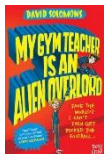




## Summer suggestions for 12 year olds



### My Gym Teacher is an Alien Overlord

**David Solomons**

Luke inadvertently gets his own back by revealing that Cara is the kryptonite to Zack's Superman.



### Beetle Boy **M.G. Leonard**

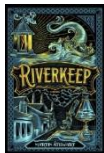
Darkus is miserable. His dad has disappeared, and now he is living next door to the most disgusting neighbours ever. A giant beetle called Baxter comes to his rescue.



### Nathalia Buttface and the Totally

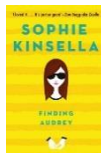
**Embarrassing Bridesmaid Disaster** **Nigel Smith**

A bridesmaid at a cousin's 'fairytale' wedding and her dad in charge of arrangements! In desperation, Nat commissions Darius to get her out if it.



### Riverkeep **Martin Stewart**

15 year-old Wulliam is about to take up his father's mantle as and Wull must embark on a dangerous journey to the sea.



### Finding Audrey **Sophie Kinsella**

Audrey can't leave the house, she can't even take off her dark glasses inside the house. Then her brother's friend Linus stumbles into her life. With his friendly, orange-slice smile and his funny notes, he starts to entice Audrey out again.



### The Marvels **Brian Selznick**

Beginning with actor, Billy Marvel, shipwrecked in 1776 the story of his family over five generations to 1990 and Joseph, who has run away from school to an estranged uncle's puzzling house in London.



### Sweet Pizza **GR Gemin**

Joe lives in the cafe started by his Italian great-grandfather, now in tatty decline. He is crazy about food and opera, and full of original ideas to bring in the customers.



### The last star **Richard Yancey**

Betrayed first by the Others, and now by ourselves. In these last days, Earth's remaining survivors will need to decide what's more important: saving themselves ...or saving what makes us human.



### The Crown **Kiera Cass**

The first princess to hold a Selection of her own. Eadlyn didn't think she would find a partner among the Selection's 35 suitors.



### The Thing About Jellyfish **Ali Benjamin**

Twelve year old Suzy's a girl on a mission to find out how her best friend mysteriously drowned.



### Alone **D. J Brazier**

Supposed to be the trip of a lifetime, but when the plane crashes in the jungle, Sam is left alone and terrified.



### The Inquisition **Taran Matharu**

Fletcher must face the Inquisition for a crime he did not commit until the king announces a deadly challenge that involves entering Orc territory to complete a risky mission.



### Kill the boy band **Goldy Moldavsky**

Four fans of a boy band, what point does being a fan become insanity? kidnapping a band member? Maybe even murder?



### Lights Out James Patterson

Daniel X has been hunting aliens most of his life. Aided by his power to create anything he can think of, he's fought his way up the list of the galaxy's most wanted aliens, demons and scum bags. There's only one name left.



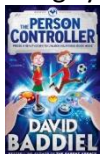
### Resurgence Kerry Wilkinson

An entire country has been lied to. Silver Blackthorn was supposed to be one of the privileged few, chosen to serve and help rebuild a shattered nation. Instead she has been forced to become a rebel.



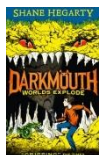
### The loneliness of distant beings Kate Ling

Seren longs to feel sunshine. It's something she feels she needs to stay sane. But when you're hurtling through space at thousands of kilometres an hour, sometimes you have to accept there are things you cannot change.



### The Person Controller David Baddiel

A weird online encounter with someone calling himself the Mystery Man results in the arrival of a brand new video game controller, and then things get very strange indeed for Ellie.



### Worlds Explode Shane Hegarty

Twelve year old Finn is one of the last Legend Hunters and his father is trapped on the Infested Side. He's searched for a map, he's followed Steve into dead ends, but found nothing. And he's still got homework to do..



### Wildwitch: Wildfire Lene Kaarberbol

A strange encounter with a huge black cat changes Clara's life and opens up a whole new world for her as a wildwitch.



### Head Over Heels Holly Smale

Harriet throws herself into modelling with characteristically misjudged enthusiasm, accidentally winning a Vogue contract for herself and her baby sister (unknown to her parents).



