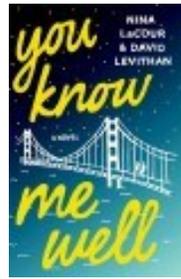


**Draw the Line**  
by Linn Laurent

A teen boy survives a hate crime against another gay student through his art.



**You Know Me Well**  
by Nina LaCour & David Levithan

Mark and Kate sit next to each other in school but are barely acquainted until they meet at a San Francisco club during Pride Week and connect over each one's forbidden love.

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## Reads for Teens



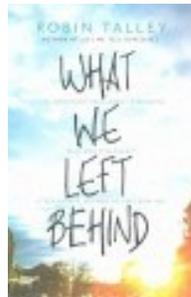
**Great American Whatever**  
by Tim Federle

Teenaged Quinn, an aspiring screenwriter, copes with his sister's death while his best friend forces him back out into the world to face his reality.



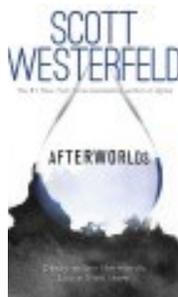
**I'll Give You the Sun**  
by Jandy Nelson

A story of first love, family, loss, and betrayal told from different points in time, and in separate voices, by artists Jude and her twin brother Noah.



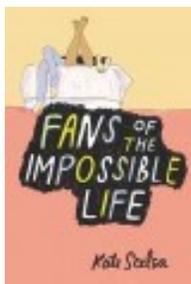
**What We Left Behind**  
by Robin Talley

Toni and Gretchen are the couple everyone envied in high school. They're deeply, hopelessly in love. When they separate for their first year at college, being apart is different than they expected.



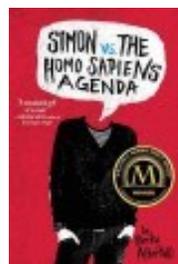
**Afterworlds**  
by Scott Westerfeld

In alternating chapters, 18 year old Darcy Patel navigates the New York City publishing world and Lizzie, the heroine of Darcy's novel, slips into the "Afterworld" to survive a terrorist attack and becomes a spirit guide, as both face many challenges and both fall in love.



**Fans of the Impossible Life**  
by Kate Scelsa

At Saint Francis Prep school in Mountain View, New Jersey, Mira, Jeremy, and Sebby come together as they struggle with romance, bullying, foster home and family problems, and mental health issues.



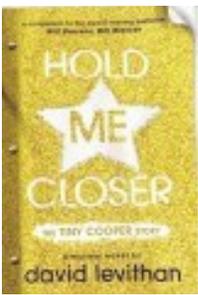
**Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda**  
by Becky Albertalli

16 year old, not-so-openly-gay Simon Spier is blackmailed into playing wingman for his classmate or else his sexual identity--and that of his pen pal--will be revealed.



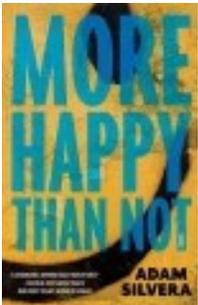
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**Hold Me Closer: The Tiny Cooper Story**  
by David Levithan

Larger-than-life Tiny Cooper finally gets to tell his story, from his fabulous birth and childhood to his quest for true love and his infamous parade of ex-boyfriends, in the form of a musical he wrote.



**More Happy Than Not**  
by Adam Silvera

After enduring his father's suicide, his own suicide attempt, broken friendships, and more in the Bronx projects, Aaron Soto, sixteen, is already considering the Leteo Institute's memory-alteration procedure when his new friendship with Thomas turns to unrequited love.



**We Are the Ants**  
by Shaun David Hutchinson

Abducted by aliens periodically throughout his youth, Henry Denton is informed by his erstwhile captors that they will end the world in 144 days unless he stops them by deciding that humanity is worth saving.



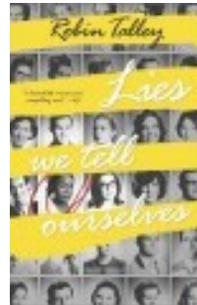
**Everything Leads to You**  
by Nina LaCour

While working as a film production designer in Los Angeles, Emi finds a mysterious letter from a silver screen legend which leads Emi to Ava who is about to expand Emi's understanding of family, acceptance, and true romance.



**If I Was Your Girl**  
by Meredith Russo

Amanda Hardy only wants to fit in at her new school, but she is keeping a big secret, so when she falls for Grant, guarded Amanda finds herself yearning to share with him everything about herself, including her previous life as Andrew.



**Lies We Tell Ourselves**  
by Robin Talley

In 1959 Virginia, Sarah, a black student who is one of the first to attend a newly integrated school, forces Linda, a white integration opponent's daughter, to confront harsh truths when they work together on a school project.



**None of the Above**  
by I.W. Gregorio

Kristen discovers that she is intersex and possesses male chromosomes, a diagnosis that is leaked to the whole school, throwing Kristin's entire identity into question.



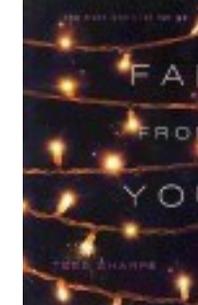
**Cut Both Ways**  
by Carrie Mesrobian

Senior Will Caynes must face unsettling feelings for his best friend Angus after they share a drunken kiss, while also embarking on his first real relationship with sophomore Brandy—all as the burden of home-life troubles weigh heavily.



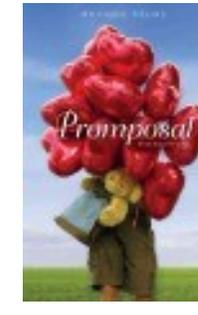
**Tell Me Again How a Crush Should Feel**  
by Sara Farizan

Leila's Persian heritage already makes her different from her classmates, and if word got out that she liked girls life would be twice as hard. But when a new girl, Saskia, shows up, Leila starts to take risks she never thought she would



**Far From You**  
by Tess Sharpe

After Sophie Winters survives a brutal attack in which her best friend, Mina, is murdered, she sets out to find the killer. At the same time she must prove she is free of her past Oxy addiction and in no way to blame for Mina's death.



**Promposal**  
by Rhonda Helms

Camilla hopes her secret crush, Benjamin, might ask her to prom but feels pressured into accepting the invitation of a casual acquaintance, and Joshua has worked up the courage to ask his best friend, Ethan, to be his date when Ethan asks his help in crafting the perfect "promposal" for another boy.



**One Man Guy**  
by Michael Barakiva

When Alek's high-achieving, Armenian-American parents send him to summer school, he thinks his summer is ruined. But then he meets Ethan, who opens his world in a series of truly unexpected ways.