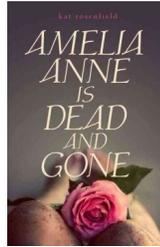


Bitter End by Jennifer Brown
Alex is neglected by her father and starts dating new boy Cole at her school. Her two closest friends increasingly mistrust him as the relationship grows more serious.

Amelia Anne is Dead and Gone

by Kat Ronsenfield
Unveils the details of a horrific murder, its effects on permanent and summer residents of the small Appalachian town where the body is discovered, and especially how the related violence shakes eighteen-year-old Becca's determination to leave home as soon as possible.



Recovery Road by Blake Nelson

While she is in a rehabilitation facility for drug and alcohol abuse, seventeen-year-old Maddie meets Stewart, who is also in treatment, and they begin a relationship, which they try to maintain after they both get out.



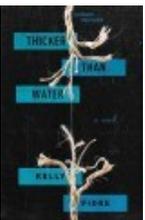
Paperweight by Meg Haston

Enduring regimented and intrusive treatment at an eating-disorder center, seventeen-year-old Stevie is haunted by guilt for her brother's fatal accident and secretly plans to commit suicide on the anniversary of his death.



Thicker than Water by Kelly Fiore

Arrested for dealing drugs and playing a part in her brother's death, CeCe reflects on the injury that led to her brother's drug addiction and her fateful decision to steal and sell his drugs to protect him and save money.



But I Love Him by Amanda Grace
Traces, through the course of a year, Ann's transformation from a happy A-student, track star, and popular senior to a solitary, abused woman whose love for the emotionally-scarred Connor has taken away everything—even herself.



The Last Time We Say Goodbye by Cynthia Hand

After her younger brother, Tyler, commits suicide, Lex struggles to work through her grief in the face of a family that has fallen apart, the sudden distance between her and her friends, and memories of Tyler that still feel all too real.



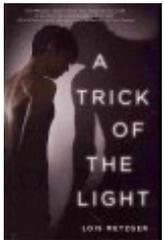
Kindness for Weakness

by Shawn Goodman
A fifteen-year-old boy from an abusive home desperately seeking his older brother's love and approval starts pushing drugs for him and suffers the consequences.



A Trick of the Light

by Lois Metzger
Fifteen-year-old Mike desperately attempts to take control as his parents separate and his life falls apart.



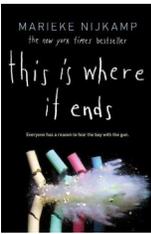
The Girl who Fell by S.M. Parker

When new boy in school, Alec, sweeps Zephyr off her feet, their passionate romance takes a dangerous and possessive turn when Alec begins manipulating Zephyr.



This is where it ends

by Marieke Nijkamp
Minutes after the principal of Opportunity High School in Alabama finishes her speech welcoming the student body to a new semester, they discover that the auditorium doors will not open and someone starts shooting as four teens, each with a personal reason to fear the shooter, tell the tale from separate perspectives.



Clean by Amy Lynn Reed

A group of teens in a Seattle-area rehabilitation center form an unlikely friendship as they begin to focus less on their own problems with drugs and alcohol by reaching out to help a new member, who seems to have even deeper issues to resolve.



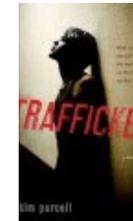
Keep Holding On

by Susane Colasanti
Bullied at school and neglected by her poor, self-absorbed, single mother at home, high school junior Noelle finally reaches the breaking point after a classmate commits suicide.



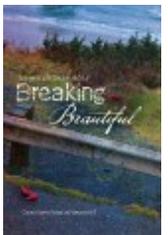
Trafficked by Kim Purcell

A seventeen-year-old Moldovan girl whose parents have been killed is brought to the United States to work as a slave for a family in Los Angeles.



Breaking Beautiful

by Jennifer Shaw Wolf
Allie is overwhelmed when her boyfriend, Trip, dies in a car accident, leaving her scarred and unable to recall what happened that night, but she feels she must uncover the truth, even if it could hurt the people who tried to save her from Trip's abuse.





Stronger than you know

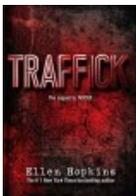
by Jolene Perry

After fifteen years of horrific abuse and neglect by her mother and her mother's boyfriends, Joy struggles to understand and accept a normal life with relatives, at school, and with a boyfriend.

Beneath a Meth Moon

by Jacqueline Woodson

After losing her mother and grandmother during Hurricane Katrina, Laurel moves to another town and becomes a methamphetamine addict.



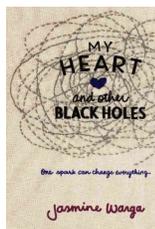
Traffick by Ellen Hopkins

Five teenagers struggle to find their way out of prostitution.

My heart and Other Black Holes

by Jasmine Warga

Seventeen-year-old Aysel's hobby--planning her own death--take a new path when she meets a boy who has a similar plan of his own.



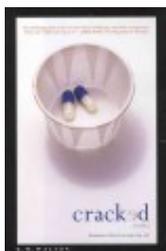
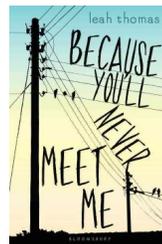
Butter by Erin Jade Lange

Unable to control his binge eating, a morbidly obese teenager nicknamed Butter decides to make a live webcast of his last meal as he attempts to eat himself to death.

Because You'll Never Meet Me

by Leah Thomas

Ollie, who has seizures when near electricity, lives in a backwoods cabin with his mother and rarely sees other people, and Moritz, born with no eyes and a heart defect that requires a pacemaker, is bullied at his high school, but when a physician who knows both suggests they begin corresponding, they form a strong bond that may get them through dark times.

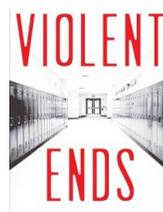


Cracked by K.M. Walton

When Bull Mastrick and Victor Konig wind up in the same psychiatric ward at age sixteen, each recalls and relates in group therapy the bullying relationship they have had since kindergarten, but also facts about themselves and their families that reveal they have much in common.

Violent Ends: A novel in Seventeen Points of View

Relates how one boy--who had friends, enjoyed reading, playing saxophone in the band, and had never been in trouble before--became a monster capable of entering his high school with a loaded gun and firing on his classmates, as told from the viewpoints of several victims.



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