

Nothing to Blush About Love Stories



The Bridesmaid
by Hailey Abbott, 2005
Y ABBOTT

Having vowed as children to never marry after witnessing many disastrous weddings and obnoxious brides in their parents' wedding planning business, fifteen-year-old Abby is dismayed when her older sister Carol suddenly gets engaged and turns into "Bridezilla."

24 Girls in 7 Days
by Alex Bradley, 2005
Y BRADLEY

Jack's so-called best friends assemble a list of girls eager to be his prom date and he has just seven days to meet and date them before he will choose one special girl.

The Princess Diaries
by Meg Cabot, 2000
Y CABOT

Fourteen-year-old Mia, who is trying to lead a normal life as a teenage girl in New York City, is shocked to learn that her father is the Prince of Genovia, a small European principality and that she is a princess and the heir to the throne.

The Loser's Guide to Life and Love
by A.E. Cannon, 2008
Y CANNON

Over the summer Salt Lake City high school student Ed McIff works at a video store, and when a beautiful girl comes in one day he decides to take on a new, more suave identity, resulting in a series of misunderstandings and star-crossed encounters.

I'd Tell You I Love You, But Then I 'd Have To Kill You
by Ally Carter, 2006
Y CARTER

As a sophomore at a secret spy school and the daughter of a former CIA operative, Cammie is sheltered from "normal teenage life" until she meets a local boy while on a class surveillance mission.

The Boyfriend Trick
by Stephanie Davis, 2007
Y DAVIS

Trouble starts with a little lie about having a boyfriend. Do two fake boyfriends make a real one? From the *First Kisses* series.

This Lullaby
by Sarah Dessen, 2002
Y DESSEN

Raised by a mother who's had five husbands, eighteen-year-old Remy believes in short-term, no-commitment relationships until she meets Dexter, a rock musician.

Seventeenth Summer
by Maureen Daly, 2002
Y DALY

Seventeen-year-old Angie, living with her family in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, finds herself in love for the first time the summer after high school graduation.

Rat Boys: A Dating Experiment
by Thom Eberhardt, 2001
Y EBERHARDT

Fourteen-year-olds Marci and Summer use a magic ring to turn two rats into cute boys so that they can have dates for the Spring Fling.

Once Upon a Marigold

by Jean Ferris, 2002

Y FERRIS

A young man with a mysterious past and a penchant for inventing things leaves the troll who raised him, meets an unhappy princess he has loved from afar and discovers a plot against her and her father.

A Novel Idea

by Aimee Friedman, 2006

Y FRIEDMAN

Norah forms a book club and falls in love with James, one of the club's members.

My Not-So-Terrible Time at the Hippie Hotel

by Rosemary Graham, 2003

Y GRAHAM

Forced to go with her father to a house on Cape Cod where divorced parents spend "Together Time" with their kids, teenaged Tracy finds the experience bearable after meeting a local boy named Kevin.

Princess Academy

by Shannon Hale, 2005

Y HALE

While attending a strict academy for potential princesses with the other girls from her mountain village, fourteen-year-old Miri discovers unexpected talents and connections to her homeland.

The Falconer's Knot

by Mary Hoffman, 2007

Y HOFFMAN

Silvano and Chiara, teens sent to live in a friary and a nunnery in Renaissance Italy are drawn to one another, but when murders are committed in the friary they must discover who is behind the crimes before they can realize their love.

Son of the Mob

by Gordon Korman, 2002

Y KORMAN

Seventeen-year-old Vince's life is constantly complicated by the fact that he is the son of a powerful Mafia boss, a relationship that threatens to destroy his romance with the daughter of an FBI agent.

Keturah and Lord Death

by Martine Leavitt, 2006

Y LEAVITT

When Lord Death comes to claim sixteen-year-old Keturah while she is lost in the King's Forest, she charms him with her story and is granted a twenty-four hour reprieve in which to seek her one true love.

Dunk

by David Lubar, 2002

Y LUBAR

While hoping to work as the clown in an amusement park dunk tank on the New Jersey shore the summer before his junior year in high school, Chad faces his best friend's serious illness, hassles with police and the girl that got away.

Wildwood Dancing

by Juliet Marillier, 2007

Y MARILLIER

Five sisters who live with their merchant father in Transylvania use a hidden portal in their home to cross over into a magical world.

It's a Mall World After All

by Janette Rallison, 2006

Y RALLISON

While working at the mall, organizing a school fundraiser and trying to prove that her best friend's boyfriend is seeing another girl, high-school student Charlotte's best intentions always seem to backfire.

Life, Love, and the Pursuit of Free Throws

by Janette Rallison, 2004

Y RALLISON

High school freshmen Josie and Cami try to remain best friends as they compete for basketball awards and boys.

Anahita's Woven Riddle

by Meghan Nuttall Sayres, 2006

Y SAYRES

In Iran, more than 100 years ago, a young girl with three suitors gets permission from her father and a holy man to weave into her wedding rug a riddle to be solved by her future husband, which will ensure that he has wit to match hers.

Enthusiasm

by Polly Shulman, 2006

Y SHULMAN

Julie and Ashleigh, high school sophomores and Jane Austen fans, seem to fall for the same Mr. Darcy-like boy and struggle to hide their true feelings from one another while rehearsing for a school musical.

Accidental Love

by Gary Soto, 2006

Y SOTO

After unexpectedly falling in love with a "nerdy" boy, fourteen-year-old Marisa works to change her life by transferring to another school, altering some of her behavior and losing weight.

Love, Stargirl

by Jerry Spinelli, 2007

Y SPINELLI

Still moping months after being dumped by her Arizona boyfriend Leo, fifteen-year-old Stargirl, a home-schooled free spirit, writes "the world's longest letter" to Leo, describing her new life in Pennsylvania.

The Swan Maiden

by Heather Tomlinson, 2007

Y TOMLINSON

Raised as a chatelaine-in-training unlike her sisters who are learning the arts of sorcery, Doucette discovers when she is sixteen years old that she too has magic in her blood and she must brave her mother's wrath--and the loss of the man she loves--in order to follow her birthright.

If We Kiss

by Rachel Vail, 2005

Y VAIL

Fourteen-year-old Charlie feels guilty because she has a crush on her best friend's boyfriend, and her loyalties become even more confused when she discovers that her mother is dating the boyfriend's father.

Flipped

by Wendelin Van Draanen, 2001

Y VAN DRAANEN

In alternating chapters, two teenagers describe how their feelings about themselves, each other and their families have changed over the years.

If You Come Softly

by Jacqueline Woodson, 1998

Y WOODSON

After meeting at their private school in New York, fifteen-year-old Jeremiah, who is black and whose parents are separated and Ellie, who is white and whose mother has twice abandoned her, fall in love and then try to cope with people's reactions.

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