### Sputnik's Guide to Life on Earth Frank Cottrell Boyce

Sputnik is not the family dog he is an alien writing a guidebook to Earth called Ten Things Worth Doing on Earth, and he takes Prez on a journey to discover just those ten things.



### Knights of the Borrowed Dark Dave Rudden

Denizen Hardwick doesn't believe in magic - until he's ambushed by a monster created from shadows. Between us and the shadows stand the Knights of the Borrowed Dark. Unfortunately for Denizen, he's one of them... never...



### Gunpoint Jim Eldridge

Junior plumber Alex is in the cramped roof space of the Town Hall examining its water pipes when armed men storm the building and take everyone in it hostage, including her dad.



### Dork Diaries: Drama Queen Rachel Renee Russell

Mackenzie, the awful arch nemesis of self-confessed dork Nikki, steals her diary and takes it over.

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## Summer suggestions for 13 year olds



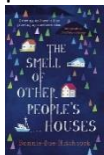
### **You Don't Know Me** **Sophia Bennett**

Betraying your best friend is bad enough, but what if it happens on TV, in front of millions? The whole world lines up to judge you.



### **Once Upon a Place** **Eoin Colfer**

A collection of 11 new short stories and 6 new poems by Ireland's top children's writers.



### **The Smell of Other People's Houses**

#### **Bonnie-Sue Hitchcock**

Alaska, 1970: growing up here is like nowhere else. Ruth wants to be remembered by her grieving mother. Dora wishes she was invisible to her abusive father. Alyce is staying at home to please her parents. Hank is running away for the sake of his brothers.



### **Concentr8** **William Sutcliffe**

The withdrawal of Concentr8, prescribed for ADHD, in a future London beset with rioting, is investigated as its trigger.



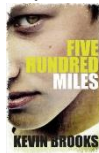
### **Zom-B Goddess** **Darren Shan**

What will become of B Smith? And is apocalypse nigh?!



### **Stargirl** **Jerry Spinelli**

Nobody knows who she is or where she's from. But everyone loves her for being different. And she captures Leo's heart with just one smile.



### **Five hundred miles** **Kevin Brooks**

Cole and his brother Ruben live in East London. A chance encounter in the pub with a girl who resembles their dead sister, and a monkey, a sudden act of violence, and the four of them are in a car and heading to Scotland.



### **Dangerous Lies** **Becca Fitzpatrick**

Stella is in witness protection. No one can know who she really is. Not even Chet Falconer, her hot, enigmatic neighbour



### **Lying about last summer** **Sue Wallman**

Skye, at summer camp for bereaved siblings, starts receiving text messages from someone pretending to be her dead sister.



### **Demigods and Magicians** **Rick Riordan**

Percy Jackson, Annabeth Chase and Carter and Sadie Kane do battle with an ancient Egyptian magician determined to become a god. Against impossible odds, the four demigods and magicians team up to prevent the apocalypse.



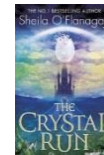
### **Raymie Nightingale** **Kate DiCamillo**

At baton-twirling lessons Raymie meets Louisiana, orphaned daughter of high wire stars the Flying Elefantos, and Beverly Tapinski, gruff, stubborn and fearless. Together they become the Three Rancheros, and as such their worlds are changed.



### **Rosie Goes to War** **Alison Knight**

Rosie looks exactly like Queenie, a girl who stayed with Gran and Eleanor during the Second World War. Going through her old suitcase Rosie tries on Queenie's clothes. But then she trips, blacks out and wakes to find herself in 1940 and Rosie realises she's somehow travelled back in time.



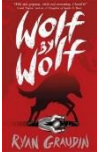
### **The Crystal Run** **Sheila O'Flanagan**

Joe is being chased by bullies from school when he accidentally runs through a portal to another world. He finds himself in a training camp for a group of teenage boys and girls who will become Runners.



**The Monstrous Child Francesca Simon**

An ordinary teenager - and goddess of the Underworld. Hel, tries to make the best of it, welcoming the dead who she hosts for eternity.



