

HILARIOUS BOOKS FOR TEENS

The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy

by Douglas Adams, 1980

Y ADAMS

The classic tale of Arthur Dent and Ford Prefect who wander aimlessly around the galaxy after Earth is destroyed to make way for an inter-galactic freeway.

First French Kiss and Other Traumas

by Adam Bagdasarian , 2002

Y BAGDASARIAN

Will recounts humorous, sad, traumatic, romantic and confusing episodes from his childhood.

Bucking the Sarge

by Christopher Paul Curtis , 2004

Y CURTIS

Luther's mother, aka the Sarge, milked the system to build an empire of slum housing and Luther is just one of the people trapped in the Sarge's Evil Empire. But he's about to bust out!

A Fate Totally Worse Than Death

by Paul Fleischman , 1995

Y FLEISCHMAN

Three self-centered members of Cliffside High School's ruling clique, who are beginning to age rapidly, become convinced that the beautiful new exchange student is the ghost of the girl whose death they caused the year before.

Fat Kid Rules the World

by K.L. Going, 2003

Y GOING

Seventeen-year-old Troy, depressed, suicidal and weighing nearly 300 pounds, gets a new perspective on life when a homeless teenager who is a genius on guitar wants Troy to be the drummer in his rock band.

An Abundance of Katherines

by John Green, 2006

Y GREEN

Having been recently dumped for the nineteenth time by a girl named Katherine, recent high school graduate and former child prodigy Colin sets off on a road trip with his best friend to try to find some new direction in life while creating a mathematical formula that will explain his failed relationships.

No More Dead Dogs

by Gordon Korman , 2000

Y KORMAN

Eighth-grade football hero Wallace Wallace is sentenced to detention attending rehearsals of the school play. In spite of himself, he becomes wrapped up in the production and begins to suggest changes that improve not only the play but also his life.

Absolutely, Positively Not

by David LaRochelle, 2005

Y LAROCHELLE

Chronicles a teenage boy's humorous attempts to fit in at his Minnesota high school by becoming a macho, girl-loving, "Playboy" pinup-displaying heterosexual.

Girl, 15, Charming but Insane

by Sue Limb, 2004

Y LIMB

Jess, a fifteen-year-old British teenager, has a best friend who seems to do everything perfectly, but finds her own assets through humor.

The Boyfriend List

by E. Lockhart, 2005

Y LOCKHART

A Seattle fifteen-year-old explains some of the reasons for her recent panic attacks, including breaking up with her boyfriend, losing all her girlfriends, tensions between her performance-artist mother and her father, and more.

Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie

by David Lubar , 2005

Y LUBAR

Scott decides that high school would be a lot less overwhelming if it came with a survival menu.

The Year of Secret Assignments

by Jaclyn Moriarty, 2004

Y MORIARTY

Three female students from Ashbury High write to three male students from rival Brookfield High as part of a pen pal program, leading to romance, humiliation, revenge plots and war between the schools.

The Teacher's Funeral: A Comedy in Three Parts

by Richard Peck, 2004

Y PECK

In rural Indiana in 1904, fifteen-year-old Russell's dreams of quitting school and joining a wheat threshing crew are disrupted when his older sister takes over the teaching at his one-room schoolhouse after mean old Myrt Arbuckle "hauls off and dies."

5 Novels

by Daniel Pinkwater, 1997

Y PINKWATER

Five hilarious stories in one book!

Vampire High

by Douglas Rees, 2003

Y REES

When Cody enters Vlad Dracul Magnet School, many things seem strange, from the dark-haired, pale-skinned, supernaturally strong students to Charon, the wolf who guides him around campus on the first day.

Angus, Thongs and Full-Frontal Snogging

by Louise Rennison, 1999

Y RENNISON

Presents a year in the life of a fourteen-year-old British girl who tries to reduce the size of her nose, stop her mad cat from terrorizing the neighborhood animals and win the love of handsome hunk Robbie.

The True Meaning of Smekday

by Adam Rex, 2007

Y REX

When her mother is abducted by aliens on Christmas Eve (or "Smekday" Eve since the Boov invasion), 11 year-old Tip hops in the family car and heads south to find her and meets an alien Boov mechanic who agrees to help her and save the planet from disaster.

The Wednesday Wars

by Gary Schmidt, 2007

Y SCHMIDT

During the 1967 school year, on Wednesday afternoons when all his classmates go to either Catechism or Hebrew school, seventh-grader Holling Hoodhood stays in Mrs. Baker's classroom where they read the plays of William Shakespeare and Holling learns much of value about the world he lives in.

Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen

by Dyan Sheldon, 1999

Y SHELDON

In her first year at a suburban New Jersey high school, Mary Elizabeth Cep, who now calls herself "Lola," sets her sights on the lead in the annual drama production and finds herself in conflict with the most popular girl in school.

The Schwa Was Here
by Neil Shusterman, 2004

Y SHUSTERMAN

A Brooklyn eighth-grader nicknamed Antsy befriends the Schwa, an "invisible-ish" boy who is tired of blending into his surroundings and going unnoticed by nearly everyone.

How I Spent My Last Night on Earth
by Todd Strasser , 1998

Y STRASSER

When a rumor appears on the Internet that a giant asteroid is about to destroy Earth, Legs Hanover scrambles to meet the boy of her dreams, elusive Andros Bliss.

Enchanted, Inc.
by Shanna Swendson, 2005

Y SWENDSON

Katie Chandler's life takes a turn for the magical when she discovers being just average makes her pretty special.

Now You See It...
by Vivian Vande Velde, 2005

Y VANDE VELDE

With Wendy's new glasses, she begins to see cheerful corpses, old crones disguised as teeny-boppers, and portals to another world--a place where everyone knows of the glasses' powers and will do anything to get them.

Be More Chill
by Ned Vizzini, 2004

Y VIZZINI

Badly in need of self-confidence and a change of image, high school nerd Jeremy Heere swallows a pill-sized super computer that is supposed to help him get whatever he wants.

My Cup Runneth Over: The Life of Angelica
Cookson Potts

by Cherry Whytock, 2003

Y WHYTOCK

Recipes are included in this hilarious story about a fourteen-year-old girl who de-stresses through cooking kickboxing and constant debriefing with her friends.

Stop Me If You've Heard This One Before
by David Yoo, 2008

Y YOO

Albert has always accepted his bottom-rung social status with grace and good humor, but when, by some miracle, he begins dating one of the most popular girls in school, he can no longer go unnoticed and unhumiliated.

The Book of Bunny Suicides
by Andy Riley , 2004

Y GRAPHIC RILEY

Bunnies find ever more outlandish ways to do themselves in.

Bone, Vol. 1—Out From Boneville
by Jeff Smith , 1996

Y GRAPHIC SMITH

Fone Bone and his cousins are run out of Boneville and become separated in the wilds. Better fortune begins when they reunite at a farmstead in a deep forested valley and Fone meets a young girl named Thorn.

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