Best Fiction for Young Adults Top Ten 2013

The books, recommended for ages 12-18, meet the criteria of both good quality literature and appealing reading for teens. The list comprises a wide range of genre and styles, including contemporary realistic fiction, fantasy, horror, science fiction and novels in verse. In addition to the 102 books chosen for the Best Fiction for Young Adults list, the committee also selected a Top Ten which is listed below.

Me and Earl and the Dying Girl by Jesse Andrews
Greg and Earl are forced to spend time with a classmate recently diagnosed with leukemia. Will their lives change for the better or just stay the same as usual?

The Diviners by Libba Bray New age, old magic.

## Seraphina by Rachel Hartmen

Intriguingly, in this world, dragons can transform at will into the body of a human. Part human, part dragon, Seraphina must hide her heritage as the tenuous peace her country has with dragons seems likely to slip away as unknown elements are stirring up trouble that even Seraphina's music can't assuage.

## **Enchanted** by Alethea Kontis

Sunday's child may be able to find her story with the help of ....a frog.

# **Every Day** by David Levithan

How can love survive if each day you wake up as a different person?

## Never Fall Down by Patricia McCormick

Arn is taken from his home by the Khmer Rouge and forced to become a child soldier. What will he do to survive?

#### Boy 21 by Matthew Quick

A chronicle of grief paralleling Finley's silence and immersion in the repetition of basketball with Boy 21's belief that his murdered parents will return from space and take him to the cosmos.

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Saenz Aristotle and Dante could scarcely be more different, but through the years of growing up, they become more to each other than they ever imagined.

## The Raven Boys by Maggie Stiefvater

Blue Sargent has been told her entire life that she will kill her true love. She stays away from boys, but when one boy's ghost shows up on the corpse road, which is a promise of death within a year, Blue understands that she can no longer avoid the Raven Boys. When she teams up with them to search for ley lines and lost kings, she knows that something has started and that her life will never be the same.

## Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Weyn

Verity and Maddie are friends working in the war effort. When the Gestapo captures Verity, she trades information for freedom. Meanwhile, Maddie tries to free her. This is their story.