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L. Justine Knopf Books for Young Readers
Kelle James ran away from an abusive home at the age of fifteen to the best place she could think of. New York City. She was going to be a model, rich, famous, and she was going to find people who treated her right. She had no idea what was in store for her and within three days she was homeless and broke. What follows is her exceptional story of trying to make it on her own with nothing to her name and no one to trust. She endures a string of people, mostly men, who take advantage of her youth and beauty, many disappointments and rejections, and the most famous murder trial of the 1970s. This is the story of a girl losing herself before finding her way in the city that never sleeps.

Love and First Sight Poppy

The New York Times bestselling true story of an all-American girl and a boy from Zimbabwe -- and the letter that changed both of their lives forever. It started as an assignment. Everyone in Caitlin's class wrote to an unknown student somewhere in a distant place. Martin was lucky to even receive a pen-pal letter. There were only ten letters, and fifty kids in his class. But he was the top student, so he got the first one. That letter was the beginning of a correspondence that spanned six years and changed two lives. In this compelling dual memoir, Caitlin and Martin recount how they became best friends--and better people--through their long-distance exchange. Their story will inspire you to look beyond your own life and wonder about the world at large and your place in it.

Smile for the Camera Macmillan

Get ready for season 4 of the popular TLC show I Am Jazz! Teen advocate and

trailblazer Jazz Jennings--named one of "The 25 Most Influential Teens" of the year by Time--shares her very public transgender journey, as she inspires people to accept the differences in others while they embrace their own truths. "[Jazz's] touching book serves as a rallying cry for understanding and acceptance."--Bustle Jazz Jennings is one of the youngest and most prominent voices in the national discussion about gender identity. At the age of five, Jazz transitioned to life as a girl, with the support of her parents. A year later, her parents allowed her to share her incredible journey in her first Barbara Walters interview, aired at a time when the public was much less knowledgeable or accepting of the transgender community. This groundbreaking interview was followed over the years by other high-profile interviews, a documentary, the launch of her YouTube channel, a picture book, and her own reality TV series--I Am Jazz--making her one of the most recognizable activists for transgender teens, children, and adults. In her remarkable memoir, Jazz reflects on these very public experiences and how they have helped shape the mainstream attitude toward the transgender community. But it hasn't all been easy. Jazz has faced many challenges, bullying, discrimination, and rejection, yet she perseveres as she educates others about her life as a transgender teen. Through it all, her family has been beside her on this journey, standing together against those who don't understand the true meaning of tolerance and unconditional love. Now Jazz must learn to navigate the physical, social, and emotional upheavals of adolescence--particularly high school--complicated by the unique challenges of being a transgender teen. Making the journey from girl to woman is never easy--especially when you began your life in a boy's body. See Jazz's story come to life with two inserts featuring personal photos. PRAISE FOR JAZZ JENNINGS: "Jazz is one of the transgender community's

most important activists." --Cosmopolitan "A role model for teens everywhere."

--Seventeen.com "Wise beyond her years."

--Teen Vogue

The Social Cancer Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

* SOON TO BE A FEATURE FILM ON NETFLIX*

Timing is everything in this romantic novel about family connections, second chances, and first loves. Set over a twenty-four-hour period, Hadley and Oliver find that true love can be found in unexpected places. Today should be one of the worst days of Hadley Sullivan's life. Having just missed her flight, she's stuck at the airport and late to her father's wedding, which is taking place in London and involves a soon-to-be stepmother Hadley's never even met. Then she happens upon the perfect boy in the airport's cramped waiting area. His name is Oliver, he's British, and he's sitting in her row.... A long night on the plane passes in the blink of an eye, and Hadley and Oliver lose track of each other in the airport chaos upon arrival. Can fate intervene to bring them together once more?

The Pregnancy Project Candlewick Press (MA)

The Paralympic ski racer, YouTube star and motivational speaker documents his coming of age as an amputee cancer survivor and his efforts to investigate past dates gone wrong to discover why he was still single.

