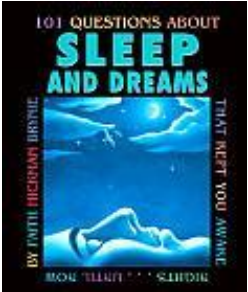
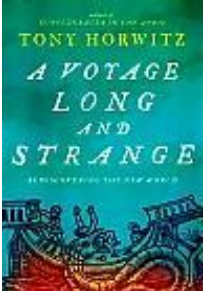
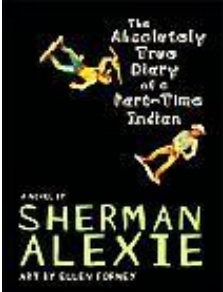

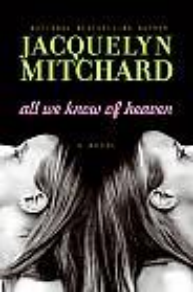

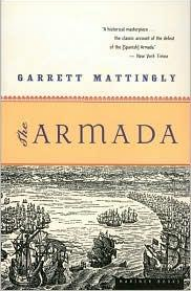

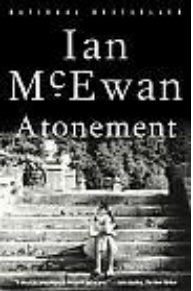






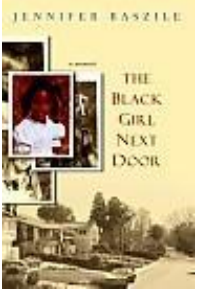
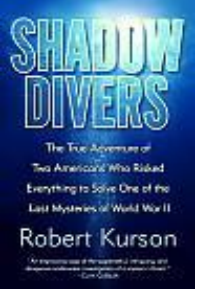
## RHS Summer Reading List 2009


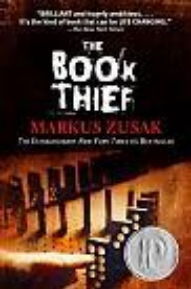


In the Comments column, the first number corresponds to the number of pages in the book, the second number is the lexile, and BES stands for a book that has been nominated for the Black-Eyed-Susan award for high school. IMC refers to copy owned by RHS Media Center S. Weiss - A. Anderson


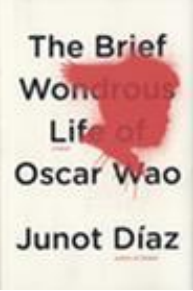


Cover	Title	Author	Comments	Summary
	<p><i>101 Questions about Sleep and dreams that Kept You Awake Nights-- Until Now</i></p>	<p>Brynie</p>	<p>176</p>	<p>What is sleep? How does missing sleep affect the body? Why does one sleep through some noises and not others? Is snoring anything to worry about? Why does one dream? These and other questions are presented in a logical order and answered in clear, concise text that is accessible to a wide age range. Included are such issues as how sleep works, the biology of sleep, the brain, and the role of neurotransmitters.</p>
	<p><i>A Voyage Long and Strange: Rediscovering the New World.</i></p>	<p>Horwitz</p>	<p>445</p>	<p>A blend of history, myth, and misadventure, the book captures the wonder and drama of first contact. Vikings, conquistadors, French voyageurs—these and many others roamed an unknown continent in quest of grapes, gold, converts, even a cure for syphilis. Though most failed, their remarkable exploits left an enduring mark on the land and people encountered by late-arriving English settlers. Displaying his trademark talent for humor, narrative, and historical insight, <i>A Voyage Long and Strange</i> allows us to rediscover the New World for ourselves.</p>
	<p><i>Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian</i></p>	<p>Alexie</p>	<p>229 Books for the Teen Age Horn Book Notable Books for a Global Society  IMC F ALE</p>	<p>Arnold Spirit, a goofy-looking dork with a decent jumpshot, spends his time lamenting life on the “poor-ass” Spokane Indian reservation, drawing cartoons (which accompany, and often provide more insight than, the narrative), and, along with his aptly named pal Rowdy, laughing those laughs over anything and nothing that affix best friends so intricately together. When a teacher pleads with Arnold to want more, to escape the hopelessness of the rez, Arnold switches to a rich white school and immediately becomes as much an outcast in his own community as he is a curiosity in his new one.</p>

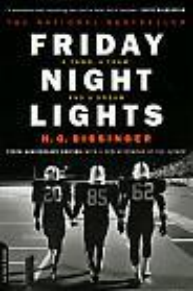


	<p><i>Adoration of Jenna Fox, The</i></p>	<p>Pearson</p>	<p>266 570 Best Books for YA , Best Sci-Fi, Fantasy and Horror</p>	<p>In the not-too-distant future, when biotechnological advances have made synthetic bodies and brains possible but illegal, a seventeen-year-old girl, recovering from a serious accident and suffering from memory lapses, learns a startling secret about her existence.</p>
	<p><i>All We Know of Heaven</i></p>	<p>Mitchard</p>	<p>312 760 BES</p>	<p>Sixteen-year-old best friends Maureen and Bridget are in a terrible accident where Bridget dies and is incorrectly identified as Maureen; but when Maureen recovers, she must deal with the repercussions of the accident as well as the loss of her best friend.</p>
	<p><i>American Born Chinese</i></p>	<p>Yang</p>	<p>233 Printz Finalist , National Book Award  IMC GN F YAN</p>	<p>Alternates three interrelated stories about the problems of young Chinese Americans trying to participate in the popular culture.</p>
	<p><i>Armada</i></p>	<p>Mattingly</p>	<p>464</p>	<p>Chronicling one of the most spectacular events of the sixteenth century, <i>The Armada</i> is the definitive story of the English fleet's infamous defeat of the Spanish Armada in 1588. The esteemed and critically acclaimed historian Garrett Mattingly explores all dimensions of the naval campaign, which captured the attention of the European world and played a deciding role in the settlement of the New World. "So skillfully constructed it reads like a novel" (New York Times), <i>The Armada</i> is sure to appeal to the scholar and amateur historian alike.</p>

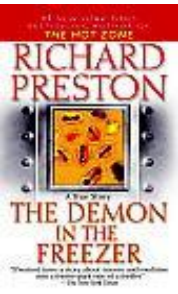


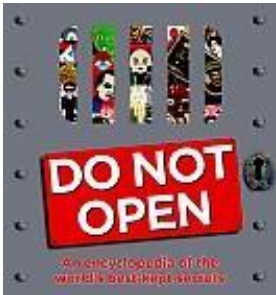
	<p><i>Atlas Shrugged</i></p>	<p>Rand</p>	<p>1168 1070</p>	<p>A satire on the follies and dangers of collectivism in which the United States is faced with the prospect of economic collapse when the country's leading innovators and industrialists go into hiding.</p>
	<p><i>Atonement</i></p>	<p>McEwan</p>	<p>351 Booklist starred  IMC F MCE</p>	<p>Imaginative thirteen-year-old Briony Tallis, misinterpreting a scene between her older sister Cecilia and Robbie Turner, the housekeeper's son, later accuses Robbie of a crime she has no proof he committed and spends years trying to atone for her actions.</p>
	<p><i>Bad Monkeys</i></p>	<p>Ruff</p>	<p>230 Booklist starred</p>	<p>Jane Charlotte, arrested for murder, is referred to a psychiatrist who tries to figure out what is really going on after Jane explains that as a member of a secret group devoted to fighting evil, she is responsible for getting rid of irredeemable persons--otherwise known as "Bad Monkeys."</p>
	<p><i>Becoming Billie Holiday</i></p>	<p>Weatherford</p>	<p>120 Best Books for YA Best Books of the Year  IMC 811 WEA</p>	<p>In this fictionalized memoir, Weatherford has composed nearly 100 first-person narrative poems that detail Holiday's life from birth until age 25, the age at which she debuted her signature song, "Strange Fruit." The poems borrow their titles from Holiday's songs. Weatherford's language is straightforward and accessible-almost conversational. She captures the woman's jazzy, candid voice so adroitly that at times the poems seem like they could have been lifted wholesale from Holiday's autobiography, <i>Lady Sings the Blues</i>. Cooper's sepia-toned, nostalgic, mixed-media illustrations provide an emotional counterpoint to the text.</p>



