

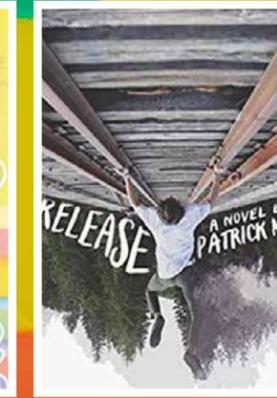
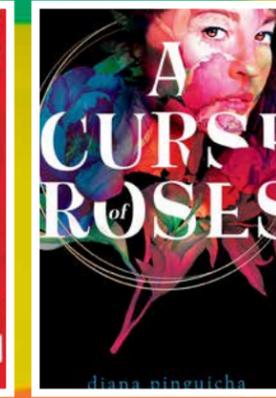
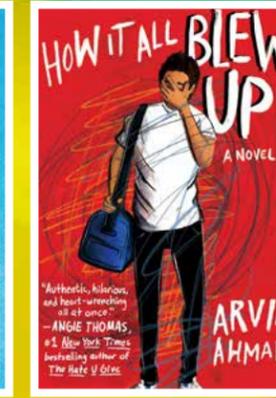
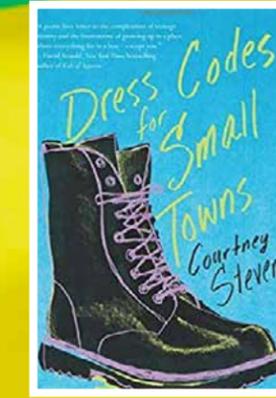
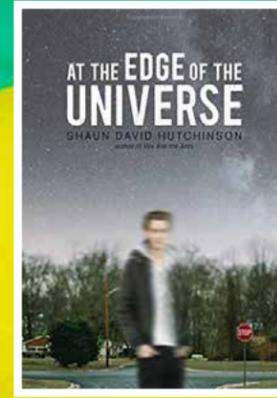
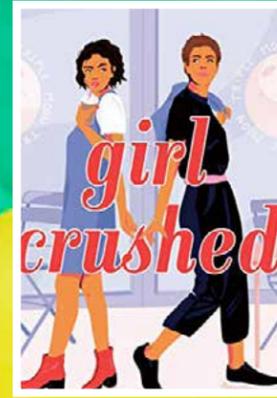
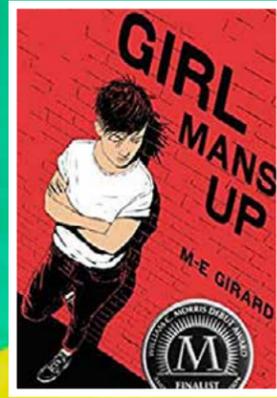
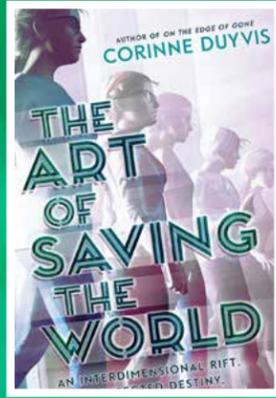
RECOMMENDED READS, MOVIES & MORE!

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Pride Month

PLUS OUR TOP 10 LISTS OF
summer cookbooks, activity books
for kids, movies AND MORE!



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10 YA Novels for Pride Month

Celebrate Pride Month with a great read!

The Art of Saving the World

by Corinne Duyvis

In this fast-paced coming-of-age adventure story, Hazel Stanczak discovers she is destined to save the world, with the help of five doppelgängers and an exasperated dragon.

My Fairy Godmother is a Drag Queen

by David Clawson

In this laugh-out-loud, engaging spin on Cinderella, high school senior Chris tries to win over the boy of his dreams with a little help from drag queen and fashionista Ms. Coco Chanel Jones.

Girl Mans Up

by M-E Girard

Sixteen-year-old Pen struggles with a childhood friendship that's falling apart and traditional parents who don't accept Pen's gender identity. A gritty and realistic novel about finding the courage to be your true self.

Girl Crushed

by Katie Heaney

Despite having a crush on Ruby, Quinn can't forget Jamie, her best friend and former girlfriend who broke up with Quinn right before senior year. A charming story of first love, growing up, and finding yourself.

