

? More Teens Staff Picks



Witchy Reads

Crack open one of these magical tomes to enjoy some spooky adventures starring witches!

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The Babysitters Coven

Kate Williams

(Young Adult Fiction - Y)

After new student Cassandra Heaven joins seventeen-year-old Esme Pearl's babysitters club, the girls learn that being a babysitter really means a heroic lineage of superpowers, magic rituals, and saving the innocent from evil.



The Black Witch

Laurie Forest

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Forest)

Elloren Gardner is the granddaughter of the last prophesied Black Witch, Carnissa Gardner, who drove back the enemy forces and saved the Gardnerian people during the Realm War. But Elloren is utterly devoid of power in a society that prizes magical ability above all else. When she is granted the opportunity to pursue her dream of becoming an apothecary, Elloren joins her brothers at the prestigious Verpax University to embrace a destiny of her own. But she soon realizes that the university, which admits all manner of people --is a treacherous place for the granddaughter of the Black Witch.



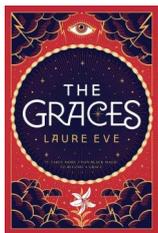
The Bone Witch

Rin Chupeco

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Chupeco)

When Tea accidentally resurrects her brother from the dead, she learns she is different from the other witches in her family. Her gift for necromancy means that she's a bone witch, a title that makes her feared

and ostracized by her community. But Tea finds solace and guidance with an older, wiser bone witch, who takes Tea and her brother to another land for training. But dark forces are approaching quickly, and in the face of danger, Tea will have to overcome her obstacles...and make a powerful choice.



The Graces

Laure Eve

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Eve)

A secretive loner discovers her own hidden powers when she's taken under the wings of three glamorous witches.



Half Bad

Sally Green

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Green)

In modern-day England, where witches live alongside humans, Nathan, son of a White witch and the most powerful Black witch, must escape captivity before his seventeenth birthday and receive the gifts that will determine his future.

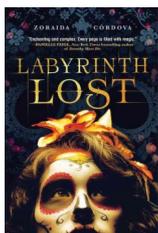


How to Hang a Witch

Adriana Mather

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Mather)

Fifteen-year-old Samantha Mather, who has moved to Salem with her stepmother 300 years after her family hanged witches there, to find she is ostracized by the witch descendants at school, as she unravels the lost secrets of the hangings and her family.



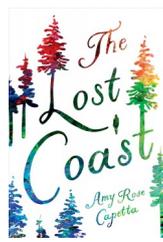
Labyrinth Lost

Zoraida Cordova

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Cordova)

Alex is a bruja and the most powerful witch in her family. But she's hated magic ever since it made her

father disappear into thin air. When a curse she performs to rid herself of magic backfires and her family vanishes, she must travel to Los Lagos, a land in-between as dark as Limbo and as strange as Wonderland, to get her family back.



The Lost Coast

Amy Rose Capetta

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Capetta)

Danny didn't know what she was looking for when she and her mother spread out a map of the United States and Danny put her finger down on Tempest, California. What she finds are the Grays: a group of friends who throw around terms like queer and witch like they're ordinary and everyday, though they feel like an earthquake to Danny. They cast a spell that calls her halfway across the country, because she can bring back Imogen, the most powerful of the Grays, missing since she wandered into the woods alone. Something is very wrong amid the trees and fog of the Lost Coast, and whatever it is, it can kill.

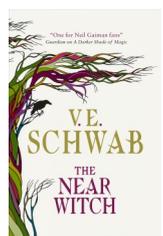


Missing, Presumed Dead

Emma Berquist

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Berquis)

With a touch, Lexi can sense how and when someone will die. Some say it's a gift. But to Lexi it's a curse--one that keeps her friendless and alone. All that changes when Lexi foresees the violent death of a young woman, Jane, outside a club. Jane doesn't go to the afterlife quietly. Her ghost remains behind, determined to hunt down her murderer, and she needs Lexi's help.



The Near Witch

Victoria Schwab

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Schwab)

The Near Witch is only an old story told to frighten children. If the wind calls at night, you must not listen. The wind is lonely, and always looking for company. There are no strangers in the town of Near. These are the truths that Lexi has heard all her life. But when an actual stranger, a boy who seems to fade like smoke, appears outside her home on the moor at night, she knows that at least one of these sayings is no longer true. The next night, the children of Near start disappearing from their beds, and the mysterious boy falls under suspicion.



