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Elementary

Arnold, Elana K.

070668 What Riley Wore. Gender-creative Riley knows just what to wear for every occasion during a busy week with family and friends. il. Davick, Linda. [IL 4-8] 33 pages Beach Lane E. **B,CA,K,M,W 21.58**

Brannen, Sarah S.

147099 Uncle Bobby's Wedding. Chloe is jealous and sad when her favorite uncle announces that he will be getting married, but as she gets to know Jamie better and becomes involved in planning the wedding, she discovers that she will always be special to Uncle Bobby--and to Uncle Jamie, too. il. Soto, Lucia. [IL 3-6] 32 pages Little Bee E. **B,K+ 21.58**

Brennan-Nelson, Denise

148724 Willow And The Wedding. Bullied as a gay teenager, especially while performing in a high school musical, Uncle Ash, who is marrying his boyfriend, refuses to dance at his wedding, but flower girl Willow is determined to change her favorite uncle's mind. il. Moore, Cyd. [IL 4-8] 28 pages Sleeping Bear Press E. **K-,Q 20.88**

Brown, Tami Lewis

158032 Art Is Life: The Life Of Artist Keith Haring. A picture book biography of Keith Haring who believed that art should be enjoyed by everyone. il. Negley, Keith. [IL 4-7] 41 pages Farrar 740-B. **B,C,K-,L,M,W 20.88**

Desierto, Derek

275138 Odbird. It's SO hot outside. All the fancy birds are gathered around the water, wishing they could cool off. But they don't want to get wet and ruin their fine feathers. Odbird isn't worried about his feathers; he wants to go for a refreshing dip. But he doesn't fit in. He's not fancy, or colorful. He's just ... different. The other birds don't want him around. How can he join them? il. [IL 2-5] 32 pages Feiwel and Friends E. **B,L 22.28**

Haack, Daniel

408834 Prince & Knight. A prince and a knight in shining armor find true love in each other's embrace after fighting a dragon together. il. Lewis, Stevie. [IL 4-8] 34 pages Little Bee E. **Q 21.58**

Hall, Michael

412633 Red: A Crayon's Story. Red's factory-applied label clearly says that he is red, but despite the best efforts of his teacher, fellow crayons and art supplies, and family members, he cannot seem to do anything right until a new friend offers a fresh perspective. il. [IL 4-8] 38 pages Greenwillow E. **B+,K,L,M,Q+,W (AR/RC) 21.58**

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Haring, Kay

419341 Keith Haring: The Boy Who Just Kept Drawing. A picture book celebrating the life and art of iconic pop artist Keith Haring, as told by his sister Kay. il. Neubecker, Robert. [IL 5-8] 38 pages Dial 741-B. **B,C,K-,L,M+,Q+,W (AR/RC) 20.88**

Keplinger, Kody

514799 Lila And Hadley. Hadley is an angry girl: angry at her mother for embezzling money, angry at her estranged older sister, Beth, whom she has to live with while her mother is in jail, angry at having to move to Kentucky away from her friends, and angry at the world because she has retinitis pigmentosa and is slowly going blind; but then she meets Lila, a rescued pit bull who has not responded to anyone else--so if Hadley can train Lila, maybe the dog can get adopted into her forever home, and just maybe Lila can help Hadley deal with her own problems. [IL 8-12] 245 pages Scholastic Fic. **K,L,W (AR) 20.88**

Lil Miss Hot Mess

464678 Hips On The Drag Queen Go Swish, Swish, Swish. Drag queens get together for a parade through town to the tune of "The wheels on the bus." il. Dios, Olga de. [IL 4-8] 39 pages Running Press E. **21.58**

Love, Jessica

588247 Julian At The Wedding. Julian makes a new friend when he and his grandmother go to a wedding. il. [IL 4-8] 34 pages Candlewick E. **C,K+,M+,W+ 20.88**

588248 Julian Is A Mermaid. A glimpse of costumed mermaids leaves one boy flooded with wonder and ready to dazzle the world in his own mermaid costume. il. [IL 4-8] 34 pages Candlewick E. **Q+ (AR) 20.88**

