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Turtles All the Way Down

By John Green

"*Turtles All the Way Down* has all the hallmarks of John Green's work: an elusive mystery, offbeat but endearing friendships, and a healthy worship of nerd culture (this time Star Wars fan fiction). This long-awaited new novel is an intimate examination of living with mental illness, an issue which with Green shares a personal relationship. Avid fans can expect to laugh, cry, and pass this book on to everyone they know; Green's words are the kind that are best shared."

—Sami Thomason, Square Books, Oxford, MS

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The Hazel Wood

By Melissa Albert

"Bad luck bites at the heels of Alice and her mother wherever they go. It only manages to get worse once they find out that Alice's grandmother, an author of dark fairy tales, has died. After her mother is abducted by a character from her grandmother's fairy tales, Alice has to enlist the help of Ellery Finch, one of her grandmother's super-fans with his own motives to assist her. Dark, intriguing, and absolutely wonderful, *The Hazel Wood* is bound to pull in any reader and not let go."

—Jordan April, the river's end bookstore, Oswego, NY

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The Cruel Prince

By Holly Black

"The intersection of faerie and human worlds has long been one of Black's favorite places. In *The Cruel Prince*, Jude and her two sisters came to the High Court after their mother's brutal murder. Desperate to fit in and truly belong in the beguiling, tempting, dark faerie world, Jude is willing to do almost anything, and her choices put her on a dangerous path. Once again, Holly Black entices and enchants readers."

—Margaret Neville, The King's English, Salt Lake City, UT

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Love, Hate & Other Filters

By Samira Ahmed

"Sometimes you pick up a book that makes you laugh. Sometimes you pick up a book that makes you cry. Sometimes you pick up a book that makes you love. And sometimes, just sometimes, you are lucky enough to pick up a book that makes you do all three. *Love, Hate & Other Filters* is that book. It is filled with the power of expectations. Some are expectations Maya sets for herself, some are expectations her parents place upon her, and some are expectations that classmates jump to because of prejudice. Ahmed has written a book that will sucker-punch you with emotions—much like teen life, it is cute one minute and raw the next. It is a masterpiece."

—Rachel Strolle, Anderson's Bookshop, Naperville, IL

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Just Like Jackie

By Lindsey Stoddard

"Robinson loves her grandfather more than anything, even more than her three favorite things: baseball, fixing cars, and making maple syrup. Her grandfather is the only family she has, or so she believes, until a school project makes Robinson rethink what family really means. Robinson is a little girl with a giant spirit and personality who just wants to live up to her namesake, Jackie Robinson. This sweet story is a home run in my eyes."

—Holly Alexander, The Book Stall at Chestnut Court, Winnetka, IL

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The Dangerous Art of Blending In

By Angelo Surmelis

"*The Dangerous Art of Blending In* is a beautiful, captivating, and heartbreaking story about a teenage boy, Evan, overcoming extensive abuse at the hands of his parents. Evan can't help but feel like an outsider due to his immigrant status and his sexuality. This book is uplifting and hopeful through to the end, which is astounding given the content. It breaks my heart that this is based on the author's own childhood, but I am so glad that he has chosen to share his story. It will be a great resource for teens who are struggling with abuse, their own sexuality, or feeling like an outsider."

—Kristen Beverly, Half Price Books, Dallas, TX

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You'll Miss Me When I'm Gone

By Rachel Lynn Solomon

"Twins Tovah and Adina are completely different in almost every way. Their one commonality? The genes they share with their dying mother. Each twin has a 50/50 chance that their bright future may be cut short with the same genetic disorder, and, now 18, they can finally find out their fate. After the genetic test results are in, they have to reexamine what it means to live and to be ready to die. This is an honest and heartwarming story about luck, love, and trusting your fate."

—Kim Bissell, Broadway Books, Portland, OR

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My Brigadista Year

By Katherine Paterson

"In the vein of *I Am Malala* and *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* comes this fascinating novel featuring a young Cuban girl, a Brigadista, sharing her love of books and reading in Fidel Castro's Cuba. This beautiful, powerful, and surprising book gives insight into a Cuba most Americans have never seen and into the life of a young girl willing to risk everything she has to share her love of the written word with others."

—Angie Tally, The Country Bookshop, Southern Pines, NC

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The Very Very Very Long Dog

By Julia Patton

“Bartelby doesn’t know that his bottom is causing mischief and mayhem throughout the city when he is taken on his daily walk. He is, after all, a very, very, very long dog and just can’t tell where his bottom is! But Bartelby has the best kind of friends—they love him just the way he is and are there to help! Readers will love their solution to Bartelby’s bottom problem. Author and illustrator Julia Patton’s *The Very Very Very Long Dog* is sure to delight all young readers with its heartwarming story of friendship and unique illustrations. This is an adorable story about an adorable dog and his wonderful friends.”

—Emily Clare, Purple Tree Books, Cheboygan, MI

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Love

By Matt de la Peña, Loren Long (Illus.)

“Love is all around us, and it shines brightly through Matt de la Peña’s gorgeous words and Loren Long’s beautiful, inclusive illustrations. This book is a great way to teach little ones about love and would make a perfect gift for loved ones of any age. This is a book to treasure.”

—Melissa Oates, Fiction Addiction, Greenville, SC

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