

# Summer Reads 2021

## Teen Services Recommendations



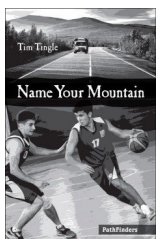
### *You Have a Match*

Lord, Emma

[YA LORD](#)

When the DNA service reveals Abby has a secret sister, shimmery-haired Instagram star Savannah Tully, it's hard to believe they're from the same planet, never mind the same parents. The logical course of action? Meet up at summer camp and figure out the mystery of why Abby's parents gave Savvy up for adoption.

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### *Name Your Mountain*

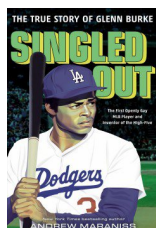
(No Name Series, Book 1)

Tingle, Tim

[YA TINGLE](#)

Everything is looking great for Bobby Byington and his best friend, Cherokee Johnny, as their high school basketball team prepares for an important game. But just when things seem to be going really well, someone tries to take the life of Cherokee Johnny's father. Bobby is determined to help his friend's family but feels useless until he gets some ingenious ideas that can aid the police. When the night of the big game arrives, Johnny and his family are allowed out of hiding so he can play. The action on the court provides a riveting backdrop for this suspense-filled adventure.

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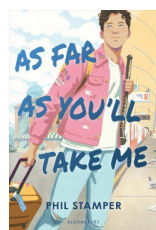
### *Singed Out: The True Story of Glenn Burke*

Maraniss, Andrew

[YA 796.357 MAR](#)

This photograph-heavy biography documents the remarkable life of the lesser-known Los Angeles Dodgers outfielder, sharing insight into how Glenn Burke navigated painful obstacles to break barriers for LGBTQ+ athletes, inventing the "high five" along the way.

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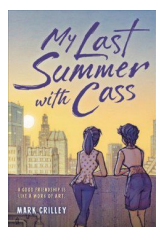
### *As Far As You'll Take Me*

Stamper, Phil

[YA STAMPER](#)

Seventeen-year-old Marty Pierce leaves small-town Kentucky for London, hoping to explore his sexuality and find work playing oboe, but homesickness, anxiety, and his dwindling savings worsen even as his dreams are coming true.

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### *My Last Summer With Cass*

Crilley, Mark

[YA GN CRILLEY](#)

A coming-of-age graphic novel follows the experiences of childhood friends Megan and Cass, who approach a crossroad in their lives and art during a visit to the latter's very different new home in New York City.



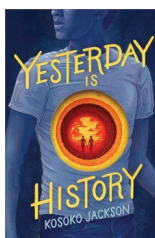
### *The Gilded Ones*

Forna, Namina

[YA FORNA](#)

Inspired by the culture of West Africa, a feminist fantasy debut traces the experiences of an intuitive girl who is invited to leave her discriminatory village to join the emperor's army of near-immortal women warriors.

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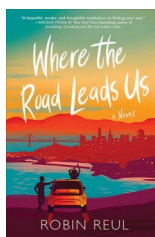
### *Yesterday Is History*

Jackson, Kosoko

[YA JACKSON](#)

After a liver transplant, Andre suddenly becomes a time traveler, but is his soulmate Michael, who lives in 1969, or Blake, his donor's brother, who is training him in 2021?

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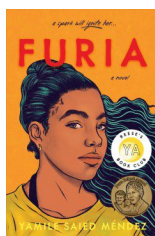
### *Where The Road Leads Us*

Reul, Robin

[YA REUL](#)

Told in separate voices, Jack and Hallie, eighteen-year-olds facing separate crises, discover who they are meant to be while taking a spontaneous road trip together.

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### *Furia*

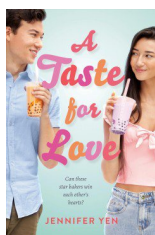
Mendez, Yamile Saied

[YA MENDEZ](#)

Seventeen-year-old Camila Hassan, a rising soccer star in Rosario, Argentina, dreams of playing professionally, in defiance of her fathers' wishes and at the risk of her budding romance with Diego.

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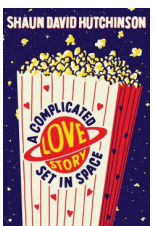
### *A Taste For Love*

Yen, Jennifer

[YA YEN](#)

Both high school senior Liza Yang and her mother share a love and talent for baking but disagree on the subject of dating, especially when Mrs. Yang turns her annual baking contest into a matchmaking scheme.

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### *A Complicated Love Story Set in Space*

Hutchinson, Shaun David

[YA HUTCHINS](#)

Noa, DJ, and Jenny awake on a spaceship called Qriosity just as it's about to explode. Together, the three face all the dangers of space, along with murder, aliens, a school dance, and one really, really bad day. But none of this can prepare Noa for the biggest challenge--falling in love.

