Perfectly Parvin by Olivia Abtahi
Parvin has just had her heart broken when she meets the cutest boy at her new high school; if she can get him to ask her to homecoming, she can get over her ex! Since being herself has not worked in the past, she decides that to get the guy, she should act like the women in her favorite rom-coms...nothing could go wrong, right?

The Black Flamingo by Dean Atta
Michael is a gay teen growing up in London. All his life, he’s navigated what it means to be Greek-Cypriot and Jamaican—but never quite feeling Greek or Black enough. As he gets older, Michael’s coming out is only the start of learning who he is and where he fits in; soon he finds where he belongs—and the Black Flamingo is born.

Himawari House by Harmony Becker
When Nao returns to Tokyo to reconnect with her Japanese heritage, she books a yearlong stay at the Himawari sharehouse. There she meets Hyejung and Tina, two other girls who came to forge their own paths. The trio do everything together, which means they become fast friends. But will they be able to survive as life tests them?

Chlorine Sky by Mahogany L. Browne
With gritty and heartbreaking honesty, Chlorine Sky is a novel-in-verse about broken promises, fast rumors, and when growing up means growing apart from your best friend.

Does My Body Offend You? by Mayra Cuevas & Marie Marquardt
Hurricane Maria destroyed Malena’s home in Puerto Rico, leaving her in Florida. When she goes to school bra-less after a sunburn, she is humiliated by administration into covering up. When Ruby, the school’s outspoken feminist, notices the new girl is being forced to cover up, she is unwilling to keep quiet about it. Both will have to face their insecurities, biases, and privileges if they want to stand up for their ideals and themselves.

Don’t Ask Me Where I’m From by Jennifer De Leon
Liliana is fine, thank you very much. It’s fine that her father took off again, until she discovers the truth about her father: he’s not on one of his side trips. He’s undocumented and been deported back to Guatemala. Liliana’s done trying to make her white classmates and teachers feel more comfortable. Done denying her culture and where she came from. They want to know where she’s from, what she’s about? Liliana is ready to tell them.

Turtle Under Ice by Juleah del Rosario
After their mother died a few years ago, Rowena and her sister Ariana drifted into their own corners of the world. But then Ariana disappears in the night; when Rowena wakes up to a world of snow and her sister’s empty bedroom, she is left to piece together the mystery behind where Ariana went and why...

Color Me In by Natasha Diaz
Neveah Levitz doesn’t know exactly who she is; her mom is black, her dad is Jewish, and she’s been resettled from the only home she’s ever loved to live with her mom’s family. Will she continue to let circumstances dictate her path, or will she decide once and for all who she is meant to be?

The Silence That Binds Us by Joanna Ho
May isn’t the Chinese Taiwanese American daughter her mother wants her to be, while her beloved brother Danny has just been admitted to Princeton. But Danny secretly struggles with depression and when he dies by suicide, May’s world is shattered. Afterwards, racist accusations are hurled against May’s parents for putting too much “pressure” on him, and May challenges these stereotypes through her writing take back the narrative.

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**TEEN CONTEMPORARY**

*Darius the Great is Not Okay* by Adib Khorram *#

Darius Kellner speaks better Klingon than Farsi, knows more about Hobbit social cues than Persian ones, and struggles with depression and loneliness. When he’s whisked away to Iran to visit his grandparents, he must come to terms not only with his culture, but with who he is and who he wants to be.

*We Weren’t Looking to Be Found* by Stephanie Kuehn *

Dani comes from a famous Black family and seems to have everything; Camila’s Colombian-American family doesn’t have much, but she works hard to get what she wants. So why do they both engage in self-destructive behaviors? When they find themselves rooming together in a treatment facility, they wonder: will they ever get along, and will they ever get better?

*No Filter & Other Lies* by Crystal Maldonado *

Max has it all: beauty, friends, and an adventurous life. With many followers on Instagram, her glitzy existence seems enviable. Except it’s all fake. Max is actually Kat, whose life is far from perfect. When a post of Max’s goes viral, Kat has to figure out how to get herself out of these web of lies without hurting her loved ones.

*Ophelia After All* by Racquel Marie

Ophelia knows what she likes: her best friends, Cuban food, rose-gardening, and boys - way too many boys. So when she finds herself thinking more about Talia than the loss of a prom with her ex-boyfriend, Ophelia begins to doubt her self-image. She must now make a choice between clinging to the fantasy version of herself or upending everyone’s expectations to rediscover who she really is.

*Hearts Unbroken* by Cynthia Leitich Smith *

Louise is looking forward to her senior year working on the school newspaper, and in no time the paper’s staff find themselves with a major story to cover: the school musical director’s inclusive approach to casting *The Wizard of Oz*, and the racist response by their mostly white, middle-class Kansas town.

*All My Rage* by Sabaa Tahir *

Sal and Noor are more than best friends; they are family. Growing up as outcasts in their small desert town, they understand each other the way no one else does. Until The Fight. Now, Sal scrambles to run the family motel as his parents’ healths are failing. Noor, meanwhile, is working at her uncle’s liquor store while hiding the fact that she’s applying to college to escape. Sal and Noor now must ask themselves what friendship is worth...

*When We Make It* by Elisabet Velasquez *

Together with her older sister Estrella, Sarai navigates of family traumas, the systemic pressures of toxic masculinity, and housing insecurity in a gentrifying Brooklyn; additionally she questions the society around her, her Boricua identity, and the life she lives, learning to celebrate herself in a way that she has been denied.

*Flyy Girls: Lux* by Ashley Woodfolk #

Ever since Lux’s dad left, she’s been kicked out of every school and this is her last chance. This school is her last chance and if it doesn’t work, Lux is off to military school. Enter the Flyy Girls, three girls are the type of girls Lux needs to be friends with to stay out of trouble. But every group has their secrets and when Lux’s past starts catching up with her, can she keep her place?

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