

The bone houses

by Emily Lloyd–Jones

Enduring a meager existence as a gravedigger after the death of her parents, Ryn teams up with apprentice mapmaker Ellis to stop an undead plague linked to a decades-old curse. ages 14 & up



One for sorrow : a ghost story

by Mary Downing Hahn

Schoolgirl Annie Brown stops being friends with unpopular Elsie, but after Elsie dies in the influenza pandemic of 1918, she returns as a ghost, determined to have her revenge against Annie. ages 10 & up



Broken circle

by J. L. Powers

When a strange man with a gold medallion confronts Adam's father about Adam's "true destiny," Adam is thrown into the world of entities charged with shepherding souls of the newly dead, who compete to control territories where nightmares are real. ages 12 & up





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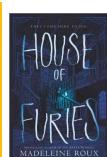
















The glare

by Margot Harrison

Moving to her father's home in California after a decade at her mother's isolated ranch, a teen who has been taught to fear technology reunites with friends and family members before experiencing nightmares about a dark-web video game that poses life-threatening dangers. ages 12 & up



Small spaces

by Katherine Arden

After eleven-year-old Ollie's school bus mysteriously breaks down on a field trip, she has to venture through frightening woods, relying on her wits to survive and sticking to small spaces. ages 8 & up



Ghost : thirteen haunting tales to tell

by Illustratus

A collection of thirteen original ghost stories, some in rhyme, by Blaise Hemingway and Jesse Reffsin, accompanied by illustrations by Chris Sasaki and Jeff Turley. ages 9 & up



Wilder girls

by Rory Power

Friends Hetty, Byatt, and Reece go to extremes trying to uncover the dark truth about the mysterious disease that has had them quarantined at their boarding school on a Maine island. ages 12 & up



Rot & Ruin

by Jonathan Maberry

In a post-apocalyptic world where fences and border patrols guard the few people left from the zombies that have overtaken civilization, fifteenyear-old Benny Imura is finally convinced that he must follow in his older brother's footsteps and become a bounty hunter. ages 13 & up



House of salt and sorrows

by Erin A. Craig

On a remote island estate, Annaleigh Thaumas, the sixth-born of twelve sisters, enlists the aid of an alluring stranger to unravel the family curse before it claims her life in this twist on The Twelve Dancing Sisters. ages 14 & up



The girl with all the gifts

by Mike Carey

A little girl who is detained by the military, restrained in a wheelchair, and goes to school while heavily guarded doesn't truly understand why she is special until it is up to her to save the world. ages 13 & up



House of furies

by Madeleine Roux

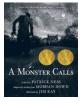
Escaping from her harsh school before taking work as a maid in a northern England boarding house, Louisa gradually realizes that her mysterious employer and his staff execute cruel judgments on the guests. ages 13 & up



Hide and seeker

by Daka Hermon

Joining his friends for a game of hide-and-seek at the welcome back party of a young neighbor who mysteriously went missing for a year and came back rather changed, Justin watches in horror as players are pulled into a nightmarish alternate world where they are terrorized by a mysterious Seeker. ages 10 & up



A monster calls : a novel

by Patrick Ness

Thirteen-year-old Conor awakens one night to find a monster outside his bedroom window, but not the one from the recurring nightmare that began when his mother became ill, but an ancient, wild creature that wants him to face truth and loss. ages 11 & up