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Confessions of a Serial Kisser Ember
WINNER OF THE NOBEL PRIZE® IN
LITERATURE 2013 This acclaimed,
bestselling collection also contains the
celebrated stories that inspired the Pedro
Almodóvar film *Julieta*. *Runaway* is a book of
extraordinary stories about love and its infinite
betrayals and surprises, from the title story
about a young woman who, though she thinks
she wants to, is incapable of leaving her
husband, to three stories about a woman named
Juliet and the emotions that complicate the
luster of her intimate relationships. In Munro's
hands, the people she writes about—women of
all ages and circumstances, and their friends,
lovers, parents, and children—become as vivid
as our own neighbors. It is her miraculous gift
to make these stories as real and unforgettable
as our own.

7 Riddles to Nowhere Knopf Books for Young Readers

"The most winning junior detective
ever in teen lit. (Take that, Nancy
Drew!)" —Midwest Children's Book
Review In this pivotal book in the
Sammy Keyes series, Sammy tackles
the persistent mysteries of her own
life. Mysteries like: Who is her father?
And why has her mother kept it such a
secret? How long can she manage to
hide out in Grams' seniors-only
building before someone catches on?
Is her mother really planning to marry
her boyfriend's father? (Ew.) And
why, why is Heather Acosta so nasty?
During one crazy weekend in Las
Vegas, with the help of an entire army
of Elvis impersonators, Sammy finally

gets some answers. But of course knowledge comes at a price—and solving the mysteries of her own life will cost Sammy more than she ever meant to pay. . . . The Sammy Keyes mysteries are fast-paced, funny, thoroughly modern, and true whodunits. Each mystery is exciting and dramatic, but it's the drama in Sammy's personal life that keeps readers coming back to see what happens next with her love interest Casey, her soap-star mother, and her mysterious father.

Sammy Keyes and the Sisters of Mercy Knopf Books for Young Readers

The bestselling, "gripping" (Entertainment Weekly),

"powerful" (Hypable), "utterly thrilling" (Paste.com) winner of the Edgar Award for Best Young Adult Mystery, perfect for readers of Kristin Hannah and Ruta Sepetys. Amsterdam, 1943. Hanneke spends her days procuring and delivering sought-after black market goods to paying customers, her nights hiding the true nature of her work from her concerned parents, and every waking moment mourning her boyfriend, who was killed on the Dutch front lines when the Germans invaded. She likes to think of her illegal work as a small act of rebellion. On a routine delivery, a client asks

Hanneke for help. Expecting to hear that Mrs. Janssen wants meat or kerosene, Hanneke is shocked by the older woman's frantic plea to find a person--a Jewish teenager Mrs. Janssen had been hiding, who has vanished without a trace from a secret room. Hanneke initially wants nothing to do with such dangerous work, but is ultimately drawn into a web of mysteries and stunning revelations that lead her into the heart of the resistance, open her eyes to the horrors of the Nazi war machine, and compel her to take desperate action. Beautifully written, intricately plotted, and meticulously researched, *Girl in the Blue Coat* is an extraordinary novel about bravery, grief, and love in impossible times. Don't miss *The War Outside* and *They Went Left*, two more gripping historical novels by Monica Hesse

[Wild Bird Vintage](#)
Does the perfect kiss exist? This smart and funny modern romance from the author of *Flipped* explores the pleasures and perils of love. Perfect for fans of *Jenny Han's To All the Boys I've Loved Before*. Evangeline Logan wants a kiss. Not just any kiss—a “crimson kiss,” like the one in a

romance novel she's become obsessed with. But the path to perfection is paved with many bad kisses—the smash mouth, the ear licker, the “misser,” the tentative tight lipper. The phrase “I don't kiss and tell” means nothing to the boys in her school. And worse: someone starts writing her name and number on bathroom walls. And worst of all: the boy she's just kissed turns out to be her best friend's new crush. Kissing turns out to be way more complicated than the romance novels would have you believe. . . . “Evangeline's strong, entertaining voice will pull plenty of readers, who will root for their heroine as she begins to piece together a grown-up life.”
—Booklist “The pacing is near-perfect: readers realize, just when Evangeline does, that it is not a kiss she is [really] after. In the end, the playful title and premise are matched by tender and convincing storytelling.” —Publishers Weekly
Shark Girl Alfred A. Knopf Books for Young Readers
This diary of a runaway girl and her search for a home celebrates hope, resilience, and happy endings as only Wendelin Van Draanen, the author of *Flipped* and other acclaimed novels, can. Holly has run away before, but this time she actually gets away—and what at first felt like an escape soon becomes a daily struggle for survival. She is smart and resourceful, and she manages to make it across the country on

her own. But how long can this go on? It ' s getting harder to avoid the truth—Holly is now homeless. Runaway is a remarkably uplifting portrait of a girl still young and stubborn and naive enough to believe there ' s a better place for her in the world.

