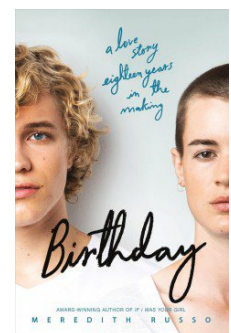
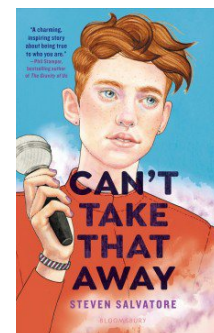
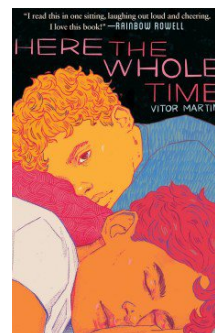
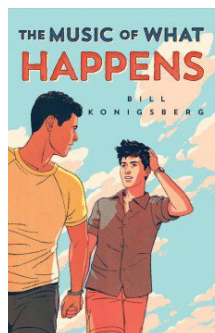
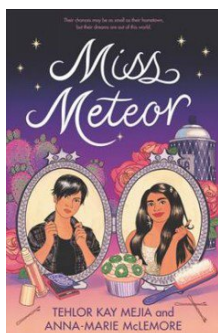
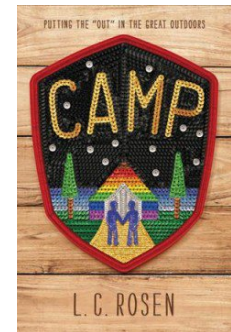
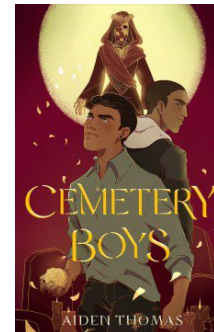
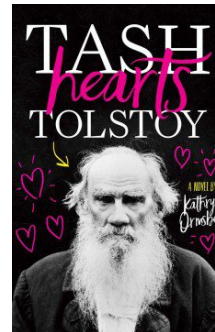
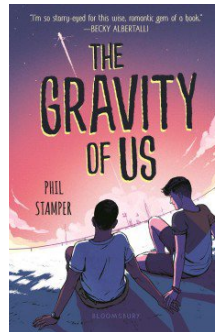
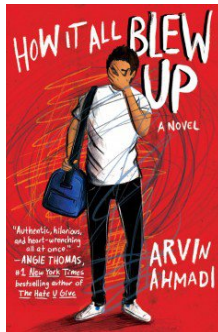
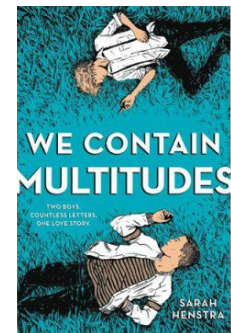
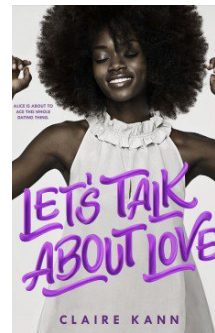
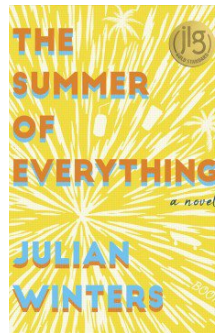
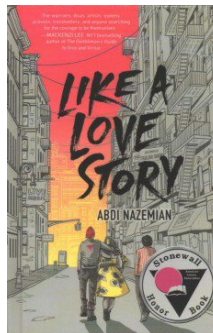
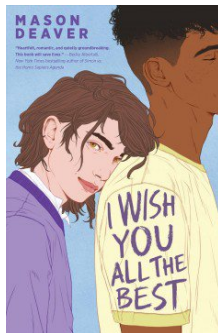
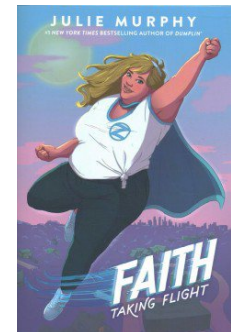
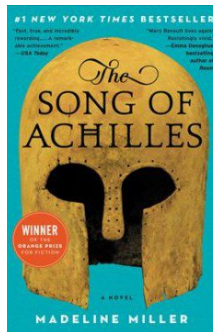
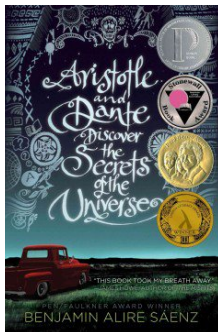
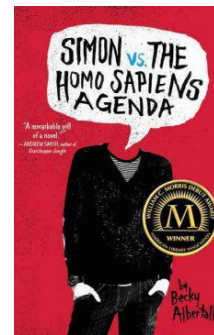
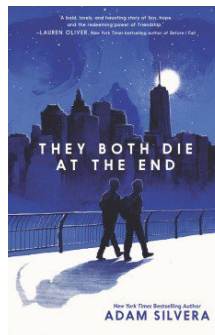
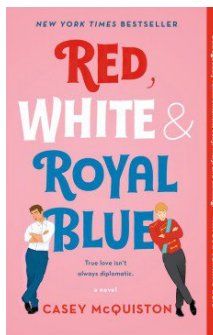


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Red, white & royal blue by Casey McQuiston*

A big-hearted romantic comedy in which the First Son falls in love with the Prince of Wales after an incident of international proportions forces them to pretend to be best friends. ***This title can be found in the adult collection.**

They both die at the end by Adam Silvera

In a near-future NYC where a service alerts people on the day they will die, teenagers Mateo Torrez and Rufus Emeterio meet using the Last Friend app and are faced with the challenge of living a lifetime on their End Day.