At the Edge of the Universe

by Shaun David Hutchinson

When Ozzie's boyfriend, Tommy, disappears and no one else can remember his existence, Ozzie begins to think the universe is shrinking. An emotional and thought-provoking sci-fi novel about the human experience.

Dress Codes for Small Towns

by Courtney C. Stevens

Billie McCaffrey questions her identity as she finds herself having feelings for her friends Woods, a guy, and Janie, a girl. A beautifully written story about love, both platonic and romantic, and small-town pride.

How It All Blew Up

by Arvin Ahmadi

In this funny and fast-paced book, Amir hops a plane to Rome to avoid being outed to his conservative parents but finds himself in trouble when an argument on the flight home leads to an interview with U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

A Curse of Roses

by Diana Pinguicha

In this evocative historical fantasy, Yzabel, engaged to the King of Portugal, asks magical being Fatyan to help break the curse that is causing her people to starve. When they fall in love, Yzabel's life could be in danger if the king finds out.

I'll Be the One

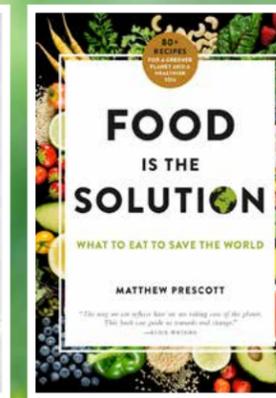
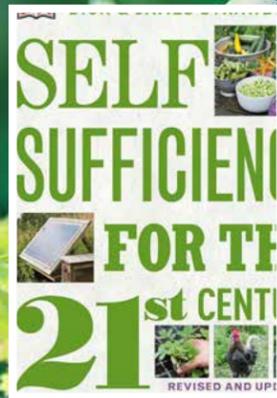
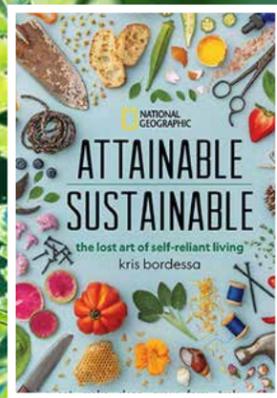
by Lyla Lee

To become a successful K-Pop star, plus-size teen Skye Shin will have to overcome the fat-phobic beauty standards of the music industry. A feel-good story about a talented and determined young woman who knows her worth.

Release

by Patrick Ness

This raw and emotional novel follows a day in the life of Adam, who is exploring a new relationship while dealing with homophobic parents, harassment from his boss, and coming to terms with the fact that his best friend is moving away.



10 Inspiring Books on Sustainable & Eco-Friendly Living

Learn about practical solutions you can take in your everyday life to reduce waste and preserve the planet.

[New Minimalism](#)

Design team New Minimalism, teach readers how to live a clutter-free life by assessing the emotional relationships we as humans attach to the items in our lives.

by Cary Telander Fortin

[Attainable Sustainable](#)

Learn how to become a backyard homesteader regardless of where you live, city, suburb, or the country. This resource provides gardening tips, crafts, and natural remedies to guide readers wanting to transition to an eco-friendlier lifestyle.

by Kris Bordessa

[Self-sufficiency for the 21st Century](#)

Father and son team, Dick and James Strawbridge, educate readers on simple and small steps the every-person can take to reduce their carbon footprint and become self-sufficient for the 21st Century.

by Dick Strawbridge

[Say Goodbye to Plastic](#)

Going plastic-free does not have to be a time consuming and difficult transition. Plastic pollution activist Sandra Ann Harris shares with readers easy tips and tricks to rethink wasteful habits that can be incorporated into all busy lifestyles.

by Sandra Ann Harris

[Sustain](#)

A blend of old-fashioned tips and new eco-friendly innovations are presented in this guide to help navigate readers on how to live a greener lifestyle.

by Christina Strutt

[Living Without Plastic](#)

Reduce your dependency on plastic with this guide filled with over 100 simple, convenient, and modern swaps for common everyday plastic items you may not even realize you are using.

by Brigette Allen

[Food Is the Solution](#)

