

Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers 2010

Fiction

Anderson, Laurie Halse. *Wintergirls*. 2009. Viking Juvenile, \$17.99 (9780670011100). Dying to be thin.

Baratz-Logsted, Lauren. *Crazy Beautiful*. 2009. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Children's Book Group, \$16.00 (9780547223070). Beauty meets "The Beast," 2010.

Babygirl Drama Series

Daniels, Babygirl. *16 on the Block* (series #1). 2009. Urban Books, \$11.95 (9781601621849). From group home to highrise.

Daniels, Babygirl. *16 1/2 on the Block* (series #2). 2009. Urban Books, \$11.95 (9781601621832). Why did Latina spend three years in a Detention Home for Girls?

Daniels, Babygirl. *Sister, Sister* (series #3). 2009. Urban Books, \$9.95 (9781601621542). Twin vs. twin.

Daniels, Babygirl. *Glitter* (series #4). 2009. Urban Books, \$9.95 (9781601621986). Pregnant and scared. Is there anyone to trust?

de la Pena, Matt. *We Were Here*. 2009. Random House, \$17.99 (9780385736671). Miguel did something awful.

Drama High Series

Divine, L. *Drama High # 6: Courtin' Jayd*. 2008. Dafina/Kensington, \$9.95 (978-0-7582-2536-8). Boys, babies and hair.

Divine, L. *Drama High #7: Hustlin'*. 2009. Dafina/Kensington, \$9.95 (9780758231055). Jayd's ups and downs.

Divine, L. *Drama High #8: Keep it Movin'*. 2009. Dafina/Kensington, \$9.95 (9780758231079). Wheels and weaves.

Draper, Sharon M. *Just Another Hero*. 2009. Simon & Schuster/Antheneum, \$16.99 (97814169070080). Something's going down at Hazelwood High.

Efaw, Amy. *After*. 2009. Viking Juvenile, \$12.23 (9780670011834). Baby in the dumpster – why?

Elkeles, Simone. *Perfect Chemistry*. 2008. Walker Books, \$9.99 (9780802798220). Gang member and cheerleader: it's not exactly love at first sight.

Fahy, Thomas. *Sleepless.* 2009. Simon and Schuster. \$12.47 (9781416959014). Sleepwalking killers.

Forman, Gail. *If I Stay.* 2009. Dutton Children's Books, \$16.99 (9780525421030). This life or the afterlife?

Harmon, Michael. *Brutal.* 2009. Knopf, \$16.99 (9780375940996). Taking down the status quo.

Johnson, LouAnne. *Muchacho.* 2009. Random House/Knopf, \$15.99 (9780375961175). In Alt Ed and angry, can he keep his promise to mom?

Gifted Series

Kaye, Marilyn. *Gifted: Out of Sight, Out of Mind.* (series #1). 2009. Kingfisher, \$7.95 (9780753416495). Queen of Mean trapped in the life of unpopular Tracey.

Kaye, Marilyn. *Gifted: Better Late Than Never* (series #2). 2009. Kingfisher, \$7.99 (9780753463000). Jenna's dad finally shows up. Too good to be true?

Kaye, Marilyn. *Gifted: Here Today, Gone Tomorrow.* (series #3). 2009. Kingfisher, \$7.95 (9780753463109). Kidnapped to commit crimes, can super powers save them?

Kimani Tru

Byrd, A.J. *Chasing Romeo.* (A BFF novel -#1). 2009. Kimani Tru, 9.99 (9780373830909). BFFs crushing on the same boy leads to major trouble!

Duck, Phillip Thomas. *Dirty Jersey* (series #1). 2008. Kimani Tru, \$9.99 (9780373830947). Fame is fickle and can have a price.

Duck, Phillip Thomas. *Dirty South* (series #2). 2009. Kimani Tru, \$9.99 (9780373831425). Family and feuds, is there a way out?

McKayhan, Monica. *Jaded.* (An Indigo Novel -#4). 2008. Kimani Tru, \$9.99 (9780373830992). Can Jade handle her boyfriend's secrets?

