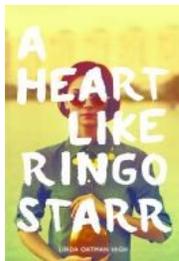


# NOVELS IN VERSE



## A Heart Like Ringo Starr

By Linda Oatman High

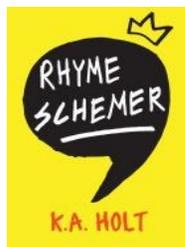
Her family runs Stevens Brothers Funeral Home, which is ironic since Faith Hope Stevens is not long for this world. Unless someone dies. Unless there is a match. Staying alive will mean a heart transplant. Faith copes with wit and nerve. She's also a little pissed off. She will never grow old. She will never have a boyfriend. Then one shocking day everything changes.

## The Lost Marble Notebook of Forgotten Girl and Reluctant Boy

By Marie Jaskulka



The story of two imperfect teens in first love who find solace in poetry.

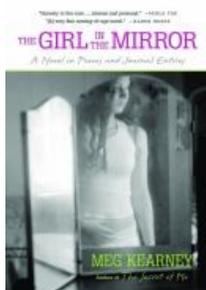


## Rhyme Schemer

A novel in verse about Kevin's journey from bully to being bullied, as he learns about friendship, family, and his talent for poetry.

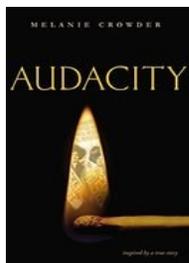
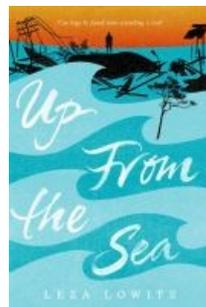
## The Girl In The Mirror

In a series of poems and journal entries, seventeen-year-old Lizzie grieves over the death of her adoptive father, as her plans for college and search for her birth mother are put on hold.



## Up From The Sea

A novel in verse about the March 2011 tsunami that sent Japan into chaos, told from the point-of-view of Kai, a biracial teenaged boy.



## Audacity

A historical fiction novel in verse detailing the life of Clara Lemlich and her struggle for women's labor rights in the early 20th century in New York.

## One

Despite problems at home, sixteen-year-old conjoined twins Tippi and Grace are loving going to school for the first time and making real friends when they learn that a cardiac problem will force them to have separation surgery, which they have never before considered.

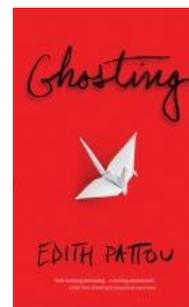


## All We Have Is Now

Emerson has been living on the streets of Portland, relying on her wits and her friend Vince to get by, but as a meteor approaches North America what will they do if this is their last day on Earth, and, more important, what will they do if it is not?

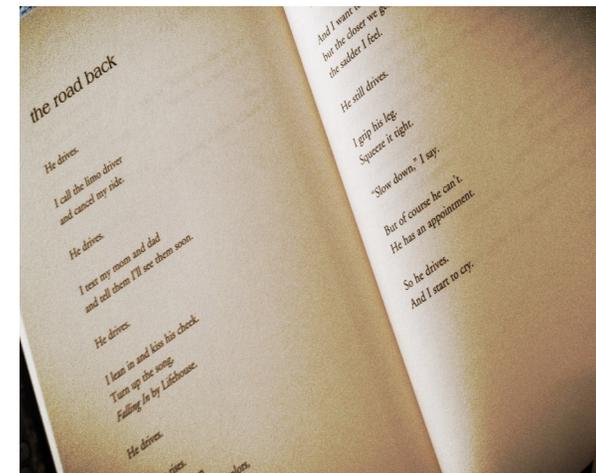
## Skyscraping

In 1993 in New York City, high school senior Mira uncovers many secrets, including that her father has a male lover.



## Ghosting

On a hot summer night in a midwestern town, a high school teenage prank goes horribly awry. Alcohol, guns, and a dare. Within minutes, as events collide, innocents becomes victims--with tragic outcomes altering lives forever.



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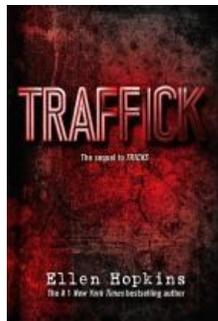
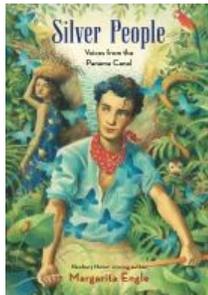


**Lies, Knives & Girls In Red Dresses**  
By Ronald Koertge

Free-verse reveals true stories behind well-known fairy tales, some reset in modern times, as a strung-out match girl sells CDs to drug users, Little Red Riding Hood admits that she wanted to know what it is like to be swallowed whole, and Cinderella's stepsisters are duped.

**Silver People: Voices From the Panama Canal**  
By Margarita L'Engle

Fourteen-year-old Mateo and other Caribbean islanders face discrimination, segregation, and harsh working conditions when American recruiters lure them to the Panamanian rain forest in 1906 to build the great canal.



**Traffick** by Ellen Hopkins

Five teenagers struggle to find their way out of prostitution.

**Ask Me How I Got Here**  
By Christine Heppermann

Addie has always been running--until she gets pregnant and makes a choice.



**Full Cicada Moon** By Marilyn Hilton

In 1969 twelve-year-old Mimi and her family move to an all-white town in Vermont, where Mimi's mixed-race background and interest in "boyish" topics like astronomy make her feel like an outsider.

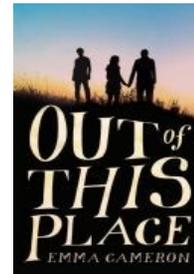


**The Crossover** By Kwame Alexander

Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health.

**Out Of This Place** By Emma Cameron

Follows three teens who struggle with hardscrabble realities, from Luke, who works at the local supermarket and tries to stay out of trouble; to Bongo, who drinks to avoid his abusive family; to Casey, who longs to escape her controlling father.



**Paper Hearts** By Meg Wiviott

Amid the brutality of Auschwitz during the Holocaust, a forbidden gift helps two teenage girls find hope, friendship, and the will to live in this novel in verse that's based on a true story.



**5 to 1** By Holly Bodger

In a dystopian future where gender selection has led to girls outnumbering boys 5 to 1 marriage is arranged based on a series of tests. It's Sudasa's turn to pick a husband through this 'fair' method, but she's not sure she wants to be a part of it.

**American Ace** By Marilyn Nelson

Sixteen-year-old Connor tries to help his severely depressed father, who learned upon his mother's death that Nonno was not his biological father, by doing research that reveals Dad's father was probably a Tuskegee Airman.

