

Young Adult Adventure

[Crossing the Wire, by Will Hobbs](#)

Fifteen-year-old Victor Flores journeys north in a desperate attempt to cross the Arizona border and find work in the United States to support his family in central Mexico.

[The False Prince, by Jennifer A. Nielsen](#)

In the country of Carthya, a devious nobleman engages four orphans in a brutal competition to be selected to impersonate the king's long-missing son in an effort to avoid a civil war.

[Hatchet, by Gary Paulsen](#)

After a plane crash, thirteen-year-old Brian spends fifty-four days in the wilderness, learning to survive initially with only the aid of a hatchet given to him by his mother, and learning also to survive his parents' divorce.

[The Honest Truth, by Dan Gemeinhart](#)

A boy named Mark, tired of being sick with cancer, conceives a plan to climb Mount Rainier, and runs away from home with his dog, Beau--but with over two hundred miles between him and his goal, and only anger at his situation to drive him on nothing will be easy, and only his best friend, Jessie, suspects where he is heading

[Ivory and Bone by Julie Eshbaugh](#)

A first novel based on themes from Pride and Prejudice follows the experiences of teen hunter Kol, whose dashed hopes for gaining the favor of the enigmatic young Mya are complicated by her increasingly violent clashes with an enemy from her past.

[Maximum Ride: the Angel Experiment by James Patterson](#)

After the mutant Erasers abduct the youngest member of their group, the "birdkids," who are the result of genetic experimentation, take off in pursuit and find themselves struggling to understand their own origins and purpose.

[Peak by Roland Smith](#)

A fourteen-year-old boy attempts to be the youngest person to reach the top of Mount Everest.

[Ranger's Apprentice book 1: The Ruins of Gorlan by John Flanagan](#)

When fifteen-year-old Will is rejected by battleschool, he becomes the reluctant apprentice to the mysterious Ranger Halt, and winds up protecting the kingdom from danger.

Scar Island, by Dan Gemeinhart

Twelve-year-old Jonathan Grisby has been sent to the Slabhenge Reformatory School for Troubled Boys, a former lunatic asylum which is currently run by a sadist who enjoys punishing the boys and setting them against each other; but when a lightning strike kills all the adults the boys find themselves suddenly free--and trapped on Scar Island which seems to be sinking into the ocean

Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz

After the death of the uncle who had been his guardian, fourteen-year-old Alex Rider is coerced to continue his uncle's dangerous work for Britain's intelligence agency, MI6.

Train I Ride by Paul Mosier

Traveling from California to Chicago after her mother dies of a drug overdose and her grandmother of lung cancer, thirteen-year-old Rydr meets other passengers on the train and attempts to accept her own situation