Diverse Female Protagonists

Teen Services Recommendations
E-Library Edition

**Jewish Identity - Huntington’s Disease**

**You’ll Miss Me When I’m Gone**
Solomon, Rachel Lynn  
**YA SOLOMON**

A poignant, lyrical debut novel about twins who navigate first love, their Jewish identity, and shocking results from a genetic test that determines their fate—whether they inherited their mother’s Huntington’s disease.

**POC, Black Female Race Relations Fiction**

**The Hate U Give**
Thomas, Angie  
**YA THOMAS**

Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Khalil was unarmed.

**POC, Black Female Race Relations Fiction**

**When Dimple Met Rishi**
Menon, Sandhya  
**YA MENON**

When Dimple Shah and Rishi Patel meet at a Stanford University summer program, Dimple is avoiding her parents’ obsession with “marriage prospects” but Rishi hopes to woo her into accepting arranged marriage with him.

**Japanese American**

**I Love You so Mochi**
Kuhn, Sarah  
**YA KUHN**

Kimi Nakamura loves nothing more than transforming the outfits of her friends into expressions of their “Ultimate Selves” but her mother thinks it is a waste of time. After a huge fight, Kimi makes the decision to accept her grandparents’ invitation to Kyoto where she is surrounded by her heritage, which is simultaneously foreign and familiar, and the environment helps her understand her mother better than ever before.

**Afro-Latinx - Dominican-American Fiction**

**With the Fire on High**
Acevedo, Elizabeth  
**YA ACEVEDO**

Ever since she got pregnant freshman year, Emoni Santiago’s life has been about making the tough decisions -- doing what has to be done for her daughter and her abuela. The one place she can let all that go is in the kitchen, where she adds a little something magical to everything she cooks, turning her food into straight-up goodness.

**Muslim-American Dystopian Fiction**

**Internment**
Ahmed, Samira  
**YA AHMED**

A terrifying, futuristic United States where Muslim-Americans are forced into internment camps, and seventeen-year-old Layla Amin must lead a revolution against complicit silence.

**POC, Rap Musicians**

**Let Me Hear a Rhyme**
Jackson, Tiffany D.  
**YA JACKSON**

Brooklyn, 1998. Biggie Smalls was right: Things done changed. But that doesn’t mean that Quadril and Jarrell are cool letting their best friend Steph’s music lie forgotten under his bed after he’s murdered—not when his rhymes could turn any Bed Stuy corner into a party.

**LGBTQ+ - Bisexuality, Bipolar Disorder**

**Little & Lion**
Colbert, Brandy  
**YA COLBERT**

Suzette returns home to Los Angeles from boarding school and grapples with her bisexual identity when she and her brother Lionel fall in love with the same girl, pushing Lionel’s bipolar disorder to spin out of control and forcing Suzette to confront her own demons.
In a world dominated by the brutal Vathek empire, eighteen-year-old Amani is a dreamer. She dreams of what life was like before the occupation; she dreams of writing poetry like the old-world poems she adores; she dreams of receiving a sign from Dihya that one day, she, too, will have adventure, and travel beyond her isolated home.

No one in modern-day Seoul believes in the old fables anymore, which makes it the perfect place for Gu Miyoung and her mother to hide in plain sight. Miyoung is a Gumiho, a nine-tailed fox, who must eat the souls of men to survive.

A lovesick teenager schemes to win the heart of her crush at her amusement park summer job, all while dressed as a hot dog.