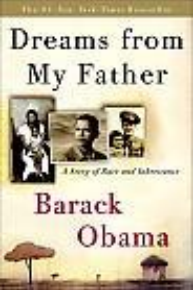
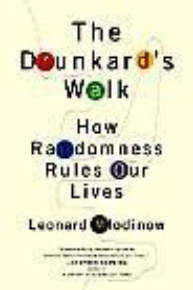
	<p><i>Beekeeper's Apprentice</i></p>	<p>King</p>	<p>346 1100 Notable/Best</p>	<p>Fifteen-year-old Mary Russell, becomes the apprentice of Sherlock Holmes and together investigate the disappearance of an American senator's daughter.</p>
	<p><i>Big Necessity</i></p>	<p>George</p>	<p>272 Best Sci-Tech Books, Beyond the Bounds of Science, &amp; Booklist Adult Editors' Choice 2008</p>	<p>Produced behind closed doors, disposed of discreetly, and hidden by euphemism, bodily waste is something common to all and as natural as breathing, yet we prefer not to talk about it. The Big Necessity takes aim at the taboo, revealing everything that matters about how people do—and don't—deal with their own waste. Moving from the deep underground sewers of Paris, London, and New York to an Indian slum where ten toilets are shared by 60,000 people, Rose George stops along the way to explore the potential saviors such as China's five million biogas digesters and the U.S. Army's personal lasers used by soldiers to zap their feces in the field.</p>
	<p><i>Black Girl Next Door: A Memoir, The</i></p>	<p>Baszile</p>	<p>310</p>	<p>The author, an African-American, describes her childhood, in suburban California during the 1970s and 1980s, and explains the pressure she felt from her parents to maintain high standards at school, and the emotion strain of caused by her parents struggle to keep the family together.</p>
	<p><i>Shadow divers : the true adventure of two Americans who risked everything to solve one of the last mysteries of World War II</i></p>	<p>Kurson, Robert</p>	<p>School Lib Jnl, Booklist  Rec. reluctant readers  IMC 940.54 KUR</p>	<p>This nonfiction work reads like a fact-paced thriller –full of suspense and action!  “two weekend scuba divers risk everything to solve a great historical mystery-and make history themselves</p>

	<p><i>Book of Lost Things</i></p>	<p>Connolly</p>	<p>339 IMC F CON</p>	<p>Twelve-year-old David's grief over his mother's death at the start of World War II intensifies with his father's remarriage and the impending birth of a sibling, so when his books begin talking to him, tempting him to enter a portal into a magical world, he decides to take the risk.</p>
	<p><i>Book Thief</i></p>	<p>Zusak</p>	<p>552 730 Printz IIMC F ZUS</p>	<p>Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death relates the story of Liesel--a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors.</p>
	<p><i>Born Digital: Understanding the First Generation of Digital Natives</i></p>	<p><b>Palfrey &amp; Gasser</b></p>	<p>375 Best Sci-Tech Books 2008</p>	<p>The first generation of “digital natives” – children who were born into and raised in the digital world – are coming of age, and soon our world will be reshaped in their image. Our economy, our cultural life, even the shape of our family life will be forever transformed. Mixed with the broad consciousness-raising is specific advice for digitally challenged parents and teachers, on subjects from the judicious use of protective technology to the value of team-based, interactive (read: Wikipedia-esque) learning.</p>
	<p><i>Brick Lane</i></p>	<p>Ali</p>	<p>369 Kirkus Review starred, Publishers Weekly starred</p>	<p>Nazneen's inauspicious entry into the world, an apparent stillbirth on the hard mud floor of a village hut, imbues in her a sense of fatalism that she carries across continents when she is married off to Chanu, a man old enough to be her father. Nazneen moves to London and, for years, keeps house, cares for her husband, and bears children, just as a girl from the village is supposed to do. But gradually she is transformed by her experience, and begins to question whether fate controls her or whether she has a hand in her own destiny.</p>


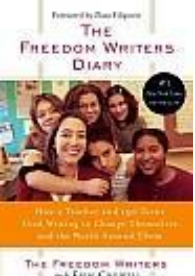
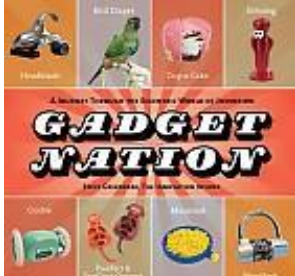

	<p><i>Brida</i></p>	<p>Coelho</p>	<p>212</p>	<p>While on a quest for knowledge, Brida, a young Irish girl, encounters two individuals who teach her about magic; a forest hermit, who helps her to realize the goodness in the world, and a woman who teaches her how to dance and pray to the moon; but while this knowledge soaks in Brida struggles to balance her priorities.</p>
	<p><i>Brief and Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao</i></p>	<p>Díaz</p>	<p>339 1010 Pulitzer  IMC F DIA</p>	<p>Oscar is a grotesquely overweight Dominican-American teenager. Lonely, loveless, and living almost completely inside his own head, he is a "ghetto nerd" whose multiple obsessions include comic books, fantasy fiction, and supremely unobtainable women. In a story that moves back and forth between the Dominican Republic and Paterson, New Jersey, Díaz illuminates the tragic arc of Dominican history (especially under the brutal Trujillo regime) in the lives of Oscar's sister, mother, grandmother, and aunt. Shot through with witty cultural footnotes, scabrous slang, and touches of magic realism, this is a heartbreaking family saga.</p>
	<p><i>Brief History of Time, A</i></p>	<p>Hawking</p>	<p>212 1290 Wilson's Senior HS  IMC 523.1 HAW</p>	<p>Provides an introduction to today's scientific ideas about the cosmos and reviews past theories. Also covers black holes, quarks, antimatter, and other mysteries of physics.</p>
	<p><i>Chinese Cinderella: the True Story of an Unwanted Daughter</i></p>	<p>Yeh Mah</p>	<p>205 850 Lampighter, Outstanding Books for the College Bound</p>	<p>The author tells the story of her painful childhood in China where she lived until the age of fourteen with her father, stepmother, and siblings, all of whom considered her bad luck because her mother died shortly after giving birth to her.</p>





	<p><i>Friday night lights : a town, a team, and a dream</i></p>	<p>Bissinger</p>	<p>Nonfiction IMC 796.332 BIS</p>	<p>Follow the Permian Panthers of Odessa Texas – where football rules</p>
	<p><i>Count of Monte Cristo</i></p>	<p>Dumas</p>	<p>1312 930 IMC F DUM</p>	<p>For Edmond Dantes, life couldn't be better. At 19, he is soon to be captain of his own ship and about to be married to his true love, Mercedes. But his life is suddenly turned upside down when on his wedding day he is arrested. Without a fair trial, he is condemned to solitary confinement in the miserable Chateau d'If. Soon, it is clear that Edmond has been framed by a handful of powerful enemies, jealous of his success.</p>
	<p><i>Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime</i></p>	<p>Haddon</p>	<p>240 1180 Outstanding Books for the College Bound IMC F HAD</p>	<p>Despite his overwhelming fear of interacting with people, Christopher, a mathematically-gifted, autistic fifteen-year-old boy, decides to investigate the murder of a neighbor's dog and uncovers secret information about his mother.</p>
	<p><i>Define "Normal"</i></p>	<p>Peters</p>	<p>196 350 IMC F PET</p>	<p>Antonia is a "priss," Jazz is a "punk." Antonia belongs to the math club. Jazz hangs out at the tattoo parlor. Antonia's parents are divorced and her mother struggles to pay the rent. Jazz is from a traditional family and lives in a mansion with a pool. But when these two very different girls find themselves facing each other in a peer-counseling program, they discover they have some surprising things in common.</p>