Lukoff, Kyle

590584 When Aidan Became A Brother. Aidan, a transgender boy, experiences complicated emotions as he and his parents prepare for the arrival of a new baby. il. Juanita, Kaylani. [IL 5-8] 32 pages Lee & Low E. **B+,K+,L+,M,W+ (AR) 22.26**

Lyons, Maddox

591554 I'm Not A Girl. A story of a transboy coming out and getting the haircut he's always wanted. il. Simpson, Dana. [IL 4-8] 32 pages Roaring Brook E. **B+,CA,K 22.28**

Manushkin, Fran

602192 Plenty Of Hugs. Two mommies spend a sunny day with their toddler in this cozy, rhyming picture book that lovingly celebrates family and togetherness. il. Alizadeh, Kate. [IL 3-6] 31 pages Dial E. **B,K+,L,W 21.58**

Morlock, Rachael

659214 Families With Two Dads. Similarities between traditional families and families with two dads are highlighted, showing readers that being different is OK. Readers learn that families with two dads are built on love, just like other kinds of families. **All Kinds Of Families.** il. [IL 7-10] 24 pages PowerKids 306. **15.42**

Neal, Trinity

669383 My Rainbow. A dedicated mom puts love into action as she creates the perfect rainbow-colored wig for her transgender daughter, based on the real-life experience of mother-daughter advocate duo Trinity and DeShanna Neal. il. Twink, Art. [IL 4-8] 32 pages Kokila E. **K+,L,W 21.58**

Negley, Keith

669902 Mary Wears What She Wants. Inspired by the true story of Mary Edwards Walker, a 19th century doctor who was arrested many times for wearing pants. il. [IL 4-8] 48 pages Harper E. **K,L,M,Q,W (AR) 21.58**

Patterson, Jodie

703592 Born Ready: The True Story Of A Boy Named Penelope. Just before his fifth birthday, Penelope lets his mother know he is a boy and, with her support and his ninja powers, faces the rest of his family and his classmates. Drawn from the author's memoir, **The Bold World.** il. Pinkney-Barlow, Charnelle. [IL 4-8] 34 pages Crown E. **K+,M,W 21.58**

Robinson, Lisa

760816 Were I Not A Girl: The Inspiring And True Story Of Dr. James Barry. A picture book biography that tells the story of Dr. James Barry, born female, who lived as a man from age 18 to his death. il. Berke, Lauren Simkin. [IL 4-8] 33 pages Schwartz & Wade 610-B. **B,K,L,M 21.58**

Sanchez Vegara, Ma Isabel (Maria Isabel)

775672 Elton John. Elton's songwriting talent, musical skill, and dazzling outfits have made him one of the all-time greats. **Little People, Big Dreams.** il. Beer, Sophie. [IL 4-7] 32 pages Frances Lincoln 782-B. **20.18**

Sanders, Rob

776889 Fighting Infantryman: The Story Of Albert D. J. Cashier, Transgender Civil War Soldier. In 1861, the winds of war blew through the United States. Jennie Rodgers, a young immigrant from Ireland, moved west to Illinois and soon had a new name and a new identity--Albert D. J. Cashier. Like many other young men, Albert joined the Union Army. Though the smallest soldier in his company, Albert served for nearly three years and fought in forty battles and skirmishes. When the war ended, Albert continued to live his life as a man. il. Ali, Nabi H. [IL 6-8] 48 pages Little Bee 973-B. **B,C,K 22.28**

776739 Pride: The Story Of Harvey Milk And The Rainbow Flag. Trace the life of the Gay Pride Flag, from its beginning in 1978 to its role in today's world. il. Salerno, Steven. [IL 6-8] 40 pages Random 979-B. **B,CA,K,L,Q,W (AR/RC) 21.58**



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776735 Stonewall: A Building. An Uprising. A Revolution. The history of the Stonewall Inn and its role in the gay civil rights movement. il. Christoph, Jamey. [IL 5-8] 40 pages Random 323.

K,Q 21.58

Scotto, Thomas

793643 Jerome By Heart. A young boy expresses his love for his friend Jerome. il. Tallec, Olivier. [IL 4-8] 25 pages Enchanted Lion E.