Learn to eat things that are not only good for you but also for the earth in this beautifully designed resource book filled with recipes, investigative reports, and essays from notable eco-activists James Cameron, Paul McCartney, and Wolfgang Puck.

by Matthew Prescott

[Project 333](#)

Take the challenge to reduce consumerism by wearing just 33 items for 3 months. In Project 333, readers learn to live a more sustainable and clutter-free life buy starting with their closet.

by Courtney Carver

[Welcome Home](#)

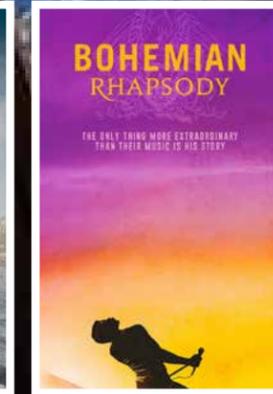
Learn how to decorate your home for each season using a minimalist design approach with a focus on reducing clutter and consumeristic practices while simultaneously adding style and cozy vibes.

by Myquillyn Smith

[Clean My Space](#)

YouTube sensation Melissa Maker inspires readers to rethink their approach to cleaning by learning the effectiveness of pretreating surfaces and “express cleaning” rooms using non-toxic and eco-conscious cleaning products.

by Melissa Maker



10 Interesting Movies in Various Genres

If you're bored at home during lockdown, pass the time with these movies.

The Art of Racing in the Rain

Through his bond with his owner, aspiring Formula One race car driver Denny, golden retriever Enzo learns that the techniques needed on the racetrack can also be used to successfully navigate the journey of life.

A Simple Favor

A single mother's life is turned upside down when her best friend vanishes.

Star Wars, the Last Jedi

Having taken her first steps into the Jedi world, Rey joins Luke Skywalker on an adventure with Leia, Finn and Poe that unlocks mysteries of the Force and secrets of the past.

Unhinged

After a confrontation with an unstable man at an intersection, a woman becomes the target of his rage.

Little Women

Jo March reflects back and forth on her life, telling the beloved story of the March sisters - four young women, each determined to live life on her own terms.

Interstellar

With our time on Earth coming to an end, a team of explorers undertakes the most important mission in human history, traveling beyond this galaxy to discover whether mankind has a future among the stars.

Brooklyn

An Irish immigrant lands in 1950s Brooklyn, where she quickly falls into a romance with a local. When her past catches up with her, however, she must choose between two countries and the lives that exist within.

Bohemian Rhapsody

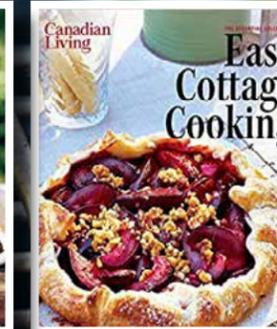
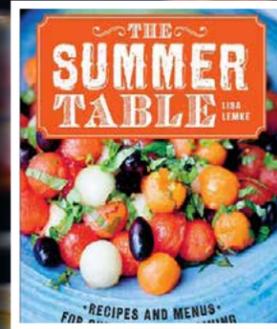
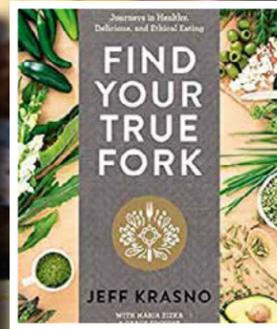
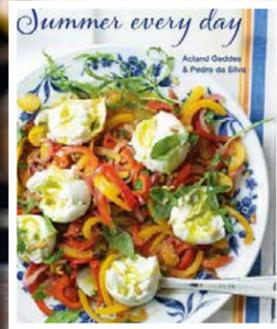
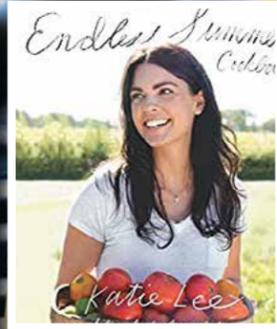
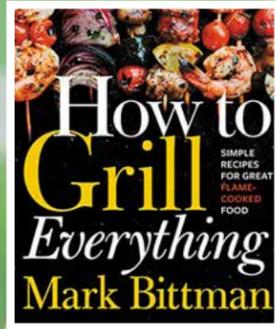
The story of the legendary rock band Queen and lead singer Freddie Mercury, leading up to their famous performance at Live Aid (1985).