Only the Stars Know Her Name: Salem's Lost Story of Tituba's Daughter

Amanda Marrone

(Juvenile Fiction - J Marrone)

A year after the Salem Witch Trials ended, Tituba's thirteen-year-old daughter Violet, filled with rage and the desire for retribution, joins forces with two other girls in a pact with the Devil.



Other Words for Smoke

Sarah Maria Griffin

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Griffin)

Fourteen-year-old twins Mae and Rossa's summer away from home takes a life-altering turn when they discover their great aunt Rita's home is full of secrets.



Serpent & Dove

Shelby Mahurin

(Young Adult Fiction - Y)

Two years ago, Louise le Blanc fled her coven and took shelter in the city of Cesarine, forsaking all magic and living off whatever she could steal. There, witches like Lou are hunted. Sworn to the Church as a Chasseur, Reid Diggory has lived his life by one principle: thou shalt not suffer a witch to live. His path was never meant to cross with Lou's, but a wicked stunt forces them into an impossible union? holy matrimony. The war between witches and Church is an ancient one, and Lou's most dangerous enemies bring a fate worse than fire.



Teeth in the Mist

Dawn Kurtagich

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Kurtagi)

Inspired by the legend of Faust and told in alternating timelines, sixteen-year-old Roan arrives at Mill House as a ward and discovers she is connected to an ancient evil secret, while, centuries later, seventeen-year-old Zoey explores the dwelling's ruins and soon realizes she is not alone.

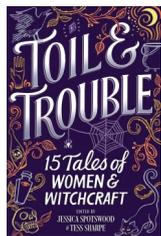


These Witches Don't Burn

Isabel Sterling

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Sterlin)

When evidence of dark magic begins to appear all over Salem, Massachusetts, Elemental Witch Hannah and her ex-girlfriend Veronica are forced to team up to stop the deadly attacks.



Toil and Trouble: 15 Tales of Women and Witchcraft

Jessica Speswood, Tess Sharpe - Editors

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Toil)

History is filled with stories of women accused of witchcraft, of fearsome girls with arcane knowledge. Toil & Trouble features fifteen stories of girls embracing their power, reclaiming their destinies and using their magic to create, to curse, to cure--and to kill...This collection reveals a universal truth: there's nothing more powerful than a teenage girl who believes in herself.



Trial by Fire

Josephine Angelini

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Angelin)

In her hometown of Salem Lily Proctor endures not only life-threatening allergies but humiliation at her first high school party with her best friend and longtime crush, Tristan. But in a different Salem -- one overrun with horrifying creatures and ruled by powerful women called Crucibles, she is Lillian, the strongest and cruelest Crucible ... Lily's other self in an alternate universe that Lily suddenly finds herself where she is torn between responsibilities she can't hope to shoulder alone and a love she never expected.



Truthwitch

Susan Dennard

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Dennard)

On a continent ruled by three empires, some are born with a 'witchery,' a magical skill that sets them apart from others. Safiya is a Truthwitch, able to discern truth from lie. Iseult is a Threadwitch, seeing the invisible ties that bind and entangle the lives around her-- but not those that touch her own heart. With the help of Prince Merik, a Windwitch-- and the hindrance of a Bloodwitch bent on revenge-- the friends must fight emperors, princes, and mercenaries alike, who will stop at nothing to get their hands on a Truthwitch.

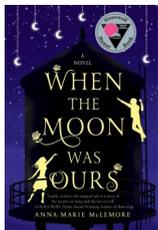


Undead Girl Gang

Lily Anderson

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Anderso)

Meet teenage Wiccan Mila Flores, who truly could not care less what you think about her Doc Martens, her attitude, or her weight because she knows that, no matter what, her BFF Riley is right by her side. So when Riley and Fairmont Academy mean girls June Phelan-Park and Dayton Nesseth die under suspicious circumstances, Mila refuses to believe everyone's explanation that her BFF was involved in a suicide pact.

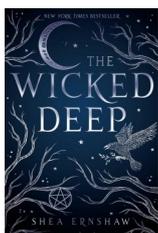


When the Moon was Ours

Anna-Marie McLemore

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Mclemor)

To everyone who knows them, best friends Miel and Sam are as strange as they are inseparable. Roses grow out of Miel's wrists, and rumors say that she spilled out of a water tower when she was five. Sam is known for the moons he paints and hangs in the trees and for how little anyone knows about his life before he and his mother moved to town. But as odd as everyone considers Miel and Sam, even they stay away from the Bonner girls, four beautiful sisters rumored to be witches.

