

YALSA'S 2024 TOP TEN Quick Picks for Teen Readers

YALSA, the Young Adult Library Services Association, a division of the American Library Association, has selected the year's best titles for teen readers looking for something quick and easy to read. The following list of books are available in the Hawaii State Public Library System and list may be found at: [2024 Top Ten Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers](#). Titles may be available in e-formats. Check the catalog or ask a librarian for assistance.

Fiction



Brooks, Nick
Promise Boys

YA Brooks
Gr. 9 and Up

Urban Promise Prep is respected for helping young men succeed. When Principal Moore is found dead in his office, the three boys in detention are the only suspects - Trey, J.B., and Ramon. Each had reasons to hate Principal Moore and now must work together to prove their innocence.



Cardinal, Ann Davila
Breakup from Hell

YA Cardinal
Gr. 8 and up

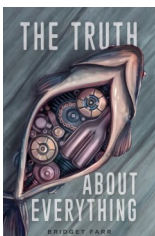
Mica and her best friends must battle Hell's legions and her ex-boyfriend if they want to save their town and possibly the world.



Carter, Aimee
Royal Blood

YA Carter
Gr. 7 and up

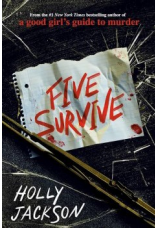
Evan's life is shattered when the world discovers that she's the King of England's secret daughter and a suspect in a murder investigation.



Farr, Bridget
The Truth About Everything

YA Farr
Gr. 8 and up

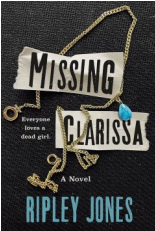
Lark's conspiracy-theorist parents refuse to allow her to attend school so she secretly enrolls herself.



Jackson, Holly
Five Survive

YA Jackson Gr. 9 and up

An RV with six teenage friends breaks down in the middle of nowhere. Someone starts shooting at the RV demanding that the one with the secret come out. Trapped inside, the friends are now forced to share their secrets or die in the RV.



Jones, Ripley
Missing Clarissa

YA Jones

Gr. 9 and up

High school juniors Blair and Cameron create a podcast about a popular cheerleader named Clarissa who disappeared from their town twenty years prior. But what starts as a school project could have some very serious consequences in the present.

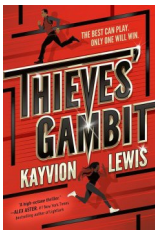


Lee, Kristen
Sun Keep Rising

YA Lee

Gr. 9 and up

Teen mom B'onca has always found a way to survive. But when her Memphis neighborhood becomes gentrified B'onca and her sister get an eviction notice. B'onca can't lose her home or baby. Pushed into a corner, B'onca decides to take a risk to get quick money, putting everything in jeopardy.



Lewis, Kayvion
Thieves' Gambit

YA Lewis

Gr. 8 and up

Ross must compete in the Thieves' Gambit, an international competition consisting of different heists, in the hopes that she might win so that she can have a wish granted.



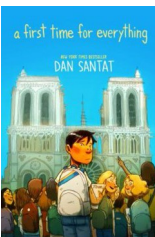
Painter, Lynn
The Do-Over

YA Painter

Gr. 9 and up

Emilie finds herself trapped in Valentine's Day, reliving the day over and over. Though she attempts to alter her course, she keeps colliding with Nick, her science lab partner. Nick helps Emilie realize that just because she and her boyfriend Josh look good together on paper, planning to interfere with fate never works out.

Graphic Novels



Santat, Dan
A First Time for Everything

J B Santat Sa

Gr. 6 and up

Dan Santat's graphic novel memoir takes readers along with him on a 3-week cultural exchange trip to Europe during the summer before high school. Heartfelt, funny, and beautifully illustrated, Santat shares what it takes to open up to a series of incredible firsts and create memories that last a lifetime

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