“ Will grab readers from the first entry. ”
—Kirkus Reviews “ Holly ' s lively self lingers in the way the best characters do. Runaway is certainly one of the best young adult books of the year. ” —The Sacramento Bee

Angelhood Ember

She was a young German Jew. He was an ardent member of the Hitler Youth. This is the story of their parallel journey through World War II. Helen Waterford and Alfons Heck were born just a few miles from each other in the German Rhineland. But their lives took radically different

courses: Helen's to the Auschwitz extermination camp; Alfons to a high rank in the Hitler Youth. While Helen was hiding in Amsterdam, Alfons was a fanatic believer in Hitler's "master race." While she was crammed in a cattle car bound for the death camp Aushchwitz, he was a teenage commander of frontline troops, ready to fight and die for the glory of Hitler and the Fatherland. This book tells both of their stories, side-by-side, in an overwhelming account of the nightmare that was WWII. The riveting stories of these two remarkable people must stand as a powerful lesson to us all.

Sammy Keyes and the Wedding Crasher Vinspire Publishing, LLC

From the award-winning author of *The Running Dream* and *Flipped* comes a remarkable portrait of a girl who has hit rock bottom but begins a climb back to herself at a wilderness survival camp. 3:47 a.m. That ' s when they come for Wren Clemmens. She ' s hustled out of her house and into a waiting car, then a plane, and then taken on

a forced march into the desert. This is what happens to kids who 've gone so far off the rails, their parents don 't know what to do with them anymore. This is wilderness therapy camp. Eight weeks of survivalist camping in the desert. Eight weeks to turn your life around. Yeah, right. The Wren who arrives in the Utah desert is angry and bitter, and blaming everyone but herself. But angry can 't put up a tent. And bitter won 't start a fire. Wren 's going to have to admit she needs help if she 's going to survive. "I read *Wild Bird* in one long mesmerized gulp. Wren will break your heart—and then mend it." —Nancy Werlin, National Book Award finalist for *The Rules of Survival* "Van Draanen 's Wren is real and relatable, and readers will root for her." —VOYA, starred review

How I Survived Being a Girl Knopf Books for Young Readers

Want to write a novel? This book is the

motivation you need! Part writing guide and part memoir, this inspiring book from the author of *Flipped* and *The Running Dream* is like *Bird by Bird* for YA readers and writers. Wendelin Van Draanen didn't grow up wanting to be a writer, but thirty books later, she's convinced that writing saved her life. Or, at least, saved her from a life of bitterness and despair. Writing helped her sort out what she thought and felt and wanted. And digging deep into fictional characters helped her understand the real people in her life better as well. Wendelin shares what she's learned--about writing, life, and what it takes to live the writing life. This book is packed with practical advice on the craft: about how to create characters and plot a story that's exciting to read. But

maybe even more helpful is the insight she provides into the persistence, and perseverance, it takes to live a productive, creative life. And she answers the age-old question *Where do you get your ideas?* by revealing how events in her own life became the seeds of her best-loved novels. *Hope in the Mail* is a wildly inspirational read for anyone with a story to share.

[Curveball: The Year I Lost My Grip \(Sneak Peek\)](#)
Yearling

The ninth book in the bestselling series tells the story of John Wesley Powell, the one-armed geologist who explored the Grand Canyon. John Wesley Powell (1834 – 1902) always had the spirit of adventure in him. As a young man, he traveled all over the United States exploring. When the Civil War began, Powell went to fight for the Union, and even after he lost most of his right arm,

he continued to fight until the war was over. In 1869 he embarked with the Colorado River Exploring Expedition, ten men in four boats, to float through Grand Canyon. Over the course of three months, the explorers lost their boats and supplies, nearly drowned, and were in peril on multiple occasions. Ten explorers went in, only six came out. Powell would come to be known as one of the most epic explorers in history! Equal parts gruesome and hilarious, this latest installment in the bestselling series takes readers on an action-packed adventure through American history.