	<p><i>Demon in the Freezer</i></p>	<p>Preston</p>	<p>292 1110 Outstanding Books for the College Bound</p>	<p>Chronicles the reaction of the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID) to the September 11 attacks and the October 2001 anthrax attacks, focusing on USAMRIID's top virologist, Peter Jahrling, and his work to combat the possible development of a superpox virus by terrorists worldwide.</p>
	<p><i>Devil Wears Prada</i></p>	<p>Weisenberger</p>	<p>360</p>	<p>The author, a former assistant to the editor-in-chief of Vogue, fictionalizes her experiences in this novel about a small-town girl who goes to work for a New York-based magazine called Runway.</p>
	<p><i>Divine Comedy</i></p>	<p>Dante</p>	<p>798 IMC 851 DAN</p>	<p><i>The Divine Comedy</i> begins in a shadowed forest on Good Friday in the year 1300. It proceeds on a journey that, in its intense recreation of the depths and the heights of human experience, has become the key with which Western civilization has sought to unlock the mystery of its own identity.</p>
	<p><i>Do Not Open: An Encyclopedia of the World's Best-Kept Secrets</i></p>	<p>Fardon</p>	<p>192 Quick Picks</p>	<p>This encyclopedic tome ventures into spooky territory to catalogue the mysterious and unusual. Presented in a case designed with diecuts to resemble the door of a jail cell, the title issues a challenge that readers will not want to decline. Pseudo-hyperlinks direct readers to pages with related content (a spread about the storage of nuclear waste, for example, suggests other such "explosive issues" as alchemy and spontaneous combustion).</p>



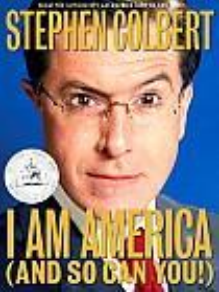

	<p><i>Does My Head Look Big in This</i></p>	<p>Abdel-Fattah</p>	<p>850 360 BES Books for the Teen Age  IMC F ABD</p>	<p>Sixteen-year-old Amal makes the decision to start wearing the hijab full-time and everyone has a reaction. Her parents, her teachers, her friends, people on the street. But she stands by her decision to embrace her faith and all that it is, even if it does make her a little different from everyone else. Can she handle the taunts of "towel head," the prejudice of her classmates, and still attract the cutest boy in school?</p>
	<p><i>Dracula</i></p>	<p>Stoker</p>	<p>402 990  IMC F STO</p>	<p>The punctured throat, the coffin lid slowly opening, the unholy shriek as the stake pierces the heart—these are just a few of the chilling images Bram Stoker unleashed upon the world with his 1897 masterpiece, <i>Dracula</i>. Inspired by the folk legend of <i>nosferatu</i>, the undead, Stoker created a timeless tale of gothic horror and romance that has enthralled and terrified readers ever since.</p>
	<p><i>Dreams from My Father: A Story of Race and Inheritance</i></p>	<p>Obama</p>	<p>442  IMC 92 OBA</p>	<p>President Barack Obama tells the story of his life as the son of a black African father and a white American mother, searching for a workable meaning to his life as an African American.</p>
	<p><i>Drunkard's Walk: How Randomness Rules Our Lives</i></p>	<p>Mlodinow</p>	<p>272 <b>Best Sci-Tech &amp; Notable Books 2008</b></p>	<p>Mlodinow shows us how randomness, change, and probability reveal a tremendous amount about our daily lives, and how we misunderstand the significance of everything from a casual conversation to a major financial setback. As a result, successes and failures in life are often attributed to clear and obvious cases, when in actuality they are more profoundly influenced by chance.</p>


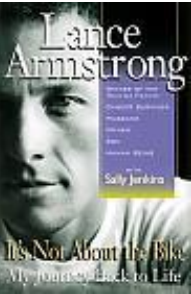
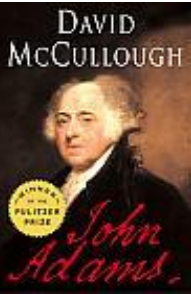

	<p><i>Eden's Outcasts: The Story of Louisa May Alcott and Her Father</i></p>	<p>Matteson</p>	<p>497 Pulitzer</p>	<p>They were both born on November 29 (he in 1799 and she in 1832), but willful, passionate Louisa May Alcott couldn't have been more different from her serene, unworldly father, Bronson, whom fellow transcendentalists such as Emerson and Thoreau revered for his wide-ranging philosophical pursuits and occasionally ridiculed for his lack of common sense. This is really a biography of the whole Alcott family, though it narrows to a dual portrait after the wild success of <i>Little Women</i> in 1868 gave Louisa the independence she longed for and Bronson enjoyed more modest acclaim for his book <i>Tablets</i> and lecture tours out West. 26 illus. (Aug.)</p>
	<p><i>Exodus</i></p>	<p>Bertagna</p>	<p>345 870 Booklist starred</p>	<p>In the year 2100, as the island of Wing is about to be covered by water, fifteen-year-old Mara discovers the existence of New World sky cities that are safe from the storms and rising waters, and convinces her people to travel to one of these cities in order to save themselves.</p>
	<p><i>Fabric of the Cosmos</i></p>	<p>Greene</p>	<p>569 Booklist starred</p>	<p>Physicist Brian Green explains how modern science has led to a new and deeper understanding of the universe that may reconcile the behavior of everything from the smallest particle to the largest black hole.</p>
	<p><i>Five People You Meet In Heaven (The)</i></p>	<p>Albom</p>	<p>196 780  IMC F ALB</p>	<p>A bitter eighty-three-year-old war veteran who believes his life is meaningless dies while trying to save a little girl's life and finds himself in heaven, where five people from his past--some loved ones, some strangers--explain what his years on Earth really meant, and whether or not he succeeded in saving the child.</p>


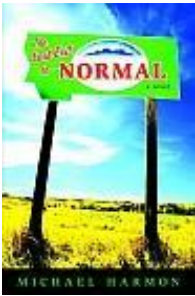


	<p><i>Freakonomics</i></p>	<p>Levitt</p>	<p>320 IMC : 330 LEV</p>	<p>The authors explore the economics of real-world issues often viewed as insignificant, such as the extent to which the Roe v. Wade decision affected violent crime, and examine hidden incentives behind all sorts of human behavior.</p>
	<p><i>Freedom Writers Diary: How a Teacher and 150 Teens Used Writing to Change Themselves and the World around Them.</i></p>	<p>Gruwell</p>	<p>292 900 Wilson's Senior High</p>	<p>Tells the story of how young English teacher Erin Gruwell confronted the problem of racial and ethnic intolerance in her classroom in Long Beach, California, and features excerpts from the diaries of her students, now known as The Freedom Writers.</p>
	<p><i>Gadget Nation: A Journey Through the Eccentric World of Invention</i></p>	<p>Greenberg</p>	<p>244 Quick Picks</p>	<p>Americans love their gadgets--and Gadget Nation takes you behind the scenes and introduces you to the men and women who have spent countless hours and money, (in some cases cashing in their 401(k)), trying to turn their gadget idea into a gadget bonanza. Steve Greenberg, dubbed The Innovation Insider, travels the country seeking out clever off-beat new products. Featuring more than 100 quirky innovations from garage inventors across the nation, this visual showcase captures America's can-do spirit and creative energy.</p>
	<p><i>Game</i></p>	<p>Myers</p>	<p>218 800 Wilson's Senior High</p>	<p>Drew Lawson, counting on basketball to get him into college and out of Harlem, struggles to keep his cool when the coach brings in two white players and puts them in positions that clearly threaten Drew's game.</p>





	<p><i>Glass Castle</i></p>	<p>Walls</p>	<p>288 1010 Wilson's Senior High  IMC 92 WAL</p>	<p>The author recalls her life growing up in a dysfunctional family with an alcohol father and distant mother and describes how she and her siblings had to fend for themselves until they finally found the resources and will to leave home.</p>
	<p><i>Graveyard Book, The</i></p>	<p>Gaiman</p>	<p>312 820 Best Books for YA , Best Sci-Fi, Fantasy &amp; Horror, Newberry  IMC F GAI</p>	<p>The orphan Bod, short for Nobody, is taken in by the inhabitants of a graveyard as a child of eighteen months and raised lovingly and carefully to the age of eighteen years by the community of ghosts and otherworldly creatures.</p>
	<p><i>Hacking Harvard</i></p>	<p>Wasserman</p>	<p>320 840 Wilson's Senior High  IMC F WAS</p>	<p>Four pranksters decide they are going to use their intelligence to get an unqualified student into Harvard University.</p>
	<p>Malcolm X : a graphic biography</p>	<p>Helfer</p>	<p>YALSA best books for YA  IMC GN 92 XMA</p>	<p>Dramatic graphic novel interpretation of the life of Malcolm X.</p>

