

Black Mirror

Nancy Werlin

Convinced her brother's death was murder rather than suicide, sixteen-year-old Frances begins her own investigation into suspicious student activities at her boarding school.

The Killers Cousin

Nancy Werlin

David, a high school senior, is accused and acquitted of murdering his girlfriend. He moves to his uncle's house to escape the publicity at home, but finds himself enmeshed in the dark secrets surrounding his cousin's suicide.

The Boy in the Burning House

Tim Wynne-Jones

Jim's father has disappeared, and Ruth Rose, the pastor's stepdaughter, tries to convince him that her stepfather did it. If that possibility isn't unsavory enough, Jim discovers that his dad and the pastor were both involved in a fire that killed another teenage boy 30 years before.



**Guess Again:
Mystery and Suspense!**

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Down the Rabbit Hole: An Echo Falls Mystery

Peter Abrahams

Like her idol Sherlock Holmes, eighth grader Ingrid Levin-Hill uses her intellect to solve a murder case in her home town of Echo Falls.

Counterfeit Son

Elaine Marie Alphin

A serial killer is murdered in a shoot-out with police. And his son Cameron adopts the identity of one of his father's victims in order to find a better life.

Wolf Rider: A Tale of Terror

Avi

Andy gets an apparent prank call from a man claiming to have committed murder. His father thinks he's lying. The school counselor warns him against "crying wolf." And the "victim" is alive—for now.

The Da Vinci Code

Dan Brown

When French police find Harvard professor of symbology Robert Langdon by the body of a murdered curator from the Louvre, Robert becomes the prime suspect in the case. Only by teaming up with French cryptologist Sophie Neveu can Robert solve the baffling cipher left next to the body, find out just who killed the curator, and discover exactly what they are after. Art, religion, and secret societies prove to be a most potent mix in Brown's page-turning thriller. (Adult book)

Twisted Summer

Willo Davis Roberts

Fourteen-year-old Cici hopes for a romantic summer at the beach but instead finds herself trying to solve a murder which had occurred there the previous year.

The Shadow Club

Neal Shusterman

The Shadow Club starts simply enough: the kids, who are tired of being second-best get together and, for the first time, talk about how they feel. But soon things spin dangerously out of control when the members start playing jokes. Check out the sequel, *The Shadow Club Rising*.

Finding Lubchenko

Michael Simmons

When his father is framed for murder and bioterrorism, high-school junior Evan, using clues from a stolen laptop, travels from Seattle to Paris with two friends to find the real culprit.

The Daughter of Time

Josephine Tey

While recuperating from a broken leg, Inspector Alan Grant of Scotland Yard embarks on a search through history for the truth behind Richard III's alleged murder of his nephews, heirs to the English throne.

Never Trust a Dead Man

Vivian Vande Velde

Selwyn thought he disliked Farold when he was alive, but that was nothing compared to having to work by the dead man's side as they search for a killer in this murder mystery, slapstick comedy, and fantasy about love and life after death.

Close to a Killer

Marsha Qualey

Two prominent citizens have been murdered, and Barrie knew both of them. But does she know the killer? When her mother becomes the focus of the investigation, Barrie finds herself pulled deeper and deeper into a frightening situation.

The Rose Queen

M.E. Rabb

After assuming new identities and hitting the road to escape their wicked stepmother, New York City natives Sophie and Sam find themselves calling small-town Venice, Indiana, home. Venice is a far cry from New York—which isn't always easy for the sisters—but it's the perfect place for them to settle down and try to blend in. Teaming up with the local private investigator, the two sisters begin working on a series of missing persons cases . . . while at the same time trying to stay missing themselves. First in the *Missing Persons* series.

The Westing Game

Ellen Raskin

The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.

Nightmare

Willo Davis Roberts

When a falling body strikes Nick's car as he drives under an overpass, the police call the man's death a suicide, but Nick suspects murder and finds his life in danger when he tries to investigate.

And Then There Were None

Agatha Christie

Ten strangers are gathered together by an anonymous host who begins to kill them off one by one.

