The Vampire Diaries: The Awakening and The Struggle by L.J. Smith is a must read book about the golden girl named Elena who can have any guy she wants, but finds Stefan, a dark mysterious boy, and falls in love with him. He struggles to resist and protect her, because of the dark horrors from his past. Damen, a sexy dangerous and daring bad boy wants Elena for himself, as well as revenge on his brother Stefan who betrayed him in the past. If you liked the Twilight Series then, you'll get hooked instantly. -Thy Thy

Fade by Lisa McMann is a captivating novel about a girl named Lucy who is cursed with the ability to fall into any body's dreams. She uses her powers to help Captain Komisky solve crimes with her boyfriend Cabel. But once she finds out about the cons of having her ability she will have to choose between isolation or becoming paralyzed. It's great to have a book that has a strong and independent woman as the main character. As you flip through the pages you'll want more and more. There are a few surprises now and then which holds your attention. The plot and surprises within this book makes it impossible for you to put down. 5/5 stars -Nicole



A Kiss in Time by Alex Flinn. This modern story of sleeping beauty is told from the perspective of the bratty Princess Talia and her ever so slacker prince ... Jack. Although I enjoyed hearing the witch's point of view in this book, I felt that the character of Talia was too irritating, so by the end I didn't feel for Talia as the author intended. Also, Jack's character was not developed well enough... he seemed to state only what was going on around him rather than with him. The ending was a little disappointing as well. Despite these downfalls, the story was good and the plot was overall interesting. 2/5 Anuja

TAB Recommends...

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IN THEATERS
Coming August ...



Coming September...



Coming October...



Movie Review



Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince

A must see movie - Harry Potter continues to try to defeat the Voldemort. The director does a fantastic job in making his audience sit on the edge of their chair watching in suspense. 5/5 stars –Christine S

Absolutely spectacular. - stays very true to the book, except it needed the Death Eaters and Dumbledore's sentimental funeral fight scene at the end. Everyone enjoys a good action-packed battle followed by a good tear-inducing scene, and the climactic ending left me expecting something that never came. 4/5 -Jennifer S

A very bad adaptation of what I think is the best book. Left you hanging with the question " Is that it?" See it if your a Harry Potter Fan. Have higher hopes for the next one. 2 stars out of 5 -Moorea C

I'm a big fan of the HP films. I enjoyed this one a lot, but would have preferred to see the big battle at the end – I was looking forward to it! The romance between Harry & Ginny was really undefined and a tad confusing. – Alex L

Year One ~ Ever wonder what it was like back in the day oh... say like 2008 years ago? HI-larious Jack Black and Michael Cera take you back to the year 1. Follow the adventure of two tribal castoffs, Zed (Black) and Oh (Cera) as they travel the world and meet famous "historical" characters such as Cain and Abel, the Romans, Ishmael and many others in this incredibly hilarious movie. It had me laughing until I cried and definitely gave me many lines to quote. Overall great comedy! 5/5 Rated: PG-13 (Historical humor a bit crude.) -Anuja



Transformers 2: Revenge of the Fallen was one of the coolest sci-fi action movies. Filled with special effects, a little comic relief, and action-packed Autobots that can metamorphosis into anything they want to, this movie is a must see. With Sam Witwicky going off to college and maintaining his steady relationship with girlfriend Mikaela (Megan Fox) things get off to a rocky start as the battle for earth is at stake between evil Decepticons and loyal Autobots. For anyone who loved the first Transformers movie, Revenge of the Fallen will not disappoint. -Thy Thy

Transformers 2 has tons of action and when you least expect it there are a few slips of comedy. -Nicole





Top Ten Things Not To Do on the 1st day of school

1. Enter school by yourself (or with Mommy!)
2. Forget backpack, supplies
3. Forget your schedule
4. Forget locker combination
5. Walk into the wrong class
6. Sit in the wrong seat
7. Trip/fall in the hallway
8. Try too hard
9. Eat lunch by yourself
10. Too friendly with Seniors

Advice for kids starting middle school.... 😊

1. Be yourself
2. Try to make a lot of friends
3. Always turn your homework in on time
4. Respect your peers and the teachers
5. Don't be shy when asking for help
6. Try to study before tests

WEBSITE/DATABASE

<http://www.321know.com/>
AAA Math features interactive arithmetic lessons, unlimited practice, and a wide range of lessons to enable learning or reviewing at each individual's current level.

[Learning Express Library](http://www.westminsterlibrary.org)
Interactive online database at www.westminsterlibrary.org features more than 300 practice tests including ACT, SAT, GED, and math and reading skill tests to achieve your education goals.

CREATIVE STUFF

Playlist

Christine's Playlist

Show Me What I'm Looking For / Carolina Liar
Fall For You / Secondhand Serenade
Guilty Pleasure / Cobra Starship
You Belong With Me / Taylor Swift
Single Ladies / Beyonce

Sonja's Playlist

Know Your Enemy / Green Day
Poker Face / Lady Gaga
What's Coming Will Come / The Remus Lupins
I Right Sins Not Tragedies / Panic! at the Disco

Jennifer's Playlist

My Moves Are White (White Hot That Is) / Cobra Starship
Second Chances / October Fall
Animal I Have Become / Three Days Grace
When Did Your Heart Go Missing? / Rooney
This is Home/Switchfoot

Alahna's Playlist

New Divine / Linkin Park
Goodbye / Kristinia Debarge
One Step at a Time / Jordin Sparks



Nicole's Playlist

Obsessed / Mariah Carey
Superman / Chris Brown
Starstruck / Lady Gaga
Halo / Beyonce
You Belong with Me / Taylor Swift

Morrea's Playlist

Chopin's Nocturne
Ave Maria
The Girl with Flaxen Hair / Joshua Bell
Raging Waters
Tubular Bells and Phantom of the Opera medley / Cast in Bronze

Anuja's Playlist

Love Drunk / Boys Like Girls
Echo / Gorilla Zoe
Down / Jay Sean
You Belong With Me / Taylor Swift
Good Girls Go Bad / Cobra Starship