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**Tricks** Henry Holt and Company  
Filled with humor, raw emotion, a strong voice,

and a brilliant dog named Sandy Koufax, When You Were Here explores the two most powerful forces known to man-death and love. Daisy Whitney brings her characters to life with a deft touch and

resonating authenticity. Danny's mother lost her five-year battle with cancer three weeks before his graduation-the one day that she was hanging on to see. Now Danny is left alone, with

only his memories, his dog, and his heart-breaking ex-girlfriend for company. He doesn't know how to figure out what to do with her estate, what to say for his Valedictorian speech, let alone how to live or be happy anymore. When he gets a letter from his mom's property manager in Tokyo, where she had been going for treatment, it shows a side of a side of his mother he never knew. So, with no other sense of direction, Danny travels to Tokyo to connect with his mother's

memory and make sense of her final months, which seemed filled with more joy than Danny ever knew. There, among the cherry blossoms, temples, and crowds, and with the help of an almost-but-definitely-not Harajuku girl, he begins to see how it may not have been ancient magic or mystical treatment that kept his mother going. Perhaps, the secret of how to live lies in how she died. [Hold Me Closer](#) Scholastic Inc. Five troubled teenagers fall into prostitution as

they search for freedom, safety, community, family, and love in this #1 New York Times bestselling novel from Ellen Hopkins. "When all choice is taken from you, life becomes a game of survival." Five teenagers from different parts of the country. Three girls. Two guys. Four straight. One gay. Some rich. Some poor. Some from great families. Some with no one at all. All living their lives as best they can, but all searching...for freedom, safety, community, family, love.

What they don't expect, though, is all that can happen when those powerful little words "I love you" are said for all the wrong reasons. Five moving stories remain separate at first, then interweave to tell a larger, powerful story—a story about making choices, taking leaps of faith, falling down, and growing up. A story about kids figuring out what sex and love are all about, at all costs, while asking themselves, "Can I ever feel okay about myself?" A brilliant achievement

from New York Times bestselling author Ellen Hopkins—who has been called "the bestselling living poet in the country" by [Mediabistro.com](http://mediabistro.com)—Tricks is a book that turns you on and repels you at the same time. Just like so much of life. *The Marvels* Knopf Books for Young Readers When Ben's girlfriend, Marly, dies, he feels his life is over. What could possibly matter now when Marly is gone? So when Valentine's Day approaches, it makes

sense that this day that was once so meaningful to Ben leaves him feeling bitter and hollow. But then Marly shows up--or at least her ghost does--along with three others spirits. Now Ben must take a painful journey through Valentine's Days past, present, and future, and what he discovers will change him forever. [Fragile Remedy](#) Farrar, Straus and Giroux TIME Magazine's Top Ten Children's Books of 2015 "Tiny Cooper stole our hearts." —Entertainment Weekly Especially for

those of us who ordinarily feel ignored, a spotlight is a circle of magic, with the strength to draw us from the darkness of our everyday lives. Watch out, ex-boyfriends, and get out of the way, homophobic coaches. Tiny Cooper has something to say—and he’s going to say it in song. Filled with honesty, humor, and “big, lively, belty” musical numbers, *Hold Me Closer* is the no-holds-barred (and many-bars-held) entirety of the beloved musical first introduced in *Will Grayson, Will Grayson*, the

award-winning bestseller by John Green and David Levithan. Tiny Cooper is finally taking center stage . . . and the world will never be the same again. “Tiny will have readers falling out of their chairs laughing. . . . It’s big. It’s gay. It’s outrageous and hilarious.” —Kirkus Reviews ★“Levithan has turned in another star turn with a book that is witty, wise, and well worthy of an encore.” —Booklist, starred review ★“Tiny’s passion for composing a big, beautiful life and a big, beautiful

show overflows in this thoroughly magical book.” —BCCB, starred review ★“Tiny Cooper . . . gets his own star turn.” —Publishers Weekly, starred review  
*The Tree Climber’s Guide*  
 Algonquin Books  
 A collection of funny, warm and heartfelt stories exploring queer love and identity from award-winning YA author David Levithan.  
[A Bad Boy Can Be Good for a Girl](#) Knopf Books for Young Readers  
 Take a trip to Italy in this “introspective, moving,

and honest” (Publishers Weekly) novel by bestselling author David Levithan (Every Day; Will Grayson, Will Grayson with John Green) in which fledgling family bonds are threatened by new love. Sixteen-year-old Elijah is completely mellow and his 23-year-old brother Danny is completely not, so it's no wonder they can barely tolerate one another. So what better way to repair their broken relationship than to trick them into taking a trip to Italy together? Soon, though, their parents'