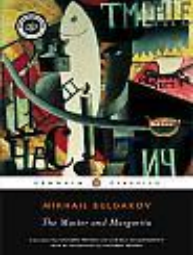
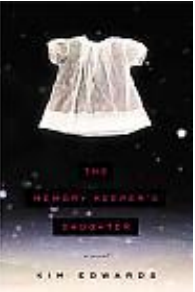

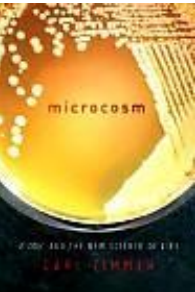
	<p><i>Historian</i></p>	<p>Kostova</p>	<p>676 Booklist starred</p>	<p>A young woman discovers an ancient book and a cache of old letters in her father's library, and thus begins her adventurous quest for the truth about Vlad the Impaler, a search that will span continents and generations, and a confrontation with the darkest powers of evil.</p>
	<p><i>Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy</i></p>	<p>Adams</p>	<p>216 1000  IMC F ADA</p>	<p>Seconds before Earth is demolished to make room for a galactic freeway, an earthman is saved by his friend. Together they journey through the galaxy.</p>
	<p><i>Hornet Flight</i></p>	<p>Follett</p>	<p>404</p>	<p>Danish teenager Harald Olufsen, having stumbled upon the secret that is responsible for Germany's success in beating back the attacks of England's Royal Air Force in 1941, undertakes a dangerous, six-hundred-mile journey in a derelict airplane with his friend Karen, in an effort to get word to England and turn the course of the war.</p>
	<p><i>Host</i></p>	<p>Meyer</p>	<p>619 640 Best Books for YA</p>	<p>Melanie, whose mind has been almost completely taken over by an alien named Wanderer, convinces the alien to search for her lost lover, who fled the extraterrestrial invasion, and tries to find a way in which she and Wanderer can coexist.</p>

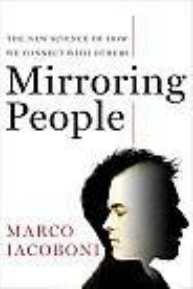



	<p><i>Hunger Games (The)</i></p>	<p>Collins</p>	<p>374 810 Best Books for YA YA, Best Sci-Fi, Fantasy, &amp; Horror  IMC F COL</p>	<p>Sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen accidentally becomes a contender in the annual Hunger Games, a grave competition hosted by the Capitol where young boys and girls are pitted against one another in a televised fight to the death.</p>
	<p><i>Hungry Planet: What the World Eats</i></p>	<p>Menzel &amp; D'Aluisio</p>	<p>287 Best Books for YA YA</p>	<p>D'Aluisio and Menzel traveled the globe, interviewing families and photographing them with one week's worth of food. From the desert village of Kouakourou in Mali, where Soumana Natomo's two wives trade off breakfast duties on alternating days, to the frozen town of Ittoqqortoormiit in Greenland, where the only fresh food is swimming under nearby ice, the images and essays in <i>What the World Eats</i> are a colorful primer on the global marketplace and cultural change.</p>
	<p><i>I Am America (and So Can You)</i></p>	<p>Colbert</p>	<p>230 Pub. Weekly starred</p>	<p>Stephen Colbert offers satirical comments on a variety of topics, including family, the elderly, religion, sports, sex, higher education, Hollywood, the media, race, immigration, science, and more.</p>
	<p><i>Into Thin Air</i></p>	<p>Krakauer</p>	<p>293 1320 Best Books  IMC 796.5 KRA</p>	<p>The author relates his experience of climbing Mount Everest during its deadliest season and examines what it is about the mountain that makes people willingly subject themselves to such risk, hardship, and expense.</p>

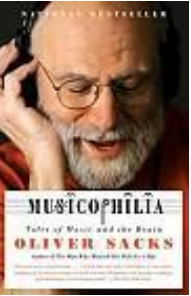
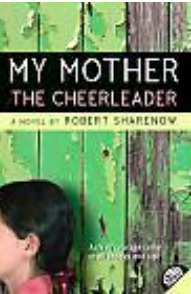


	<p><i>It's Kind of a Funny Story</i></p>	<p>Vizzini</p>	<p>444 700</p> <p>Booklist starred</p>	<p>New York City teenager Craig Gilner succumbs to academic and social pressures at an elite high school and enters a psychiatric hospital after attempting suicide.</p>
	<p><i>It's Not About the Bike</i></p>	<p>Armstrong</p>	<p>275 890</p> <p>IMC 92 ARM</p>	<p>Champion cyclist Lance Armstrong describes his triumph over cancer.</p>
	<p><i>John Adams</i></p>	<p>McCullough</p>	<p>751</p> <p>Outstanding Books for the College Bound</p> <p>IMC 92 ADA</p>	<p>Chronicles the life of the second president, John Adams, describing the many conflicts--including international exploits--he faced during his long political career and exploring the love story that was his marriage to Abigail and the complexity of his friendship with Thomas Jefferson.</p>
	<p><i>Kissing the Bee</i></p>	<p>Koja</p>	<p>121 860</p> <p>Books for the Teen Age</p>	<p>While working on a bee project for her advanced biology class, quiet high school senior Dana reflects on her relationship with gorgeous best friend Avra and Avra's boyfriend Emil, whom Dana secretly loves.</p>


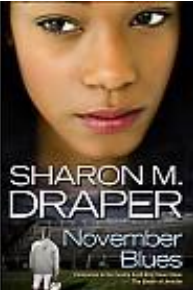
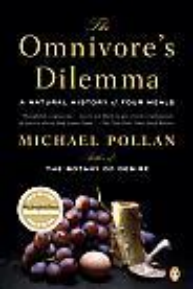
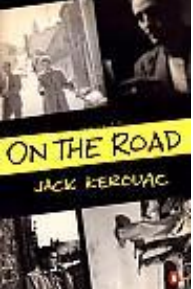
	<p><i>The Last Days</i></p>	<p>Westerfield</p>	<p>289 820</p>	<p>Pearl, Moz, and Zahler team up with a vampire lead singer and a drummer who can foresee future events when a bizarre epidemic hits New York City that threatens total annihilation.</p>
	<p><i>Last Exit to Normal, The</i></p>	<p>Harmon</p>	<p>275 620 BES Best Books for YA YA</p>	<p>Yanked out of his city life and plunked down in a small Montana town with his newly outed father and his father's boyfriend, seventeen-year-old Ben, angry and resentful about the changed circumstances of his life, begins to notice something is not quite right with the little boy next door and determines to figure out what is going on.</p>
	<p><i>The Last Lecture</i></p>	<p>Pausch</p>	<p>285  IMC 92 PAU</p>	<p>Computer science professor Randy Pausch, who has been diagnosed with terminal cancer, discusses how to overcome obstacles in one's life and achieve one's dreams.</p>
	<p><i>Little Brother</i></p>	<p>Doctorow</p>	<p>382 Books for the College Bound, Best Books of the Year</p>	<p>In near future San Francisco, 17-year-old Marcus, also known as w1n5t0n (or Winston), is running from the Department of Homeland Security after he is detained under suspicion of participating in a terrorist attack. Marcus and his friends are using technology to further their cause.</p>

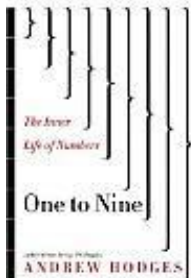

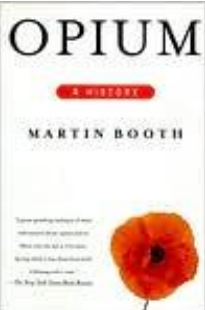

	<i>Lock and Key</i>	Dessen	422 840 Wilson's Senior High	When she is abandoned by her alcoholic mother, high school senior Ruby winds up living with Cora, the sister she has not seen for ten years, and learns about Cora's new life, what makes a family, how to allow people to help her when she needs it, and that she too has something to offer others.
	<i>Long Way Gone</i>	Beah	229 920 Notable Books for a Global Society	Ishmael Beah describes his experiences after he was driven from his home by war in Sierra Leone and picked up by the government army at the age of thirteen, serving as a soldier for three years before being removed from fighting by UNICEF and eventually moving to the United States.
	<i>Lovely Bones</i>	Sebold	328 890  IMC F SEB	Fourteen-year-old Susie Salmon, the victim of a sexual assault and murder, looks on from the afterlife as her family deals with their grief, and waits for her killer to be brought to some type of justice.
	<i>Mansfield Park</i>	Austen	1,507 1180	Fanny Price, a teenaged girl of low social rank brought up on her wealthy relatives' countryside estate, feels the sharp sting of rejection when her cousin Edmund, the only person who treats her as an equal, is won over by a flirtatious, exciting--and unprincipled--London girl.

