

Horror Stories

Teen Fiction Suggested Reading List

Titles located in YA Fiction or YA paperbacks by the author's last name

**Series*



The Darkside by Tom Becker

While running away from kidnappers, Jonathan stumbles upon Darkside, a terrifying and hidden part of London ruled by the descendants of Jack the Ripper, where Jonathan is in mortal danger if he can not find a way out. (Grades 7+)



Vintage: A Ghost Story by Steve Berman

A lonely 17 year old who has dreamed of meeting a different and special boy desperately seeks help from his friend Trace, a Goth girl, to free him from the clutches of a handsome ghost he has met on a rural New Jersey highway. (Grades 9+)



Anna Dressed in Blood by Kendare Blake

For three years, 17 year old Cas has carried on his father's work of dispatching the murderous dead, but everything changes when he meets Anna, a girl unlike any ghost he has faced *before*. (Grades 9+)



Hell Week by Rosemary Clement-Moore

Eager to write an insider's report on sorority rush and the activities involved during hell week, Maggie infiltrates the system as a Phantom Pledge and quickly discovers that the sisterhood is more hellish than she could have ever imagined. (Grades 9+)



Oddest of All by Bruce Coville

A collection of thrilling young adult tales, including the girl who discovers the secret of what is hidden at the bottom of the pond and the spooky Halloween mask that becomes a clue in the case of a missing child. (Grades 7+)



Nevermore by Kelly Creagh

When cheerleader Isobel Lanley is assigned to work with goth and Edgar Allen Poe fan Varen Nethers on an English project, she is swept into a horrific dream world that he has created in his mind. (Grades 9+)



Revenge of the Witch* by Joseph Delaney

Young Tom, the seventh son of a seventh son, starts work as an apprentice for the village spook, whose job is to protect ordinary folk from "ghouls, boggarts, and all manner of wicked beasties." (Grades 7+)



Something Savage and Deadly by Susan Dennard

In an alternate 19th century Philadelphia, Eleanor sets out to rescue her brother, who seems to have been captured by an evil necromancer in control of an army of Undead. (Grades 8+)



Body Finder by Kimberly Derting

Violet uses her uncanny ability to sense murderers and their victims to try to stop a serial killer who is terrorizing her town, and although her best friend and would-be boyfriend Jay promises to keep her safe, she becomes a target. (Grades 7+)



I know What You Did Last Summer by Lois Duncan

Four teenagers try to conceal their responsibility for a hit-and-run accident while being pursued by a mystery figure seeking revenge. (Grades 8+)



Fear: 13 Stories of Suspense and Horror

Thirteen blood-chilling stories from true masters of suspense, where nothing is what it seems, and no one is safe. . . . (Grades 7+)



Gothic! Ten Original Dark Tales

Vampires, ghosts, witches, and haunted houses are featured in this compilation of frightening tales. (Grades 7+)



Spellcaster by Claudia Gray

After moving to Captive's Sound, Nadia, who can tell that the town is under an evil spell, meets Mateo, whose cursed dreams predict the future, and they must work together to prevent an impending disaster that threatens the entire town. (Grades 8+)



Dr. Franklin's Island by Ann Halam

As the 3 survivors of a plane crash, Semi, Miranda, and Arnie believe they are the only people on the island, yet they soon discover they are not as Dr. Franklin, a genetic engineer, reveals himself and his twisted plans. (Grades 7+)



The Enemy by Charles Higson

After a disease turns everyone over sixteen into brainless, decomposing, flesh-eating creatures, a group of teenagers leave their shelter and set out of a harrowing journey across London to the safe haven of Buckingham Palace. (Grades 7+)



The Devouring by Simon Holt

The existence of Vours, supernatural creatures who feast on fear and attack on the eve of the winter solstice, becomes a terrifying reality for Reggie when she begins to suspect that her younger brother is one of their victims. (Grades 7+)

