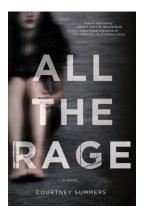


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All the Rage / Courtney Summers

St. Martin's Press

The sheriff's son, Kellan Turner, is not the golden boy everyone thinks he is, and Romy Grey knows that for a fact. Because no one wants to believe a girl from the wrong side of town, the truth about him has cost her everything-friends, family, and her community. (48 words)

Branded a liar and bullied relentlessly by a group of kids she used to hang out with, Romy's only refuge is the diner where she works outside of town. No one knows her name or her past there; she can finally be anonymous. But when a girl with ties to both Romy and Kellan goes missing after a party, and news of him assaulting another girl in a town close by gets out, Romy must decide whether she wants to fight or carry the burden of knowing more girls could get hurt if she doesn't speak up. Nobody believed her the first time-and they certainly won't now-but the cost of her silence might be more than she can bear.



The Art of Getting Stared at / Laura Langston

Penguin Group Canada

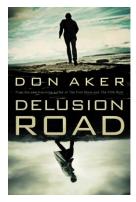
16 year old Sloane Kendricks has a chance at her dream film school, and she's not going to let anything get in the way of her short film application, not even having to work with slacker Isaac Alexander. But then one day she notices her hair has started falling out. As she loses more and more hair, Sloane is finally diagnosed with alopecia areata. There is no cause, no treatment, and no cure. Sloane has never cared about her appearance, but that was when she was normal. What will she do now?



The Bodies We Wear / Jeyn Roberts WINNER

Knopf/Penguin Random House Canada

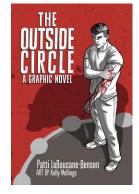
To get a glimpse of heaven try Heam. The catch: you just might see hell instead. Faye was eleven when Heam was forced on her and her best friend, Christian. Faye saw hell and vowed retribution. After years spent training, Faye is ready to take revenge on the men that destroyed her future and killed her friend. But vengeance has its price and a mysterious young man doesn't want Faye to pay up. Branded by what happened to her as a child, Faye wonders if setting aside revenge is worth it for a future that may no longer exist?



Delusion Road / Don Aker

HarperCollins Canada, Limited

Willa Jaffrey is beautiful, rich, dating the perfect guy, and looking forward to a fabulous senior year. Enter mysterious Keegan Fraser, a handsome new student who wants no part of the games everyone plays at Willa's high school. Despite a rocky start, Keegan and Willa gradually become closer, even as Willa's carefully constructed universe begins to fall apart. And while Keegan helps Willa deal with some hard truths, Willa has no idea that Keegan's past holds the darkest of secrets—and it's about to catch up to him. Someone is looking for Keegan and his family and is getting menacingly close to finding them.



The Outside Circle / Patti LaBoucane-Benson

House of Anansi Press Inc.

This graphic novel is an eye-opening account of some of the troubles thrust upon the Aboriginal people, shown through the lens of a troubled young man. When older brother Pete ends up in jail, he realizes the negative influence he has become on his younger brother, which leads him to begin a process of rehabilitation that includes traditional Aboriginal healing circles and ceremonies. As the story unfolds, it takes the readers on a journey that is both educational and captivating.



Rabbit Ears / Maggie De Vries HarperCollins Canada, Limited

Kaya is adopted, multiracial, grieving the death of her father and carrying a painful secret. Feeling ill at ease with her family and in her own skin, she runs away repeatedly, gradually disappearing into a life of addiction and sex work. Meanwhile, her sister, Beth, escapes her own troubles with food and a rediscovered talent for magic tricks. Though both girls struggle through darkness and pain, they eventually find their way to a moment of illumination and healing.



A Sense of the Infinite / Hilary T. Smith HarperCollins/Katherine Tegen Books

This is the story of Annabeth's senior year of high school. For years, she has been grounded by her close friendship with Noe. But now Noe is pulling away from her, and she's feeling alone and uncertain. Ultimately, it's a story about friendship, about the evolution of relationships and people. It's about finding your path and your destiny, with or without, a best friend at your side. This story relates how growing up at any age means changes that are hard, changes that hurt, and changes that inspire excitement.



Soldier Doll / Jennifer Gold Second Story Press

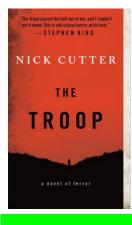
Elizabeth buys a soldier doll at a garage sale. Determined to find its original owner she learns about the courage and determination of generations of soldiers who fought in wars around the world. (33 words)

When Elizabeth finds an antique soldier doll at a garage sale, she buys it for her dad's birthday, who is getting shipped off to Afghanistan. In her quest to find the original owner she traces the history of the doll's travels through generations as it is passed on to soldiers going off to war. Her father dies in Afghanistan as she locates Meg in England who gave it to her fiancé a century earlier who fought in WWI.



The Story of Owen / E.K. Johnson Lerner Publishing Group

Listen! For this is The Story of Owen, dragon-slayer and mediocre high school student. When Owen and his heroic dragon-slaying aunt move to the rural town of Trondheim to serve the town as its dragon-slayers, Siobhan's life is changed forever. When Siobhan agrees to tutor Owen she has no idea that she will become his bard, bearing witness to his heroic feats of daring and play her own role in saving her town from escalating dragon attacks. Listen! For only Siobhan knows the truth, and it changes everything the world knows about dragon slaying.



The Troop / Nick Cutter Pocket Books

Scoutmaster Tim takes five boys for a weekend camping trip at Falstaff Island. He thinks the worst he'll have to deal with is the boys' different personalities clashing, or perhaps the leader of the pack challenging his authority, but the truth is much worst. A disturbingly thin stranger stumbles onto their island campground, within his body, a bioengineered horror. Their camping weekend turns into an actual fight for survival, with each boy doing the unthinkable to stay ahead of the monster that has been unleashed on them, never realizing there was a monster within their group already.