The Fluffy Movie

Gabriel 'Fluffy' Iglesias, the world-famous Hawaiian-shirt-clad comedian, takes viewers on a joke-filled journey into his life in this nonstop laugh fest.

Cirque Du Soleil

A creative Cirque Du Soleil performance where a young couple is transported on a 'magical journey'.



10 Cookbooks for the Summer

Learn how to cook tasty meals for your family this summer season.

How to Grill Everything

by Mark Bittman

Featuring 1,000 recipes, learn how to grill the perfect steak to cedar-plank salmon to pizza-- explained in Mark Bittman's trademark simple, straightforward style.

Endless Summer Cookbook

by Katie Lee

Endless Summer Cookbook evokes the delicious flavors of the best season of the cook's year. Included are salad Niçoise, peach blueberry cobbler, figs wrapped in prosciutto, a pizza thrown onto the grill, steak tacos served with avocado and fresh cilantro, and much more.

Summer Every Day

by Acland Geddes

Simple, fresh Mediterranean-style ingredients and fuss-free recipes equals the perfect solution to stylish entertaining at home, whether you're feeding a group or just that special someone.

Find your True Fork

by Jeff Krasno

Wanderlust Find Your True Fork answers all the questions you have about eating a healthy, whole foods diet, explaining how to start an urban garden, providing composting techniques, and demystifying biodynamic agriculture.

The Summer Table

by Lisa Lemke

Filled with cooking tips and ideas for marinades, rubs, butters, sauces, salsas, and more, The Summer Table invites you to enjoy the season's best.

Home Made Summer

by Yvette van Boven

Using seasonal ingredients, such as freshly picked apples and berries, delicate summer lettuces and fresh herbs, Yvette presents recipes for Breakfast, Brunch & Lunch, Snacks, Beverages, Appetizers, and Dessert.

Vegetarian Grilling

by Karen K. Schulz

BBQ fans look forward to several tasty dishes. For vegetarians, however, grill season almost always means sticking to the sides like potatoes or salads. This beautifully photographed cookbook finally ends the scarcity of edible entrées for vegetarians at the picnic table.

Everyday Super Food

by Jamie Oliver

This book is divided into breakfasts, lunches and dinners, and every tasty meal is nutritionally balanced so that any combination over the day will bring you in under your recommended daily allowance of calories.

The Barbecue Collection

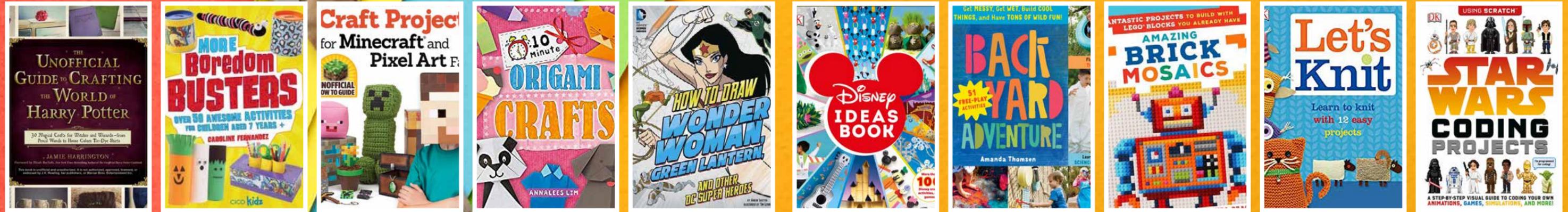
by Andrew Chase

Whether you like to grill sizzling laid-back fare, such as burgers and pizza, or spectacular special occasion dishes, such as roasts and oysters, this collection has the recipes you're craving.

Easy Cottage Cooking

by Juniper Publishing

Canadians like to enjoy time at the cottage without the hassle of making complicated meals. This book includes recipes categorized to appeal to cottagers who want simple solutions: one-pot meals, skillet suppers and easy slow-cooker mains.



