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306.7 BEH

**He's just not that into you / the no-excuses truth to understanding guys / by Greg Behrendt and Liz Tuccillo**

Behrendt, Greg and Liz Tuccillo

For ages women have come together over coffee, cocktails, or late-night phone chats to analyze the puzzling behavior of men. Greg Behrendt and Liz Tuccillo are here to say that--despite good intentions--you're wasting your time. men are not complicated, although they'd like you to think they are. And there are no mixed messages. The truth may be he's just not that into you.

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364.1 FID

**True Crime : the infamous villains of modern history and their hideous crimes / Martin Fido & David Southwell**

Fido, Martin

True Crime is an authoritative and compelling history of the world's most shocking crimes, infamous murderers and villains from the beginning of the 19th century to the present. Unfolding in a page-by-page, tabloid format, True Crime traces the development of gangsterism; the growth of police forces from the Bow Street runners to Scotland Yard and the FBI; and the rise of drug-barons, latter-day cannibalism and mass terrorist attacks. The infamous and the forgotten rub shoulders in these shocking tales.

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796.332 MOR

**Then Morton said to Elway-- : the best Denver Broncos stories ever told / Craig Morton and Adrian Dater.**

Morton, Craig, 1943-

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808.042 ZIN

**On writing well: the classic guide to writing nonfiction / William Zinsser**

Zinsser, William

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891.551JAL

**The essential Rumi / translated by Coleman Barks, with John Moyne, A.A. Arberry, Reynold Nicholson.**

Jalal al-Din Rumi, Maulana, 1207-1273.

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BIO BEA

**A long way gone : memoirs of a boy soldier / Ishmael Beah.**

Beah, Ishmael, 1980-

Ishmael Beah describes his experiences after he was driven from his home by war in Sierra Leone and picked up by the government army at the age of thirteen, serving as a soldier for three years before being removed from fighting by UNICEF and eventually moving to the United States.

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BIO BOO

**Chasing Lincoln's killer / James L. Swanson**

Swanson, James L.

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FIC ABD

**Ten things I hate about me / Randa Abdel-Fattah.**

Abdel-Fattah, Randa.

Lebanese-Australian Jamilah, known in school as Jamie, hides her heritage from her classmates and tries to pass by dyeing her hair blonde and wearing blue-tinted contact lenses, until her conflicted feelings become too much for her to bear.

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FIC BAR

**The boy who dared**

Bartoletti, Susan Campbell.

In October, 1942, seventeen-year-old Helmuth Hübener, imprisoned for distributing anti-Nazi leaflets, recalls his past life and how he came to dedicate himself to bring the truth about Hitler and the war to the German people.

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FIC BLU

**What I saw and how I lied / by Judy Blundell.**

Blundell, Judy.

In 1947, with her jovial stepfather Joe back from the war and family life returning to normal, teenage Evie, smitten by the handsome young ex-GI who seems to have a secret hold on Joe, finds herself caught in a complicated web of lies whose devastating outcome change her life and that of her family forever.

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FIC COL

### **The hunger games / Suzanne Collins.**

Collins, Suzanne.

In a future North America, where the rulers of Panem maintain control through an annual televised survival competition pitting young people from each of the twelve districts against one another, sixteen-year-old Katniss's skills are put to the test when she voluntarily takes her younger sister's place.

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FIC DE

### **Revelations : a Blue Bloods novel / Melissa de la Cruz.**

De la Cruz, Melissa, 1971-

"Schuyler Van Alen's blood legacy has just been called into question ; is the young vampire in fact a Blue Blood, or is it the sinister Silver Blood that runs through her veins? As controversy swirls, Schuyler is left stranded in the Force household, trapped under the same roof as her cunning nemesis, Mimi Force, and her forbidden crush, Jack Force. When an ancient place of power is threatened in Rio de Janeiro, however, the Blue Bloods will need Schuyler on their side. The stakes are high; the battle is bloody; and through it all, Schuyler is torn between duty and passion, love and freedom."--p. [2] of jacket.

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FIC DEK

### **The Boneman's Daughters**

Dekker, Ted

They call him BoneMan, a serial killer who's abducted six young women. he's the perfect father looking for the perfect daughter, and when his victims fail to meet his lofty expectations, he kills them by breaking their bones and leaving them to die. Intelligence officer Ryan Evans, on the other hand, has lost all hope of ever being the perfect father. His daughter and his wife have written him out of their lives. Everything changes when BoneMan takes Ryan's estranged daughter, Bethany, as his seventh victim. ryan goes after boneMan on his own. But the FBI sees the case differently. New evidence points to Ryan being BoneMan. Now the hunter is the hunted and in the end only one father will stand.

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FIC DEK

### **Chaos : a lost book / Ted Dekker.**

Dekker, Ted, 1962-

The four heroic young Forest Guard recruits embark on their last mission to recover the lost Books of History before the Dark One unleashes their power to enslave humanity.