[The Captive Maiden](#) The Running Dream

"The most winning junior detective ever in teen lit. (Take that, Nancy Drew!)" —Midwest Children's Book Review The bad news: Sammy's made a deadly mistake. The good news: No one knows she did it. The delicious dilemma: Everyone thinks her archenemy Heather is to blame. Now Heather is in a major jam, and in some ways it's only fair—Heather has pinned more than a few crimes

on Sammy. Besides, there are distractions galore to keep Sammy from confessing. Like the end of the school year. And the Farewell Dance. Especially the dance, since she's going with Heather's (dreamy) brother Casey. But Sammy knows the truth has an uncanny way of resurfacing, and when it does, the stench can be more vile than the junior high cafeteria. The Sammy Keyes mysteries are fast-paced, funny, thoroughly modern, and true whodunits. Each mystery is exciting and dramatic, but it's the drama in Sammy's personal life that keeps readers coming back to see what happens next with her love interest Casey, her soap-star mother, and her mysterious father.

Yearling

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—Midwest Children's Book Review After being chased by a man wielding a shovel, scared silly by a mummy, and attacked by

Heather Acosta, Sammy and her pals decide they've had their fill of monsters and head home to eat some candy. But along with bubble gum and chocolate bars, they discover something frightening in their trick-or-treating bags. Something that's definitely not sweet! Before they know it, Sammy and her friends are following suspicious gravediggers, ghoulish embalmers, and shady undertakers. And somebody is following them . . . The Sammy Keyes mysteries are fast-paced, funny, thoroughly modern, and true whodunits. Each mystery is exciting and dramatic, but it's the drama in Sammy's personal life that keeps readers coming back to see what happens next with her love interest Casey, her soap-star mother, and her mysterious father.

Runaway Yearling

The Gecko & Sticky are a fabulous crime-fighting duo! This quartet of funny adventures will appeal to fans of superheroes both young and old, and would make terrific all-family read-alouds. Dave Sanchez, crime-fighting courier, has just been handed the scariest package he's ever seen, and it's addressed to none other than the dastardly Damien Black! Dave is well aware that he should deliver the package, but when he sees the evil-looking potion inside, he knows he can't. So he comes up with a totally clever ruse to trick the villain and . . . it backfires. Big-time. Soon he's facing off with six-horned goats, terrifying tarantulas, a java-junkie monkey--and, of course, Damien Black! Don't miss the other Gecko & Sticky Adventures: 1. The Villain's Lair, 2. The Greatest Power, 3. Sinister Substitute, and 4. The Power Potion.

Sammy Keyes and the Dead Giveaway
Knopf Books for Young Readers

Maddie Fynn is a shy high school junior cursed with an eerie intuitive ability that's out of her control -- one that entangles her in a homicide investigation. For as long as she can remember, Maddie has seen a series of unique digits hovering above the foreheads of each person she encounters. Her earliest memories are marked by these numbers, but it takes her father's premature death for Maddie and her family to realize that these mysterious digits are actually deathdates, and just like birthdays, everyone has one. Forced by her alcoholic mother to use her ability to make extra money, Maddie identifies the quickly approaching deathdate of one client's young son, but because her ability only allows her to see the when and not the how, she's unable to offer any more

insight. When the boy goes missing on that exact date, law enforcement turns to Maddie. Soon, Maddie is entangled in a homicide investigation, and more young people disappear and are later found murdered. A suspect for the investigation, a target for the murderer, and attracting the attentions of a mysterious young admirer who may be connected to it all, Maddie's whole existence is about to be turned upside down. Can she right things before it's too late?

The Yellow Envelope Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

A teenager struggles through physical loss to the start of acceptance in an absorbing, artful novel at once honest and insightful, wrenching and redemptive. (Age 12 and up)

On a sunny day in June, at the beach with her mom and brother, fifteen-year-old Jane Arrowood went for a swim. And then everything -- absolutely everything -- changed. Now she ' s counting down the days until she returns to school with her fake arm, where she knows kids will whisper, "That ' s her -- that ' s Shark Girl," as she passes. In the meantime there are only questions: Why did this happen? Why her? What about her art? What about her life? In this striking first novel, Kelly Bingham uses poems, letters, telephone conversations, and newspaper clippings to look unflinchingly at what it ' s like to lose part of yourself - and to summon the courage it takes to find yourself again.