McKayhan, Monica. *Deal With It.* (An Indigo Novel -#5). 2009. Kimani Tru, \$9.99 (9780373831418). Friends face off over dance team drama.

Norfleet, Celeste O. *Fast Forward.* (Kenisha Series -#2). 2009. Kimani Tru, \$9.99 (9780373831340). Is the hot new guy telling truths or lies?

Pride, Felicia. *Patterson Heights.* 2009. Kimani Tru, \$9.99 (9780373831487). Avery's brother has been shot — should he avenge his murder?

Sarkar, Dona. *Shrink to Fit.* 2008. Kimani Press, \$9.99 (9780373830954). Leah's "Thinspirations" will make all her dreams come true. Won't they?

Sewell, Earl. *Lesson Learned* (A Keysha Novel - #3). 2009. Kimani Press, \$9.99 (9780373831166). Keysha's mom is out of jail, Mike tries on his player game.

Sewell, Earl. *Decision Time* (A Keysha Novel - #4). 2009. Kimani Press, \$9.99 (9780373831722). Will Lori steal Keysha's man, while Keysha's on stage?

Sparks, Chandra Taylor. *The Pledge.* (A Worth-the-Wait Novel #1). 2009. Kimani Press, \$9.99 (9780373830985). It was easy to save herself for marriage until she met Allen.

Knowles, Jo. *Jumping Off Swings.* 2009. Candlewick Press, \$16.99 (9780763639495). One pregnancy seen through the eyes of four friends.

Denim Diaries Series

Lee, Darrien. *Denim Diaries Book 1: Sixteen Going on Twenty-One* (series). 2009. Urban Renaissance, \$9.95 (9781933967714). True love since kindergarten.

Lee, Darrien. *Denim Diaries Book 2: Grown in Sixty Seconds* (series). 2009. Urban Renaissance, \$9.95 (9781933967721). Expecting a child, missing their best friends.

Lee, Darrien. *Denim Diaries Book 3: Queen of the Yard* (series). 2009. Urban Renaissance, \$9.95 (9781933967776). Will the gang life let her go?

Lee, Darrien. *Denim Diaries Book 4: Broken Promises* (series). 2009. Urban Renaissance, \$9.95. (9781933967745). What could wreck the perfect family?

Lynch, Janet Nichols. *Messed Up.* 2009. Holiday House, \$17.95 (9780823421855). Mom's in prison, dad's gone, can RD make it on his own?

Mac, Carrie. *Jacked.* 2009. Orca Book Publishers, \$9.99 (9781554691845). Sneaking away from work was a bad idea.

McCaffrey, Kate. *In Ecstasy.* 2009. Annick Press, \$21.95 (9781554511754). Best friends — sex, drugs and lies.

McClintock, Norah. *Taken.* 2009. Orca Book Publishers, \$12.95 (9781554691524). Girls missing. One found dead. Is Stephanie next?

McDaniel, Lurlene. *Breathless.* 2009. Delacorte Press, \$10.99 (9870385734592). Four friends face the toughest decision ever — life or death.

Myers, Walter Dean. *Dope Sick.* 2009. Amistad, \$16.99 (9780061214776). Life on the streets with a supernatural twist.

Reger, Rob and Gruner, Jessica. *Emily the Strange: The Lost Days*. 2009. HarperCollins, \$16.99 (9780061452291). Emily has amnesia — and that's not her only problem.

Ryan, Darlene. *Five Minutes More*. 2009. Orca, \$12.95 (9781554690060). Why would D'Arcy's dad commit suicide?

Simone, Ni-Ni. *If I Was Your Girl*. 2008. Kensington/Dafina, \$11.95 (9780758228413). From the hottest girl around to babymama.

Simone, Ni-Ni. *A Girl Like Me*. 2008. Kensington/Dafina, \$9.95 (9780758228437). Leaving the hard life to live her dream.