The Lost Boy Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

Filipino national hero Jose Rizal wrote *The Social Cancer* in Berlin in 1887. Upon his return to his country, he was summoned to the palace by the Governor General because of the subversive ideas his book had inspired in the nation. Rizal wrote of his consequent

persecution by the church: "My book made a lot of noise; everywhere, I am asked about it. They wanted to anathematize me ['to excommunicate me'] because of it ... I am considered a German spy, an agent of Bismarck, they say I am a Protestant, a freemason, a sorcerer, a damned soul and evil. It is whispered that I want to draw plans, that I have a foreign passport and that I wander through the streets by night ..."

Speak English Like an American Language Success Press

Mindy Kaling has lived many lives: the obedient child of immigrant professionals, a timid chubster afraid of her own bike, a Ben Affleck-impersonating Off-Broadway performer and playwright, and, finally, a comedy writer and actress prone to starting fights with her friends and coworkers with the sentence "Can I just say one last thing about this, and then I swear I'll shut up about it?" Perhaps you want to know what Mindy thinks makes a great best friend (someone who will fill your prescription in the middle of the night), or what makes a great guy (one who is aware of all elderly people in any room at any time and acts accordingly), or what is the perfect amount of fame (so famous you can never get convicted of murder in a court of law), or how to maintain a trim figure (you will not find that information in these pages). If so, you've come to the right book, mostly! In *Is Everyone Hanging Out Without Me?*, Mindy invites readers on a tour of her life and her unscientific observations on romance, friendship, and Hollywood, with several conveniently placed stopping points for you to run errands and make phone calls. Mindy Kaling really is just a Girl Next Door—not so much literally anywhere in the

continental United States, but definitely if you live in India or Sri Lanka. This enhanced eBook includes an audio introduction from the author; audio commentary from Mindy's friends, including The Office costar B. J. Novak and Parks and Recreation creator Michael Schur; bonus photos, including an exclusive "Avalanche of Awkwardness" slideshow of never-before-seen childhood photos with audio commentary; and three full chapters read by the author.

Just Don't Fall Candlewick Press

Pocket Change Collective was born out of a need for space. Space to think. Space to connect. Space to be yourself. And this is your invitation to join us. "Wow! Leo's vulnerability and authenticity allowed me to experience his pain and triumph. A great testament to the positive power of skateboarding and the dangers of gender." --Elissa Steamer (skateboarding pioneer) "In *Skate for Your Life*, Leo Baker invites us on the intimate journey toward self-realization. Leo's deep passion for skateboarding is beautifully communicated while bringing to light the difficult reality of breaking the mold on a public stage. This book synthesizes what so many LGBTQIA people can relate to--the lifelong journey of seeking out spaces where we fit in, and when we don't find them, making new ones." --JD Samson (musician, producer, and songwriter) In this moving, personal story, professional skateboarder Leo Baker shares their journey within the sport and the importance of authenticity and allyship as a non-binary athlete. Pocket Change Collective is a series of small books with big ideas from today's leading activists and artists. "Your authenticity is your

superpower." That's the motto that professional skateboarder Leo Baker lives by and champions. But like any hero's journey, learning about their power didn't come easy. In this installment of the Pocket Change Collective, Baker takes the reader on a complicated, powerful journey through the world of skate and competitive sport as a non-binary athlete.

They Call Me a Hero

Crown/Archetype

A remarkable odyssey that John le Carre calls 'inspiring, courageous, sometimes heartbreaking' Josh Sundquist was an energetic and inquisitive nine-year-old when he was diagnosed with Ewing's sarcoma, a virulent cancer that eventually claimed his left leg. His extraordinary journey takes him from his small southern town—with his father, an aspiring pastor questioning his faith, and his mother, a rigidly conservative homeschool teacher—through a dizzying array of hospitals, on to high school, and then to the mountains, where Josh learns to ski. On the slopes, Josh's world bursts wide open and he finds within him the drive to become a champion skier, despite his disability. While he navigates the dramas of high school and an unstable home life, Josh keeps his eyes on the prize—the 2006 Paralympics in Turin, Italy. *Just Don't Fall* isn't just the story of a boy becoming a man, but of a champion realizing his greatest aspiration.

