FANTASY FICTION



Fiction



Bardugo, Leigh Shadow and Bone

Orphaned by the Border Wars, Alina Starkov is taken from obscurity and her only friend, Mal, to become the protegée of the mysterious Darkling, who trains her to join the magical elite in the belief that she is the Sun Summoner, who can destroy the monsters of the Fold.



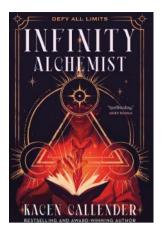
Bayron, Kalynn Sleep Like Death

Princess Eve, trained to defeat the sorcerer known as the Knight, prepares for a battle using her power to conjure weapons from nature. As her mother, Queen Regina, begins acting strangely and a messenger reveals shocking truths about Eve's past, she must decide who to trust while fighting to save her family and queendom.



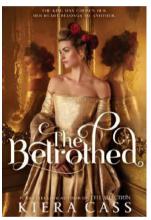
Black, **Holly The Cruel Prince**

Jude was stolen away to live in the treacherous High Court of Faerie. Ten years later, Jude wants to belong there, despite her mortality, but many of the fey despise humans, especially Prince Cardan, the youngest and wickedest son of the High King.



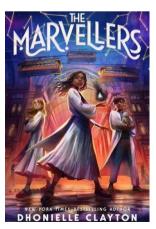
Callender, Kacen Infinity Alchemist

Ash Woods, a trans man denied formal alchemy training, practices in secret while working as a groundskeeper. When apprentice Ramsay Thorne discovers his secret and offers a deal—help find the powerful Book of Source in exchange for silence—Ash is drawn into a dangerous quest that pits him against influential alchemists, including his estranged father, and forces him to define his own understanding of power.



Cass, Keira The Betrothed

When King Jameson declares his love for Lady Hollis Brite, Hollis is shocked--and thrilled. After all, she's grown up at Keresken Castle, vying for the king's attention alongside other daughters of the nobility. Capturing his heart is a dream come true. But Hollis soon realizes that falling in love with a king and being crowned queen may not be the happily ever after she thought it would be.



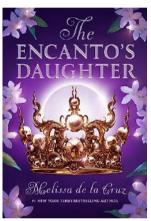
Clayton, Dhonielle The Marvellers

Eleven-year-old Ella Durand, the first Conjuror to attend the Arcanum Training Institute, faces mistrust and prejudice in a magical school in the clouds. When a notorious criminal escapes and her beloved mentor, Masterji Thakur, vanishes, Ella becomes the center of suspicion. With the help of her misfit friends and her emerging powers, she must clear her family's name and uncover the truth before it's too late.



Cole, Kamilah So Let Them Burn

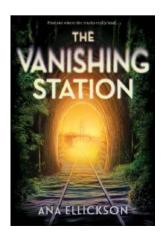
After her sister Elara forms an unbreakable bond with an enemy dragon, seventeen-year-old Faron, who once wielded the magic of the gods to save her island from those same dragon-riding colonizers, must find a way to save her sister and the fate of their world in the face of impossible odds.



de la Cruz. Melissa

The Encanto's Daughter

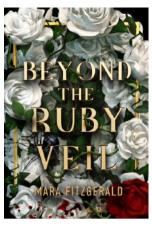
MJ Rodriguez, half-encanto and heir to the Sirena Court, must claim her throne after her estranged father's sudden death, but faces resistance from a council that objects to her half-human lineage. As she investigates a possible curse behind his death, MJ forms a bond with the enigmatic Sir Lucas of the Sigbin Court, forcing her to balance love and leadership in the troubled realm of Biringan.



Ellickson, Ana

The Vanishing Station

Eighteen-year-old Ruby Santos, grappling with her mother's death and financial struggles, discovers her father's secret life as a magical underworld delivery person, leading her to take over his station and jump train lines, only to realize the perilous nature of the job and the dangerous world she has entered.



