Banned Books Week: Celebrate Your Freedom to Read

September 30–October 6, 2012

Banned Books Week (BBW) is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read and the importance of the First Amendment. This year is the 30th Anniversary of Banned Books Week which highlights the benefits of free and open access to information while drawing attention to the harms of censorship by spotlighting actual or attempted bannings of books across the United States.

Visit the American Library Associations Banned Books Week Page for more information. For a complete list of the books banned or challenged in 2011-2012 and to see the reasons behind the challenges download a copy of the list here
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Below is a list of Youth and Young Adult books that were banned and/or challenged in 2011-2012:

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

Speak by Laure Halse Anderson

What's the Big Secret?: Talking About Sex With Girls and Boys by Laurie Krasney Brown and Marc Brown

My Mom's Having a Baby by Dori Hillestad Butler

Ender's Game by Orson Scott Card

Betrayed by P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast

The Perks of Being a Wallflower by Stephen Chbosky

Looking for Alaska by John Green

It's Perfectly Normal by Robie H. Harris

Stolen Children by Peg Kehret

Hold Still by Nina LaCour

Tangled by Carolyn Mackler

Lovingly Alice by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Twenty Boy Summer by Sarah Ockler

The Adventures of Super Diaper Baby by Dav Pilkey

And Tango Makes Three by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell

Stuck in the Middle: 17 Comics from an Unpleasant Age by Ariel Schrag

Only in Your Dreams by Cecily Von Ziegesar

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