10 Boredom Busting Activity Books for Kids

You'll never hear an "I'm bored" again with these 10 fun-filled activity books for kids of all ages.

The Unofficial Guide to Crafting the World of Harry Potter by Jamie Harrington

Turn your house into Hogwarts with these 30 magical crafts perfect for Potter fans of any age. Transfigure everyday objects into magical ones like Butterbeer lip balm, Pgymy Puff Bath Fizzies, and Nargles to hide around the house.

More Boredom Busters by Caroline Fernandez

No one will be saying they're bored while trying out the 50 plus awesome activities in this book! Find fun filled ideas for your favorite holidays or get creative with seasonal activities like summer fruit kabobs and tie-dye T-shirts.

Craft Projects for Minecraft and Pixel Art Fans by Choly Knight

Bring Minecraft to life with these 15 fun filled craft projects! With simple found-at-home materials, create toys, jewelry, clothing and accessories in the iconic blocky pixelated graphic style.

Origami Crafts by Annalees Lim

Learn origami, the Japanese art of folding paper, with this fun filled guide. Step-by-step instructions teach the reader how to create beautiful works of art using a single piece of paper in the shape of a flower, puppy, cat, bunny, and much more.

How to Draw Wonder Woman, Green Lantern and Other DC Super Heroes by Aaron Sautter

Learn how to draw your favorite DC superheroes, such as Superman, Wonder Woman, the Flash, and Batman with this simple step-by-step instruction guide.

Disney Ideas Book by Elizabeth Dowsett

The perfect book for Disney lovers and crafty kids. Filled with 100 plus Disney inspired crafts, games, puzzles, and activities such as creating Simba and Nala masks from The Lion King and designing and decorating hats for a Winnie the Pooh party.

Backyard Adventure by Amanda Thomsen

An adventure is awaiting right in your own backyard! Whether you have a large or small backyard, one with grass or one with pavement, this book provides ideas to liven up every terrace space.

Amazing Brick Mosaics by Amanda Brack

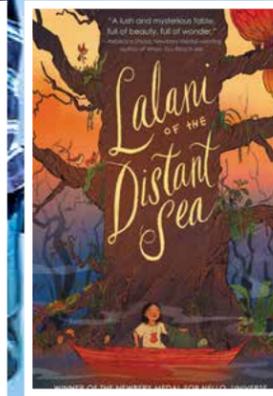
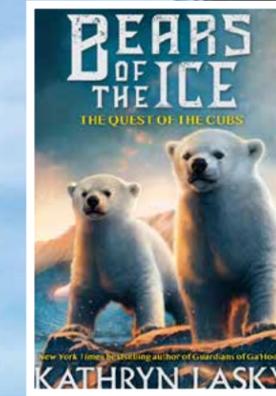
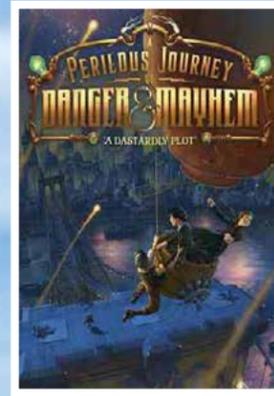
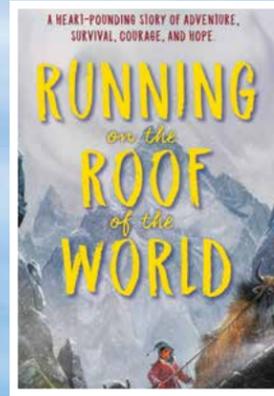
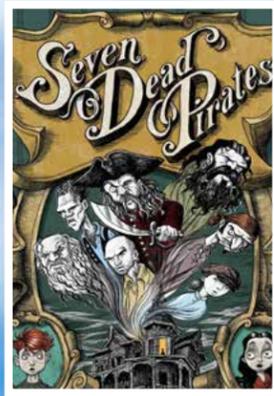
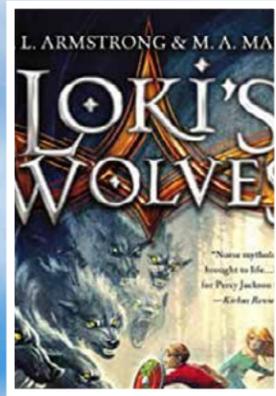
Find new ways to create amazing structures with LEGO bricks you already have. Featuring 25 cool mosaics projects with step-by-step instructions, this book is perfect for every LEGO fanatic.