Simone, Ni-Ni. *Shortie Like Mine*. 2008. Kensington/Dafina, \$9.95 (9780758228390). Seven is feeling it for Josiah; rocked by her BFF's betrayal.

Dead Girl Series

Singleton, Linda Joy. *Dead Girl Walking* (series #1). 2008. Llewellyn/Flux, \$9.95 (9780738714059). Racing against time to save her brain-dead body from being unplugged.

Singleton, Linda Joy. *Dead Girl Dancing* (series #2). 2009. Llewellyn/Flux, \$9.95 (9780738714066). It's spring break — off to party in a college student's body.

Singleton, Linda Joy. *Dead Girl In Love* (series #3). 2009. Llewellyn/Flux, \$9.95 (9780738714066). Amber's in the coffin. Who's walking around in her body?

Smith, Alexander Gordon. *Lockdown: Escape from Furnace* (series #1). 2009. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, \$14.99 (9780374324919). Doing hard time for murder – a mile beneath the earth's surface.

Sniegoski, Thomas. *Legacy*. 2009. Delacorte, \$18.99 (9780385906487). Delacorte, \$15.99, (9780385737142). Uncovering the secrets of a superhero.

Stiefvater, Maggie. *Shiver*. 2009. Scholastic, \$17.99 (9780545123266). Girl + Werewolf = True Love.

Volponi, Paul. *Response*. 2009. Penguin/Viking, \$15.99 (9780670062836). Is there a justification for a racially motivated beating?

Williams, Carol Lynch. *The Chosen One*. 2009. St. Martin's/Griffin, \$16.95 (9780312555115). Can thirteen-year-old Kyra save herself from becoming her sixty-year-old uncle's seventh wife?

Nonfiction

Beckwith, Lois. *The Dictionary of High School B.S.: From Acne to Varsity, All the Funny, Lame, and Annoying Aspects of High School Life.* Orange Avenue Publishing, \$10.95 (9780979017391). High school – one definition at a time.

Blackshaw, Ric and Farrelly, Liz. *Street Art Book: 60 Artists in Their Own Words.* 2009. HarperCollins, 29.95 (9780061537325). Life, art and inspiration: graffiti artist's talk.

Borgenicht, David. *The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook: Middle School.* 2009. Chronicle Books, \$10.99 (9780811868648). How to get out alive.

Bright, J.E. *America's Next Top Model: Fierce Guide to Life: The Ultimate Source of Beauty, Fashion, and Model Behavior.* 2009. Universe, \$24.95 (9780789318596). Let your inner diva shine.

Brown, Marvelyn. *The Naked Truth: Young, Beautiful and (HIV) Positive.* 2008. Amistad, \$14.95 (9780061562396). "That boy did her scandalous." –Ezra, 16.

Nightschool Series

Chmakova, Svetlana. *Nightschool Volume 1* (series). 2009. Yen Press, \$10.99 (9780759528494). Boarding school for vampires, demons and witches.

Chmakova, Svetlana. *Nightschool Volume 2* (series). 2009. Yen Press, \$10.99 (9780759528604). The lights may be off, but monsters still walk the halls.

Clover, Sean. *The Disposable Skateboard Bible.* 2009. Gingko Press, \$39.95 (9781584233275). Ultimate guide to skateboard decks.

Conley, Erin Elisabeth; Macklin, Karen and Miller, Jake. *Crap: How to Deal with Annoying Teachers, Bosses, Backstabbers, and Other Stuff that Stinks.* 2009. Orange Avenue Publishing, \$9.99 (9780979017351). Life is crappy, but it doesn't have to wreck your day.

Cooper, Martha and Chalfant, Henry. *Subway Art: 25th Anniversary Edition.* 2009. Chronicle Books, \$40.00 (9780811868877). It's big, it's beautiful, it's classic NYC.

Davidson, Tony. *One-track Mind: a Revealing Insight into the Obsessed Minds of Men.* 2009. Random House/Virgin, \$12.95 (9780753516904). Boobs, boobs, everywhere. *Where's Waldo* for teenage boys.