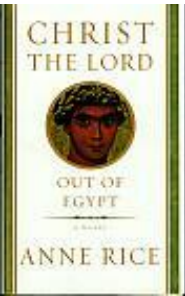

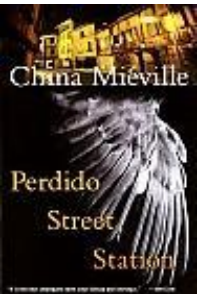

	<p><i>Master and Margarita</i></p>	<p>Bulgakov</p>	<p>411 Wilson's Fiction</p>	<p>Presents an English translation of the Russian novel written at the height of Stalin's regime, in which Satan, in the guise of a man named Woland, arrives in Moscow and begins to wreak havoc in the literary community, honing in on his real target, an author called The Master, who has written a novel about Pontius Pilate.</p>
	<p><i>Memory Keepers Daughter (The)</i></p>	<p>Edwards</p>	<p>401 Library Journal starred  IMC F EDW</p>	<p>Dr. David Henry, forced to deliver his own twins during a snowstorm in 1964 with only a nurse to help him, makes a decision that has far-reaching effects on his life, and the lives of his wife and son, when his infant daughter is born with Down Syndrome, and in a vain attempt to protect his wife, he orders the nurse to take the baby to an institution.</p>
	<p><i>Mendel in the Kitchen</i></p>	<p>Fedoroff</p>	<p>370</p>	<p>While European restaurants race to footnote menus, reassuring concerned gourmands that no genetically modified ingredients were used in the preparation of their food, starving populations around the world eagerly await the next harvest of scientifically improved crops. Mendel in the Kitchen provides a clear and balanced picture of this tangled, tricky (and very timely) topic.</p>
	<p><i>Microcosm: E. Coli and the New Science of Life</i></p>	<p>Zimmer</p>	<p>243 Best Sci-Tech Books 2008</p>	<p>Zimmer traces <i>E. coli's</i> remarkable history, showing how scientists used it to discover how genes work and then to launch the entire biotechnology industry. While some strains of <i>E. coli</i> grab headlines by causing deadly diseases, scientists are retooling the bacteria to produce everything from human insulin to jet fuel. <i>Microcosm</i> is the story of the one species on Earth that science knows best of all. It's also a story of life itself--of its rules, its mysteries, and its future.</p>

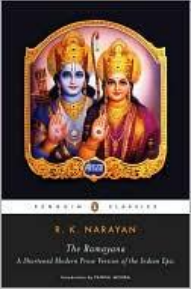
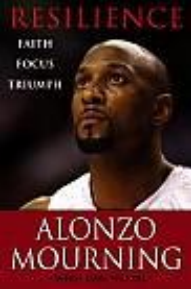

	<p><i>Mirroring People</i></p>	<p>Iacoboni</p>	<p>272 Booklist starred, Library Journal starred</p>	<p>The discovery and research of mirror neurons provides us with a way to understand the bridge between the self and the world. (A mirror neuron is a mechanism that fires when an individual acts and also when the person or animals observes the same action being performed by another individual.) Many neuroscientists believe that the discovery of these premotor neurons lays the groundwork for the biological basis of empathy, self-awareness, social cognition, and, ultimately, morality. Marco Iacoboni's <i>Mirroring People</i> is the first book for general readers on this breakthrough science.</p>
	<p><i>Moby Dick</i></p>	<p>Melville</p>	<p>594 1230  IMC F MEL</p>	<p><i>Moby Dick</i> is the saga of Captain Ahab and his unrelenting pursuit of Moby Dick, the great white whale who maimed him during their last encounter. A novel blending high-seas romantic adventure, symbolic allegory, and the conflicting ideals of heroic determination and undying hatred, <i>Moby Dick</i> is also revered for its historical accounts of the whaling industry of the 1800's.</p>
	<p><i>Moneyball: The Art of Winning an Unfair Game</i></p>	<p>Lewis</p>	<p>288  IMC 796.357 LEW</p>	<p>Examines the mathematical strategies by which manager Billy Beane handled the financially strapped Oakland Athletics' 2002 draft and led the baseball team to success despite its lack of high profile players.</p>
	<p><i>Monkey and the Monk: An Abridgment of The Journey to the West</i></p>	<p><u>Anthony C. Yu</u> (Translator)</p>	<p>528, best translation</p>	<p>These fantastic episodes recount the adventures of Xuanzang, a seventh-century monk who became one of China's most illustrious religious heroes after traveling for sixteen years in search of Buddhist scriptures. Powerfully combining religious allegory with humor, fantasy, and satire, accounts of Xuanzang's journey were passed down for a millennium before culminating in the sixteenth century.</p>


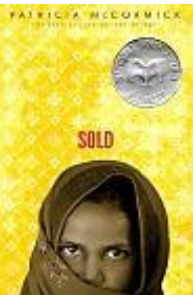


	<p><i>Musicophilia</i></p>	<p>Sacks</p>	<p>448 IMC 781.11 SAC</p>	<p>In <i>Musicophilia</i>, he shows us a variety of what he calls “musical misalignments.” Among them: a man struck by lightning who suddenly desires to become a pianist at the age of forty-two; an entire group of children with Williams syndrome, who are hypermusical from birth; people with “amusia,” to whom a symphony sounds like the clattering of pots and pans; and a man whose memory spans only seven seconds-for everything but music.</p>
	<p><i>My Mother the Cheerleader</i></p>	<p>Sharenow</p>	<p>288 820 Books for the Teen Age Teen Book of the Year  IMC F SHA</p>	<p>In the tumultuous New Orleans of 1960, thirteen-year-old Louise Collins finds her world turned upside down when a stranger from the North arrives at her mother's boarding-house. Louise's mother spends her mornings at the local elementary school with a group of women known as the Cheerleaders, who harass the school's first black student, six-year-old Ruby Bridges, as she enters the building.</p>
	<p><i>Nation</i></p>	<p>Pratchett</p>	<p>367 790 Best Books for YA , Printz, PW's Best Books of the Year, Booklist Books for Older Readers  IMC F PRA</p>	<p>Mau is the only one left after a giant wave sweeps his island village away. But when much is taken, something is returned, and somewhere in the jungle Daphne—a girl from the other side of the globe—is the sole survivor of a ship destroyed by the same wave. Together the two confront the aftermath of catastrophe. As Mau and Daphne struggle to keep the small band safe and fed, they defy ancestral spirits, challenge death himself, and uncover a long-hidden secret that literally turns the world upside down. . . .</p>
	<p><i>Next</i></p>	<p>Crichton</p>	<p>431 Wilson's Fiction</p>	<p>Interweaves the stories of various human and animal characters with genetic abnormalities, including a boy who has chimpanzee chromosomes, a parrot that was injected with human genes and can figure out mathematical equations, and an orangutan that can talk, and the complications that are associated with their existence.</p>