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***The Project***  
Summers, Courtney [YA SUMMERS](#)  
[YA F SUMMERS CD BOOK](#)

Lo Denham, wants to expose the Unity Project as a cult and reconnect with her indoctrinated sister, but as she immerses herself in the group with no signs of Bea, Lo begins to question everything she thought was true.

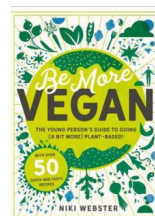
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***Sorcery of Thorns***  
Rogerson, Margaret [YA ROGERSON](#)  
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When apprentice librarian Elisabeth is implicated in sabotage that released the library's most dangerous grimoire, she becomes entangled in a centuries-old conspiracy that could mean the end of everything.

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***Be More Vegan***  
Webster, Niki [YA 641 WEB](#)

Want to be a bit more vegan? This book shows you how. Whether you're ready to commit to a fully plant-based lifestyle or you'd just like to add a few meat-free dishes to your weekly meal plan, this is the ideal guide.



***This Is How We Fly***  
Meriano, Anna [YA MERIANO](#)

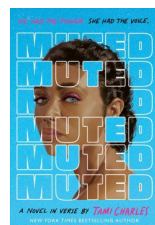
Grounded for the summer by her sometimes-evil stepmother, seventeen-year-old vegan feminist Ellen Lopez-Rourke gets permission to join a Quidditch team, where she makes new, if nerdy, friends.

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***Strange Academy: First Class***  
Young, Skottie [YA GN YOUNG](#)

The world has mysteriously changed in such an alarming way that Doctor Strange has finally done what he has avoided for decades--established an academy for the Mystic Arts! But with so many new and deadly magical menaces lurking out there, is the Academy too little too late?! School's in session -- and it's going to be spellbinding!



***Muted***  
Charles, Tami [YA CHARLES](#)

This novel in verse, inspired by true events, traces the experiences of a talented singer who wants to escape her all-white community before catching the attention of an R&B star who gives her access to fame and luxury in exchange for unscrupulous sacrifices.

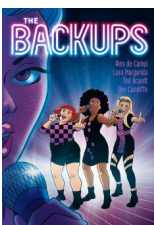
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***Fat Chance, Charlie Vega***  
Maldonado, Crystal [YA MALDONAD](#)

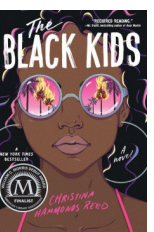
A plus-sized Latina's struggle to forge a healthy relationship with her own body is challenged by her mother's insensitivity, her popular best friend and personal doubts about a new boyfriend's ability to see her as she truly is.

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***The Backups : A Summer of Stardom***  
De Campi, Alex [YA GN CAMPI](#)

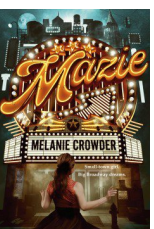
Spending an entire summer on tour as a backup singer for pop star Nika Nitro? What?! That's the DREAM, right? Especially for Jenni, Lauren, and Maggie, three misfit performing arts students with hopes of making it in the music world. But being twenty feet from fame isn't easy. Between crushes, constant rehearsals, Nika's sky-high expectations, and their own insecurities, this dream is starting to feel more like a nightmare.



***The Black Kids***  
Hammonds Reed, Christina [YA REED](#)

With the Rodney King riots closing in on high school senior Ashley and her family, the privileged bubble she has enjoyed, protecting her from the difficult realities most black people face, begins to crumble.

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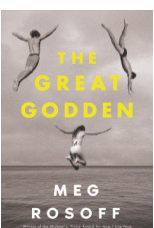


***Mazie***  
Crowder, Melanie [YA CROWDER](#)

Leaping at a chance for a Broadway audition, a teen from 1950s Nebraska endures brutal but thrilling auditions, before dwindling resources and a challenge to her personal beliefs force her to reevaluate her priorities.

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***The Great Godden***  
Rosoff, Meg [YA ROSOFF](#)

At the house on the beach, everything is always the same. Summer unspools in days of sticky heat and lazy beach walks, the family only reconvening for lantern-lit suppers in the garden with the sea a constant roar in the background. Predictable, familiar -- and easy. But everything changes with the arrival of the Godden brothers.



***Punching The Air***  
Zoboi, Ibi Aanu [YA ZOBOI](#)  
[YA F ZOBOI CD BOOK](#)

Traces the story of a young artist and poet whose prospects at a diverse art school are threatened by a racially biased system and a tragic altercation in a gentrifying neighborhood.

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