Compass in the Blood

William E. Coles

While working with a Pittsburgh television journalist on a project to uncover the truth about the 1902 Katherine Soffel scandal, college student Dee Armstrong learns about different types of betrayal.

Face on the Milk Carton

Caroline Cooney

A photograph of a missing girl on a milk carton leads Janie on a search for her real identity.

Code Orange

Caroline Cooney

While conducting research for a school paper on smallpox, Mitty finds an envelope containing 100-year-old smallpox scabs and fears that he has infected himself and all of New York City.

In the Middle of the Night

Robert Cormier

Sixteen-year-old Denny has lived in the shadow of a deadly accident in his father's past, a disaster which some of the survivors still blame on his father.

Phoning a Dead Man

Gillian Cross

When John, a British demolitions expert, is supposedly killed blowing up a building in Siberia, his fiancée Annie insists on investigating, despite being in a wheelchair, and John's teenage sister Hayley goes along and finds that the Russian Mafia is involved.

Tightrope

Gillian Cross

When she begins receiving bizarre threatening messages from someone who seems to know her every move, teenage Ashley, after seeking help from the neighborhood tough guy, comes to realize that she alone can end the stalker's reign of terror.

Who Killed My Daughter?

Lois Duncan

A true story. Lois Duncan's 18-year-old daughter, Kaitlyn Arquette, was shot to death as she was driving down an Albuquerque street. The police told her family it was a random shooting, but as Duncan and others began adding up the facts, it didn't appear random at all, and once a psychic was called in to help the family, the investigation began to take some very odd turns indeed. (-- 364.1523 D)

Show Me the Evidence

Alane Ferguson

When, after a bizarre series of events, her best friend is accused of murdering her own baby brother and two other babies, Lauren, convinced of her friend's innocence, joins her in trying to solve the mystery and find evidence to clear her name.

The Body of Christopher Creed

Carol Plum-Ucci

Chris Creed grew up as the class freak-the bullies' punching bag. After he vanished, the weirdness that had once surrounded him began spreading. It was as if a darkness reached out of his void to grab at the most normal, happy people-like some twisted joke or demented form of justice. It tore the town apart. 16-year-old Torey's search for answers opens his eyes to the lies, the pain, and the need to blame when tragedy strikes, and his once-safe world comes crashing down around him.

What Happened to Lani Garver

Carol Plum-Ucci



The close-knit residents of Hackett Island have never seen anyone quite like Lani Garver. Everything about this new kid is a mystery: Where does Lani come from? How old is Lani? And most disturbing of all, is Lani a boy or a girl? Popular Claire McKenzie isn't up to tormenting Lani with the rest of the high school elite. Instead, she decides to befriend the intriguing outcast. But within days of Lani's arrival, tragedy strikes, and Claire is left questioning herself, her friendships, and, most interesting of all, the possibility that angels may exist on earth.

The Ruby in the Smoke

Philip Pullman

"Her name was Sally Lockhart; and within fifteen minutes, she was going to kill a man." Sally Lockhart has no time for the usual trials of adolescence: her father's been murdered, and she needs to find out how and why. But everywhere she turns, she encounters new secrets. Why do the words "seven blessings" cause one man to keel over and die at their utterance? Who has possession of the rare, stolen ruby? And what does the opium trade have to do with it? First in the series.

Whispers From the Dead

Joan Lowery Nixon

Only Sarah senses the horror. The minute she steps through the doorway of her family's new home, Sarah feels a smothering cold mist, and hears the echo of a scream and a heart-breaking whisper in Spanish, "Help me!" Sarah feels compelled to find out who is trying to reach her. But can she uncover the mysteries of the past before terror strikes again?

A Conspiracy Revealed: Hunter's League

Mel Odom

Set in 19th century-England, begins the story of 17-year-old Matthew Hunter, who sees things he never believed possible: stone gargoyles coming to life, a weapon that can shoot through walls, and the true faces of those responsible for the deaths of his parents.

