

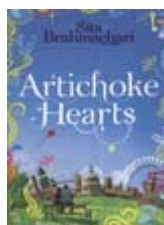


Barclay, Linwood **Clouded vision**

Orion Pbk £1.99 9781409121251

Interest age: 13+ Reading age: 11

Ellie is trapped in a car in the middle of a frozen lake when the ice breaks. Keisha doesn't know this but she pretends to have psychic powers. Unfortunately for Keisha, her lies are very close to the truth and her life is now in danger. A gripping, but slightly gory title in the Quick Reads series aimed at adults.



Brahmachari, Sita **Artichoke hearts**

Macmillan Pbk £5.99 9780330517911

Interest age: 11+ Reading age: 11

Nana Josie has a terminal illness. 12 year old Mira describes her response to this inevitable loss, and shows her growing strength and ability to cope. Nana has lived an unconventional life and her quirkiness and humour permeate the story. Mira is drawn to Jide, a boy who has a troubled past and has grown hardened layers - like those of an artichoke - around his heart. Sensitive written.

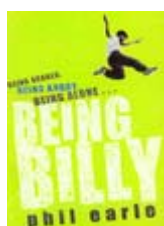


Collins, B.R. **Tyme's End**

Bloomsbury Pbk £6.99 9781408806470

Interest age: 14+ Reading age: 12

A ghost story told from the point of view of three different narrators, going back in time from 2006 to 1936. An atmospheric, gripping tale that starts rather slowly but builds up the tension until the final shocking conclusion. A complex novel, which may be of limited appeal but is well worth promoting. Some swearing and violence.

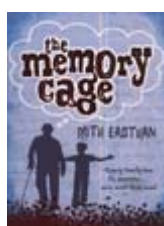


Earle, Phil **Being Billy**

Puffin Pbk £6.99 9780141331355

Interest age: 12+ Reading age: 11+

Billy has been in care for 8 years and he is angry with everyone. He is constantly in trouble and rejects all attempts to help him. An emotionally powerful story of a damaged boy, although the reader can see his vulnerability and can empathise with his situation. There is swearing and violence but this is not gratuitous.



Eastham, Ruth **The memory cage**

Scholastic Pbk £5.99 9781407120522

Interest age: 10+ Reading age: 10+

Alex tries to uncover the truth about his Grandad's history in order to help him overcome his Alzheimer's disease but Alex is haunted by his own memories of the Bosnian war. He stumbles across secrets that both of them are afraid to face. Uncovering the truth could save Grandad... but it might also tear Alex apart. A satisfying and well rounded story.



Gourlay, Candy Tall story

David Fickling Pbk £5.99 9781849920391
Interest age: 10+ Reading age: 10+

Andi desperately hopes her long lost half-brother Bernardo will be as mad on basketball as she is. When he arrives from the Philippines after 10 years, he is 8 ft tall and crashes into her life with his size 22 feet. Bernardo is a hero and has his own story to tell. A wonderful mix of superstition and sibling relationships with dark and humorous moments.



Hanika, Beate Learning to scream Teresa

Anderson Pbk £6.99 9781849390606
Interest age: 12+ Reading age: 11

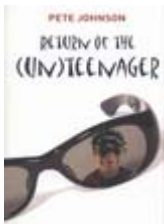
Malvina is 13 and tells the story of the previous summer. Interspersed is her account of this year as she edges towards telling the terrible secret she has kept for most of her life. Heart-breaking and emotional - the difficult topic of abuse handled realistically.



Harvey, Alyxandra Out for blood

Bloomsbury Pbk £6.99 9781408807064
Interest age: 13+ Reading age: 11

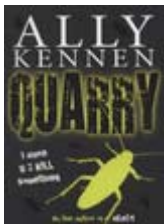
Vampire attacks are on the increase at the Helios-Ra academy and Hunter and her friends must get to the bottom of them, whilst she must deal with her romance with vampire, Quinn Drake. Pacy writing and engaging characters. Third in the series.



Johnson, Pete Return of the (un) teenager

Barrington Stoke Pbk £6.99 9781842998397
Interest age: 11+ Reading age: 9+

Spencer is back! He and Emily have kissed but they haven't talked since and Spencer's unsure of her feelings. It'll take some ill-advised fashion choices and a disasterous party to convince him that Emily may actually like him - just the way he is! Hilarious sequel to the bestselling "Diary of an (Un)Teenager."



Kennen, Ally Quarry

Marion Lloyd Pbk £6.99 9781407111070
Interest age: 12+ Reading age: 12

Someone starts sending Scrapy dares by text for money but when his unknown stalker wants him to jump off a cliff into the nearby quarry they become deadly. Despite the bleakness of Scrapy's home and family life, this is a compelling thriller with realistic characters and some humour. Good read, particularly for boys.



Lassiter, Rhiannon Ghost of a chance

OUP Pbk £6.99 9780192755629
Interest age: 12+ Reading age: 12

A murdered girl tries to solve the mystery of how she died and who her killer was. Now she inhabits a sinister spirit world along with the tortured and malevolent ghosts of her ancestral home. Solving the crime could end her existence-but if the killer isn't found how many more will die?



Lore, Pittacus

I am number four

Penguin Pbk £7.99 9780241953570

Interest age: 12+ Reading age: 12+

A tiny number of an alien race have escaped to Earth - 9 young children and their carers. The children are protected from the aggressive Mogadorians by a charm which means they can only be killed in number order. The first three are dead. Number four is now 15 and the Mogadorians catch up with him... An enjoyable science fiction thriller. Some swearing and violent episodes.



Prue, Sally

Ice Maiden

OUP Pbk £5.99 9780192729651

Interest age: 12+ Reading age: 12+

A faerie is drawn towards a human boy for safety when she learns that her tribe plan to kill her. Why is she so drawn to the human boy? Can he save her from the cold - and from the tribe? A prequel to "Cold Tom."



Yovanoff, Brenna

The replacement

Simon & Schuster Pbk £6.99 9781847388391

Interest age: 12+ Reading age: 11

Mackie is a faerie changling and has always felt like an outsider. When his friend Tate's sister is stolen, Mackie enters the dark realms to rescue the child, and in doing so he comes to terms with his own place in the human world. An absorbing supernatural tale with an air of menace which builds to a rather gruesome climax. It is likely to be enjoyed by Twilight fans.



The truth is dead

Walker Pbk £6.99 9781406320039

Interest age: 12+ Reading age: 12+

A collection of eight short stories by a variety of well-known authors. All the stories take an event in history and consider how things may have turned out if one or two factors had been a little different. Some background information to the key events is given. Could be used to stimulate discussion.

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