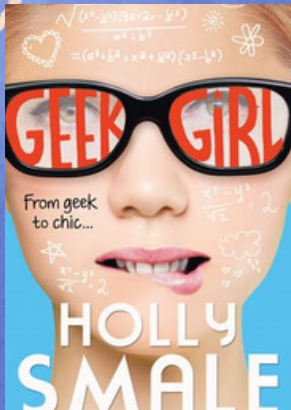


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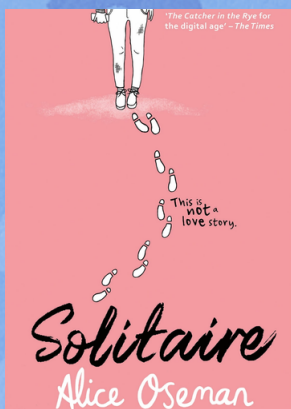
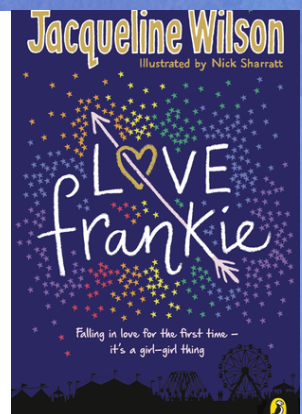
#### **GEEK GIRL** by Holly Smale

Harriet Manners is a geek. She always has been, and she thought she always would be—but when she's discovered by a modeling agent, she leaps at the chance to reinvent herself.

There's only one problem: Harriet is the definition of awkward. Can she transform from geek to chic?

#### **LOVE FRANKIE** by Jacqueline Wilson

Frankie is nearly fourteen and teenage life certainly comes with its ups and downs. Her mum is ill with MS and Frankie can feel herself growing up quickly, no thanks to Sally and her gang of bullies at school. When Sally turns out to be not-so-mean after all, they strike up a friendship and are suddenly spending all of their time together. But Frankie starts to wonder whether these feelings she has for Sally are stronger than her other friendships. Might she really be in love? Frankie doesn't want Sally to just be her friend. She wants her to be her girlfriend. But does Sally feel the same?

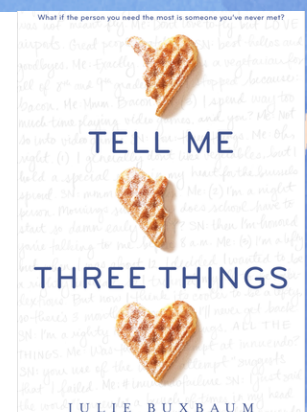


#### **SOLITAIRE** by Alice Oseman

In case you're wondering, this is not a love story. My name is Tori Spring. I like to sleep and I like to blog. Last year - before all that stuff with Charlie and before I had to face the harsh realities of A-Levels and university applications and the fact that one day I really will have to start talking to people - I had friends. Things were very different, I guess, but that's all over now. Now there's Solitaire. And Michael Holden. I don't know what Solitaire are trying to do, and I don't care about Michael Holden. I really don't.

#### **TELL ME THREE THINGS** by Julie Buxbaum

Jessie, a teenager who has her life changed forever when her mother dies and her father elopes with a stranger. She struggles with her identity and her place in the jungle of Wood Valley High School as she suffers everything from the popular girls' mean comments to falls in the classroom. Then she receives an anonymous email from someone called "SN," short for Somebody/Nobody," a stranger who gives her advice on how to survive. It is sweet and filled with mystery. SN seems to know her too well. Who could it really be?



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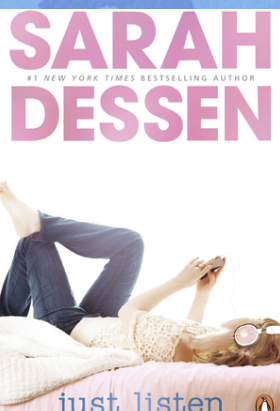


#### LOOKING FOR ALASKA by John Green

Miles Halter's whole life has been one big non-event until he starts at anything-but-boring Culver Creek Boarding School and meets Alaska Young. Gorgeous, clever, funny, sexy, screwed up and utterly fascinating she pulls Miles into her world, launches him into a new life, and steals his heart. But when tragedy strikes, and Miles comes face-to-face with death he discovers the value of living and loving unconditionally. Nothing will ever be the same.

#### ALL THE BRIGHT PLACES by Jennifer Niven

When Theodore Finch and Violet Markey meet on the ledge of the bell tower at school, it's unclear who saves whom. And when they pair up on a project to discover the "natural wonders" of their state, both Finch and Violet make more important discoveries: It's only with Violet that Finch can be himself—a weird, funny, live-out-loud guy who's not such a freak after all. And it's only with Finch that Violet can forget to count away the days and start living them. But as Violet's world grows, Finch's begins to shrink.



#### JUST LISTEN by Sarah Dessen

Last year, Annabel was "the girl who has everything". This year, she's the girl who has nothing: no best friend because mean-but-exciting Sophie dropped her, no peace at home since her older sister became anorexic, and no one to sit with at lunch. Until she meets Owen Armstrong. Tall, dark, and music-obsessed, Owen is a reformed bad boy with a commitment to truth-telling. With Owen's help, maybe Annabel can face what happened the night she and Sophie stopped being friends.

#### ANGUS, THONGS AND FULL FRONTAL SNOGGING by Louise Rennison

Her dad's got the mentality of a Teletubby (only not so developed). Her cat, Angus, is trying to eat the poodle next door. And her best friend thinks she looks like an alien -- just because she accidentally shaved off her eyebrows. Ergghhhlack. Still, add a little boy-stalking, teacher-baiting, and full-frontal snogging with a Sex God, and Georgia's year just might turn out to be the most fabbitty fab fab ever!