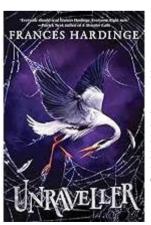
Fitzgerald, Mara Beyond the Ruby Veil

After Emanuela Ragno kills the one person in Occhia who can create water, she must find a way to save her city from dying of thirst.



Gomera-Tavarez, Camille

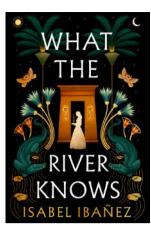
The Girl, the Ring, & the Baseball Bat
Rosie, a focused Capricorn, excels in school
and dreams of escaping to the prestigious
Innovation Technical Institute, aided by a
magical jacket that compels others to obey
her. Her sister Caro, a bold Leo, uncovers
painful family truths at their father's
wedding, while Zeke, a romantic Triple
Pisces, navigates depression in Jersey City
with a manifestation stone that makes
anyone fall for him.



Hardinge, Frances

Unraveller

Fifteen-year-old Kellen's unique ability to unravel curses unfortunately does not protect him from becoming cursed, and unless he and his best friend and ally Nettle can remove his hex, Kellen is in danger of unravelling everything--and everyone--around him.



Ibanez, Isabel

What the River Knows

Inez Olivera, a wealthy young woman from 19th-century Buenos Aires, travels to Cairo following the tragic death of her globetrotting parents and inherits a mysterious golden ring tied to old-world magic. As she uncovers deeper secrets about her parents' disappearance, she must navigate dangerous truths and an infuriatingly handsome assistant while relying on ancient magic to protect herself from becoming a pawn in a larger, deadly game.



Kome, Erhu

The Smoke that Thunders

Sixteen-year-old Naborhi, constrained by her clan's traditions and an arranged marriage, begins receiving visions of a kidnapped boy after bonding with a mysterious animal. With the help of Atai, the son of a rival queendom's Oracle, and her cousin Tamunor, she embarks on a quest to rescue the boy and prevent a looming war.



Le, Vanessa

The Last Bloodcarver

Nhika, a feared bloodcarver who can alter human biology, is compelled by the criminal underworld to heal a key witness in a high-profile murder case. As she delves into the investigation and discovers unsettling truths about the charming physician's aide Ven Kochin, Nhika faces a dire choice between becoming the monster she's feared to be or jeopardizing the future of her kind.



Lin, Judy I. Song of the Six Realms

Seventeen-year-old musician Xue faces a lifetime of servitude until Duke Meng offers her freedom in exchange for serving as a musician in residence, but Xue soon discovers the Duke is a celestial ruler with ulterior motives and she must unlock her past to prevent an impending war in the Six Realms.



Lowham, Elizabeth Beauty Reborn

Beauty's idyllic life is upended when Lord Baron's heir, Stephan, seduces and forces himself on her, leaving her with a devastating secret. Fleeing from her painful past, she seeks refuge in the enchanted forest where she confronts the Beast in hopes of breaking his curse and finding her own path to healing.



Mafi, Tahereh

This Woven Kingdom

In a world inspired by Persian mythology, Alizeh, a servant girl hiding her true identity as the heir to an ancient Jinn kingdom, struggles to survive in secret. Crown Prince Kamran, haunted by prophecies of his king's death, is inexplicably drawn to Alizeh, unaware of her destiny to reshape their kingdom and the world. Their fates collide in a tale of forbidden love, clashing empires, and a forgotten queen's fight to save her people.



Magoon, Kekla The Secret Library

After discovering a secret map in a mysterious envelope from her late Grandpa, eleven-year-old Dally finds a library where each book is a portal to a moment in time. As she escapes her restrictive life through thrilling adventures, she must choose between the exciting discoveries of her family's past and the future her mother has planned for her.



