

Teens Press Play

books about music, gaming and technology

Musical Fiction



What a Song Can Do: 12 Riffs on the Power of Music
by Jennifer Armstrong, ed., 2004

Y ARMSTRONG

David Levithan, Gail Giles and other young adult authors share stories about the power of music.

King of the Creeps
by Steven Banks, 2006

Y BANKS

In 1963, geeky Tom discovers a resemblance to Bob Dylan and decides to pretend that he, too, is a folksinger.

Audrey, Wait
by Robin Benway, 2008

Y BENWAY

While trying to score a date with her cute co-worker at the Scooper Dooper, sixteen-year-old Audrey gains unwanted fame and celebrity status when her ex-boyfriend, a rock musician, records a breakup song about her that soars to the top of the Billboard charts.

Beige
by Cecil Castellucci, 2007

Y CASTELLUCCI

Beige is the nickname that is given to Katy when she spends the summer in LA with her legendary punk-rock-drummer father. The nickname is supposed to reflect how nondescript she is in the land of glamour, fame and punk music. Will Katy ever find her punk?

Things Hoped For
by Andrew Clements, 2006

Y CLEMENTS

An aspiring violinist finds herself distracted from her impending auditions for three prestigious music schools when her grandfather disappears.

Pop Princess
by Rachel Cohn, 2005

Y COHN

It's a sweet sixteen birthday for Wonder Blake when the unpopular Dairy Queen worker is awarded a recording contract. Wonder finds out that things can easily turn sour on her rise to the top.

Just Listen
by Sarah Dessen, 2006

YDESSEN

Annabel turns her back on everything: a part-time modeling career, her friends and her family. The only thing that grounds her is her new friend, music-loving Owen, and the playlists he creates for her.

Diva
by Alex Flinn, 2006

Y FLINN

Caitlin wishes for nothing more than to sing opera and, despite family troubles, starting a new school and obsessing about her weight, she just might make it in this novel told in the form of an online journal.

Lemonade Mouth

by Mark Peter Hughes, 2007

Y HUGH

The nerd, the fat kid, the new kid and the freak use diary entries to tell the story of how they formed the rock band Lemonade Mouth and found local fame.

Heavy Metal and You

by Christopher Krovatin, 2006

Y KROVATON

Sam is all about heavy metal until he meets straight-laced Melissa and is tempted to change his ways for her in this book written by a teenager.

Harlem Hustle

by Janet McDonald, 2006

Y MCDONALD

Eric Hustle Sampson thinks he's on the road to rap stardom, but he finds the way littered with probation officers, corruption and misunderstandings.

Girl

by Blake Nelson, 1994

Y NELSON

An account of three years in a teenage girl's life as she forges an identity between two contrasting worlds: her straight-laced school and Portland's underground music scene.

The Last Days

by Scott Westerfeld, 2007

Y WESTERFELD

In this sequel to *Peeps*, five teenagers find themselves fighting a vampire epidemic and a growing apocalypse by forming a paranormal rock band specializing in hypnotic music.

After Tupac and D Foster

by Jacqueline Woodson, 2008

Y WOODSON

In the New York City Borough of Queens in 1996, three girls bond over their shared love of Tupac Shakur's music, as together they try to make sense of their unpredictable world.

Techie Books

Gift of the Unmage

by Alma Alexander, 2007

Y ALEXANDER

Thea goes to Wandless University, a school where students who are talentless at magic can learn to weave spells with computers.

Spacer and Rat

by Margaret Bechard, 2005

Y BECHARD

Jack is all set to leave Freedom Station for a new job on Liberty when an Earthie Rat, Kit, and her bot (who has named himself Waldo) endanger his plans and his life.

Little Brother

by Cory Doctorow, 2008

Y DOCTOROW

Seventeen-year old Marcus uses his formidable hacking skills to create an underground resistance to the police-state that arises after a major terrorist attack on San Francisco.

The Last Book in the Universe

by W.R. Philbrick, 2000

Y PHILBRICK

A thousand years in the future an earthquake destroys much of the planet and an epileptic teenager named Spaz begins the heroic fight to bring human intelligence back to earth.

The Gospel According to Larry

by Janet Tashjian, 2001

Y TASHJIAN

Things spiral out of control for Josh, a loner who masquerades as “Larry” as he espouses anti-consumerism on his anonymous Web site.

Heir Apparent

by Vivian Vande Velde, 2002

Y VANDE VELDE

While playing a total immersion reality game, Gianninine learns that demonstrators have damaged the equipment. Now she must win the game or be damaged herself!

Be More Chill

by Ned Vizzini, 2004

Y VIZZINI

In need of a change of image, Jeremy swallows a pill-sized computer that is supposed to help him get whatever he wants.

Hacking Harvard

by Robin Wasserman, 2007

Y WASSERMAN

When three brilliant nerds bet \$20,000 that they can get anyone into Harvard, they take on the Ivy League in their quest for popularity, money and the love of a beauty queen valedictorian.

Non-Fiction

Digital Photo Madness: 50 Weird and Wacky Things to do With Your Digital Camera

by Thom Gaines, 2006

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Music Lust: Recommended Listening for Every Mood, Moment, and Reason

by Nic Harcourt, 2008

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The Band Name Book

by Noel Hudson, 2008

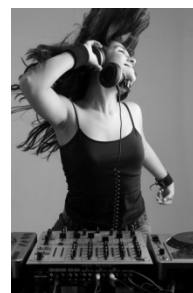
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Read the stories behind the most exotic of band names, like Deep Banana Blackout and Fatkid Dodgeball.

How to DJ Right: The Art and Science of Playing Records

by Frank Broughton, 2003

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