	<p><i>Notes from the Midnight Driver</i></p>	<p>Sonnenblick</p>	<p>265 930 BES Booklist starred Horn Book starred  IMC F SON</p>	<p>After being assigned to perform community service at a nursing home, sixteen-year-old Alex befriends a cantankerous old man who has some lessons to impart about jazz guitar playing, love, and forgiveness.</p>
	<p><i>November Blues</i></p>	<p>Draper</p>	<p>316 770 BES Books for the Teen Age King Honor Book  IMC F DRA</p>	<p>Shortly after her boyfriend Josh is killed in a pledging accident, November Nelson learns she is pregnant and fears she has no one to turn to, until she finds solace in the arms of Josh's cousin Jericho.</p>
	<p><i>Omnivore's Dilemma: A Natural History of Four Meals (The)</i></p>	<p>Pollan</p>	<p>450  IMC 394.1 POL</p>	<p>This revolutionary book by award winner Michael Pollan asks the seemingly simple question: What should we have for dinner? Tracing from source to table each of the food chains that sustain us - whether industrial or organic, alternative or processed - he develops a portrait of the American way of eating. The result is a sweeping, surprising exploration of the hungers that have shaped our evolution, and of the profound implications our food choices have for the health of our species and the future of our planet.</p>
	<p><i>On the Road</i></p>	<p>Kerouac</p>	<p>408</p>	<p>Presents the previously unpublished original scroll edition of Jack Kerouac's novel "On the Road" which Kerouac wrote over a three-week period in 1951 on eight sheets of tracing paper that he taped together to form a 120-foot scroll, and includes the real names of the friends that inspired the book's storyline.</p>

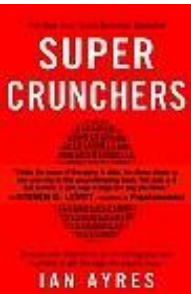
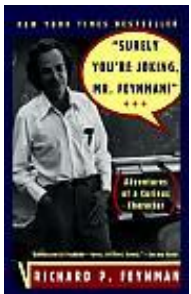


	<p><i>One to Nine: The Inner Life of Numbers</i></p>	<p><b>Hodges</b></p>	<p><b>330</b> Best Sci-Tech Books 2008</p>	<p>Each of the nine chapters in this book has as its subject its corresponding number. What sounds like a pointless virtuosic exercise (Who, after all, wants to read about the number six?) becomes in Andrew Hodges's hands a fascinating exploration of the myriad aspects of mathematical conundrums. Chapter Five, for instance, catapults suddenly into a sleight-of-hand discussion of magic squares and Fibonacci number sequences; Seven leaps freely from Lewis Carroll to time-travel to Copernicus to the googel. A nifty telescope to spot astronomical numbers.</p>
	<p><i>One Train Later</i></p>	<p>Summers</p>	<p>354</p>	<p>In this extraordinary memoir, world-renowned guitarist Andy Summers provides the revealing and passionate account of a life dedicated to music. From his first guitar at age thirteen and his early days on the English music scene to the ascendancy of his band, the Police, Summers recounts his relationships and encounters with the Big Roll Band, Jimi Hendrix, Eric Clapton, the Animals, John Belushi, and others, all the while proving himself a master of telling detail and dramatic anecdote.</p>
	<p><i>Opium: A History</i></p>	<p>Booth</p>	<p>400</p>	<p>Known to mankind since prehistoric times, opium is arguably the oldest and most widely used narcotic. <i>Opium: A History</i> traces the drug's astounding impact on world culture—from its religious use by prehistoric peoples to its influence on the imaginations of the Romantic writers; from the earliest medical science to the Sino-British opium wars. And, in the present day, as the addict population rises and penetrates every walk of life, <i>Opium</i> shows how the international multibillion-dollar heroin industry operates with terrifying efficiency and forms an integral part of the world's money markets.</p>
	<p><i>Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit</i></p>	<p>Winterson</p>	<p>176 Whitbread</p>	<p>Jeanette is a bright and rebellious orphan who is adopted into an evangelical household in the dour, industrial North of England and finds herself embroidering grim religious mottoes. But as this budding missionary comes of age, and comes to terms with being gay, Jeanette's insistence on listening to the truths of her own heart and mind - and on reporting them with wit and passion - makes for an unforgettable chronicle of an eccentric, moving passage into adulthood.</p>



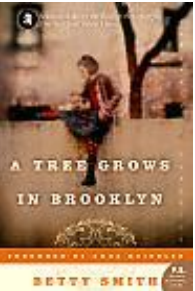

	<i>Out of Egypt</i>	Rice	321 Library Journal starred, Kirkus Review starred	A seven-year-old Jesus recounts his journey from Egypt to his birthplace in Nazareth, as the various aspects of his spiritual life are slowly revealed to him.
	<i>Out of the Pocket</i>	Konigberg	264 710	As Bobby Framingham, quarterback of his high school football team, finally acknowledges to himself that he is gay, events start to spin out of control when his sexual orientation is revealed in the student newspaper and then in the local press, and he learns that his father has cancer.
	<i>Perdido Street Station</i>	Mieville	710 Library Journal starred	All manner of aliens and humans coexist in the strange, world-spanning city of New Crobuzon. Here, dark magic and advanced science flourish amid an atmosphere of mysticism and madness, under a government that uses cruel military repression to enforce its laws. Independent cultures and civilizations exist side by side, occasionally overlapping and breeding increasingly grotesque oddities. Mutants and hybrids of every order can be found: those with extra limbs grafted to their bodies or with their heads joined to arcane machinery.
	<i>Perks of Being a Wallflower (The)</i>	Chbosky	213 720 Books for the Teen Age Wilson's Senior HS  IMC F CHB	This is the story of what it's like to grow up in high school. More intimate than a diary, Charlie's letters are singular and unique, hilarious and devastating. We may not know where he lives. We may not know to whom he is writing. All we know is the world he shares. Caught between trying to live his life and trying to run from it puts him on a strange course through uncharted territory. The world of first dates and mixed tapes, family dramas and new friends. The world of sex, drugs, and <i>The Rocky Horror Picture Show</i> , when all one requires is that perfect song on that perfect drive to feel infinite.


	<p><i>Ramayana</i></p>	<p>Narayan</p>	<p>192</p>	<p>A shortened prose adaptation of the Indian epic about the adventures of Rama, an incarnation of the god Vishnu, after he is unjustly exiled on the eve of his coronation as King of Kosala.</p>
	<p><i>Resilience: Faith, Focus, Triumph</i></p>	<p>Mourning</p>	<p>233</p>	<p>Whether petitioning himself into foster care as an eleven-year-old, tirelessly studying his way onto the dean's list at Georgetown University, making it as an all-star center in the NBA, or returning to peak form after organ-transplant surgery, Mourning has shown enormous inner strength. His faith, his determination, and his courage are what have driven and sustained him throughout his extraordinary life.</p>
	<p><i>Scarpetta</i></p>	<p>Cornwell</p>	<p>512</p>	<p>Leaving behind her private forensic pathology practice in Charleston, South Carolina, Kay Scarpetta accepts an assignment in New York City, where the NYPD has asked her to examine an injured man on Bellevue Hospital's psychiatric prison ward. The handcuffed and chained patient, Oscar Bane, has specifically asked for her, and when she literally has her gloved hands on him, he begins to talk—and the story he has to tell turns out to be one of the most bizarre she has ever heard.</p>
	<p><i>Scent of Desire: Discovering Our Enigmatic Sense of Smell</i></p>	<p>Herz</p>	<p>266 SB&amp;F</p>	<p>Rachel Herz examines the role smell plays in our lives, and how, whether we realize it or not, the sense of smell is imperative to our well-being, both physical and emotional. In <i>THE SCENT OF DESIRE</i>, Rachel takes the reader through the psychology of our olfactory sense, and its effect on our emotions, our health and our relationships with people and our environment. She explores why our sense of smell functions like it does, looks at what purpose it serves and how it is linked to our survival and existence. She cites cases of patients who have lost their sense of smell and their experiences not only confirm it's importance in our lives, but illuminate the traumatic effect of life without the capability to smell.</p>