Fagerstrom, Derek and Smith, Lauren. *Show Me How: 500 Things You Should Know Instructions for Life From the Everyday to the Exotic.* 2008. Collins Design, \$24.95 (9780061662571). Fighting a shark, getting out of car in a mini skirt – it's all here.

Garza, Mario. *Stuff on my Mutt.* 2009. Chronicle Books, \$12.95 (9780811868976). Wigs, Easter eggs and tiaras..... oh my!

Gavin, Francesca. *Hell Bound: New Goth Art*. 2008. Laurence King, \$24.95 (978-9-8105-7563-3). Art from the dark and disturbed.

Girdler, Chris. *The Travel Book A Journey Through Every Country in the World*. 2008. Lonely Planet Publications, \$24.99 (9781741040050). Around the world in 80 seconds.

Gray, Amy. *How to Be a Vampire: A Fangs-on Guide for the Newly Undead*. 2009. Candlewick/Weldon Owen Inc., \$14.99 (9780763649159). Thinking outside the coffin.

LOL Cat Series

Happycat, Professor and icanhascheezburger.com. *I Can Has Cheezburger?: A LOLcat Collecckshun*. 2008. Gotham, \$8.00 (9781592404094). Dis buk iz rilly funnee!

Happycat, Professor and icanhascheezburger.com. *How to Take Over Teh Wurld: A LOLcat Guide 2 Winning*. 2009. Gotham, \$8.82 (9781592405169). LOLcats r bak!

Hardwicke, Catherine. *Twilight Director's Notebook: The Story of How We Made the Movie*. 2009. Little Brown, \$17.99 (9780316070522). Behind the scenes.

Hart, Carey and Palmer, Chris. *Inked*. 2008. Artisan/Workman Publishing, \$35.00 (9781579653354). Everyone's skin has a story.

Heimber, Justin and Gomberg, David. *Would You Rather....? Gross Out: Over 300 Disgusting Dilemmas Plus Extra Pages to Make Up Your Own!* 2008. Falls Media, \$9.95 (9781934734117). Gargle blue cheese dressing for mouthwash or wear liver scented deodorant? You choose.

Horvath, David. *Ugly Guide to Being Alive and Staying that Way: Hi! It's the Uglydoll*. 2009. Random House, \$5.99 (9780375857027). Secrets of everyday life in the Ugly world.

Jacoby, Annice. *Street Art San Francisco: Mission Muralismo*. 2009. Harry N. Abrams, Inc, \$35.00 (9780810996359). Altered billboards, graffiti, murals - and more.

Janic, Susan. *Jonas Brothers Forever: The Unofficial Story of Kevin, Joe and Nick*. 2009. ECW Press, \$ 14.95 (9781550228519). All you need to know about the bros.

Jenisch, Josh. *Art of the Video Game*. 2008. Quirk, \$40.00 (9781594742774). The digital artistry of your favorites.

Komanoya, Rico. *Gothic Lolita Punk*. 2009. Collins Design, \$24.99 (9780061149955). A showcase of art and artists from Japan.

Mawji, Nasim; Doherty, Chris; and Jensen, Burt. *Hollywoof! Celebrity Dogs Bite Back*. 2008. DK Books, \$9.95. (9780756636821). What is Paris Hilton's dog really thinking?

Miller, Kerry. *Passive Aggressive Notes: Painfully Polite and Hilariously Hostile Writings from Shared Spaces the World Over.* 2008. Harper Collins, \$13.95 (9780061630590). Dear Reader, do you really need an invitation to open this book?

Minguet, Eva. *Tattoo Delirium.* 2009. Collins Design, \$29.99 (9780061740329). International tattoos.

Nardone, Tom. *Extreme Pumpkins II: take back Halloween and freak out a few more neighbors.* 2008. Penguin Group/Home Book, \$13.95 (9781557885333). Not your traditional jack-o-lantern: alien, booger-filled pumpkin, and more!

