

Prince she left behind and the other an assassin sent to kill her.

**The Haunting of Gabriel Ashe**

*Dan Poblocki*

J FIC POBLOCKI

Since eighth-grader Gabriel Ashe moved into his grandmother's house, he has been spending a lot of time playing in the woods with his new friend, Seth. The games Seth talks Gabriel into playing involve a child-eating monster called the Hunter, and Gabriel is not sure how much of the game is imagination and how much real.

**Steelheart**



*Brandon Sanderson*

YP FIC SANDERSON

After the Calamity came, some people gained extraordinary powers. These people were called Epics. At age eight, David watched as his father was killed by an Epic, known as Steelheart, and now, ten years later, he joins the Reckoners, the only people who are trying to kill the Epics and end their tyranny, maybe getting himself some revenge against Steelheart in the process.

**The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights**

*Steve Sheinkin*

J 940.545308 SHEINKIN

On July 17, 1944, a massive explosion rocked the segregated Navy base at Port Chicago, California, killing more than 300 sailors who were at the docks and causing lots of damage to property. On August 9th, 244 men refused to go back to work, until conditions were made to address safety issues and unfairness at the docks. Fifty of those workers faced mutiny charges.

**Popular: A Memoir: Vintage Wisdom for a Modern Geek**



*Maya van Wagenen*

YP FIC WAGENEN

Less popular than she would like, middle schooler, Maya Van Wagenen decides to begin a unique social experiment: spending the school year following a 1950s popularity guide, written by former teen model Betty

help Maya on her quest to be more popular, and is it everything she hoped it would be?

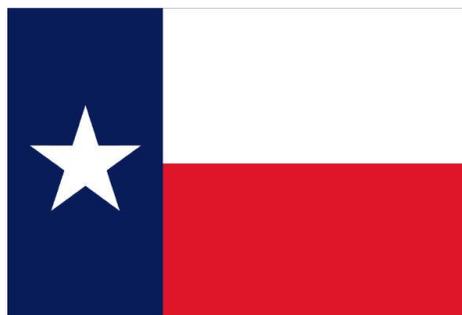
**The Thickety : A Path Begins** *J. A. White*

J FIC WHITE

Kate Westfall lives on a remote island in a community known as, The Path, which forbids witchcraft. Her mother was found to be a witch and was hanged, when Kate was only seven years old. Then twelve-year-old Kara discovers her mother's grimoire in the dangerous forest decide if she'll use it, even though she runs the risk of her mother's fate.

The Texas Lone Star list is a recommended reading list developed by public and school librarians. The purpose of the list is to encourage 6, 7, and 8th graders to explore a variety of current books. Past Lone Star reading lists can be found at

<http://www.txla.org/groups/lone-star>



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**The Crossover***Kwame Alexander*

YP FIC ALEXANDE

Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health.

**A Blind Spot for Boys***Justina Chen*

YP FIC CHEN

Shana Wilde has put boys on hold. Her priority now is to spend time with her father, who is going blind. Both Shana and her parents set out on an adventure to walk the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu. The last thing she needs is to fall in love, but when Quattro rides into her life in Seattle and shows up in Peru, Shana learns a lesson or two about love & life.

**Buzz Kill***Beth Fantaskey*

YP FIC FANTASKE

When a highly unpopular football coach is found dead, high school journalist, Millie Ostermeyer, is eager to uncover the truth. It becomes incredibly important to her, when she finds out that her father, the assistant coach, is the chief suspect!

**Unbreakable***Kami Garcia*

YP FIC GARCIA

Kennedy discovers that she is a member of an ancient society that protects the world from a demon determined to get into our dimension. She joins the Legion and searches for a weapon that can defeat him.

**There Will Be Bears***Ryan Gebhart*

J FIC GEBHART

Thirteen-year-old Tyson decides to break his roughneck grandfather, Gene, out of a nursing home, so that they can share an elk-hunting trip. As they venture into the Grand Tetons, Tyson discovers that his grandfather may not be healthy enough for the journey, and that may be the least of their worries.

**Forget Me***Kim Harrington*

YP FIC HARRINGT

Morgan Tulley is finally moving on after the hit

and run death of her boyfriend, Flynn. When she posts a picture of him online, however, the face recognition tag suggests another boy named Evan Murphy. Is Flynn really dead or has Morgan been living a lie?

**Tut: The Story of My Immortal Life***P. J. Hoover*

J FIC HOOVER

Granted the gift of immortality by the gods, King Tut, living as an eighth-grader in Washington, D.C., has been stuck in middle school for ages. To make things worse, evil General Horemheb, in league with the Cult of Set, is seeking revenge for his 3,000-year imprisonment at Tut's hands, while the cult plans something apocalyptic.

**The Great Trouble: A Mystery of London, the Blue Death, and a Boy Called Eel***Deborah Hopkinson*

J FIC HOPKINSO

Thirteen-year-old Eel is trying to survive the mean streets of 1850s London. Life is hard, but nothing prepares him for the outbreak of Cholera, which kills hundreds in his neighborhood. What can one boy do to help find the cause of the outbreak and end the great trouble?

**The Nethergrim***Matthew Jobin*

J FIC JOBIN

Valiant knight Tristan, and the wizard, Vithric, destroyed the evil Nethergrim in a devastating battle decades ago...as the legend goes. No one knows for sure, as the survivors aren't talking. Now, there is something dark brewing, and Edmund Bale, an aspiring wizard, is convinced that the Nethergrim is back.

**The Great Greene Heist***Varian Johnson*

J FIC JOHNSON

Jackson Greene is a con artist trying to go straight, since his last botched con lost him his best friend and love interest, Gaby. When he discovers that Gaby's bid for StuCo President is about to be rigged by his arch enemy, however, he decides to end his retirement and help ensure her victory.

**Proxy***Alex London*

YP FIC LONDON

Knox has everything a patron boy born of privilege could even want, including his own proxy, Syd, who takes Knox's punishment for any wrongdoing. When Knox kills a girl in a car wreck, Syd is sentenced to hard labor and death. After been dealt this final blow, Syd can no longer accept the hand of fate he has been dealt, and with Knox's help, he sets out to change his destiny.

**The Fire Wish***Amber Lough*

YP FIC LOUGH

Najwa is a jinni training to be a spy in the war against the humans. Zayele is a human girl who is unwillingly on her way to marry the prince of Baghdad. Then Najwa is captured by Zayele and forced to grant her wish of switching places. Not playing along in their new lives could also prove deadly.

**In the After***Demitria Lunetta*

YP FIC LUNETTA

In a post-apocalyptic world where nothing is as it seems, seventeen-year-old Amy and Baby, a child she found while scavenging, struggle to survive while zombie-like creatures from another planet roam the Earth. Three years later they are rescued and taken to New Hope, but is it any safer than out there?

**The Boundless***Kenneth Oppel*

J FIC OPPEL

The Boundless is the largest train ever built. Will Everett gets to go on its maiden voyage across Canada. When Will ends up with the key to the funeral car, he becomes the target of those that would stop at nothing to steal its treasures. Will enlists the aid of a traveling circus to help him save the day.

**The Kiss of Deception***Mary Pearson*

YP FIC PEARSON

On the morning of her wedding, Princess Lia flees to a distant village. She settles into a new life as a bar maid, but she is intrigued when two mysterious and handsome strangers arrive. Lia is unaware that one is the jilted