Call me by your name by André Aciman*

The story of a sudden and powerful romance that blossoms between a seventeen-year-old and a summer guest at his parents' cliffside mansion on the Italian Riviera. ***This title can be found in the adult collection.**

Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens agenda by Becky Albertalli

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

She's too pretty to burn by Wendy Heard

A provocative but uninspired photographer and her best friend, a passionate performance artist, endure a brutal summer marked by an all-consuming relationship, a fire, two murders and three suspicious drownings.

Aristotle and Dante discover the secrets of the universe by Benjamin Alire

Fifteen-year-old Ari Mendoza is an angry loner with a brother in prison, but when he meets Dante and they become friends, Ari starts to ask questions about himself, his parents, and his family that he has never asked before.

The song of Achilles by Madeline Miller*

A retelling of the legend of Achilles follows Patroclus and Achilles, the golden son of King Peleus, as they lay siege to Troy after Helen of Sparta is kidnapped. ***This title can be found in the adult collection.**

STAFF PICKS

Music from another world by Robin Talley

Tammy and Sharon are assigned to be pen pals over the summer and have no idea how much they have in common, but when Tammy is forced to come out of the closet, she shows up on Sharon's doorstep.

Late to the party by Kelly Quindlen

Codi and her two best friends, Maritza and JaKory, crash a party that changes the dynamics of their friendship and results in a wild and unexpected summer for Codi.

Faith: taking flight by Julie Murphy

A plus-sized high school senior who hides a secret ability to fly pursues a relationship with the heroine star of her favorite teen drama before her investigation into a new recreational drug puts those she loves in danger.

I wish you all the best by Mason Deaver

After coming out as nonbinary, Ben must leave home and goes to live with a sister and her husband to finish the last year of high school.

Like a love story by Abdi Nazemian

When Reza moves to New York City, he begins dating Judy even though he is secretly gay and then struggles with his feelings when he grows close to Judy's best friend Art, who is openly gay.

The summer of everything by Julian Winters

In the summer between high school and college, Wes Hudson juggles his dream job at a local independent bookstore, his family pestering him to choose an academic major, and pining after his best friend, Nico.

Let's talk about love by Claire Kann

Alice, afraid of explaining her asexuality, has given up on finding love until love finds her.

The scapegracers by Hannah Abigail Clarke

Forging an unexpected coven with the three most popular girls in school, an outcast lesbian witch casts curses, searches for love and eludes fundamentalist witch hunters.

We contain multitudes by Sarah Henstra

As pen pals for a high school English assignment, poetry-loving sophomore Jonathan and popular-athlete senior Adam explore their growing relationship through a series of letters.

How it all blew up by Arvin Ahmadi

Fleeing to Rome in the wake of coming out to his Muslim family, a failed relationship and blackmail, 18-year-old Amir Azadi embarks on a more authentic life with new friends and dates in the Sistine Chapel before an encounter with a U.S. Customs officer places his hard-won freedom at risk.

Under shifting stars by Alexandra Latos

A girl who wants to return to public school to better blend in with neurotypical peers and her twin, who navigates gender fluidity and feelings for a nonbinary classmate, evaluate their changing relationships with each other and themselves in the wake of a brother's death.

The gravity of us by Phil Stamper

When his volatile father is picked to become an astronaut for NASA's mission to Mars, seventeen-year-old Cal, an aspiring journalist, reluctantly moves from Brooklyn to Houston, Texas, and looks for a story to report, finding an ally (and crush) in Leon, the son of another astronaut.

Tash hearts Tolstoy by Kathryn Ormsbee

Fame and success come at a cost for Natasha "Tash" Zelenka when she creates the web series "Unhappy Families," a modern adaptation of Anna Karenina--written by Tash's eternal love Leo Tolstoy.

Cemetery boys by Aiden Thomas

Yadriel, a trans boy, summons the angry spirit of his high school's bad boy, and agrees to help him learn how he died, thereby proving himself a brujo, not a bruja, to his conservative family.

Camp by L.C. Rosen

Set in a summer camp, this sweet and sharp screwball comedy set in a summer camp for queer teens examines the nature of toxic masculinity and self-acceptance.

Miss Meteor by Tehlor Kay Mejia and Anna-Marie McLemore

A teen who secretly arrived with the meteor that gave her small hometown its name discovers that she is turning back into stardust and teams up with her best friend in an effort to secure her human existence by entering a local beauty pageant that has always been won by thin, blonde, white girls.

Perfect on paper by Sophie Gonzales

Darcy Phillips, a bisexual girl who gives anonymous love advice to her classmates, is hired by the "hot" guy at school to help him get his ex back.

The music of what happens by Bill Konigsberg

When Maximo and Jordan find themselves attracted to one another while working the food truck that belonged to Jordan's deceased father, their relationship is threatened by personal secrets, racism, and homophobia.

Here the whole time by Vitor Martins

When Felipe, who is very insecure about his weight, is forced to spend winter break with his long-term crush, Caio, he must face his unresolved issues head-on.

Can't take that away by Steven Salvatore

When Carey Parker, a genderqueer teen who dreams of being a diva like their hero Mariah Carey, is cast as the female lead in the school musical, they must fight against discrimination and injustice from their closed-minded school administration.

Birthday by Meredith Russo

Six years of birthdays reveal Eric and Morgan's destiny as they come together, drift apart, fall in love, and discover who they're meant to be--and if they're meant to be together.