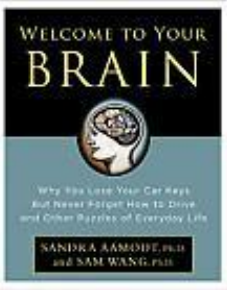
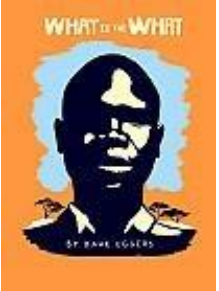

	<p><i>Shift</i></p>	<p>Bradbury</p>	<p>245 770 BES Best Books for YA</p>	<p>When best friends Chris and Win go on a cross country bicycle trek the summer after graduating and only one returns, the FBI wants to know what happened.</p>
	<p><i>Sold</i></p>	<p>McCormick</p>	<p>263 820 Booklist starred, Horn book starred, Publishers Weekly starred  IMC F MCC</p>	<p>A novel in vignettes, in which Lakshmi, a thirteen-year-old girl from Nepal, is sold into prostitution in India.</p>
	<p><i>Soloist</i></p>	<p>Lopez</p>	<p>273 Booklist Adult Books for , PW's Best Books of the Year</p>	<p>Los Angeles Times" columnist Steve Lopez shares the story of his relationship with Nathaniel Ayers, a homeless violinist who captured his attention playing a two-stringed instrument on Skid Row, discussing his attempts to help Ayers--once a promising student at Juilliard--reclaim the life he was forced to give up following a mental breakdown.</p>
	<p><i>Sound of the Beast: The Complete Headbanging History of Heavy Metal</i></p>	<p>Christie</p>	<p>399 Library Journal starred</p>	<p>Includes discographies and index. Traces the history of heavy metal music over the course of thirty years from the rise of Black Sabbath into the twenty-first century, based on interviews with over one hundred bands including Metallica, Slayer, and W.A.S.P. and including a time line, photographs, and a list of twenty-five heavy metal classics.</p>

	<p><i>Spanking Shakespeare</i></p>	<p>Wizner</p>	<p>287 850 Publishers Weekly starred Wilson's Senior HS  IMC F WIZ</p>	<p>SHAKESPEARE SHAPIRO HAS ALWAYS hated his name. His parents bestowed it on him as some kind of sick joke when he was born, and his life has gone downhill from there, one embarrassing incident after another. Entering his senior year of high school, Shakespeare has never had a girlfriend, his younger brother is cooler than he is, and his best friend's favorite topic of conversation is his bowel movements. But Shakespeare will have the last laugh. He is chronicling every mortifying detail in his memoir, the writing project each senior at Shakespeare's high school must complete. And he is doing it brilliantly. And, just maybe, a prize-winning memoir will bring him respect, admiration, and a girlfriend . . . or at least a prom date.</p>
	<p><i>Spud</i></p>	<p>Van de Ruit</p>	<p>317 Books for the Teen Age</p>	<p>In 1990, thirteen-year-old John "Spud" Milton, a prepubescent choirboy, keeps a diary of his first year at an elite, boys-only boarding school in South Africa, as he deals with bizarre housemates, wild crushes, embarrassingly dysfunctional parents, and much more. JOHN "SPUD" MILTON takes his first hilarious steps toward manhood in this delicious, laugh-out-loud boarding school romp, full of midnight swims, raging hormones, and catastrophic holidays that will leave the entire family in hysterics and thirsty for more!</p>
	<p><i>Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers</i></p>	<p>Roach</p>	<p>303 1230 Outstanding Books for the College Bound  IMC 611 ROA</p>	<p>Roach explores the "lives" of human cadavers from the time of the ancient Egyptians all the way up to current campaigns for human composting. Along the way, she recounts with morbidly infectious glee how dead bodies are used for research ranging from car safety and plastic surgery (you'll cancel your next collagen injection after reading this!), to the authenticity of the Shroud of Turin. Impossible (and irreverent) as it may sound, Roach has written a book about corpses that's both lively and fresh. She traveled around the globe to conduct her forensic investigations, and her findings are wryly intelligent.</p>
	<p><i>Streams of Babel</i></p>	<p>Plum-Ucci</p>	<p>424 840 BES</p>	<p>Six teens face a bioterrorist attack on American soil as four are infected with a mysterious disease affecting their small New Jersey neighborhood and two others, both brilliant computer hackers, assist the United States Intelligence Coalition in tracking the perpetrators.</p>

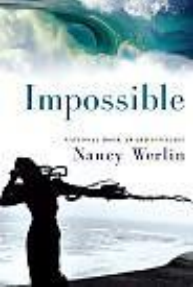

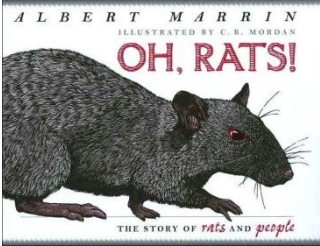
	<p><i>Super Crunchers: Why Thinking-By-Numbers is the New Way to Be Smart.</i></p>	<p>Ayres</p>	<p>307 Books for the College Bound</p>	<p>With real-life examples from sports, medicine, online dating, and airline pricing, Ayres describes how data about all of us is collected and “crunched” by statisticians and computers to profile consumers benefitting both the consumer and the companies interested in selling to them.</p>
	<p><i>Surely You're Joking, Dr. Feynman!</i></p>	<p>Feynman</p>	<p>350 Wilson's Senior HS  IMC 92 FEY</p>	<p>"Richard Feynman was a great scientist, a winner of the Nobel Prize, remembered equally for his laboratory work on liquid helium and his wonderful, unquenchable vitality and sense of humor. His lighthearted approach to life made his lectures a delight and his scientific accomplishments all the more intriguing. Feynman was interested in everything. He painted, traded ideas with Einstein and Bohr, calculated odds with Nick the Greek, accompanied ballet on the bongos. Here is Feynman's astonishing life story -- a combustible mixture of high intelligence, unlimited curiosity, eternal skepticism, and raging chutzpah.</p>
	<p><i>Thousand Mile Song: Whale Music in a Sea of Sound</i></p>	<p><b>Rothberg</b></p>	<p><b>287</b> Best Sci-Tech Books 2008</p>	<p>Biologists know that whale songs, which may carry for hundreds of miles, change over time and are passed on from one generation to the next, but they don't fully understand what these complex sounds are for. Philosopher and musician Rothenberg (<i>Why Birds Sing</i>) proposes that music played by humans can help us find answers.</p>
	<p><i>Thousand Splendid Suns</i></p>	<p>Hosseini</p>	<p>372 830 Books for the Teen Age Booklist starred  IMC F HOS</p>	<p>A novel set against the three decades of Afghanistan's history shaped by Soviet occupation, civil war, and the Taliban, which tells the stories of two women, Mariam and Laila, who grow close despite their nineteen-year age difference and initial rivalry as they suffer at the hand of a common enemy: their abusive husband.</p>




	<p><i>Three Cups of Tea</i></p>	<p>Mortenson</p>	<p>338/1220 209/910</p> <p>IMC 371.822 MOR</p>	<p>Greg Mortenson recounts the experiences he had while trying to help impoverished villages in Pakistan's Karakoram Himalaya build schools for their children.</p> <p>There are two versions. The one that is 209pp is adapted for younger readers.</p>
	<p><i>Touching Spirit Bear</i></p>	<p>Mikaelson</p>	<p>241/670 School Library Journal starred Best Books</p> <p>IMC F MIK</p>	<p>After his anger erupts into violence, fifteen year-old Cole, in order to avoid going to prison, agrees to participate in a sentencing alternative based on the Native American Circle Justice, and he is sent to a remote Alaskan Island where an encounter with a huge Spirit Bear changes his life.</p>
	<p><i>Tree Grows in Brooklyn, A</i></p>	<p>Smith</p>	<p>493 810</p> <p>IMC F SMI</p>	<p>Young Francie Nolan, having inherited both her father's romantic and her mother's practical nature, struggles to survive and thrive growing up in the slums of Brooklyn in the early twentieth century.</p>
	<p><i>Unaccustomed Earth</i></p>	<p>Lahiri</p>	<p>333 1090 Booklist Adult Editors' Choice, Notable Books</p> <p>IMC SC LAH</p>	<p>Contains eight short stories, largely centered on themes of family and friendship, including the title story, "Unaccustomed Earth," in which Ruma, a young mother, is visited by her father in Seattle.</p>