**Wolf by Wolf Ryan Graudin**

More than ten years since the Nazis won the war, 17 year-old Yael, possessing the power to change her appearance after enduring scientific experimentation in Auschwitz, is single-minded in her determination to kill Hitler.



**The Witch's Kiss Kate Corr, Elizabeth Corr**

Sixteen-year-old Meredith is fed-up with her feuding family and feeling invisible at school - not to mention the witch magic that shoots out of her fingernails when she's stressed.



**Girl Out of Water Nat Luurtsema**

Lou's lost her chance for Olympic stardom after flunking the time trials when Hannah didn't. So when a trio of the school's boys ask her to help them develop a synchronised swimming routine for a TV talent contest, of course she says yes.



**The King's Shadow Philip Womack**

Johnny and Anna are being held prisoner. Bravely, Simon and Flora enter the hidden kingdom to search for their missing siblings.



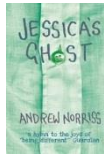
**The Bone Sparrow Zana Fraillon**

Subhi is a refugee who has spent all ten years of his life in a detention centre. Jimmie is a girl who lives on the Outside.



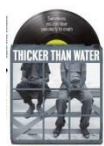
**The Hawkweed Prophecy Irena Brignull**

A spell is cast when two babies are born as the clock strikes twelve and their lives are switched. When the other girls in her coven brew vile potions, Ember makes soap and perfume.



**Jessica's Ghost Andrew Norriss**

Jessica has never had a friend like Francis before because he's the first person who has ever been able to see her.



**Thicker than water Anne Cassidy**

George dreams of an easy life, a little record business, enough money to get by. But it's hard when he has Lennie to look after too.



**Such Stuff A Story-Maker's Inspiration Michael Morpurgo M.B.E.**

Essays about more than 20 of his novels, combined with key extracts, historical context and background information from Michael's brother.



**Summer Shadows Joss Stirling**

Summer lives under a terrible shadow. It drains her, manipulates her and threatens to steal her future



**Sky Key James Frey**

Two keys - and nine Players - remain. The keys must be found, and only one Player can win.



**The Awakening of Sunshine Girl Paige McKenzie, Alyssa B. Sheinmel**

Sunshine initially tries to suppress the overwhelming powers that accompany being one of the last of the Luiseach, supernatural entities tasked with helping spirits move to the next world.

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## Summer suggestions for 14 year olds



### Hell and High Water **Tanya Landman**

Caleb is caught up in a terrifying net of lies and intrigue in his attempt to clear his father's name. Soon he and his new family are in mortal danger.



### The Rest of Us Just Live Here **Patrick Ness**

Mikey just wants to graduate, go to prom and finally work up the courage to ask Henna out before someone goes and blows up the high school, again.



### The Crossover **Kwame Alexander**

12-year-old Josh and his twin Jordan have basketball in their blood. Their father used to be a champion and they each want to follow in his footsteps.



### Wintergirls **Laurie Halse Anderson**

Cassie and Lia are best friends, and united in their quest to be thin. But when Cassie is found dead in a motel room, Lia must question whether she continues to lose weight, or choose life instead.



### And I Darken **Kiersten White**

Princess Lada knows how to wield a sword, and she'll stop at nothing to keep herself and her brother alive.



### Eight Rivers of Shadow **Leo Hunt**

There was a time when Luke Manchett was Mr Popular, but all that changed when he inherited a bunch of ghosts from his necromancer dad.



### Sunny Side Up **Holly Smale**

Harriet Manners knows everything there is to know about Paris...except what to do when you're the hottest new model at Fashion Week.



### The Front Room **Michelle Magorian**

Hannah, her mum and dad and little brother are on holiday and she's sure there's a sinister presence in their little holiday flat.



### Not If I See You First **Eric Lindstrom**

Parker Grant doesn't need perfect vision to see right through you. That's why she created the Rules: Don't treat her any differently just because she's blind, and never take advantage.



### Eden Summer **Liz Flanagan**

Like any other day for Jess - get up, draw on eyeliner, cover up tattoos and head to school. But this is no ordinary day, because Jess's best friend Eden isn't at school...she's gone missing.



### Children of Icarus **Caighlan Smith**

Being chosen to enter the angel-guarded labyrinth is the greatest honour that can be bestowed on the children of Daedelum. That's what Clara wants.



