

Dystopias



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The Always War by Margaret Peterson Haddix

Tessa and two friends discover the shocking truth about a war that began over seventy-five years ago.

Birthmarked by Caragh M. O'Brien

In a future society, a teen midwife must make a difficult choice when her parents are arrested.

Blood Red Road by Moira Young

In a distant future, Saba is captured while looking for her kidnapped brother and is forced to be a cage fighter until new friends plan an escape.

Breathe by Sarah Crossan

In a land with little oxygen, three teens leave their dome with two days of oxygen in their tanks.

BZRK by Michael Grant

Conjoined twins use nanobots to create a utopia, while a rebel group tries to stop them with a DNA biot.

Cinder by Marissa Meyer

Cinder must uncover secrets about her past in order to protect the world in this futuristic take on the Cinderella story. (Sequel: **Scarlet**)

The Declaration by G.R. Malley

When people live forever and children are illegal, Anna, a "Surplus," learns her birth parents are looking for her.

Delirium by Lauren Oliver

Lena wants the government-mandated cure for the delirium of love until she falls in love herself. (Sequels: Pandemonium; Requiem)

Divergent by Veronica Roth

Beatrice must choose among five predetermined factions to define her identity but finds she doesn't fit into any group. (Sequels: Insurgent; Allegiant)

The Eleventh Plague by Jeff Hirsch

Stephen's life is turned upside down in a post-collapse America when his grandfather dies and his father takes great risks to save the lives of two strangers.

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Enclave by Ann Aguirre

When Deuce, a loyal Huntress, partners with a mysterious outsider, she begins to see that the ways of the elders are wrong and dangerous.

Eve by Anna Carey

Eve sets off on a treacherous journey into the wilds of The New America, searching for a place where she can survive.

Feed by M.T. Anderson

Witness a future where most people have computer implants in their heads to control their environment.

Frozen by Melissa De La Cruz

Fifteen-year-old Cass makes a journey across a land covered in ice to find the mythical land, Blue.

Hungry by H.A. Swain

When food is scarce, the government gives people drugs instead, but what happens when hunger returns?

Incarceron by Catherine Fisher

To free herself from an upcoming arranged marriage, Claudia, the daughter of the Warden of Incarceron, a futuristic prison with a mind of its own, decides to help a young prisoner escape.

Inhuman by Kat Falls

Delaney ventures into an area of viral contagion to find her father.

Inside Out by Maria V. Snyder

Trella helps protect Broken Man, a prophet who preaches about a mysterious Gateway.

The Knife of Never Letting Go by Patrick Ness

Pursued by power-hungry Prentiss and mad minister Aaron, young Todd and Viola set out across New World searching for answers about his colony's true past and seeking a way to warn the ship bringing hopeful settlers from Old World.

Legend by Marie Lu

In a dark future, when North America has split into two warring nations, fifteen-year-olds Day, a famous criminal, and prodigy June, the brilliant soldier hired to capture him, discover that they have a common enemy.

The Line by Teri Hall

Rachel finds a mysterious message from the other side of the Line asking for help, and she responds.

Linked by Imogen Howson

Elissa learns she has a twin who is wanted by the government and gets a space academy grad to help find her.

Matched by Alyson Condie

Cassia is matched to marry her best friend Xander, but is attracted to another (Sequels: Crossed; Reached)

The Maze Runner by James Dashner

Sixteen-year-old Thomas wakes up with no memory in the middle of a maze and realizes he must work with the community in which he finds himself if he is to escape.

Momentum by Saci Lloyd

Hunter, a privileged teen, is drawn to Uma, a member of the poor and disenfranchised group known as The Outsiders.

Orleans by Sherri Smith

Set in a futuristic, hostile Orleans landscape, Fen de la Guerre must deliver her tribe leader's baby over the Wall into the Outer States before her blood becomes tainted with Delta Fever"--Provided by publisher.

Parched by Georgia Clark

While natural resources are rare, can Tess leave behind her life of luxury to help the revolution?

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Pirate Cinema by Cory Doctorow

Trent, a movie maker, joins other teen activists to fight a law criminalizing internet creativity. (Also by Doctorow: **For the Win, Little Brother.**)

Proxy by Alex London

Knox and his proxy Syd, who endures punishments for Knox's misdeeds, try to overthrow the system.

Pulse by Patrick Carman

In the year 2051, when most Americans live in one of two gigantic, modern States, Faith Daniels, part of a dwindling group that lives between, learns that she, like other misfits, has unusual abilities that could help when the inevitable war begins.

Rash by Pete Hautman

Bo finds prison life boring and dangerous. Can Bork, an artificial intelligence he created save him?

Reboot by Amy Tintera

Wren is rebooted as an elite crime-fighting soldier, but receives an order he refuses to obey.

Replica by Jenna Black

When Nadia's fiance is killed and brought back by replication, they try to find the killer.

Restoring Harmony by Joëlle Anthony

In 2031, Molly travels through a dangerous wasteland to find her grandparents.

Revived by Cat Patrick

Daisy is brought back from the dead by a government super drug called Revive, and begins to question intense government controls.

Salvage by Alexandra Duncan

Facing banishment and death, Ava escapes to the island of trash floating in the Pacific.

The Secret Under My Skin by Janet Elizabeth McNaughton

In the year 2368, humans exist under dire environmental conditions and one young woman, rescued from a workcamp and chosen for a special duty, uses her love of learning to discover the truth about the planet's future and her own dark past.

The Selection by Kiera Cass

America competes in a contest to marry the prince, but loves a boy in a caste below her (Sequel: *The Elite*)

Ship Breaker by Paolo Bacigalupi

In a futuristic world, teenaged Nailer scavenges copper wiring from grounded oil tankers for a living, but when he finds a beached clipper ship with a girl in the wreckage, he has to decide if he should strip the ship for its wealth or rescue the girl.

Skyship Academy: The Pearl Wars by Nick James

In 2095 when a teen learns he has the power to control fragments of space debris, the government tries to capture him.

Starters by Lissa Price

Callie hires her body out to seniors who want to be young again, until she learns that her body will commit murder, unless her mind can stop it.

Swipe by Evan Angler

In a world where everyone must be Marked in order to gain citizenship and participate in society, a group of youngsters who questions the system struggles to identify the true enemy--while pursuing a group of Markless teenagers.

Taken by Erin Bowman

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In a town where eighteen-year-old boys mysteriously disappear, Gray tries to find out what happens to them.

Tankborn by Karen Sandler

Kayla and Mishalla, two genetically engineered non-human slaves (GENs), fall in love with higher-status boys, discover deep secrets about the creation of GENs, and in the process find out what it means to be human.

The Testing by Joelle Charbonneau

Cia must pass a series of tests to enter university, but worries when those who fail disappear.

The Unidentified by Rae Mariz

In a futuristic alternative school, Katey struggles to figure out if she wants to fit in.

Unwind by Neal Shusterman

In a future world where those between the ages of thirteen and eighteen can have their lives "unwound" and their body parts harvested for use by others, three teens go to extreme lengths to uphold their beliefs--and, perhaps, save their own lives.

What's Left of Me by Kat Zhang

Eva and Addie, who live as two souls in one body, keep their outlawed "hybrid" condition a secret for fear of being locked away.

Wither by Lauren Destafano

After modern science turns every human into a genetic time bomb with men dying at age twenty-five and women dying at age twenty, girls are kidnapped and married off in order to repopulate the world.

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