The Gecko and Sticky: The Power Potion Knopf

Books for Young Readers

Nanette's idea of escaping life backfires on her when she discovers she's a guardian angel, and the only way to earn her wings is to prevent young Vera from taking her own life.

Shredderman: Meet the Gecko Scholastic Inc.

From the author of *The Running Dream* comes a heart-swelling historical tale of friendship, family, and the power of sisterhood to help heal the wounds of the past and step boldly into the future.

Ginny Rose and Peggy were best friends at seven, picking peaches on hot summer days. Peggy's family owned the farm, and Ginny Rose's were pickers, escaping the Oklahoma dust storms. That didn't matter to them then, but now, ten years, hard miles, and a world war later, Ginny Rose's family is back in town and their differences feel somehow starker. Especially since Peggy's new best friend, Lisette, is a wealthy banker's daughter. Still, there's no denying what all three girls have in common: Families with great fissures

that are about to break wide open. And a determination to not just accept things as they are anymore. This summer they will each make a stand. It's a season of secrets revealed. Of daring plans to heal old wounds. Of hearts won and hearts broken. A summer when everything changes because you're seventeen, and it's time to be bold. And because it's easier to be brave with a true friend by your side.

Sammy Keyes and the Hollywood Mummy Pan Macmillan

Happily Ever After ... Or Happily Nevermore? Gisela's childhood was filled with laughter and visits from nobles such as the duke and his young son. But since her father's death, each day has been filled with nothing but servitude to her stepmother. So when Gisela learns the duke's son, Valten—the boy she has

daydreamed about for years—is throwing a ball in hopes of finding a wife, she vows to find a way to attend, even if it ' s only for a taste of a life she ' ll never have. To her surprise, she catches Valten ' s eye. Though he is rough around the edges, Gisela finds Valten has completely captured her heart. But other forces are bent on keeping the two from falling further in love, putting Gisela in more danger than she ever imagined.

Flipped Yearling

The acclaimed author of *Flipped* delivers a powerful and healing story that ' s perfect for anyone who ' s ever thought that something was impossible. Readers will revel in the story of a girl who puts herself back together—and learns to dream bigger than ever before—after she ' s told she ' ll

never run again. Jessica thinks her life is over when she loses a leg in a car accident. She's not comforted by the news that she'll be able to walk with the help of a prosthetic leg. Who cares about walking when you live to run? As she struggles to cope with crutches and a first cyborg-like prosthetic, Jessica feels oddly both in the spotlight and invisible. People who don't know what to say, act like she's not there. Which she could handle better if she weren't now keenly aware that she'd done the same thing herself to a girl with CP named Rosa. A girl who is going to tutor her through all the math she's missed. A girl who sees right into the heart of her. With the support of family, friends, a coach, and her track teammates, Jessica may actually be able to run again. But that's not

enough for her now. She doesn't just want to cross finish lines herself—she wants to take Rosa with her Winner of the Schneider Family Book Award The Gecko and Sticky: The Greatest Power Heinemann Educational Books Sammy takes off her high-tops, puts on some party shoes, and steps into a whole lot of trouble. "Sammy's investigation, friendships, family life, and wiseacre narration make this another rollicking addition to the series." --Booklist Sammy should have known better than to think 8th grade would be easier than 7th. It's only September and already the history teacher is receiving death threats. Naturally, Sammy is the prime suspect. To make matters worse, officer Borsch has asked Sammy to

help out at his wedding. If she doesn't find the real prankster fast, Sammy will be wearing prison stripes instead of a poofy pastel bridesmaid dress. This Sammy Keyes adventure blends mystery, comedy, and a dusting of fairy tale magic. When Knopf Books for Young Readers A classic he-said-she-said romantic comedy, with bonus content including a Q&A with the author. All I've ever wanted is for Juli Baker to leave me alone. For her to back off – you know, just give me some space. Juli has been making Bryce's life hell from the moment they met. All he wants is to live a normal life, without some crazy person mooning after him. The first day I met Bryce Loski, I flipped. Honestly, one look at him and I became a lunatic. It's his eyes. But she doesn't see it that way. In her eyes, they're meant for each other, even though he might not realize it yet. That is, until the eighth grade, when everything flips. And just as Juli starts

to realize that Bryce may not be all he seemed, Bryce begins to think that there's more to Juli than meets the eye . . . Wendelin Van Draanen's *Flipped* is a modern-day classic about first love and not judging a book by its cover. A romantic comedy-of-errors told in alternating chapters by two fresh, funny voices.