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Susienka, Kristen

865725 Families With Two Moms. There are all sorts of families in the world. Some have a mom and a dad. Others have two dads. Others have two moms! This title explores the joy of family in its varied forms, focusing on family life in homes with two moms. **All Kinds Of Families.** il. [IL 7-10] 24 pages PowerKids 306. **15.42**

Thorn, Theresa

881539 It Feels Good To Be Yourself: A Book About Gender Identity. Some people are boys. Some people are girls. Some people are both, neither, or somewhere in between. Introduces the concept of gender identity to the youngest reader. il. Grigni, Noah. [IL 4-8] 33 pages Holt 305. **L 21.58**

Underwood, Deborah

898404 Ogilvy. When Ogilvy moves to a new town, he discovers that bunnies who wear dresses play ball and knit socks while bunnies in sweaters make art and climb rocks, and Ogilvy must figure out a way to do it all. il. McBeth, T. L. [IL 4-8] 33 pages Holt E. **B,M (AR) 21.58**

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Middle School

Bell, Eric

105596 Alan Cole Doesn't Dance. As if it were not bad enough to be bullied for being gay while trying to navigate a budding relationship, Alan's father insists he take June Harrison to a school dance. [IL 8-12] 275 pages Harper Fic. **Q (RC) 20.88**

105600 Alan Cole Is Not A Coward. Hoping to keep his older brother Nathan silent about his secret crush on another boy at their school, twelve-year-old Alan agrees to a ruthless sibling competition involving nearly impossible tasks—from standing up to their demanding father to getting a first kiss. [IL 8-12] 262 pages Harper Fic. **K,L,M,Q+ (AR/RC) 6.50***

Bigelow, Lisa Jenn

119744 Drum Roll, Please. Melly only joined the school band because her best friend, Olivia, begged her to. But to her surprise, quiet Melly loves playing the drums. It's the only time she doesn't feel like a mouse. Now she and Olivia are about to spend the next two weeks at Camp Rockaway, jamming under the stars in the Michigan woods. But this summer brings a lot of big changes for Melly: her parents split up, her best friend ditches her, and Melly finds herself unexpectedly falling for another girl at camp. To top it all off, Melly's not sure she has what it takes to be a real rock 'n' roll drummer. Will she be able to make music from all the noise in her heart? [IL 8-12] 306 pages Harper Fic. **B,L+,Q (AR/RC) 20.88**

Bildner, Phil

119809 High Five For Glenn Burke. After researching Glenn Burke, the first major league baseball player to come out as gay, sixth-grader Silas Wade slowly comes out to his best friend Zoey, then his coach, with unexpected consequences. [IL 10-13] 277 pages Farrar Fic. **B+,K (AR) 20.88**

Blake, Ashley Herring

124309 Hazel Bly And The Deep Blue Sea. For two years, twelve-year-old Hazel has coped with her Mum's accidental death by overprotecting her sister and Mama, but when Mama reconnects with her first love, roles begin to shift. [IL 8-12] 338 pages Little Fic. **B,C,L+,M,W+ 20.88**

124304 Ivy Aberdeen's Letter To The World. Twelve-year-old Ivy Aberdeen's house is destroyed in a tornado, and in the aftermath of the storm, she begins to develop feelings for another girl at school. [IL 12-14] 310 pages Little Fic. **B,K+,L+,M,Q+,W+ (AR/RC) 20.88**

124311 Mighty Heart Of Sunny St. James. Twelve-year-old Sunny St. James must navigate heart surgery, reconnections with a lost mother, the betrayal of a former best friend, first kisses, and emerging feelings for another girl. [IL 9-12] 375 pages Little Fic. **L (AR/RC) 20.88**

Braden, Ann

143204 Flight Of The Puffin. Told in multiple voices, seventh-grader Libby sets off a chain of events that brings hope and encouragement to four different individuals across the country who are dealing with bullies, acceptance, homelessness, and grief. [IL 10-14] 229 pages Nancy Paulsen Fic. **B+,K 21.58**

