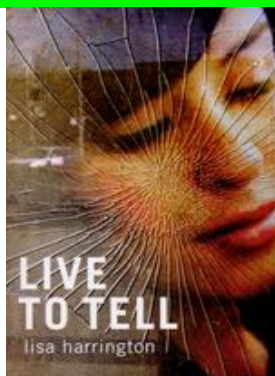




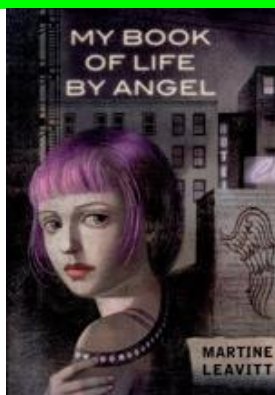
The Fall / Colleen Nelson

It seemed like another night of foolish fun. Until it didn't. Ben's time with Luke, Taz and Cory is part bonding, part daring and part 'family' replacement. When a night time accident results in a horrifying death, Ben and the other boys have to cope. Whose fault was it? As the answer to that question travels around the high school, Ben realizes that his life has been forever changed- can he clear his name? Does he want to?



Live to Tell / Lisa Harrington

When Libby Thorne wakes up in the hospital, they tell her she was in a car accident. They tell her it was her fault, and that an innocent victim is clinging to life. The problem is, Libby can remember none of it. She can't remember the accident, the party, the drinking. With the help of her best friend, Kasey, Libby pieces together the events of the evening that landed her in the hospital. As memories start trickling through, she begins to realize that something is not right. But is she prepared for a truth that might be darker than the fiction?



My Book of Life by Angel / Martine Leavitt

It starts when Call sees sixteen-year-old Angel at the mall. Before long Call is supplying her with "candy" and saying he loves her. Angel ends up living with him and walking the Kiddy Stroll in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside. When Angel's friend goes missing, she starts to pay attention to stories of other girls disappearing, and a mysterious Mr. P. who drives a van. Then Call brings home another girl. Her name is Melli, and she is just eleven years old. Suddenly Angel realizes what she must do. Save Melli at any cost, and perhaps save herself at the same time.



Nix Minus One / Jill MacLean

Nix Humbolt doesn't talk much. At home Nix finds refuge in his father's workshop where he builds intricate boxes and tables—and avoids arguments with his polar-opposite older sister, Roxy. Nix would slay ten dragons for her, but she drives him crazy—especially when she decides to go after Bryan Sykes. The guy is seriously toxic, but Roxy won't listen, so what can Nix do? The only battles he ever fights are on his Xbox—until the day he finds the guts to fight for Swift Dunphy's neglected dog, Twig. When things start to spiral out of control, Twig might just be the one who saves him.



Old Man / David A. Poulsen

Just as summer vacation arrives, Nate Huffman's plans are unexpectedly shelved for the most unlikely of reasons: the reappearance of his estranged father. Not only is the old man back, but he has an idea about a road trip. Nate finds himself in a pickup with a man he can't stand. His father wants to reconnect by taking Nate into his own past, which has the Vietnam War as its centerpiece. Nate's father relives the horror of the battle that changed him forever while Nate undergoes changes of his own. Together, they experience something that goes far beyond their expectations.



***One in Every Crowd* / Ivan E. Coyote**

Comprised of new stories and others culled from previous collections, *One in Every Crowd* is for anyone who has ever felt different or alone in their struggle to be true to themselves. Included are stories about Ivan's own tomboy past in Canada's north, where playing hockey and wearing pants were the norm; and about her adult life in the big city, where she encounters both cruelty and kindness in unexpected places. Funny, inspiring, and full of heart, *One in Every Crowd* is really for everyone; it's about embracing and celebrating difference and feeling comfortable in one's own skin, no matter what the circumstance.



Running on Empty

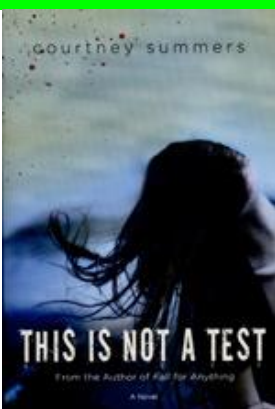
Don Aker

Ethan Palmer has money saved to buy his dream car...when he crashes his dad's Volvo into their garage. His father can well afford to pay for the damage, but of course he is going to turn this into another Big Life Lesson. With all Ethan's hard-earned cash going into repairs, he won't be driving that Mustang Cobra anytime soon. Or will he? He thinks he's found a way to make some easy money. Suddenly nothing is more important...not school, not the girl he loves, not even the secrets that divide his family. He has no idea what his choices will cost him.



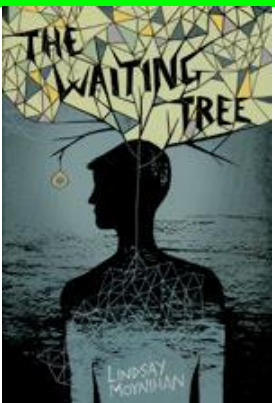
***Seraphina* / Rachel Hartman**

Four decades of peace have done little to ease the mistrust between humans and dragons in the kingdom of Goredd. Folding themselves into human shape, dragons attend court as ambassadors, and lend their logical minds to universities. As the treaty's anniversary draws near, however, tensions are high. Seraphina has reason to fear both sides. A gifted musician, she joins the court just as a member of the royal family is murdered. While a sinister plot to destroy the peace is uncovered, Seraphina struggles to protect the secret behind her musical gift, one so terrible that its discovery could mean her very life.



***This is Not a Test* / Courtney Summers**

It's the end of the world. Six students have taken cover in Cortège High but shelter is little comfort when the dead outside won't stop pounding on the doors. To Sloane Price, that doesn't sound so bad. Six months ago, her world collapsed and since then, she's failed to find a reason to keep going. Now she's forced to witness the apocalypse through the eyes of five people who actually want to live. But soon the group's fate is determined less and less by what's happening outside and more and more by the unpredictable and violent bids for life—and death—inside.



***The Waiting Tree* / Lindsay Moynihan**

Eighteen-year-old Simon Peters wants to stand up for the truth about who he is. His love for Stephen is unwavering, but does he have the courage to defend it when his entire church community, including his eldest brother Paul, have ostracized him? Will Stephen's feelings change now that he's been banished to the Waverly Christian Center to learn how to be "normal" again? Struggling to maintain peace, Simon puts everyone else's needs before his own. It takes a courageous act on the part of Jude, his devoted and mute twin, to change all of their lives forever.