Let's Knit by Amanda Thomsen

The perfect resource for any beginner knitter, with 10 easy-to-follow projects such as knitting a coin purse, toy dog and cat, and teddy bear scarf. Young knitters will be knitting for days with this fun and straightforward resource.

Star Wars Coding Projects by Jon Woodcock

The Force is with young coders in this Star Wars based coding project book. With Obi-Wan Kenobi, Princess Leia, C3PO, Yoda and other favorite Star Wars characters acting as a guide, young techies will learn to code and design games using Scratch.



10 Exciting Adventure Stories for Kids

Go on an epic quest with one of these riveting reads!

Loki's Wolves

by Kelley Armstrong

In this action-packed fantasy, three kids who are descendants of Norse gods must overcome their differences and work together to stop the world from ending.

Seven Dead Pirates

by Linda Bailey

When a shy boy named Lewis discovers that the ghosts of seven pirates live in his new home, he builds confidence as he helps reunite them with their old ship. A heartwarming and memorable adventure story with unforgettable characters.

Maya and the Rising Dark

by Rena Barron

Maya is shocked to learn that her father is the Guardian of the Veil between her world and a magical realm. When he goes missing, she must call on her own magical powers to save him. A fast-paced and vividly written story based in African folklore.

Running on the Roof of the World

by Jess Butterworth

When Tash's parents are arrested for practicing Buddhism, which is forbidden in her Tibetan village, she sets out on a dangerous journey to find help from the Dalai Lama. A story of a courageous girl determined to make a difference.

A Dastardly Plot

by Christopher Healy

In this alternate history steampunk novel, aspiring inventor Molly uncovers a plot to destroy New York City during the 1883 World's Fair.

The Quest of the Cubs

by Kathryn Lasky

In this gripping adventure story set in the world of Ga'hoole, two young polar bear cubs put their survival skills to the test as they attempt to rescue their mother from a rival group of bears.

Lalani of the Distant Sea

by Erin Entrada Kelly

When her village is hit with a plague that has left her mother sick, twelve-year-old Lalani sets out on a dangerous mission to find a flower that is said to cure disease. A story of hope and courage based in Filipino folklore.

Furthermore

by Tahereh Mafi

In this richly described fantasy, Alice is desperate to rescue her father from the mythical land of Furthermore. To save him, she will need to trust Oliver, the boy who once bullied her for her lack of magical ability.

Dragons in a Bag

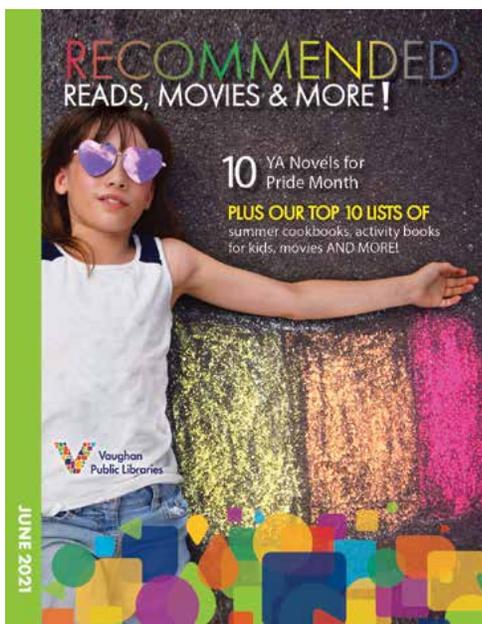
by Zetta Elliott

Jaxon learns some surprising secrets about his family when he is tasked with delivering a package containing three baby dragons to a magical realm. An entertaining and engaging fantasy novel.

Have Sword, Will Travel

by Garth Nix

When Odo finds a magical talking sword and instantly becomes a knight, he and Eleanor, a girl who longs for adventure, go a quest to save their kingdom. A witty and captivating tale with the perfect blend of action and humour.



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