Braun, Eric

147290 Gay Rights Movement. Presents an engaging, historic look at the LGBTQ rights movement and guides readers along the trials and triumphs of this important cause all the way through to modern-day struggles for equal rights. **Movements That Matter.** il. [IL 9-13] 32 pages Lerner 323. (AR) **28.58**

Bunker, Lisa

171670 Zenobia July. Zenobia July, an excellent coder and hacker, investigates a mystery while wrestling with the challenges of a new school, a new family, and presenting her true gender for the first time. [IL 10-14] 313 pages Viking Fic. **C,K (AR/RC) 20.88**

Callender, Kacen

183858 Hurricane Child. Born on Water Island in the Virgin Islands during a hurricane, which is considered bad luck, twelve-year-old Caroline falls in love with another girl—and together they set out in a hurricane to find Caroline's missing mother. [IL 11-14] 214 pages Scholastic Fic. **B+,C,K+,L+,M (AR/RC) 21.58**

Clarke, Cat

218428 Pants Project. Eleven-year-old Liv fights to change the middle school dress code requiring girls to wear a skirt and, along the way, finds the courage to tell family about switching genders. [IL 9-13] 267 pages Sourcebooks Fic. **E (AR) 20.88**

Connor, Leslie

235923 Home For Goddesses And Dogs. After the death of her mother, Lydia moves in with her aunts and learns to find a new family of inspiring women and loving dogs. [IL 8-12] 385 pages Harper Fic. **B,K,L,W+ (AR) 20.88**

Donoghue, Emma

286092 Lotterys More Or Less. Nine-year-old Sumac Lottery considers it her job to make sure none of the Lottery celebrations are forgotten, especially now at Christmas time, and in her large, gay, and multiethnic family there are a lot of occasions for celebration in the house they all call Camelottery—but when a terrible ice storm hits Toronto, one of her dads, and her favorite brother cannot make it home from India, and it becomes increasingly difficult to hang on to the holiday spirit. Sequel to **Lotterys Plus One.** il. Hadilaksono, Caroline. [IL 8-12] 285 pages Scholastic Fic. **K,M,Q (AR/RC) 21.58**

Federle, Tim

327676 Nate Expectations. When E.T.: The Musical closes, Nate reluctantly returns home to begin high school and, with his best friend, Libby, makes a project of turning Dickens' Great Expectations into a musical. **Nate.** [IL 10-14] 249 pages Simon Fic. **B,K+,Q (AR/RC) 21.58**

Gennari, Jennifer

374211 My Mixed-Up Berry Blue Summer. June, 12, spends the summer at her Vermont home getting used to the woman her mother is planning to marry and practicing her pie-baking skills, as she hopes to win the blue ribbon at the fair. [IL 9-12] 119 pages Houghton Fic. **B,CA,K-,L,Q,W (AR/RC) 6.50***

Gephart, Donna

375339 Lily And Dunkin. Lily Jo McGrother, born Timothy McGrother, is a girl. But being a girl is not so easy when you look like a boy. Especially when you're in the eighth-grade. Norbert Dorfman, nicknamed Dunkin Dorfman, is bipolar and has just moved from the New Jersey town he's called home for the past thirteen years. This would be hard enough, but the fact that he is also hiding from a painful secret makes it even worse. One summer morning, Lily Jo McGrother meets Dunkin Dorfman, and their lives forever change. [IL 12-16] 340 pages Delacorte Fic. **B+,C,Q (AR/RC) 6.50***



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Gino, Alex

380166 Rick. Eleven-year-old Rick Ramsey has generally gone along with everybody, just not making waves, even though he is increasingly uncomfortable with his father's jokes about girls, and his best friend's explicit talk about sex; but now in middle school he discovers the Rainbow Spectrum club, where kids of many genders and identities can express themselves--and maybe among them he can find new friends and discover his own identity, which may just be to opt out of sex altogether. [IL 10-12] 223 pages Scholastic Fic. **B+,K,L+,W+** (AR) **21.58**

Grinapol, Corinne

404142 Who Was Harvey Milk? Learn about one of the most influential leaders in the fight for gay rights. *Who Was-- ?* il. Copeland, Gregory. [IL 8-12] 108 pages Penguin Workshop 979-B. (AR) **13.99**

Gros, Kathleen

404824 Jo: An Adaptation Of Little Women (Sort Of) When she starts eighth grade, Jo March thinks writing for the school newspaper will be just what she needs to hone her writing skills as she and her three sisters cope with their dad's deployment overseas and their mom working overtime to keep their household going. But she doesn't expect the new boy next door to have feelings for her, especially since she has feelings for Freddie, the girl who recruited her to the school newspaper. In graphic novel format. il. [IL 8-12] 263 pages Harper 741. **K,L,W 18.08**

Hennessey, M. G.

