Across from the Universe
by Beth Revis
Imagine leaving everything behind in order to find a better place for the people of earth to live. The trip will take 300 years but what would happen if the trip were interrupted halfway there. Would you survive and what would happen to people inside a ship?

Chanda’s Secret
by Allan Stratton
AIDS is a taboo in Chanda’s small African town even though many people are dying.

Cinder
by Marissa Meyer
Humans and androids crowd the raucous streets of New Beijing. A deadly plague ravages the population. From space, a ruthless lunar people watch, waiting to make their move. No one knows that Earth’s fate hinges on one girl... Cinder, a gifted mechanic, is a cyborg.

Daughter of Smoke Bone
By Laini Taylor
Around the world, black handprints are appearing on doorways, scorched there by winged strangers who have crept through a slit in the sky. In the tangled lanes of Prague, a young art student is about to be caught up in a brutal otherworldly war.

Divergent
By Veronica Roth
In Beatrice Prior’s dystopian Chicago world, society is divided into five factions, each dedicated to the cultivation of a particular virtue? Candor (the honest), Abnegation (the selfless), Dauntless (the brave), Amity (the peaceful), and Erudite (the intelligent). On an appointed day of every year, all sixteen-year-olds must select the faction to which they will devote the rest of their lives. What would Beatrice choose?

I Hunt Killers
By Barry Lyga
What if the world’s worst serial killer... was your dad? Jasper (Jazz) Dent is a likable teenager. A charmer, one might say. But he’s also the son of the world’s most infamous serial killer, and for Dear Old Dad, Take Your Son to Work Day was year-round. Jazz has witnessed crime scenes the way cops wish they could--from the criminal’s point of view. And now bodies are piling up in Lobo’s. Could he be more like his father than anyone knows?

Orange Houses
by Paul Griffin
Follow three teens through the pressure cooker of inner-city teenage life.

Revolution
by Jennifer Donnelly
Meet Andi Alpers, a depressed modern-day teenager whose life is becomes entwined with that of Alexandrine Paradis, a brave young woman caught up in the French Revolution, as Andi reads her diary.

The Summer I Turned Pretty
by Jenny Han
Beach house, summer love, enduring friendship. What a summer!

The Summoning
by Kelly Armstrong
Chloe, 15, sees dead people, but does not yet realize she has this unusual ability.
**City of Bones**  
by Cassandra Clare  
Clary witnesses a fight at a nightclub; the problem is that she is the only one who can see these beings fighting.

**Delirium**  
by Lauren Oliver  
Enter a world where love has long since been identified as a disease called amor deliria nervosa, Lena is 95 days away from the operation that everyone gets to be cured. Does she want to be cured? What will happen to her?

**Firelight**  
by Sophie Jordan  
Jacinda is a descendant of dragons, a drake, who has an extraordinary talent, she is a fire-breather. Among her people she is unique and she is to marry the alpha male in her tribe. But she meets Will and falls for him but he is a drake’s hunter.

**Girl of Fire Thorns**  
By Rae Carson  
Once a century, one person is chosen for greatness. On her sixteenth birthday, Elisa is chosen to become the secret wife of a handsome and worldly king—a king whose country is in turmoil. A king who needs her to be the chosen one, not a failure of a princess. Elisa could be everything to those who need her most. If the prophecy is fulfilled. If she finds the power deep within herself. If she doesn’t die first.

**Shiver**  
by Maggie Stiefvater  
Grace loves the peace and tranquility of her woods and her new pet wolf. The funny thing is this wolf has the same color of eyes as the boy she likes.

**The Truth about Forever**  
by Sarah Dessen  
Macy’s father has died and she is unable to mourn. Instead, she stays in control—good grades, flawless behavior, and perfect boyfriend. She gets a job at Wish Catering; her tidy life starts to shake.
**11th Grade**

**Bottom of the 33rd: Hope, Redemption, and Baseball's Longest Game**
by Dan Barry

**Hector and the Search for Happiness**
by Francois Lelord
Travel around the world with a psychiatrist named Hector as he attempts to understand what makes people happy.

**The Ivy**
by Lauren Kunze
Callie certainly doesn't have the money, the connections, or the right clothes. Will her intelligence and beauty be enough to help her survive freshman year at Harvard?

**Little Brother**
by Cory Doctorow
Imagine trying to save the world, but the only weapon you have is your xbox360.

**Response**
by Paul Volponi
Noah and his two buddies go to an Italian-American neighborhood to steal a car. Instead, Noah is beaten with baseball bat. Was this a hate crime or were the beaters defending their neighborhood?

**Snow Flower and the Secret Fan**
by Lisa See
Set in remote 19th-century China, a deeply affecting story of lifelong, intimate friends who live in a world where women have no say.
Happy Birthday or Whatever: Track Suits, Kim Chee, and Other Family Disasters
by Annie Choi
An uproariously funny memoir of growing up with her Korean American family in Los Angeles.

The know It All
By A.J. Jacobs
To fill the ever-widening gaps in his Ivy League education, A.J. Jacobs sets for himself the daunting task of reading all thirty-two volumes of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. His wife, Julie, tells him it’s a waste of time, his friends believe he is losing his mind, and his father, a brilliant attorney who had once attempted the same feat and quit somewhere around Borneo, is encouraging but, shall we say, unconvinced.

The Lost Dogs: Michael Vick’s Dogs and Their Tale of Rescue and Redemption
by Jim Gorant
A chilling investigation into Michael Vick’s dog-fighting operation and the men and women who brought him to justice and rehabilitated the rescued dogs.

Room
by Emma Donoghue
Five-year-old Jack and his Ma live and eat and play and sleep in one room—a 11×11-foot space that is their prison—captives of the terrifying man Jack calls Old Nick. But as Jack grows older and more curious, it becomes clear that the room will not be able to hold him and Ma forever.

Packing for Mars
By Mary Roach
Space is a world devoid of the things we need to live and thrive: air, gravity, hot showers, fresh produce, privacy, beer. Space exploration is in some ways an exploration of what it means to be human. How much can a person give up? How much weirdness can they take? From the space shuttle training toilet to a crash test of NASA’s new space capsule (cadaver filling in for astronaut), Roach takes us on a surreally entertaining trip into the science of life in space and space on Earth.

Stitches: A Memoir
by David Small (Graphic Novel)
A child’s autobiography of coming to terms with his mother’s cruelty.

Tipping Point
by Malcolm Gladwell
Small changes can have big effects and change the world.

True Grit
by Charles Portis
Meet Mattie Ross, who is just fourteen years of age when a coward going by the name of Tom Chaney shoots her father down in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Mattie leaves home to avenge her father. With the one-eyed Rooster Cogburn, the meanest available U.S. Marshal, by her side into Indian Territory.