### Remade **Alex Scarrow**

Leon is smart, and realises a virus is spreading, unstoppable, deadly. Civilisation collapses in days leaving Leon and a few other survivors isolated and terrified.



### The Moonlight Dreamers **Siobhan Curham**

Amber craves excitement and adventure instead of being bullied for having two dads, and life at home isn't much better.



### Blame **Simon Mayo**

Ant, her foster parents and little brother Mattie are imprisoned for a crime her parents committed?



### The Otherlife **Julia Gray**

When Ben begins at Cottesmore House, school to rich, privileged boys, he is befriended by Hobie the bully, because Ben can see the Otherlife: a violent, mythic place where gods and monsters roam.



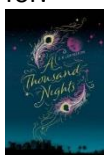
### The Loose Ends List **Carrie Firestone**

Maddie's grandmother announces she doesn't have long to live so she's taking the family on a cruise, during which the passenger-patients aboard the will choose their time to be sent to sleep.



### Wave **Paul Dowswell**

Brothers Eddie and Charlie find out the story of the WW1 soldier great-great-uncles they were named for.



### A Thousand Nights **E.K. Johnston**

When King Lo-Melkhiin arrives in her village, looking for a wife. She is taken in her sister's place, and she believes death will soon follow.



### A court of mist and fury **Sarah J. Maas**

Feyre survived Amarantha's clutches to return to the Spring Court - but at a steep cost.



### Generation Next **Oli White**

Jack meets a new group of talented friends, who together create Generation Next, an incredible new kind of social media platform. When GenNext suddenly goes viral, Jack and his friends are thrust into a crazy, terrifying, but awesome world.



### Cruel Heart Broken **Emma Haughton**

Laurie did something that's tearing her apart. Charlie used to be her best friend. He's done something he regrets...and now someone has died.



### Chasing the stars **Malorie Blackman**

Olivia and her twin brother, Aidan, are heading back to Earth when Vee decides to take in space refugees disrupting their lonely journey.



### Off the Page **Jodi Picoult, Samantha Van**

**Leer**  
Oliver, a prince literally taken from the pages of a fairy tale and wished into the real world by Delilah. It's a miracle that seems perfect at first - but there are complications. To exist in Delilah's world, Oliver must take the place of a regular boy.



### Underwater **Marisa Reichardt**

Morgan survived an event at school when others didn't, and knows she should be happy to be alive, instead she becomes a recluse. The arrival of a new neighbour, slowly reminds her of all she is missing.



### The Art of Not Breathing **Sarah Alexander**

Confident, cool and addicted to freediving the boys tell Elise it's too dangerous for her. That it's too dark, too scary, that it will hurt. But they don't know being brings flashbacks – to the day five years before when her twin Eddie vanished.



### The Outliers **Kimberly McCreight**

Wylie has lost her mother in a car accident and her father, a research scientist, is caught up in his work to the exclusion of anything else. Then Wylie's best friend Cassie goes missing and her boyfriend appears to ask for Wylie's help in finding her.

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## Summer suggestions for 15 year olds



### In the Dark, in the Woods **Eliza Wass**

The five Cresswell siblings and their broken, doll-like mum live in the foreboding shadow of their abusive dad, who uses God as a weapon.



### The Scandal **John Grisham**

Theodore Boone is facing a tough week of exams. But things take a turn for the worse when a huge scandal is revealed - by none other than his best friend, April.



### The Unexpected Everything **Morgan Matson**

Super-focused Andie has her future mapped-out until a political scandal for her Congressman dad cancels her summer pre-med internship, suddenly she's doing things that aren't Andie at all.



### CHERUB: New Guard **Robert Muchamore**

Ryan Sharma working undercover investigating a double kidnapping, working with mission controller and old guard, James Adams.



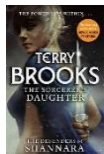
### Paper and Fire **Rachel Caine**

Barred from his goal of becoming a Scholar, Jess's determined to be a High Garda soldier. But news that a friend may be imprisoned and suffering brings Jess back with his old companions, and to a common cause: rescue.