We Should Hang Out Sometime

Jimmy Patterson

A 2021 Sydney Taylor Notable Book "The new manifesto for how we as queer people could and should navigate the world. It's the holding hand I never had—but wish I did." --Troye Sivan, Golden Globe nominated-singer, songwriter, and actor "With the persistence of queerphobia all around the world, this book is absolutely necessary, even vital." --Édouard Louis, internationally bestselling author of *History of Violence* "To Eli's credit, all of the

rules are rooted in considerations of conscience and kindness and, if observed, will make a better world--as will this book."--Booklist, starred review "A must-read that highlights the importance of radical empathy, community building, and solidarity."--School Library Journal, starred review In *The New Queer Conscience*, LGBTQIA+ activist Adam Eli argues the urgent need for queer responsibility -- that queers anywhere are responsible for queers everywhere. Pocket Change Collective is a series of small books with big ideas from today's leading activists and artists. In this installment, *The New Queer Conscience*, Voices4 Founder and LGBTQIA+ activist Adam Eli offers a candid and compassionate introduction to queer responsibility. Eli calls on his Jewish faith to underline how kindness and support within the queer community can lead to a stronger global consciousness. More importantly, he reassures us that we're not alone. In fact, we never were. Because if you mess with one queer, you mess with us all.

I Will Always Write Back

Random House

Charlie joins the others in his fifth grade class in tormenting and ridiculing the unpopular new girl Joan, until a strange dream prompts him to treat her differently.

Here Lies Daniel Tate Little, Brown Books for Young Readers When I was twenty-five years old, it came to my attention that I had never had a girlfriend. At the time, I was actually under the impression that I was in a relationship, so this bit of news came as something of a shock. Why was Josh still single? To find out, he tracked down each of the girls he had tried to date since middle school and asked them straight up: What went wrong? The results of Josh's semiscientific investigation are in your hands. From a disastrous Putt-Putt date involving a backward prosthetic foot, to his introduction to CFD (Close Fast Dancing), and a misguided "grand gesture" at a Miss America pageant, this story is about looking for love-or at

least a girlfriend-in all the wrong places. Poignant, relatable, and totally hilarious, this memoir is for anyone who has ever wondered, "Is there something wrong with me?" (Spoiler Alert: the answer is no.)

Twelve Steps to Normal Simon and Schuster

A National Book Award Finalist, this remarkable graphic novel is about growing up in a refugee camp, as told by a former Somali refugee to the Newbery Honor-winning creator of *Roller Girl*. Omar and his younger brother, Hassan, have spent most of their lives in Dadaab, a refugee camp in Kenya. Life is hard there: never enough food, achingly dull, and without access to the medical care Omar knows his nonverbal brother needs. So when Omar has the opportunity to go to school, he knows it might be a chance to change their future . . .

but it would also mean leaving his brother, the only family member he has left, every day. Heartbreak, hope, and gentle humor exist together in this graphic novel about a childhood spent waiting, and a young man who is able to create a sense of family and home in the most difficult of settings. It's an intimate, important, unforgettable look at the day-to-day life of a refugee, as told to *New York Times* Bestselling author/artist Victoria Jamieson by Omar Mohamed, the Somali man who lived the story.

Return to Sender Simon and Schuster

A young runaway is welcomed into the arms of an affluent family after he takes on the identity of the family's missing son Daniel, only to slowly realize that the family knows more about Daniel's disappearance than they're letting on.

