

Printz Medal Winners

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Printz Award Winners Awards for Young Adult Literature



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BONE GAP

By Laura Ruby

Call #: YF Ruby

Finn is the only witness to the abduction of town favorite Roza, but his inability to distinguish between faces makes it difficult for him to help with the investigation, and subjects him to even more ridicule.



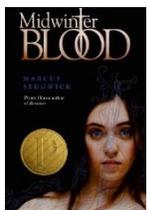
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I'LL GIVE YOU THE SUN (2015)

By Jandy Nelson

Call #: YF Nelson

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.



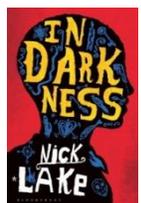
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MIDWINTER BLOOD (2014)

By Marcus Sedgwick

Call #: YF Sedgwick

Seven linked stories unfold on a Scandinavian island inhabited--throughout various time periods--by Vikings, vampires, ghosts, and a curiously powerful plant.



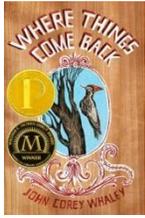
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IN DARKNESS (2013)

By Nick Lake

Call #: YF Lake

In the aftermath of the Haitian earthquake, 15-year-old Shorty, a poor gang member from the slums, is trapped in the rubble, and as he grows weaker he has visions and memories of his life of violence and his lost twin sister.



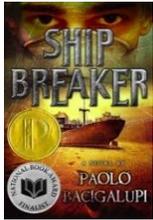
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WHERE THINGS COME BACK (2012)

By John Corey Whaley

Call #: YF Whaley

In 1940s Arkansas, Lazarus woodpeckers, long thought extinct, are spotted. And the town goes wild with Lazarus haircuts, Lazarus burgers, and all kind of woodpecker-mania. Except Cullen's 15-year-old brother Gabriel has disappeared.



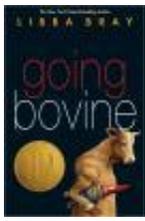
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SHIP BREAKER (2011)

By Paolo Bacigalupi

Call #: YF Bacigalupi

In a futuristic world, teenaged Nailer scavenges copper wiring from grounded oil tankers for a living, but when he finds a beached clipper ship with a girl in the wreckage, he has to decide if he should strip the ship for its wealth or rescue the girl.



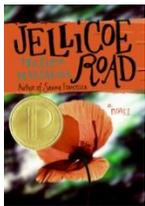
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GOING BOVINE (2010)

By Libba Bray

Call #: YF Bray

Cameron Smith, a disaffected 16-year-old who, after being diagnosed with Creutzfeldt Jakob's (aka mad cow disease), sets off on a road trip with a death-obsessed video gaming dwarf he meets in the hospital in an attempt to find a cure.



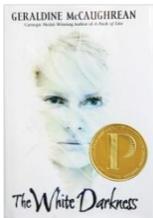
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JELLCOE ROAD (2009)

By Melina Marchetta

Call #: YF Marchetta

Abandoned by her drug-addicted mother at the age of 11, high school student Taylor Markham struggles with her identity and family history at a boarding school in Australia.



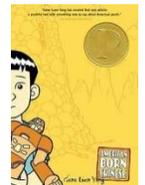
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THE WHITE DARKNESS (2008)

By Geraldine McCaughrean

Call #: YF McCaughrean

Taken to Antarctica by the man she thinks of as her uncle for what she believes to be a vacation, Symone discovers that he is dangerously obsessed with seeking Symme's Hole, an opening that supposedly leads into the center of a hollow Earth.



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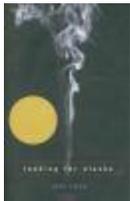
AMERICAN BORN CHINESE (2007)

By Gene Luen Yang

Call #: 741.597 Yan

Alternates three interrelated stories about the problems of young Chinese Americans trying to participate in the popular culture. Presented in comic book format.





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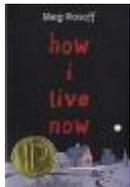
LOOKING FOR ALASKA (2006)

By John Green



Call #: YF Green

Miles' first year at Culver Creek Preparatory School in Alabama includes good friends and great pranks, but is defined by the search for answers about life and death after a fatal car crash.



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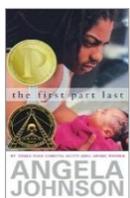
HOW I LIVE NOW (2005)

By Meg Rosoff



Call #: YF Rosoff

To get away from her pregnant stepmother in New York City, Daisy goes to England to stay with her aunt and cousins, with whom she instantly bonds, but soon war breaks out and rips apart the family while devastating the land.



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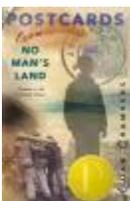
THE FIRST PART LAST (2004)

By Angela Johnson



Call #: YF Johnson

Bobby's carefree teenage life changes forever when he becomes a father and must care for his adored baby daughter.



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POSTCARDS FROM NO MAN'S LAND (2003)

By Aidan Chambers

Call #: YF Chambers

Alternates between two stories--contemporarily, 17-year-old Jacob visits Amsterdam at the request of his English grandmother—and historically, 19-year-old Geertrui relates her experience of attempts by British soldiers to liberate Holland from German occupation.



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A STEP FROM HEAVEN (2002)

By An Na



Call #: YF Na

A young Korean girl and her family find it difficult to learn English and adjust to life in America.



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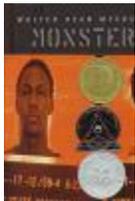
KIT'S WILDERNESS (2001)

By David Almond



Call #: YF Almond

Kit goes to live with his grandfather in the decaying coal mining town of Stoneygate, England, and finds both the old man and the town haunted by ghosts of the past.



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MONSTER (2000)

By Walter Dean Myers



Call #: YF Myers

While on trial as an accomplice to a murder, 16-year-old Steve Harmon records his experiences in prison and in the courtroom in the form of a film script as he tries to come to terms with the course his life has taken.