### Napoleon Xylophone **Frank Lambert**

Napoleon Xylophone hates his name; his friends call him Zam. When the dangerously frightening wyte Ackx threatens his whole existence, Zam finds a world he knew nothing about fighting the changelings, wytes and gargoyles that come to life in the underworld beneath Newcastle.



### The Sorcerer's Daughter **Terry Brooks**

Leofur is the daughter of Arcannen - a power-hungry sorcerer but she is also devoted to Arcannen's nemesis, Paxon Leah - sworn protector of the Druids who defend the Four Lands.



### The Raven King **Maggie Stiefvater**

All her life, Blue has been warned that she will cause her true love's death. As her life becomes caught up in the strange and sinister world of the Raven Boys, she's not so sure any more.



### Young Bond: Heads You Die **Steve Cole**

James' Cuban holiday has become a nightmare mission to save an old friend from a villain who has perfected 1,000 ways to kill.



### Arena 13: The Prey **Joseph Delaney**

Leif returns to the fighting floor with a renewed hunger for revenge. But can he remain focused on his training as his passion for his master's daughter, Kwin, grows?



### How Not to Disappear **Clare Furniss**

Hattie's life changes forever when she meets her great aunt. Gloria by name, and glorious by nature, She and Hattie embark on an road-trip, retracing significant paths from Gloria's past.



### 13 Minutes **Sarah Pinborough**

I was dead for 13 minutes. I don't remember how I ended up in the water but I do know it wasn't an accident and I wasn't suicidal. They say you should keep your friends close and your enemies closer, but when you're a teenage girl, it's hard to tell them apart.



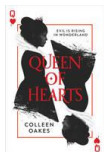
### Neverwhere Neil Gaiman

A special illustrated edition of the stunningly brilliant tale of London Below from genius Neil Gaiman and Children's Laureate Chris Riddell.



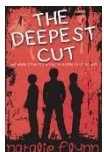
### Missing Dad Wanted J Ryan

Joe St Aubin, the sixteen year old son of a secret agent who has disappeared, and his girlfriend Becks Bowman must learn the hard way how to deal with the criminal underworld.



### Queen of hearts Colleen Oakes

Dinah is the future Queen of Hearts of Wonderland. She must stay one step ahead of her enemies or she'll lose not just the crown, it will be off with her head!



### The Deepest Cut Natalie Flynn

Adam blames himself for his best friend's death. After attempting suicide, too traumatized to speak, he begins to write notebooks detailing the events leading up to Jake's murder, trying to understand who is really responsible and cope with how needless it was as a petty argument spiralled out of control and peer pressure took hold.



### Everything, Everything Nicola Yoon

Madeline Whittier is so allergic to the outside world that she has never left the house for seventeen years. But when Olly moves in next door, and wants to talk to Maddy, tiny holes start to appear in the protective bubble her mother has built around her.



### A Million Miles Away Lara Avery

When Michelle dies in a car crash, identical twin Kelsey is left without her other half. She finally connects with Michelle's boyfriend, deployed in Afghanistan, Peter thinks that Kelsey is Michelle and says that seeing her is the one thing keeping him alive..



### Beautiful Broken Things Sara Barnard

Best friends Caddy and Rosie are inseparable. Then Suzanne comes into their lives and things get a whole lot more complicated.



### Crongton Knights Alex Wheatle

Living on the South Crongton council estate McKay has found life even tougher since his mum died, his dad is working all hours and his brother always out.



### What I couldn't tell you? Faye Bird

Laura was head over heels in love with Joe. But now Laura lies in a coma and Joe has gone missing. Was he the one who attacked her? Laura's sister Tessie is selectively mute. She can't talk but she can listen.



### Soldier Julie Kagawa

When forced to choose between the sinister Talon organisation and being hunted by her own kind, dragon-human hybrid Ember fled.



### One Sarah Crossan

Grace and Tippi are conjoined twins. Now teenagers, Tippi and Grace are off to school for the first time meeting new experiences and especially new friendships and relationships.



### The Shepherd's Crown Terry Pratchett

Something is stirring Tiffany Aching feels it in her boots. As the fairy horde prepares for invasion, Tiffany must summon all the witches to stand with her.

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