438091 Other Boy. A middle grade story about one transgender boy's journey to find acceptance. il. Monster, Sfe R. [IL 9-13] 234 pages Harper Fic. **B,C,K,L,Q,W** (AR/RC) **20.88**

Hitchcock, Shannon

447502 One True Way. From the moment she met Samantha, star of the school basketball team, on her first day at Daniel Boone Middle School, Allison Drake felt she had found a friend, something she needs badly since her brother died and her father left--but as their friendship grows it begins to evolve into a deeper emotion, and in North Carolina in 1977, it is not easy to discover that you might be gay. [IL 9-12] 213 pages Scholastic Fic. **B,C,K+,L,Q,W** (AR/RC) **20.88**

Levy, Dana Alison

567579 Family Fletcher Takes Rock Island. Summertime brings the Fletcher Family back to Rock Island where the good times never end, but this summer the boys' favorite lighthouse is all boarded up and with help from their new neighbors, the Garcia girls, the boys are determined to find out what is really happening with their lighthouse and saving it, no matter what the cost. il. [IL 9-12] 259 pages Delacorte Fic. **K+,L+,M,Q+** (AR/RC) **20.88**

571032 Snapdragon. A magical realism story about Snap, a young girl who befriends her town's witch and discovers the strange magic within her. In graphic novel format. il. [IL 10-14] 223 pages First Second 741. **B+,K+,W** (AR) **18.08**

Lombardo, Jennifer

584643 Inside The LGBTQ+ Movement. The first American gay rights organization formed in 1924 but was soon pressured to disband. Another wouldn't form until the 1950s. The history of the U. S. movement to achieve progressive rights for people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, or queer is full of stops and starts and victories and tragedies, but also hope for the future. *Eyewitness To History. Major Cultural Movements.* il. [IL 9-12] 32 pages Gareth Stevens 306. (RC) **16.34**

Medina, Nico

635034 What Was Stonewall? How did a spontaneous protest outside of a New York City bar fifty years ago spark a social movement across America? *What Was-- ?* il. Murray, Jake. [IL 8-12] 107 pages Penguin Workshop 306. (AR) **13.99**

635055 Who Is RuPaul? RuPaul Andre Charles always knew he was meant to be a performer. Even as a young child, he loved to dress up and imitate the glamorous women he saw on television. He now hosts and judges the widely popular and long-running show RuPaul's Drag Race, which has raised the profile of the art of drag, and drag queens around the world. *Who Was-- ?* il. Thomson, Andrew. [IL 8-12] 108 pages Penguin Workshop 791-B. **14.05**

Moskowitz, Hannah

661519 Marco Impossible. Two best friends and junior high students attempt to break into the high school prom so that one of them can confess his love for the adorable bass player of the prom band. il. [IL 10-14] 247 pages Roaring Brook Fic. **B,C,K-,L,Q,W** (AR/RC) **6.50***

Pitman, Gayle E.

719568 Stonewall Riots: Coming Out In The Streets. How and why members of the gay community took part in a series of spontaneous, often violent demonstrations in reaction to a police raid that took place in the early morning hours of June 28, 1969, at the Stonewall Inn in the Greenwich Village neighborhood of Manhattan, New York City. Describes American gay history leading up to the Riots, the Riots themselves, and the aftermath, and includes interviews of people involved or witnesses. il. [IL 12-15] 196 pages Abrams 306. **B,C,K,L 21.58**