Wessex Papers #1

Daniel Parker

Wessex Academy is a very exclusive boarding school for the very privileged. Unfortunately, it's got a few nasty secrets, including extortion, conspiracy, and scandal. In "Trust Falls," Sunday Winthrop and new student Fred Bushmill's pranks lead to their uncovering a sinister blackmail ring.

Hangman's Curse

Frank Peretti

When several students at Baker High School are stricken by an alleged curse of the school's ghost, Elijah and Elisha Springfield and their parents, who are undercover investigators, are sent to uncover the truth behind the events.

Friends to Die For

Jane S. Giberga

Sixteen-year-old Cristina is forced to evaluate her sophisticated world of elegant New York apartments, private schools, and rich friends when a girl she knows is murdered after a party they both attended.

Dead Girls Don't Write Letters

Gail Giles

Fourteen-year-old Sunny is stunned when a total stranger shows up at her house posing as her older sister Jazz, who supposedly died out of town in a fire months earlier.

Body Bags (Body of Evidence Thriller)

Christopher Golden

When a congressional aide goes violently insane and then drops dead, the pathology team at Somerset Medical Center discovers that his brain was ravaged with disease—and loaded with insect larvae. As Jenna Blake starts her new job, she is drawn into a web of terrifying disease, dangerous politics, and intriguing mystery. And when one of her college professors ends up dead, she starts making connections even the police haven't seen...connections which will bring her face to face with a pair of killers: one medical, and one all too human.

Running out of Time

Margaret Peterson Haddix

Believing herself to be a frontier child in 1840, Jessie is shocked when her mother reveals a secret—it's really 1996. After a diphtheria outbreak strikes the village children, Jessie must venture out into the modern world where she faces a wealth of confusing 20th century innovations and the sinister man who will stop at nothing to make sure the village residents remain locked in their 19th century world.

Dr. Franklin's Island

Ann Halam

Semi, Miranda, and Arnie are part of a group of 50 British Young Conservationists on their way to a wildlife conservation station deep in the rain forests of Ecuador. After a terrifying mid-air disaster and subsequent crash, these three are the sole survivors, stranded together on a deserted tropical island. Or so they think. Semi, Miranda, and Arnie stumble into the hands of Dr. Franklin, a mad scientist who's been waiting for them, eager to use them as specimens for his experiments in genetic engineering.

The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn

Dorothy Hoobler

While attempting to solve the mystery of a stolen jewel, Seikei, a merchant's son who longs to be a samurai, joins a group of kabuki actors in 18th century Japan.

Fell

M.E. Kerr

A strange incident on the night of the senior prom changes John Fell's entire life, leading him to enroll in an exclusive private school under an assumed name.

Incident at Loring Groves

Sonia Levitin

While partying in an abandoned house with friends who are using drugs, Cassidy and Ken face a difficult decision when they find a classmate murdered and risk implicating themselves if they go to the police.



Shades of Simon Gray

Joyce McDonald

17-year-old Simon lies in a coma, finding his space and time overlapping with that of a man who was lynched over 200 years ago, while a member of the cheating ring he has been helping wonders if their actions have caused the plagues assaulting their New Jersey town.

Shadow People

Joyce McDonald

Four totally different teenagers are thrown together by accident. Or maybe they were destined to meet, for they all share something that unites them and drives them to act out in violence—anger. Gem is a girl whose path crosses theirs when she falls in love with Gabriel. Will her solid sense of self save Gabriel—or will he destroy her?

Acceleration

Graham McNamee

Stuck working in the Lost and Found of the Toronto Transit Authority for the summer, seventeen-year-old Duncan finds the diary of a serial killer and sets out to stop him.

The Other Side of Dark

Joan Lowry Nixon

Stacy wakes up in a room that's not hers, in a body she doesn't recognize, to discover she's been in a coma for 4 years. Her mother's been murdered, and Stacy, recovering from a gunshot wound, is the only eyewitness to her mother's murder. She can recall only a shadowy face, so far. But the killer is not about to let her reveal his identity. . .