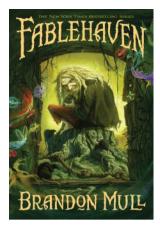
Marufu, Aneesa Rebel of Fire and Flight

Escaping from an arranged marriage, sixteen-year-old Khadija finds an unlikely ally in a poor young glassmaker's apprentice, and as a deadly revolution exploits forbidden magic, threatening their friendship, they must choose what kind of world they want to live in.



Mikuta, Zoe Hana Off With Their Heads

In a world where Saints are monsters and Wonderland is their dark domain, Caro Rabbit and Iccadora Alice Sickle are separated after being wrongfully sentenced to the forest. Caro thrives as a Saintharvester in the capital, while Iccadora, now a ruthless hunter, seeks vengeance against Caro and the Red Queen, unaware of a perilous secret about the Saints that endangers them all.



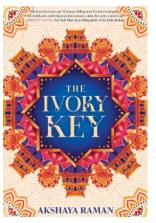
Mull, Brandon Fablehaven

When Kendra and Seth go to stay at their grandparents' estate, they discover that it is a sanctuary for magical creatures and that a battle between good and evil is looming.



Ortega, Claribel Witchlings

Twelve-year-old Seven Salazar is devastated when she's placed in a lowly Spare coven during Ravenskill's Black Moon Ceremony, and their attempt to seal the coven fails. Faced with an impossible task that could either grant them full magical powers or turn them into toads forever, Seven and her new coven must rely on their friendship to succeed.



Raman, Akshaya The Ivory Key

Vira, Ronak, Kaleb, and Riya are siblings, but they are pretty distant from one another, living separate lives. But one thing finally unites them: the search for the Ivory Key, a legendary item that will provide a new source of magic.



Riordan, Rick The Sun and the Star

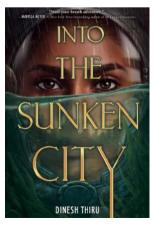
Nico, the son of Hades, and his boyfriend Will, the son of Apollo, travel to Tartarus, the deepest, darkest part of the Underworld as they attempt to rescue an old friend.



Sutherland, Krystal

The Invocations

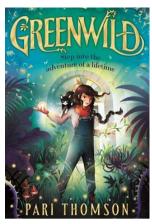
Zara Jones, driven by grief and the desire to resurrect her murdered sister, turns to the occult for a solution. She finds hope in Emer Byrne, a powerful witch with a dark past, who also holds the key to curing Jude Wolf, a billionaire's daughter cursed with a necrotic soul.



Thiru, Dinesh

Into the Sunken City

In the flood-prone city of Coconino, Jin Haldar must face her fear of diving when a drifter offers her and her sister Thara a chance to find a hidden gold stash in the sunken ruins of Las Vegas. As they embark on a high-stakes heist with a ragtag crew, including Jin's ex-boyfriend, they encounter dangerous sea beasts, corsairs, and a mysterious figure, forcing Jin to dive back into perilous waters.



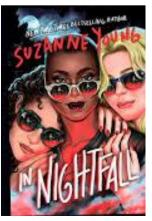
Thomson, Pari Greenwild

Eleven-year-old Daisy Thistledown escapes from pursuers in London and discovers the magical Greenwild, a world with the key to finding her missing mother. To uncover the truth about herself and save the Greenwild from destruction, she must join forces with a botanical genius, a boy who speaks to animals, and a feisty cat.



Wilkinson, Lili Deep is the Fen

Merry, content with her magic-free life in Candlecott, must confront her fears and team up with her academic rival, Caraway Boswell, to rescue her best friend Teddy from the sinister Toadmen. As they delve into the dangerous Deeping Fen for an ancient ritual, Merry uncovers dark secrets and realizes she may be walking into a trap rather than saving her friend.



Young, Suzanne In Nightfall

Soon after arriving in the tiny tourist town of Nightfall, Oregon, siblings Theo and Marco break their grandmother's rule not to leave the house after dark and befriend a mysterious group of beguiling girls who are far from what they seem.



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