

Science Fiction for Teens

Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy [Series]

Douglas Adams (YA ADAMS)

Join Arthur Dent as he travels the galaxy with his pal Ford Prefect, getting into horrible messes & generally wreaking havoc. (Grades 8-12)

Feed

M.T. Anderson (YA ANDERSON)

The Internet and television can be piped directly into your brain, and you can be carefully controlled. (Grades 8+)

Ultraviolet

R.J. Anderson (YA ANDERSON)

Alison thinks that she can just make people disintegrate. That's impossible...isn't it? (Grades 10+)

I, Robot

Isaac Asimov (YA ASIMOV)

What are the "Three Laws of Robotics" that govern robot behavior, and how blurred is the line between robot and human? (Grades 9+)

The Handmaid's Tale

Margaret Atwood (YA ATWOOD)

In the near future where the United States used to stand, fertile women are strictly controlled and separated into social castes. (Grades 9+)

All Good Children

Catherine Austen (YA AUSTEN)

In the 'utopia' of Middletown, kids are given drugs that turn them into every parent's dream—quiet...obedient....some would even say zombified... (Grades 6-8)

The Looking Glass Wars [Series]

Frank Beddor (YA BEDDOR)

It's "Alice in Wonderland," with all of the futuristic technology and weaponry that Lewis Carroll seems to have forgotten! (Grades 9+)

The Martian Chronicles

Ray Bradbury (YA BRADBURY)

Humans make contact with Mars. Will mankind find a brighter future, or will our behavior on Earth follow us into the new world? (Grades 8+)

Kindred

Octavia Butler (BUTLER)

When a 20th-century woman is transported back in time to 1815, she finds herself making tricky decisions that may alter the future. (Grades 9+)

Ender's Game [Series]

Orson Scott Card (YA CARD)

Earth's children are trained in battle to defeat invading aliens. Ender Wiggins, a child prodigy, finds himself torn between being a normal youth and fighting in the war. (Grades 6+)

Pathfinder

Orson Scott Card (YA CARD)

Rigg is tasked by his dying father to go to the capital city to locate his missing sister. Meanwhile, a colony ship travels ever closer to a dangerous uncharted world... (Grades 7+)

The Roar [Has a Sequel]

Emma Clayton (YA CLAYTON)

Twins Mika and Ellie live on a bleak future Earth where they must fight rabid animals using dangerous chemicals. (Grades 6-8)

The Hunger Games [Trilogy]

Susanne Collins (YA COLLINS)

In Panem, each state is responsible for sending young "tributes" to compete in the sadistic 'Hunger Games,' a reality TV show where it's kill, or be killed. (Grades 7+)

Code Orange

Caroline B. Cooney (YA COONEY)

Mitty Blake is your average high school biology student—until he is accidentally exposed to smallpox. (Grades 6-9)

The Maze Runner [Series]

James Dashner (YA DASHNER)

Outside of the safety Glade lies an enormous maze, populated by nightmarish perversions of technology. (Grades 6-10)

For the Win

Cory Doctorow (YA DOCTOROW)

From Chinese gaming sweatshops to the basements of the United States, virtual world items are big business that some are even willing to kill for. (Grades 9+)

The Ear, The Eye & The Arm

Nancy Farmer (YA FARMER)

In 2194, General Matsika's three children are kidnapped. Three mutant detectives must use their powers to search for them. (Grades 6-9)

Incarceron [Has a Sequel]

Catherine Fisher (YA FISHER)

Finn has lived his entire life inside the gigantic prison known as 'Incarceron.' Prisoners live there from birth to death, but legend tells of one mysterious man who did manage to escape... (Grades 7+)

Black Hole Sun [Has a Sequel]

David Macinnis Gill (YA GILL)

Durango works as a 'regulator' in the Martian colonies. He's been hired for his toughest assignment: protect a bunch of miners from cannibals as they search for lost treasure. (Grades 9+)

The Always War

Margaret Peterson Haddix (YA HADDIX)

Can truth ever come to light in a country that is always at war? (Grades 7-10)

The Line [Has a Sequel]

Teri Hall (YA HALL)

"The Line" separates the United States from a radioactive wasteland and the mutants residing there. No one has ever crossed it. (Grades 6-8)

Human.4

Mike A. Lancaster (YA LANCASTER)

Kyle gets hypnotized, and when he comes to, the world is a VERY different place! He seems to have missed out on the human race's 'upgrade,' and may not longer even exist. (Grades 7-10)

Carbon Diaries [Series]

Saci Lloyd (YA LLOYD)

The year is 2015, and Global Warming has finally taken its toll on the population of England. Now, even Carbon must be rationed. (Grades 8+)

The Giver [Series]

Lois Lowry (YA LOWRY)

How can a world with no poverty, crime or sickness be a nightmare? (Grades 6-9)

The Adoration of Jenna Fox

Mary E. Pearson (YA PEARSON)

Jenna wakes from a long coma. Why can't she seem to remember anything? More importantly, why doesn't she feel comfortable in her own body? (Grades 8+)

Larklight [Series]

Philip Reeve (YA REEVE)

Art & his irritating sister live with their father in a huge, rambling house...that just happens to be traveling through outer space. (Grades 6-10)

Virals [Series]

Kathy Reichs (YA REICHS)

When Tory and her friends are catch an experimental virus at a research compound, they must learn to use their newfound powers to bring killers to justice. (Grades 9+)

Unwind

Neal Shusterman (YA SHUSTERMAN)

Following the Second Civil War, humans can be separated from their bodies...and kept alive.
(Grades 9+)

The Only Ones

Aaron Starmer (YA STARMER)

Martin lives in the mysterious village of Xibalba, where it's unknown how e got there...or what happened to the Earth. (Grades 7+)

Snowcrash

Neal Stephenson (YA STEPHENSON)

The United States is split into franchises, and Hiro has a great job delivering pizzas for the Mafia. Everything changes when his friend fries his brain on a mysterious new online drug. (Grades 10+)

The Comet's Curse [Series]

Dom Testa (YA TESTA)

A comet has devastated Earth's adult population. Humanity's only salvation may rest with a spaceship full of teenagers sent to colonize a system in the far reaches of space. (Grades 8+)

Numbers

Rachel Ward (YA WARD)

Rachel can't seem to look people in the eye, or make friends—she has the uncanny power to see the date that they will die. (Grades 8-10)

Leviathan [Trilogy]

Scott Westerfeld (YA WESTERFELD)

What if World War I had been waged between the 'Darwinists' and their giant animals and the 'Clankers,' with their advanced machinery? (Grades 9+)