

# FANTASY NOVELS FOR TEENS



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## Aveyard, V. *Red Queen*

The Reds are commoners, ruled by a Silver elite in possession of god-like superpowers. To Mare Barrow, a seventeen-year-old Red girl, it seems like nothing will ever change. But when Mare finds herself working in the Silver Palace, she discovers she possesses a deadly power of her own. One that threatens to destroy the balance of power.

## Bardugo, L. *Six of Crows*

Criminal prodigy Kaz is offered the chance to pull off the heist of a lifetime. He pulls together a dream team of skilled friends who can help him, only to find that the stakes are higher than he ever thought – the fate of the world may be at stake.

## Black, H. *The Cruel Prince*

Jude was seven years old when she was stolen away to live in the treacherous High Court of Faerie. Ten years later, Jude wants to belong there, despite her mortality. But many of the fey despise humans. Trying to win a place at the Court, Jude becomes embroiled in palace intrigues and deceptions, discovering her own capacity for bloodshed.

## Bowen, N. *Skin of the Sea*

Transformed by the goddess Yemoja into a Mami Wati, an African mermaid charged with collecting the souls of those who die at sea, Simi goes against the gods to save a living boy, Kola, from drowning.

## Bowman, E. *Dustborn*

When raiders sent by a man known as the General attack her village, Delta suspects he is searching for her. Delta sets out to rescue her family but quickly learns that in the Wastes no one can be trusted; perhaps not even her childhood friend, Asher. If Delta can trust Asher, she just might decode the map and trade evidence of the Verdant to the General for her family.

## Brown, R. *A Song of Wraiths and Ruin*

For Malik, the Solstasia festival is a chance to escape his war-stricken home and start a new life with his sisters in the prosperous desert city of Ziran. But when a vengeful spirit abducts his younger sister Nadia as payment to enter the city, Malik strikes a fatal deal: kill Karina, crown princess of Ziran, in exchange for Nadia's freedom.

## Chupeco, R. *Wicked as You Wish*

Years after the evil Snow Queen desolated the magical kingdom of Avalon, Prince Alexei, his friend Tala, and a ragtag band, inspired by the appearance of the Firebird, try to reclaim their land.

## Ciccarelli, K. *Heartless Hunter*

In a world where witches face persecution, Rune leads a double life, masquerading as a socialite during the day and transforming into the vigilante known as the Crimson Moth by night, and forms a complicated alliance with the witch hunter Gideon

Sharpe, blurring the lines between love and danger.

**Little Badger, D.      A Snake Falls to Earth**

Nina is a Lipan girl in our world. Oli is a cottonmouth kid, from the land of spirits and monsters, who has been cast from home and found a new one on the banks of the bottomless lake. Nina and Oli have no idea the other exists. But a catastrophic event on Earth, and a strange sickness that befalls Oli's best friend, will drive their worlds together in ways they haven't been in centuries.

**Mahurin, S.      Serpent & Dove**

Two years ago Louise le Blanc fled her coven, forsaking all magic. Sworn to the Church as a Chasseur, Reid Diggory has lived by one principle: Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live. Then a wicked stunt forces the two into holy matrimony. Lou is unable to ignore her growing feelings, yet powerless to change what she is. A choice must be made... and love makes fools of us all.

**Neumeier, R.      The Keeper of the Mist**

The mists that hide the land of Nimmira have failed, leaving its people vulnerable. The Lord of Nimmira has died, leaving his daughter Keri, raised outside the palace by her mother, in charge of the kingdom. Its fate rests with her.

**Ngan, N.      Girls of Paper and Fire**

Each year, eight beautiful girls are chosen as Paper Girls to serve the king. It's the highest

honor they could hope for...and the most demeaning. This year, there's a ninth. Over weeks of training, Lei and eight other girls learn the skills and charm that befit a king's consort. There, she does the unthinkable ~ she falls in love.

**Owen, M.      The Merciful Crow**

Fie, a sixteen-year-old chieftain from a lowly cast of mercy-killers, must rely on her wits and bone magic to smuggle the crown prince of Sabor to safety after he fakes his own death.

**Rex, A.      A Little Like Waking**

While stuck in a dream, eighteen-year-old Zelda explores the far reaches of the dreamscape with a timid boy named Langston, but as they grow closer and closer, they discover truths neither of them wants to face.

**Rogerson, M.      Sorcery of Thorns**

When apprentice librarian Elisabeth is implicated in sabotage that released the library's most dangerous grimoire, she becomes entangled in a centuries-old conspiracy that could mean the end of everything.

**Taylor, L.      Strange the Dreamer**

The dream chooses the dreamer—and Lazlo has always feared that his dream chose poorly. Since he was five years old, he's been obsessed with the mythic lost city of Weep, but it would take someone bolder than him to search for it. Then an opportunity

presents itself and he must seize his chance or lose his dream forever.

**Tokuda-Hall, M.      The Mermaid, the Witch and the Sea**

Aboard the pirate ship Dove, Flora takes on the identity of Florian to earn the respect of the crew. But on this voyage, Flora is drawn to Lady Evelyn Hasegawa, who is en route to a dreaded arranged marriage. Neither expect to develop a deep bond, but soon the pair set in motion an escape that will free a captured mermaid and take them across the all-encompassing Sea.

**Uehashi, N.      The Beast Player**

Nahoko Uehashi's *The Beast Player* is an epic YA fantasy about a girl with a special power to communicate with magical beasts and the warring kingdom only she can save.

**Weymouth, L.      The Light Between Worlds**

Six years ago, Evelyn and Philippa cowered from air strikes in a London bomb shelter. But then the sisters were swept away to a strange and beautiful kingdom called the Woodlands, where they lived for years in a forest straight out of myth and legend. When they returned to London, no time had passed and nothing had changed—except themselves. Now Evelyn is desperate to return to the Woodlands, while Philippa just wants to move on. But when Ev goes missing and the weeks unfold, Philippa wonders if Ev truly did find a way home.