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#### Acevedo, E. With the Fire on High

Ever since she got pregnant freshman year, Emoni's life has been about making the tough decisions, doing what has to be done for her daughter. The one place she can let all that go is in the kitchen. Even though she dreams of working in a kitchen after she graduates, Emoni knows that's impossible. Yet despite the rules she's made for her life, once Emoni starts cooking, she has to let her talent soar.

# Albertalli, B. Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda

Simon has been emailing back and forth with an adorable guy he's never met. But when an email falls into the wrong hands, he suddenly finds himself blackmailed to play wingman for the class clown, otherwise he'll be outed. Simon must find a way out of this without losing his friends, his sanity and his chances with the guy he still has never met.

# Alexander, K. Booked

Twelve-year-old Nick navigates soccer, school and problems at home as he learns to stand up to a bully and tries to impress the girl of his dreams. Told in verse.

#### Cadow, M. Gather

Ian Gray isn't supposed to have a dog, but Gather, Ian's adopted pup, is good company now that Ian has to quit the basketball team, find a job, and take care of his mom as she tries to overcome her opioid addiction. An unforeseen tragedy results in lan and his dog taking off on the run, trying to evade a future that would mean leaving their house and their land.

#### Callender, K. Felix Ever After

Felix Love has never been in love—and, yes, he's aware of the irony. He desperately wants to know what it's like and why it seems so easy for everyone but him to find someone. When an anonymous student begins sending him transphobic messages—after publicly posting Felix's deadname alongside images of him before he transitioned—Felix comes up with a plan for revenge. What he didn't count on: his catfish scenario landing him in a quasi—love triangle...

## Giff, P. Pictures of Hollis Woods

A troublesome twelve-year-old orphan, staying with an elderly artist who needs her, remembers the only other times she was happy in a foster home, with a family that truly seemed to care about her.

# Gilbert, K. Picture Us In the Light

Artist Danny Cheng has just won a scholarship to his top art school, and the only problem he has is that he thinks he's in love with his best friend, Harry. He then finds a mysterious box in his parents' closet, and more and more family secrets start to come out, threatening everything in his life.

#### Larbalestier, J. My Sister Rosa

Che Taylor has just moved from Bangkok to New York, and he makes friends and maybe even a finds a girlfriend. There's just one problem – his ten-year-old sister. She manipulates everyone and has started to hurt people. Che is convinced she's a psychopath – but can he convince his parents before someone gets hurt?

#### Leno, K. The Lost and Found

Fannie and Louis both belong to an online support group for trauma survivors. They both also have a strange tendency to lose things. But when they embark on a road trip to finally meet each other, they start to realize that the things you lose might be things you weren't meant to have at all, and that you never know what you might find if you just take a chance.

#### Lupica, M. Travel Team

After he is cut from his travel basketball team--the very same team that his father once led to national prominence--twelve-year-old Danny Walker forms his own team of cast-offs that might have a shot at victory.

# Moon, S. Sparrow

Sparrow has always been the child who prefers reading books to playing with friend. Since fifth grade the one person who seemed to understand her was the school librarian, when Mrs. Wexler was killed in an accident Sparrow's world came apart, When she was found on the edge of the school

roof everyone assumed that it was a suicide attempt, which Sparrow denies, but cannot find the words to explain.

#### Russo, M. If I Was Your Girl

Amanda Hardy only wants to fit in at her new school, but she is keeping a big secret, so when she falls for Grant, guarded Amanda finds herself yearning to share with him everything about herself, including her previous life as Andrew.

# Nelson, J. I'll Give You the Sun

Thirteen-year-old twins Jude and Noah are incredibly close. Jude is a reckless daredevil and shy Noah is falling in love with the boy next door. Three years later, Jude and Noah are no longer speaking, torn apart by an event that they may never recover from.

## Oshiro, M. Anger is a Gift

Six years ago, Moss' father was murdered by an Oakland police officer. This leaves Moss with near crippling panic attacks. Now, in his sophomore year of high school, Moss and his fellow classmates find themselves increasingly treated like criminals in their own school. Students decide to organize and push back against the administration. When tensions hit a fever pitch and tragedy strikes, Moss must face a difficult choice: give in to fear and hate or realize that anger can be a gift.

# Saenz, B. Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe

Aristotle is a loner who's angry that his brother's in prison. Dante is a know-it-all who looks at the world differently than anyone else. When they meet one summer at the swimming pool, they discover they have more in common than they ever thought.

#### Stork, F. Marcelo in the Real World

Marcelo Sandoval, a seventeen-year-old boy on the high-functioning end of the autistic spectrum, faces new challenges, including romance and injustice, when he goes to work for his father in the mailroom of a corporate law firm.

#### Yoon, N. The Sun Is Also a Star

Natasha believes in science, not daydreams. Her family is about to be deported. Daniel is always trying to live up to his parents' expectations, pushing aside his desire to be a poet. Then the universe brings them together for one life-changing day.

# Zentner, J. The Serpent King

The son of a Pentecostal preacher faces his personal demons as he and his two outcast friends try to make it through their senior year of high school in rural Tennessee.