

## Tewksbury Public Library Teen Services Department

### Book Suggestions for Teens

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[Goodreads](#), or [NoveList](#) (requires library card)

#### ***Famous Last Words* - Alender, Katie (T)**

High-schooler Willa has just moved to California with her mother and film director stepfather, and she will be attending a private school — but her real problem is that she keeps seeing things that are not really there, like a dead body in the swimming pool, and her visions may be connected to a serial killer that is stalking young girls in Hollywood.

#### ***Case Closed 1* - Aoyama, Gōshō (TG - Case Closed)**

Precocious high school student Jimmy Kudo uses his keen powers of observation and astute intuition to solve mysteries that have left law enforcement officials baffled.

#### ***The Naturals* - Barnes, Jennifer (T)**

Sequel: *Killer Instinct*

Seventeen-year-old Cassie, who has a natural ability to read people, joins an elite group of criminal profilers at the FBI in order to help solve cold cases.

#### ***Heist Society* - Carter, Ally (T)**

Sequels: *Uncommon Criminals* & *Perfect Scoundrel*

A group of teenagers uses their combined talents to re-steal several priceless paintings and save fifteen-year-old Kat Bishop's father, himself an international art thief, from a vengeful collector.

#### ***Shelter* - Coben, Harlan (T, E)**

Sequels: *Seconds Away* & *Found*

After tragic events tear Mickey Bolitar away from his parents, he is forced to live with his estranged Uncle Myron and switch high schools, where he finds both friends and enemies, but when his new girlfriend vanishes, he follows her trail into a seedy underworld that reveals she is not what she seems.

## Intrigue &

## Investigation

Teen Detectives  
Criminals & Cons  
Historical Intrigue  
Paranormal Mystery  
Action-Packed Thrillers  
and just a dash of Suspense

#### ***The Body Finder* - Derting, Kimberly (T)**

Sequels: *Desires of the Dead*, *The Last Echo*,  
& *Dead Silence*

Violet uses her uncanny ability to sense murderers and their victims to try to stop a serial killer who is terrorizing her town, and though her best friend and would-be boyfriend Jay promises to keep her safe, she becomes a target.

#### ***The Unbecoming of Mara Dyer* - Hodkin, Michelle (T)**

Sequels: *The Evolution of Mara Dyer* &  
*The Retribution of Mara Dyer*

Seventeen-year-old Mara cannot remember the accident that took the lives of three of her friends but, after moving from Rhode Island to Florida, finding love with Noah, and more deaths, she realizes uncovering something buried in her memory might save her family and her future.

#### Key to Locations:

T = teen fiction

A = adult fiction

J = juvenile fiction

S = sound recording

E = e-book or e-audio

TG = teen graphic

AG = adult graphic

M = made into movie

Ordered by author's  
last name unless  
otherwise marked.

### ***I Hunt Killers* - Lyga, Barry (T)**

Sequels: *Game & Blood of My Blood*

Seventeen-year-old Jazz learned all about being a serial killer from his notorious "Dear Old Dad," but believes he has a conscience that will help fight his own urges and right some of his father's wrongs, so he secretly helps the police apprehend the town's newest murderer, "The Impressionist."

### ***How to Lead a Life of Crime* - Miller, Kirsten (T)**

A teenaged pickpocket, haunted by the ghost of his brother killed by his father, is recruited for Mandel Academy, a school for criminals where only one student survives each semester.

### ***Unraveling* - Norris, Elizabeth (T)**

Sequel: *Unbreakable*

If Janelle Tenner wants to avenge her father's death and stop the end of the world, she needs to uncover Ben's secrets — and keep from falling in love with him in the process.

### ***Dead is the New Black* - Perez, Marlene (T)**

Sequels: *Dead is a State of Mind* & 6 more

While dealing with her first boyfriend and suddenly being pressed into service as a substitute cheerleader, seventeen-year-old Daisy Giordano, daughter and sister of psychics but herself a "normal," attempts to help her mother discover who is behind a series of bizarre attacks on teenage girls in their little town of Nightshade, California.

### ***Terrier* - Pierce, Tamora (E)**

Sequels: *Bloodhound* & *Masque* (E)

When sixteen-year-old Beka becomes "Puppy" to a pair of "Dogs," as the Provost's Guards are called, she uses her police training, natural abilities, and a touch of magic to help them solve the case of a murdered baby in Tortall's Lower City.

### ***Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children* - Riggs, Ransom (T, TG - MISS, E)**

Sequel: *Hollow City* (T, E)

After a family tragedy, Jacob feels compelled to explore an abandoned orphanage on an island off the coast of Wales, discovering disturbing facts about the children who were kept there.

### ***Out of the Easy* - Sepetys, Ruta (T)**

Josie, the seventeen-year-old daughter of a French Quarter prostitute, is striving to escape 1950 New Orleans and enroll at prestigious Smith College when she becomes entangled in a murder investigation.

### ***Far From You* - Sharpe, Tess (T)**

After Sophie Winters survives a brutal attack in which her best friend, Mina, is murdered, she sets out to find the killer. At the same time she must prove she is free of her past addiction and in no way to blame for Mina's death.

### ***The Lying Game* - Shepard, Sara (T)**

Sequels: *Never Have I Ever* & 4 more

Also try: *The Perfectionists*

Seventeen-year-old Emma Paxton steps into the life of her long-lost twin Susan to solve her murder, while Susan looks on from her afterlife.

### ***All Our Yesterdays* - Terrill, Cristin (T)**

Em must travel back in time to prevent a catastrophic time machine from ever being invented, while Marina battles to prevent the murder of the boy she loves.

### ***Boy Nobody (aka I Am the Weapon)* - Zadoff, Allen (T)**

Sequels: *I Am the Mission* & *I Am the Traitor*

Sixteen-year-old Boy Nobody, an assassin controlled by a shadowy government organization, The Program, considers sabotaging his latest mission because his target reminds him of the normal life he craves.

## **Check out these authors for different ages!**

### **Children's Fiction**

Child, Lauren (*Ruby Redfort* series) (J)

Clements, Andrew (*Benjamin Praeger* series) (J)

Raskin, Ellen (*The Wishing Game*) (J, S, E)

Van Draanen, Wendelin (*Sammy Keyes* series) (J)

### **Adult Fiction**

Chabon, Michael (*The Yiddish Policemen's Union*) (A)

King, Laurie R. (*Mary Russell* series) (A)

Sayers, Dorothy L. (*Lord Peter Wimsey* series) (A, E)

Smith, Alexander McCall (*The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* series) (A, S)

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