O'Meara, Stephen James. *Are You Afraid Yet? The Science Behind Scary Stuff.* 2009. Kids Can Press, \$17.95 (97815545329409). Uncover the scientific truth about the strange and unusual.

Oser, Bodhi. *Fuck the World.* 2009. Chronicle Books, \$16.95 (9780811866453). Signs all over the world — with one word added.

Pahlow, Mark. *Who Would Buy This? The Archie McPhee Story.* 2008. Accoutrements Publishing Co, \$24.95 (9780978664978). Weird and bizarre in plastic. “The donkey butt cigarette dispenser is gross cool,” – Lenox, 15.

Palladini, Doug. *Vans: Off the Wall: Stories of Sole from Vans Originals.* 2009. Abrams, \$24.95 (9780810983755). All the art and dirt.

Regan, Sally. *The Vampire Book.* 2009. Dorling Kindersley, Ltd., \$19.99 (9780756655518). All you ever wanted to know in full dead and living color.

Renn, Crystal. *Hungry: A Young Model's Story of Appetite, Ambition and the Ultimate Embrace of Curves.* 2009. Simon and Schuster, \$16.50 (9781439101230). A model's success doesn't require starvation.

Seventeen Magazine. *Mega Traumarama! Real Girls and Guys Confess More of Their Most Mortifying Moments!* 2009. Hearst, \$7.95 (9781588167309). It's funny because it's not you.

Smith, John. *Inked: Clever, Odd and Outrageous Tattoos.* 2008. teNeues, \$19.95 (9783832792800). What were they thinking?

Smith, Larry and Fershleiser, Rachel. *I Can't Keep My Own Secrets: Six-word Memoirs by Teens Famous and Obscure.* 2009. Harper Collins/HarperTeen, \$8.99, (9780061726842). Turn the page: teens' true confessions.

Cirque du Freak Manga series

Shan, Darren and Arai, Takahir. *Cirque du Freak: the Manga Vol. 1.* 2009. Yen Press, \$10.99 (9780759530416). One visit to a freak show can change your life.

Shan, Darren and Arai, Takahir. *Cirque du Freak: the Manga Vol. 2. The Vampire's Assistant.* 2009. Yen Press, \$10.99 (9780759530386). Life as a half-vampire is never easy.

Shan, Darren and Arai, Takahir. *Cirque du Freak: the Manga Vol. 3. Tunnels of Blood (series).* 2009. Yen Press, \$10.99 (9780759530430). Working for a vampire can be bloody and murderous.

Shields, Brian and Sullivan, Kevin. *WWE Encyclopedia: the Definitive Guide to World Wrestling Entertainment.* 2009. Brady Games DK, \$45.00 (9780756641900). 50 years of smackdowns.

Stenning, Paul. *The Robert Pattinson Album.* 2009. Plexus Publishing, \$16.95 (9780859654388). The full story.

Stutts, Ryan. *The Skateboarding Field Manual.* 2009. Firefly, \$19.95 (9781554073627). Skateboarding 101: evolution, tricks, etiquette and dealing with the law.

Su, Lac. *I Love Yous are for White People: A Memoir.* 2009. Harper Perennial, \$14.00 (9780061543661). Violence at home and on the streets.

Turner, Tracey. *Deadly Perils: And How to Avoid Them.* 2009. Walker & Company, \$9.99 (9780802787385)..... And then you die.

Von D, Kat. *High Voltage Tattoo.* 2009. HarperCollins, \$29.99 (9780061684388). Famed L.A. tattoo artist talks ink and rock-n-roll.

Williams, Mel. *Robert Pattinson: Fated for Fame.* 2009. Simon & Schuster/Simon Pulse, \$16.99 (9780061742125). There's more to the actor than his trademark hair: short, sweet, full of pics.

Willin, Melvyn. *Paranormal Caught on Film.* 2008. David and Charles, \$16.99 (978-0715329801). "I'm going to keep the light on," Noel, 13.