

# Humor

## Teen Fiction Suggested Reading List

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

*\*Series*



**Scrambled Eggs at Midnight** by Brad Barkley  
Alternating voices of Cal and Elliot tell a witty, offbeat story of unexpected but auspicious first love. Featuring unforgettable characters, colorful backdrops, and even a few recipes, the tale is as funny as it is romantic. (Grades 7+)



**Devine Intervention** by Martha Brockenbrough  
To graduate from heaven's soul rehabilitation program for wayward teenagers, guardian angel Jerome must keep Heidi safe, but when he accidentally lets her down, he has only 24 hours before her soul dissolves forever. (Grades 7+)



**Thwunk** by Joan Bauer  
A cupid doll comes to life and offers romantic assistance to A.J., a teenage photographer suffering from unrequited love. (Grades 7+)



**All-American Girl** by Meg Cabot  
A sophomore girl stops a presidential assassination attempt, is appointed Teen Ambassador to the United Nations, and catches the eye of the very cute First Son. (Grades 7+)



**Welcome to Wahoo** by Dennis Carr  
After being told that she must leave her European boarding school to live in Nebraska under a fake name to be safe from Mafia assassins, Victoria tries to stop a smear campaign directed at her new friend by the school's popular clique. (Grades 7+)



**Sebastian Darke: Prince of Fools** by Philip Caveney  
Accompanied by his sardonic buffalope Max, 17 year old Sebastian Darke meets a spoiled princess and a diminutive soldier who aid in his quest to become court jester to the evil King Septimus. (Grades 7+)



**Bucking the Sarge** by Christopher Paul Curtis  
Deeply involved in his cold and manipulative mother's shady business dealings, 15 year old Luther keeps a sense of humor while running the Happy Neighbor Group Home For Men, all the while dreaming of going to college and becoming a philosopher. (Grades 8+)



**Bindi Babes** by Narinder Dhani  
Fashionistas Amber, Jazz, and Geena, must concoct a clever scheme to get rid of their interfering Auntie from India who has ordered their father to put the kabash on designer clothes and expensive shoes. (Grades 7+)



**How to Ruin a Summer Vacation** by Simone Elkeles  
When sixteen-year-old Amy, a spoiled American, goes to Israel for a three-month summer vacation with a father she barely knows, she is not prepared for his Jewish family and the changes they bring about in her life. (Grades 8+)



**Into the Wild Nerd Yonder** by Julie Halpen  
When Jessie's long-term best friend transforms herself into a punk and goes after Jessie's would-be boyfriend, Jessie decides to seek true friends among classmates who play Dungeons and Dragons. (Grades 9+)



**Bad Kitty** by Michele Jaffe  
While vacationing with her family in Las Vegas, 17 year old Jasmine Callihan stumbles upon a murder mystery that she attempts to solve with the help of her friends, recently arrived from California. (Grades 9+)



**The Reformed Vampires Support Group** by C. Jinks  
Attending hated weekly support group meetings with fellow vampires trying to kick the blood drinking habit, Nina teams up with punk musician Dave when a group member is mysteriously killed. (Grades 7+)



**Son of the Mob\*** by Gordon Korman  
Vince's life is constantly complicated by the fact that he is the son of a powerful Mafia boss, a relationship that threatens to destroy his romance with the daughter of an FBI agent. (Grades 7+)



**Absolutely, Positively Not** by David Larochelle  
Chronicles a teenage boy's humorous attempts to fit in at his Minnesota high school by becoming a macho, girl-loving, "Playboy" pinup-displaying heterosexual. (Grades 7+)



**Girl, 15, Charming But Insane\*** by Sue Limb  
Teen Jess, living with her mum, separated from her father in Cornwall, and with a best friend who seems to do everything perfectly, finds her own assets through humor. (Grades 7+)



**The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks** by E. Lockhart  
Tells of the transformation of Frankie Landau-Banks who began her teenage years as a quiet member of the Debate Club and grew to become a criminal mastermind with an attitude to match. (Grades 7+)



**Bras and Broomsticks\*** by Sarah Mlynowski  
Living in New York City with her mother and her younger sister, Miri, 14 year old Rachel tries to persuade Miri, who has recently become a witch, to help her become popular at school and to try to stop their divorced father's wedding. (Grades 7+)



**Year of Secrets Assignments** by Jaclyn Moriarty  
Three female students from Ashbury High write to three male students from rival Brookfield High as part of a pen pal program, leading to romance, humiliation, revenge plots, and war between the schools. (Grades 7+)



**Sucks To Be Me: The All-True Confessions of Mina Hamilton, Teen Vampire (maybe)\*** by K. Pauley  
When Mina is forced to take a class to help her decide whether or not to become a vampire like her parents, she meets new friends and possible boyfriends in her mandatory "vampire lessons." (Grades 7+)



**Teacher's Funeral: A Comedy in Three Parts** by R. Peck  
In 1904, 15 year old Russell's dreams of quitting school and joining a wheat threshing crew are disrupted when his older sister takes over the teaching at his one-room schoolhouse after mean old Myrt Arbuckle "hauls off and dies." (Grades 7+)



**Angus, Thongs and Full-Frontal Snogging\***  
by Louise Rennison  
A British girl who tries to reduce the size of her nose, stop her mad cat from terrorizing the neighborhood animals, and win the love of handsome hunk Robbie. (Grades 8+)



**Stuff: The Life of a Cool Demented Dude**  
by Jeremy Strong  
Stuff struggles with his new stepfamily, tries to avoid a giant attack rabbit, hopes to break up with his girlfriend and connect with a new one, and creates cartoons of "Punykid's battle with drooling dorkoids." (Grades 7+)



**It's Kind of a Funny Story** by Ned Vizzini  
A humorous account of a New York City teen's battle with depression and his time spent in a psychiatric hospital. (Grades 9+)



**A Field Guide to High School** by Marissa Walsh  
Although happy that her super-popular sister won't be in high school to overshadow her when she arrives for her freshman year of high school, Andie is appreciative of the detailed guide her brilliant sister wrote for her before going off to Harvard. (Grades 7+)



**Spanking Shakespeare** by Jake Wizner  
Shakespeare Shapiro navigates a senior year fraught with feelings of insecurity while writing the memoir of his embarrassing life, worrying about his younger brother being cooler than he is, and having no prospects of ever getting a girlfriend. (Grades 10+)



**Millicent Min: Girl Genius** by Lisa Yee  
In a series of journal entries, 11 year old child prodigy Millicent Min records her struggles to learn to play volleyball, tutor her enemy, deal with her grandmother's departure, and make friends over the course of a summer. (Grades 7+)



**Freshman Year and Other Natural Disasters**  
By Meredith Zeitlin  
Smart, occasionally insecure, and ambitious Brooklyn 14 year old Kelsey Finkelstein embarks on her freshman year of high school in Manhattan with the intention of "rebranding" herself, but unfortunately everything she tries to do is a total disaster. (Grades 8+)