perfect solution has become Danny and Elijah's nightmare as they're forced to spend countless hours together. But then Elijah meets Julia, and soon the brothers aren't together nearly as much. And when Julia suddenly decides that maybe it's Danny she's really interested in, Danny has a decision to make: does he honor his relationship with the brother he thinks hates him, or does he follow his heart, which sorely needs some repairing of its own?Elijah and Danny

don't think they have anything in common except their parents. Danny thinks Elijah is a lazy, slacking, clueless dreamer who doesn't know how to make a living. Elijah thinks Danny is a workaholic, stuck-up, soulless drone who doesn't know how to make a life. Yes, they're brothers. Then their parents trick them into taking a trip to Italy together. Nine days of escape. Nine days of somewhere else. Elijah and Danny aren't sure it's going to work. Until they

each meet a girl—the same girl. Julia. And nothing will ever be the same again. AN ALA BEST BOOK FOR YOUNG ADULTS  
The Mysterious Disappearance of Aidan S. (as told to his brother)  
 Scholastic Inc.  
 This winner of the first Stonewall Award for Children’s & Young Adult Literature will make you marvel at the beauty of human connection and the irrepressible nature of love. Everyone has that one line they swear they’ll never cross, the one thing

they say they’ll never do. We draw the line. Maybe we even believe it. Sage Hendricks was my line. Logan Witherspoon befriends Sage Hendricks at a time when he no longer trusts or believes in people. He’s drawn to Sage, with her constant smile and sexy voice, and his feelings for her grow so strong that he can’t resist kissing her. Sage finally discloses a big secret: she was born a boy. Enraged, frightened, and feeling betrayed, Logan lashes out at her—a reaction he soon

desperately wishes he could take back. Once his anger cools, Logan is filled with incredible regret, and all he wants is to repair his friendship with Sage. But it’s hard to replace something that’s been broken—and it’s even harder to find your way back to friendship when you began with love. \*\*\*  
 “Tackles issues of homophobia, hate crimes and stereotyping with humor and grace in an accessible tone that will resonate with teens.”  
 –Kirkus Reviews “It is Sage’s story that is truly

important.” -SLJ  
“Teens—both those familiar with transgender issues and those who are not—will welcome the honest take on a rarely explored subject.”  
-Booklist “A sensitive examination of the seldom treated subject of transgender teens.”  
-VOYA  
**Someday** Knopf Books for Young Readers  
Now with exclusive bonus content from author David Levithan, the New York Times bestselling mind behind *Every Day* and *Another Day*. An

emotional and politically charged novel that’s a must-read for turbulent times when the very democratic process itself is called into question and basic rights are at risk. In the not-too-impossible-to-imagine future, a gay Jewish man has been elected president of the United States. Until the governor of one state decides that some election results in his state are invalid, awarding crucial votes to the other candidate, and his fellow party member. Thus is the inspiration for

couple Jimmy and Duncan to lend their support to their candidate by deciding to take part in the rallies and protests. Along the way comes an exploration of their relationship, their politics, and their country, and sometimes, as they learn, it's more about the journey than it is about reaching the destination. Only David Levithan could so masterfully and creatively weave together a plot that's both parts political action and reaction, as well as a touching and insightfully-

drawn teen love story. A  
MARGARET A. EDWARDS  
AWARD WINNER

Roosevelt's Beast Simon  
and Schuster

Alek Khederian should have guessed something was wrong when his parents took him to a restaurant. Everyone knows that Armenians never eat out. Why bother, when their home cooking is far superior to anything "these Americans" could come up with? Between bouts of interrogating the waitress and criticizing the menu, Alek's parents announce

that he'll be attending summer school in order to bring up his grades. Alek is sure this experience will be the perfect hellish end to his hellish freshmen year of high school. He never could've predicted that he'd meet someone like Ethan. Ethan is everything Alek wishes he were: confident, free-spirited, and irreverent. When Ethan gets Alek to cut school and go to a Rufus Wainwright concert in New York City's Central Park, Alek embarks on his first adventure outside the confines of his

suburban New Jersey existence. He can't believe a guy this cool wants to be his friend. And before long, it seems like Ethan wants to be more than friends. Alek has never thought about having a boyfriend—he's barely ever had a girlfriend—but maybe it's time to think again. Michael Barakiva's *One Man Guy* is a romantic, moving, laugh-out-loud-funny story about what happens when one person cracks open your world and helps you see everything—and, most of



all, yourself--like you never have before. Every Day Ember The New York Times Bestselling duo behind Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist and The Twelve Days of Dash & Lily return with twins out to throw the party of a lifetime--or at least the best party of high school! Siblings Sam and Ilsa Kehlmann have spent most of their high school years throwing parties for their friends--and now they've prepared their final blowout, just before graduation. The rules are simple: each

