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**A Great and Terrible Beauty** [**(Gemma Doyle #1)**](http://www.goodreads.com/series/44586-gemma-doyle)by [Libba Bray](http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/2526.Libba_Bray) A Great and Terrible Beauty (Gemma Doyle, #1) **Rebel Angels (Book #2) The Sweet Far thing (Book #3)**A Victorian boarding school story, a Gothic mansion mystery, a gossipy romp about a clique of girlfriends, and a dark other-worldly fantasy--jumble them all together and you have this complicated and unusual first novel. Sixteen-year-old Gemma has had an unconventional upbringing in India, until the day she foresees her mother's death in a black, swirling vision that turn[...more](http://www.goodreads.com/book/show/3682.A_Great_and_Terrible_Beauty?from_search=true)A Victorian boarding school story, a Gothic mansion mystery, a gossipy romp about a clique of girlfriends, and a dark other-worldly fantasy--jumble them all together and you have this complicated and unusual first novel.

**The Raven Boys** [**(The Raven Cycle #1)**](http://www.goodreads.com/series/73675-the-raven-cycle) **by** [**Maggie Stiefvater**](http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/1330292.Maggie_Stiefvater) **The Dream Thieves (The Raven Boys #2 and #3)**  *“There are only two reasons a non-seer would see a spirit on St. Mark’s Eve,” Neeve said. “Either you’re his true love . . . or you killed him.”*

It is freezing in the churchyard, even before the dead arrive.

Every year, Blue Sargent stands next to her clairvoyant mother as the soon-to-be dead walk past. Blue herself never sees them—not until this year, when a boy emerges fro...moreFor as long as she can remember, Blue has been warned that she will cause her true love to die. She never thought this would be a problem. But now, as her life becomes caught up in the strange and sinister world of the Raven Boys, she’s not so sure anymore.

**Rick Riordan** author-various mythology series: Percy Jackson series, Roman and Egyptian. New is the Norse mythology series

If you like more “classic” fantasy:

Try **Terry Brooks Sword of Shannara** series. **David Eddings** Balgariad, Maoloriad Series. **Anne McCaffrey Dragons of Pern** series. **Eragon Series** by **Christopher Paolini**-Love Dragons!!

\*\***A Discovery of Witches** series by **Deborah Harkness**-Like Twilight for grownups only better written.

**Sci-fi:** **I Am Number Four** series by Pitticus Lore. I’ve read them all. Really cool sci-fi young adult.

**Memoirs**-Bruce Springsteen *Born to Run*

**Historical Fantasy-Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter** by [Seth Grahame-Smith](http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/169377.Seth_Grahame_Smith) -Twists up real historical facts about Abraham Lincoln and the time period with the idea that he also hunted vampires. Pictures from the time period cleverly photoshop in vampires.

**The Hate You Give** **by Angie Thomas**-Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Khalil was unarmed.

**Turtles All the Way Down by John Green (Wrote the Fault in Our Stars)** Sixteen-year-old Aza never intended to pursue the mystery of fugitive billionaire Russell Pickett, but there’s a hundred-thousand-dollar reward at stake and her Best and Most Fearless Friend, Daisy, is eager to investigate. Aza is also trying to cope with OCD.

**Marcelo in the Real World** by **Francisco X Stork-**Marcelo Sandoval hears music no one else can hear--part of the autism-like impairment no doctor has been able to identify--and he's always attended a special school where his differences have been protected. But the summer after his junior year, his father demands that Marcelo work in his law firm's mailroom in order to experience "the real world."