Coming-of-Age Stories for Teens

Afterworlds by Scott Westerfeld
Postponing college to visit New York in the hope of publishing her novel, Darcy Patel meets seasoned and fledgling writers who help her navigate the city and publishing industry.

First there was forever by Juliana Romano
Tenth-graders Lima and Hailey have always been best friends, but now Hailey is chasing after a more popular crowd, and Lima connects not only with a different popular group, she gets close to Hailey's long-term crush, Nate.

Freak the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick
At the beginning of eighth grade, learning disabled Max and his new friend Freak, whose birth defect has affected his body but not his brilliant mind, find that when they combine forces they make a powerful team.

Girl online by Zoe Sugg
Penny blogs about her life including her panic attacks, and when things get worse, her family take her to New York where Penny falls for a boy who has a secret that might ruin her online cover and her closest friendship.
Paper towns
by John Green
One month before graduating, Quentin "Q" Jacobsen basks in the boringness of his life until the beautiful and exciting Margo Roth Spiegelman takes him on a midnight adventure and then mysteriously disappears.

The strange and beautiful sorrows of Ava Lavender
by Leslye Walton
Born with bird wings into a family cursed to be foolish in love, 16-year-old Ava delves into her family's past hoping to understand her unusual nature and learn to fit in with her peers.

Why we took the car
by Wolfgang Herrndorf
Mike is a troubled 14-year-old from Berlin who thinks of himself as boring, so when a Russian juvenile delinquent called Tschick begins to pay attention to him and include Mike in his criminal activities, he is excited.

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