twin gets to invite three guests, and the other twin doesn't know who's coming until the partiers show up at the door. With Sam and Ilsa, the sibling revelry is always tempered with a large dose of sibling rivalry, and tonight is no exception. One night. One apartment. Eight people. What could possibly go wrong? Oh, we all know the answer is plenty. But plenty also goes right, as well...in rather surprising ways. *The New Queer Conscience* Knopf Books

for Young Readers In Every Day, New York Times bestselling author David Levithan presented readers with his most ambitious novel to date: Every morning, A wakes up in a different body and leads a different life. A must never get too attached, must never be noticed, must never interfere. The novel *Every Day* starts on Day 5994 of A's life. In this digital-only collection *Six Earlier Days*, Levithan gives readers a glimpse at a handful of the other 5993 stories yet to be told that inform how

A navigates the complexities of a life lived anew each day. In *Every Day*, readers discover if you can truly love someone who is destined to change every day. In *Six Earlier Days*, readers will discover a little bit more about how A became that someone. Fans of Levithan's books such as *Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist*, co-written with Rachel Cohn, and *Will Grayson, Will Grayson*, co-written with John Green, will not want to miss A's adventures in *Every Day* and *Six Earlier*

*Days*.  
[19 Love Songs](#)  
 HarperCollins  
 Josie, Nicolette, and Aviva all get mixed up with a senior boy—a cool, slick, sexy boy who can talk them into doing almost anything he wants. In a blur of high school hormones and personal doubt, each girl struggles with how much to give up and what ultimately to keep for herself. How do girls handle themselves? How much can a boy get away with? And in the end, who comes out on top? A bad boy may

always be a bad boy. But this bad boy is about to meet three girls who won't back down.

**Two Boys Kissing** Knopf Books for Young Readers  
 An absorbing debut novel about three gay friends in Brazil whose lives become intertwined in the face of HIV, perfect for fans of Adam Silvera and Bill Konigsberg. Ian has just been diagnosed with HIV. Victor, to his great relief, has tested negative. Henrique has been living with HIV for the past three years. When Victor finds himself getting tested for

HIV for the first time, he can't help but question his entire relationship with Henrique, the guy he has - had -- been dating. See, Henrique didn't disclose his positive HIV status to Victor until after they had sex, and even though Henrique insisted on using every possible precaution, Victor is livid. That's when Victor meets Ian, a guy who's also getting tested for HIV. But Ian's test comes back positive, and his world is about to change forever. Though Victor is loath to think about Henrique, he offers

to put the two of them in touch, hoping that perhaps Henrique can help Ian navigate his new life. In the process, the lives of Ian, Victor, and Henrique will become intertwined in a story of friendship, love, and self-acceptance. Set in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, this utterly engrossing debut by Brazilian author Lucas Rocha calls back to Alex Sanchez's Rainbow Boys series, bringing attention to how far we've come with HIV, while shining a harsh light on just how far we have yet to go.

*One Man Guy* Delacorte Press

The compelling companion title to the much-lauded *Just One Day* follows Willem's transformative journey toward self-discovery and true love, by the author of *If I Stay*. Picking up where *Just One Day* ended, *Just One Year* tells Willem's side of the story. After spending an amazing day and night with Allyson in Paris that ends in separation, Willem and Allyson are both searching for one another. His story of their year of quiet

longing and near misses is a perfect counterpoint to Allyson's own as Willem undergoes a transformative journey, questioning his path, finding love, and ultimately, redefining himself. \* "The complexity of Willem's character, the twisting plot, and far-flung settings (including the Netherlands, Mexico, and India) create an alluring story that pushes beyond the realm of star-crossed romance." — Publishers Weekly starred review "As much a travelogue as it is a romance, this novel will

appeal to fans of the movie *Before Sunrise* or Maureen Johnson's *13 Little Blue Envelopes* (HarperCollins, 2005)." —School Library Journal "As [Willem] becomes engaged personally and professionally, readers will find their interest quickening, right up to the satisfying denouement." —Kirkus Reviews *Are We There Yet?* Knopf Books for Young Readers This is the story of Paul, a sophomore at a high school like no other: The

cheerleaders ride Harleys, the homecoming queen used to be a guy named Daryl (she now prefers Infinite Darlene and is also the star quarterback), and the gay-straight alliance was formed to help the straight kids learn how to dance. When Paul meets Noah, he thinks he's found the one his heart is made for. Until he blows it. The school bookie says the odds are 12-to-1 against him getting Noah back, but Paul's not giving up without playing his love really loud. His best friend

Joni might be drifting away, his other best friend Tony might be dealing with ultra-religious parents, and his ex-boyfriend Kyle might not be going away anytime soon, but sometimes everything needs to fall apart before it can really fit together right. This is a happy-meaningful romantic comedy about finding love, losing love, and doing what it takes to get love back in a crazy-wonderful world.  
Openly Straight  
HarperCollins