	<p><i>Undercover</i></p>	<p>Kephart</p>	<p>278 940 Books for the Teen Age</p>	<p>High school sophomore Elisa is used to observing and going unnoticed except when classmates ask her to write love notes for them, but a teacher's recognition of her talent, a "client's" desire for her friendship, a love of ice skating, and her parents' marital problems draw her out of herself.</p>
	<p><i>Unwind</i></p>	<p>Shusterman</p>	<p>335 740 BES Books for the Teenage</p>	<p>What keeps <i>Unwind</i> moving are the creative and shocking details of Shusterman's kid-mining dystopia. First, there are the Orwellian linguistic tricks. People who have been unwound are not "dead"—they are "in a divided state." Then there are the rules and rituals. Before being unwound, Lev is honored with a lavish "tithing party," which bears a strong resemblance to a bar mitzvah. The most terrifying scene is devoted to the unwinding itself. The author's decision to describe the process is a questionable one—a book's great unknown can leave the strongest impression on a reader—but he executes as precisely as the surgeons who perform the unwinding. Ultimately, though, the power of the novel lies in what it doesn't do: come down explicitly on one side or the other.</p>
	<p><i>Vintage Sacks</i></p>	<p>Sacks</p>	<p>200</p>	<p>A selection of writings by neurologist Oliver Sacks drawn from his memoir "Uncle Tungsten," and other publications about his experiences working with patients afflicted with a variety of conditions.</p>
	<p><i>Watchmen</i></p>	<p>Moore</p>	<p>416  IMC GN F MOO</p>	<p>It all begins with the paranoid delusions of a half-insane hero called Rorschach. But is Rorschach really insane or has he in fact uncovered a plot to murder super-heroes and, even worse, millions of innocent civilians? On the run from the law, Rorschach reunites with his former teammates in a desperate attempt to save the world and their lives, but what they uncover will shock them to their very core and change the face of the planet! Following two generations of masked superheroes from the close of World War II to the icy shadow of the Cold War comes this groundbreaking comic story -- the story of The Watchmen.</p>

	<p><i>Water for Elephants</i></p>	<p>Gruen</p>	<p>335 730 Wilson's Fiction  IMC F GRU</p>	<p>Ninety-year-old Jacob Jankowski finds himself haunted by memories of his past in the circus and the freaks, exotic animals, and other people he encountered as a performer.</p>
	<p><i>Welcome to Your Brain: Why You Lose Your Car Keys but Never Forget How to Drive and Other Puzzles of Everyday Life.</i></p>	<p>Aamodt</p>	<p>220 Best Science Books for HS Readers</p>	<p>An expert, comprehensive, and lively guide that makes sense of all the latest scientific findings about how your brain really works. We are using our brains at practically every moment of our lives, and yet few of us have the first idea how they work. Much of what we think we know comes from folklore: that we only use 10 percent of our brain, or that drinking kills brain cells. These and other brain myths are wrong, as demonstrated by the work of neuroscientists who have spent decades studying this complex organ. However, most of what scientists have learned is not known to the world outside their laboratories.</p>
	<p><i>What Is the What</i></p>	<p>Eggers</p>	<p>475 Booklist starred  IMC F EGG</p>	<p>A fictionalized memoir of Valentino Achak Deng, a Sudanese refugee who was forced from his home by the Second Sudanese Civil War and faced many difficulties before coming to the United States.</p>
	<p><i>When You are Engulfed in Flames</i></p>	<p>Sedaris</p>	<p>323 Kirkus Review starred</p>	<p>A collection of essays in which David Sedaris reflects on some of the more humorous and memorable events of his life.</p>

	<p><i>Wicked Lovely</i></p>	<p>Marr</p>	<p>328 700 BES Books for the Teenage</p>	<p>Rule #3: Don't stare at invisible faeries. Rule #2: Don't speak to invisible faeries. Rule #1: Don't ever attract their attention. But it's too late. Keenan is the Summer King who has sought his queen for nine centuries. Without her, summer itself will perish. He is determined that Aislinn will become the Summer Queen at any cost—regardless of her plans or desires. Suddenly none of the rules that have kept Aislinn safe are working anymore, and everything is on the line: her freedom; her best friend, Seth; her life; <i>everything</i>. Faerie intrigue, mortal love, and the clash of ancient rules and modern expectations swirl together in Melissa Marr's stunning 21<sup>st</sup> century fairy tale.</p>
	<p><i>World Without Us</i></p>	<p>Weisman</p>	<p>324 Wilson's Senior High</p>	<p>This book's global-scale dismay about humanity's environmental impact is its most important theme. But it's Mr. Weisman's more marginal facts that give <i>The World Without Us</i> so much curiosity value...From the gyre that is the Great Pacific Garbage Patch to the flower-growers of Kenya to the Rothamsted Research Archive in Britain, a repository for more than 300,000 soil samples, Mr. Weisman covers a huge amount of terrain. His research is prodigious and impressive.</p>
	<p><i>Yellow Flag</i></p>	<p>Lipsyte</p>	<p>234 710 BES Books for the Teen Age  IMC F LIP</p>	<p>When seventeen-year-old Kyle reluctantly succumbs to family pressure and replaces his injured brother in the family racecar, he struggles to keep up with his trumpet playing while deciding how--or if--he can continue making music with a brass quintet and headlines as a Nascar racer.</p>
	<p><i>Your Inner Fish: A Journey into the 3.5 Billion-Year History of the Human Body</i></p>	<p>Shubin</p>	<p>229 Best Sci-Tech Books 2008</p>	<p>Shubin traces the intricate marvels of the human body as it currently exists through a survey of all those creatures whose DNA contributed to our own Darwinically mandated creation. As a paleontologist and professor of anatomy, Shubin is the ideal person to bop back and forth from fossils to genes, from the Devonian swamps to the genome-deciphering laboratories of today. The mechanics of evolution, inheritance, and bodily structures and organs are elegantly laid out, as Shubin draws on both milestone scientific research and his own considerable fieldwork.</p>

	<p><i>Impossible</i></p>	<p>Werlin</p>	<p>IMC F WER</p>	<p>“From the sting of my curse she can never be free....”</p> <p>Can 17 year old Lucy free her family from the ancient curse?</p>
	<p><i>Johnny Bunko: the Last Career Guide You'll Ever need.</i></p>	<p>Pink, Daniel H.</p>	<p>IMC GN 331.7</p>	<p>“America’s first business manga”...</p>
	<p><b>Oh, rats! : the story of rats and people</b></p>	<p>by Marrin, Albert.</p>	<p><b>Reading level 5.1</b></p> <p>46 p</p> <p>School Library Journal starred, Notable Best Books ALA</p>	<p>Everything you want to know – and somethings you’d rather not know about the rodent whose survival skills are unequalled.</p>

	<p><b>We beat the street : how a friendship pact led to success</b></p>	<p>by Davis, Sampson.</p>	<p><b>Reading Level 5.5</b>  <b>191 pgs</b>  Voice of Youth Advocates (V.O.Y.A.)</p>	<p>Adaptation of the adult book “Pact”, this is the story of 3 inner city kids (Newark, NJ) make a pact to beat the street.</p> <p>Each of them ended up a successful doctor</p>
	<p><b>Rats : observations on the history and habitat of the city's most unwanted inhabitants</b></p>	<p>Robert Sullivan</p>	<p>227 pg  Kirkus starred review</p>	<p>History and anecdote of the urban rat.</p>
	<p><b>Geeks: How two lost boys rode the Internet out of Idaho</b></p>	<p>Jon Katz</p>	<p>207 pg</p>	<p>Notable Best Books, ALA; Books for the teen age</p> <p>True story of Jesse and Eric, 2 boys from Caldwell, Idaho, who changed their lives through the internet</p>

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