

Great Reads **FOR GUYS**

Peak

by Roland Smith

When 14-year-old Peak gets busted for climbing skyscrapers in New York City, he's sent to live with his estranged father who runs a climbing company in Thailand and expects Peak to become the youngest person to climb Mount Everest.

Deposing Nathan

by Zack Smedley

Nate is being ordered to give a statement, under oath, that will send his best friend to prison. The problem is, the real story of what happened between them isn't as simple as anyone thinks.

All American Boys

by Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely

Rashad Butler and Quinn Collins are two young men, one black and one white, whose lives are forever changed by an act of extreme police brutality. Rashad wakes up in a hospital. Quinn saw how he got there.

The House of the Scorpion

by Nancy Farmer

Matteo Alacrán was not born; he was harvested. His DNA came from El Patrón, lord of a country called Opium--a strip of poppy fields lying between the United States and what was once called Mexico.

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The First Part Last

by Angela Johnson

For his sixteenth birthday, Bobby cuts school with his two best buddies, grabs a couple of slices at his favorite pizza joint, catches a flick at a nearby multiplex, and gets some news from his girlfriend, Nia, that changes his life forever: He's going to be a father.

The Stars Beneath our Feet

by David Barclay Moore

His path isn't clear—and the pressure to join a “crew,” as his brother did, is always there. But building a fantastical Lego city at the community center provides Lolly with an escape—and an unexpected bridge back to the world.

I am the Messenger

by Markus Zusak

Ed Kennedy is an underage cabdriver without much of a future. His life is one of peaceful routine and incompetence until he inadvertently stops a bank robbery. Then Ed begins receiving cryptic messages sending him on missions.

Mexican White Boy

by Matt de la Peña

Set in the alleys and on the ball fields of San Diego County, Mexican Whiteboy is a story of friendship, acceptance, and the struggle to find your identity in a world of definitions.

Challenger Deep

by Neal Shusterman

Caden Bosch is facing a mutiny on a ship that's headed for the deepest point on Earth: Challenger Deep. Caden Bosch is a high school student that spends his days walking for miles, absorbed by the thoughts in his head. Caden Bosch is torn.

Looking for Alaska

by John Green

Miles “Pudge” Halter is done with his safe life at home. He heads off to the sometimes crazy and anything-but-boring world of Culver Creek Boarding School where he meets Alaska Young and nothing is ever the same.