New York Times bestselling author David Levithan takes young readers on twisting journey through truth, reality, and fantasy and belief. Aidan disappeared for six days. Six agonizing days of searches and police and questions and constant vigils. Then, just as suddenly as he vanished, Aidan reappears. Where has he been? The story he tells is simply. . . impossible. But it's the story Aidan is sticking to. His brother, Lucas, wants to believe him. But Lucas is aware of

what other people, including their parents, are saying: that Aidan is making it all up to disguise the fact that he ran away. When the kids in school hear Aidan's story, they taunt him. But still Aidan clings to his story. And as he becomes more of an outcast, Lucas becomes more and more concerned. Being on Aidan's side would mean believing in the impossible. But how can you believe in the impossible when everything and everybody is telling you not to?

**Almost Perfect** Knopf Books for Young Readers  
 NEW YORK TIMES  
 BESTSELLER • NAMED  
 ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS  
 OF THE YEAR by Booklist •  
 Kirkus Reviews Celebrate  
 all the ways love makes  
 us who we are with the  
 romance that  
 Entertainment Weekly  
 calls "wise, wildly unique"-  
 -from the bestselling co-  
 author of Nick and  
 Norah's Infinite Playlist--  
 about a teen who wakes  
 up every morning in a  
 different body, living a  
 different life. Now a major  
 motion picture! Every day

a different body. Every  
 day a different life. Every  
 day in love with the same  
 girl. There's never any  
 warning about where it  
 will be or who it will be. A  
 has made peace with  
 that, even established  
 guidelines by which to  
 live: Never get too  
 attached. Avoid being  
 noticed. Do not interfere.  
 It's all fine until the  
 morning that A wakes up  
 in the body of Justin and  
 meets Justin's girlfriend,  
 Rhiannon. From that  
 moment, the rules by  
 which A has been living  
 no longer apply. Because

finally A has found  
 someone he wants to be  
 with—day in, day out, day  
 after day. With his new  
 novel, David Levithan,  
 bestselling co-author of  
 Will Grayson, Will  
 Grayson, and Nick and  
 Norah's Infinite Playlist,  
 has pushed himself to  
 new creative heights. He  
 has written a captivating  
 story that will fascinate  
 readers as they begin to  
 comprehend the  
 complexities of life and  
 love in A's world, as A and  
 Rhiannon seek to discover  
 if you can truly love  
 someone who is destined

to change every day. “A story that is always alluring, oftentimes humorous and much like love itself—splendorous.” —Los Angeles Times

**Boy Meets Boy** Penguin  
A funny, honest novel about being out, being proud... and being ready for something else. The award-winning novel about being out, being proud, and being ready for something else. Pre-order the companion novel *Honestly Ben* now (out 3/28/17)! Rafe is a normal teenager from Boulder, Colorado. He

plays soccer. He's won skiing prizes. He likes to write. And, oh yeah, he's gay. He's been out since 8th grade, and he isn't teased, and he goes to other high schools and talks about tolerance and stuff. And while that's important, all Rafe really wants is to just be a regular guy. Not that GAY guy. To have it be a part of who he is, but not the headline, every single time. So when he transfers to an all-boys' boarding school in New England, he decides to keep his sexuality a secret -- not so

much going back in the closet as starting over with a clean slate. But then he sees a classmate breaking down. He meets a teacher who challenges him to write his story. And most of all, he falls in love with Ben... who doesn't even know that love is possible.

*How They Met and Other Stories* Knopf Books for Young Readers

‘After I finished this book I alarmed my family by going into the garden and climbing the apple tree.’ – Damian Whitworth, *The Times*

*Hang A Thousand Trees With Ribbons* Scholastic Inc.

Don't miss Selznick's other novels in words and pictures, *The Invention of Hugo Cabret* and *Wonderstruck*, which together with *The Marvels*, form an extraordinary thematic trilogy! A breathtaking new voyage from Caldecott Medalist Brian Selznick. Two stand-alone stories--the first in nearly 400 pages of continuous

pictures, the second in prose--create a beguiling narrative puzzle. The journey begins at sea in 1766, with a boy named Billy Marvel. After surviving a shipwreck, he finds work in a London theatre. There, his family flourishes for generations as brilliant actors until 1900, when young Leontes Marvel is banished from the stage. Nearly a century later, runaway Joseph Jervis seeks refuge with

an uncle in London. Albert Nightingale's strange, beautiful house, with its mysterious portraits and ghostly presences, captivates Joseph and leads him on a search for clues about the house, his family, and the past. A gripping adventure and an intriguing invitation to decipher how the two stories connect, *The Marvels* is a loving tribute to the power of story from an artist at the vanguard of creative innovation.