**Blood Ninja** by Nick Lake

After his father is murdered and a ninja saves his life, Taro discovers the connection between ninjas and vampires and finds himself being dragged into a bitter conflict between the rival lords ruling Japan. (Grades 7+)

**The Demon Queen** by Richard Lewis

Young Jesse, who knows little of his true identity, tries to keep a low profile in his new foster home, but the arrival of an eccentric new girl with seemingly supernatural powers draws him into a struggle with the forces of evil. (Grades 7+)

**Possess** by Gretchen McNeil

Enlisted to help in dangerous cases of demonic possession, a teenaged exorcist discovers a race of part-demons intent on raising their forefathers to the earth in human form. (Grades 9+)

**Killing Britney** by Sean Olin

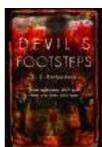
After transforming herself into one of the most popular girls in school, tragedy leads Britney to think that the so-called accidental deaths of her mother and boyfriend may have something to do with a jealous schoolmate. (Grades 7+)

**Three Quarters Dead** by Richard Peck

Kerry is overjoyed when 3 popular senior girls pick her to be in their clique, until a shocking accident sets off a string of supernatural occurrences that become more and more threatening. (Grades 8+)

**The Death Collector** by Justin Richards

Three teens and a curator of unclassified artifacts at the British Museum match wits with a madman determined to use unorthodox methods to reanimate the dead, both humans and dinosaurs. (Grades 7+)

**Devil's Footsteps** by E.E. Richardson

After the disappearance of his brother, 13 year old Bryan faces a shadowy, centuries-old evil presence known as the Dark Man that, taking the form of its victims' worst fears, stalks the town's children. (Grades 8+)

**The Dead Tossed Waves** by Carrie Ryan

Gabry lives a quiet life in a town surrounded by the dead who hunger for the living, but her mother's secrets, a cult that worships the dead, and a stranger from the forest who seems to know her threaten to destroy Gabry's world. (Grades 9+)

**The Book of Dead Days** by Marcs Sedgewick

With the help of his servant and an orphan girl, a magician named Valerian searches graveyards, churches, and underground waterways for a book he hopes will save him from a pact he has made with evil. (Grades 7+)

**Lord Loss*** by Darren Shan

The only witness to the horrific and bloody murder of his entire family, a teenage boy must outwit not only the mental health professionals determined to cure his delusion, but also the demonic forces only he can see. (Grades 9+)

**Everwild** by Neal Shusterman

Nick, is trying to find all the children in Everlost and release them from the limbo they are in, while Mikey and Allie have joined a band of skinjackers and are putting themselves in danger by visiting the world of the living. (Grades 7+)

**The Marbury Lens** by Andrew Smith

After barely escaping an attempted kidnapping, Jack goes to London with his best friend Conner, where someone gives him a pair of glasses that send him to an alternate universe where war is raging. (Grades 10+)

**Blue is For Nightmare*** by Laurie F. Stolarz

Sixteen-year-old hereditary witch Stacey Brown has nightmares of her roommate being murdered and hopes that her magick will be enough to protect Drea--unlike the last person whose death Stacey dreamed. (Grades 7+)

**The Pricker Boy** by Reade Scott Whinnem

After finding a mysterious package in the spooky woods where they have grown up, fourteen year old Sticks Cumberland and his friends are forced to consider that their childhood Bogeyman is all too real. (Grades 7+)

**The Other Life** by Susanne Winnacker

Years after a rabies mutation drove survivors into underground bunkers, Sherry teams up with Joshua, who takes her to Safe Haven and helps rescue her family while fending off part-human, part-beast creatures known as Weepers. (Grades 8+)

**Monstrumologist*** by Rick Yancey

In 1888, Will chronicles his apprenticeship with Dr. Warthrop, a New Scientist who hunts and studies real-life monsters, as they discover and attempt to destroy a pod of Anthropophagi. (Grades 8+)