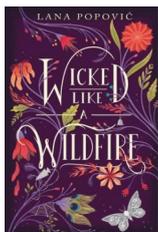


The Wicked Deep

Shea Ernshaw

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Ernshaw)

Two centuries ago, in the town of Sparrow, three sisters were sentenced to death for witchery. Stones were tied to their ankles and they were drowned in the deep waters surrounding the town. For a brief time each summer the sisters return, stealing the bodies of three girls so that they may seek their revenge, luring boys into the harbor and pulling them under. Penny Talbot has accepted the fate of the town. But on the eve of the sisters' return a boy named Bo Carter arrives, unaware of the danger he has just stumbled into.



Wicked Like a Wildfire

Lana Popovic

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Popovic)

Twins Iris and Malina have been born with a gleam-- a unique way of using magic to manipulate beauty. Iris sees flowers as fractals and turns her kaleidoscope visions into glasswork, while Malina interprets moods as music. They must keep their gifts a secret, and are not allowed to share their magic with

anyone. When their mother is mysteriously attacked, the sisters discover a wicked curse that haunts their family line.



The Wise and the Wicked

Rebecca Podos

(Young Adult Fiction - Y Podos)

Ruby Chernyavsky has been told the stories since she was a child: The women in her family, once possessed of great magical abilities to remake lives and stave off death itself, were forced to flee their Russian home for America in order to escape the fearful men who sought to destroy them. Such has it always been, Ruby's been told, for powerful women. Today, these stories seem no more real to Ruby than folktales, except for the smallest bit of power left in their blood: when each of them comes of age, she will have a vision of who she will be when she dies—a destiny as inescapable as it is inevitable.



The Ancient Magus' Bride, Vol. 1

Kore Yamazaki

(Manga - MANGA Ancient v. 1 Yamazaki)

Hatori Chise has lived a life full of neglect and abuse, devoid of anything resembling love. Just when all hope seems lost, a fateful encounter awaits her. When a man with the head of a beast, wielding strange powers, obtains her through a slave auction, Chise's life will never be the same again. The man is a "magus," a sorcerer of great power, who decides to free Chise from the bonds of captivity. The magus then makes a bold statement: Chise will become his apprentice.



Black Magick, Vol. 1

Greg Rucka, Nicola Scott

(Graphic Novels - GN Black Magick v. 1)

Rowan Black is a detective with the Portsmouth PD... and a witch, two aspects of her life she has struggled to keep separate. Now someone is targeting Rowan, someone who knows her secrets and means to expose her... or worse.

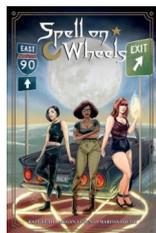


Grimoire Noir

Vera Greentea

(Graphic Novels - GN Greente Grimoire Noir)

When his little sister is kidnaped for her magical powers, Bucky Orson goes on a strange journey to find her, uncovering his town's painful history and a conspiracy that will change it forever.



Spell on Wheels

Kate Leth

(Graphic Novels - GN Leth Spell on Wheels)

Three young witches head out on an east coast road trip to retrieve their stolen belongings and track down the mysterious thief before he can do any damage to--or with--their possessions.



The Witch Boy

Molly Ostertag

(Graphic Novels - GN Osterta Witch Boy)

In thirteen-year-old Aster's family, all the girls are raised to be witches, while boys grow up to be shapeshifters. Unfortunately for Aster, he still hasn't shifted... and he's still fascinated by witchery, no matter how forbidden it might be. When a mysterious danger threatens the other boys, Aster knows he can help -- as a witch. It will take the encouragement of a new friend, the non-magical and non-conforming Charlie, to convince Aster to try practicing his skills.



Witch Hat Atelier, Vol. 1

Kamome Shirahama

(Manga - MANGA Witchha v. 1 Shiraha)

In a world where everyone takes wonders like magic spells and dragons for granted, Coco is a girl with a simple dream: She wants to be a witch. But everybody knows magicians are born, not made, and Coco was not born with a gift for magic. Resigned to her un-magical life, Coco is about to give up on her dream to become a witch...until the day she meets Qifrey, a mysterious, traveling magician.

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