A List of Things That Didn't Kill Me Simon and Schuster

This uplifting and beautifully illustrated gift book from award-winning actress Jenna Ortega will

inspire you to lean into faith and love and family during life's most difficult, and most joyous, moments. I want you, my readers, to know that you are not alone. We are in this together. This collection from actress Jenna Ortega is filled with Jenna's own original quotes and affirmations, alongside intimate, personal stories about growing up Latina in Hollywood, working through depression, falling in-and out of-love, losing close family members, and so much more. Jenna has had to balance her acting career, her private life, and public expectations from a young age, and she's learned that the only way to get through it all is to wake up every morning and affirm her commitment to herself, her faith, her mental health, and her family. In this honest and moving debut, she shares openly and intimately what it means to live this life of self-appreciation. Jenna's vulnerability will remind readers that there's power within us all and we are not alone in our struggles.

We Should Hang Out Sometime Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

With *Let It Go* Bishop Jakes shows us how we can lead an emotionally vital and spiritually healthy life by learning how to forgive and be forgiven. 'Our inability to forgive past offenses robs us of joy, peace, and purpose, poisoning our souls with lethal toxins that drain every area of our life. Just as seemingly harmless, carefree moments spent basking in sunshine can lead to the development of a malignant melanoma, the grudges we harbour can metastasize into a cancer on our souls, eating away at our strength, happiness, and productivity. "If we want to experience a life filled with peace, productivity, and power, then we must practice the art of forgiveness. In order to practice forgiveness, we must

learn new styles of conflict resolution and new forms of anger management. Aware of God's amazing grace, we can now ask him to forgive us as we forgive those who trespass against us. We can love others out of an awareness of how we ourselves have been forgiven by God and loved unconditionally as his child.' Chapter titles include: Cancer of the Soul, Offenses Do Come, Where Did This Come From?, Silence Doesn't Mean Consent, The Power of a Pure Heart, Write It Off, Trust Doesn't Come Easy, Recovery Rate, Uprooted, Available for What's Next, Forgiven for Good.

The Alligators Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

"In his searing, honest, and ultimately inspiring memoir, Jason Kovacs tells the story of growing up with an abusive father, who contracted HIV and ultimately died of AIDS when Jason was a teenager"--

It's All Love Hachette UK

In his debut novel, YouTube personality and author of *We Should Hang Out Sometime* Josh Sundquist explores the nature of love, trust, and romantic attraction. On his first day at a new school, blind sixteen-year-old Will Porter accidentally groped a girl on the stairs, sat on another student in the cafeteria, and somehow drove a classmate to tears. High school can only go up from here, right? As Will starts to find his footing, he develops a crush on a charming, quiet girl named Cecily. Then an unprecedented opportunity arises: an experimental surgery that could give Will eyesight for the first time in his life. But learning to see is more difficult than Will ever imagined, and he soon discovers that the sighted world has been keeping secrets. It turns out Cecily doesn't meet traditional definitions of beauty--in fact, everything he'd heard about her appearance was a lie

engineered by their so-called friends to get the two of them together. Does it matter what Cecily looks like? No, not really. But then why does Will feel so betrayed? Told with humor and breathtaking poignancy, *Love and First Sight* is a story about how we relate to each other and the world around us.

Sophomores and Other Oxymorons

Creative Education

After Tyler's father is injured in a tractor accident, his family hires migrant Mexican workers to help save their Vermont farm from foreclosure. Tyler isn't sure what to make of these workers. Are they undocumented? And what about the three daughters, particularly Mari, the oldest, who is proud of her Mexican heritage but also increasingly connected her American life. Her family lives in constant fear of being discovered by the authorities and sent back to the poverty they left behind in Mexico. Can Tyler and Mari find a way to be friends despite their differences? In a novel full of hope, but no easy answers, Julia Alvarez weaves a beautiful and timely story that will stay with readers long after they finish it.

When Stars Are Scattered Simon and Schuster

Details how Gaby was able to fake her own pregnancy--hiding the truth from even her siblings and boyfriend's parents--and what it was like to become an accidental overnight media sensation.