Prager, Sarah

730329 Rainbow Revolutionaries: 50 LGBTQ+ People Who Made History. Brings to life the vibrant histories of fifty pioneering LGBTQ+ people our history books forgot to mention. Through short, engaging bios, and bold, dynamic art, readers can delve into the lives of Wen of Han, a Chinese emperor who loved his boyfriend as much as his people; Martine Rothblatt, a trans woman who's helping engineer the robots of tomorrow, and so many more! il. Papworth, Sarah. [IL 8-12] 121 pages Harper 306-C. **K 21.58**

Rocklin, Joanne

761261 Love, Penelope. Fifth-grader Penny writes a series of letters to her future sibling, including facts about their Oakland, California, home, questions about whether their moms will ever marry, and especially that he or she is loved. il. Knisley, Lucy. [IL 8-12] 265 pages Amulet Fic. **B+,C,K,L,Q,W** (AR) **20.88**

Salazar, Aida

774632 Moon Within. Eleven-year-old (nearly twelve) Celi Rivera, who is a mix of Black-Puerto Rican-Mexican Indian is uncomfortable about her approaching period, and the changes that are happening to her body; she is horrified that her mother wants to hold a traditional public moon ceremony to celebrate the occasion--until she finds out that her best friend Magda is contemplating an even more profound change of life. il. [IL 8-12] 231 pages Scholastic Fic. **B,K+,L+** (AR/RC) **21.58**

Sass, A. J.

778842 Ana On The Edge. Twelve-year-old figure skater Ana strives to win competitions while learning about gender identity--Ana's own and that of a new friend--and how to navigate the best path forward. [IL 10-14] 380 pages Little Fic. **B,C,M,W 20.88**

Slater, Dashka

823760 57 Bus. A book for teens about race, class, gender, crime, and punishment tells the true story of an agender teen who was set on fire by another teen while riding a bus in Oakland, California. [IL 12-18] 305 pages Farrar 364. **B,C,K+,L,Q+,W+** (AR/RC) **21.58**

824677 To Night Owl From Dogfish. Unhappy about being sent to the same summer camp after their fathers start dating, Bett and Avery, eleven, eventually begin scheming to get the couple back together after a break-up. Told entirely through emails. [IL 10-14] 295 pages Dial Fic. **B,CA,K,L,M,Q,W** (AR/RC) **21.58**

Smith, Niki

827246 Deep & Dark Blue. Royal sons Hawke and Grayson flee to stay alive. They take refuge disguised as girls with the Communion of Blue, an order of magical women who spin the threads of reality to their will. In graphic novel format. il. [IL 8-12] 256 pages Little 741. **B,C,K+ 18.08**

Stead, Rebecca

844468 List Of Things That Will Not Change. Despite her parents' divorce, her father's coming out as gay, and his plans to marry his boyfriend, ten-year-old Bea is reassured by her parents' unconditional love, excited about getting a stepsister, and haunted by something she did last summer at her father's lake house. [IL 8-12] 218 pages Wendy Lamb Fic. **B+,K+,L+,M+,W+** (AR) **20.88**

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High School

Ahmadi, Arvin

047041 How It All Blew Up. Eighteen-year-old Amir Azadi always knew coming out to his Muslim family would be messy—he just didn't think it would end in an airport interrogation room. But when faced with a failed relationship, bullies, and blackmail, running away to Rome is his only option. Right? [IL 14-18] 271 pages Viking Fic. **B,L+** (AR) **21.58**

Albertalli, Becky

047759 Simon vs. The Homo Sapiens Agenda. Sixteen-year-old, not-so-openly-gay Simon Spier is blackmailed into playing wingman for his classmate or else his sexual identity—and that of his pen pal—will be revealed. [IL 14-17] 303 pages Harper Fic. **B+,C+,K+,L,Q** (AR/RC) **21.58**

Bausum, Ann

098279 Stonewall: Breaking Out In The Fight For Gay Rights. A dramatic retelling of the Stonewall riots of 1969 introduces readers to the decades-long struggle for gay rights. il. [IL 12-16] 120 pages Viking 306. **B,C,K+,L+,M+,Q+,W+** (AR) **6.50***

098284 Viral: The Fight Against AIDS In America. Thirty-five years ago, it was a modern-day, mysterious plague. Its earliest victims were mostly gay men, some of the most marginalized people in the country; at its peak in America, it killed tens of thousands of people. The losses were staggering, the science frightening, and the government's inaction unforgivable. The AIDS Crisis fundamentally changed the fabric of the United States. The history of the AIDS crisis through the lens of the brave victims and activists who demanded action. il. [IL 12-16] 176 pages Viking 362. **B+,C,K,L+,M+,Q+,W** **22.28**

Benway, Robin

111728 Far From The Tree. An interweaving story of three very different teenagers connected by blood exploring the meaning of family in all its forms—how to find it, how to keep it, and how to love it. [IL 14-18] 374 pages Harper Fic. **L,Q** (AR/RC) **21.58**

Capetta, A. R.

185741 Heartbreak Bakery. Teenage baker Syd has always dealt with big, hard-to-talk-about things by baking. Being dumped is no different, except now Syd is baking at the Proud Muffin, a queer bakery and community space in Austin. And everyone who eats Syd's breakup brownies . . . breaks up. And breakups might take the bakery down. Being dumped is one thing; causing ripples of queer heartbreak through the community is another. [IL 14-18] 338 pages Candlewick Fic. **B+,K,W** **22.28**

Colbert, Brandy

226327 Little & Lion. Suzette returns home to Los Angeles from boarding school and grapples with her bisexual identity when she and her brother Lionel fall in love with the same girl, pushing Lionel's bipolar disorder to spin out of control and forcing Suzette to confront her own demons. [IL 14-18] 330 pages Little Fic. **B,C+,K+,L+,M,Q+,W** (AR/RC) **21.58**

Douglass, Ryan

288195 Taking Of Jake Livingston. When a murderous ghost begins to haunt sixteen-year-old Jake Livingston, high school

soon becomes a different kind of survival game. [IL 12-16] 244 pages Putnam Fic. **C,K** **21.58**

Holt, K. A.

461219 Redwood And Ponytail. Told in verse in two voices, with a chorus of fellow students, this is a story of two girls, opposites in many ways, who are drawn to each other; Kate appears to be a stereotypical cheerleader with a sleek ponytail and a perfectly polished persona, Tam is tall, athletic and frequently mistaken for a boy, but their deepening friendship inevitably changes and reveals them in ways they did not anticipate. [IL 14-17] 416 pages Chronicle Fic. **B+,K+,M,W** (AR/RC) **22.28**

Khorram, Adib

517036 Darius The Great Deserves Better. Darius Kellner has everything he thought he wanted—a new boyfriend, a new internship, and a spot on the soccer team—but growing up makes him question everything. [IL 12-16] 342 pages Dial Fic. **B+,K+,L+,M** **21.58**

LaCour, Nina

536596 We Are Okay. After picking up and leaving everything behind in California, eighteen-year-old Marin, with the help of her former friend, must confront her grief and the truths that caused her to flee her home. [IL 14-18] 234 pages Dutton Fic. **B,CA,K+,L,Q** (AR/RC) **21.58**

Nelson, Jandy

670488 I'll Give You The Sun. A story of first love, family, loss, and betrayal told from different points in time, and in separate voices, by artists Jude and her twin brother Noah. [IL 13-17] 371 pages Dial Fic. **B+,C+,K,L+,M,Q+,W+** (AR/RC) **6.50***

Petrus, Junauda

711120 Stars And The Blackness Between Them. Told in two voices, sixteen-year-olds Audre and Mabel, both young women of color from different backgrounds, fall in love and figure out how to care for each other as one of them faces a fatal illness. [IL 14-18] 308 pages Dutton Fic. **B,L** **21.58**

Quintero, Isabel

736598 Gabi, A Girl In Pieces. Sixteen-year-old Gabi Hernandez chronicles her senior year in high school as she copes with her friend Cindy's pregnancy, friend Sebastian's coming out, her father's meth habit, her own cravings for food and cute boys, and especially, the poetry that helps forge her identity. [IL 14-18] 284 pages Cinco Puntos Fic. **B+,C,K+,L+,Q,W+** (AR/RC) **6.50***

Russo, Meredith

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