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FIC DEK

### **Chosen / Ted Dekker.**

Dekker, Ted, 1962-

After the Horde has destroyed their land, the Forest Dwellers choose four young recruits to become the Forest Guard and sends them on a mission to find the lost Books of History, works that control the destiny of their people and that are also sought by the Dark One.

As the land of the Forest Dwellers is increasingly decimated by the Horde, Thomas Hunter, supreme commander of the Forest Guard, chooses four sixteen-year-old recruits for a special mission--to find the seven lost Books of History that have power over the past, present, and future.

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FIC DEK

### **Infidel : a lost book / Ted Dekker.**

Dekker, Ted, 1962-

As Johnis and the other "chosen" recruits of the Forest Guard are pulled into deeper danger to secure the seven lost Books of History, Johnis tries to rescue his mother from enslavement by the Horde, but risks betraying the Forest Dwellers.

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FIC DEK

### **Renegade : a lost book / Ted Dekker.**

Dekker, Ted, 1962-

As Johnis, Silvie, Billos, and Darsal continue their quest for the four still missing Books of History, Billos makes a decision that has devastating consequences for himself and his companions, especially the devoted Darsal.

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FIC FOE

### **Extremely loud & incredibly close / Jonathan Safran Foer.**

Foer, Jonathan Safran, 1977-

Adult/High School-Oskar Schell is not your average nine-year-old. A budding inventor, he spends his time imagining wonderful creations. He also collects random photographs for his scrapbook and sends letters to scientists. When his father dies in the World Trade Center collapse, Oskar shifts his boundless energy to a quest for answers. He finds a key hidden in his father's things that doesn't fit any lock in their New York City apartment; its container is labeled "Black." Using flawless kid logic, Oskar sets out to speak to everyone in New York City with the last name of Black. A retired journalist who keeps a card catalog with entries for everyone he's ever met is just one of the colorful characters the boy meets. As in *Everything Is Illuminated* (Houghton, 2002), Foer takes a dark subject and works in offbeat humor with puns and wordplay. But *Extremely Loud* pushes further with the inclusion of photographs, illustrations, and mild experiments in typography reminiscent of Kurt Vonnegut's *Breakfast of Champions* (Dell, 1973). The humor works as a deceptive, glitzy cover for a fairly serious tale about loss and recovery. For balance, Foer includes the subplot of Oskar's grandfather, who survived the World War II bombing of Dresden. Although this story is not quite as evocative as Oskar's, it does carry forward and connect firmly to the rest of the novel. The two stories finally intersect in a powerful conclusion that will make even the most jaded hearts fall.—Matthew L. Moffett, Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale

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FIC FRI

### **The year my sister got lucky / Aimee Friedman.**

Friedman, Aimee.

When fourteen-year-old Katie and her older sister, Michaela, move from New York City to upstate New York, Katie is horrified by the country life-style but is even more shocked when her sister adapts effortlessly, enjoying their new life, unlike Katie.

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FIC GRU

### **Water for elephants : a novel / Sara Gruen.**

Gruen, Sara.

From Publishers Weekly

With its spotlight on elephants, Gruen's romantic page-turner hinges on the human-animal bonds that drove her debut and its sequel (*Riding Lessons* and *Flying Changes*)—but without the mass appeal that horses hold. The novel, told in flashback by nonagenarian Jacob Jankowski, recounts the wild and wonderful period he spent with the Benzini Brothers Most Spectacular Show on Earth, a traveling circus he joined during the Great Depression. When 23-year-old Jankowski learns that his parents have been killed in a car crash, leaving him penniless, he drops out of Cornell veterinary school and parlays his expertise with animals into a job with the circus, where he cares for a menagerie of exotic creatures[...] He also falls in love with Marlana, one of the show's star performers—a romance complicated by Marlana's husband, the unbalanced, sadistic circus boss who beats both his wife and the animals Jankowski cares for. Despite her often clichéd prose and the predictability of the story's ending, Gruen skillfully humanizes the midgets, drunks, rubes and freaks who populate her book. (May 26)

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FIC HEG

### **Pemba's song : a ghost story / Tonya C. Hegamin & Marilyn Nelson.**

Hegamin, Tonya.

As fifteen-year-old Pemba adjusts to leaving her Brooklyn, New York, home for small-town Connecticut, a Black history researcher helps her understand the paranormal experiences drawing her into the life of a mulatto girl who was once a slave in her house.

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FIC JON

### **Need / Carrie Jones**

Jones, Carrie

Zara collects phobias the way other high school girls collect iTunes. Little wonder, since her stepfather just died and her mother's pretty much checked out. Now Zara's living with her grandmother in sleepy, shivery Maine so that she stays "safe." Zara doesn't think she's in danger; she thinks her mother can't deal. Wrong. Turns out that guy Zara sees everywhere, the one leaving trails of gold glittery dust, isn't a figment of her imagination. He's a pixie--and not the cute, lovable kind with wings. He's the kind who has dreadful, uncontrollable needs.

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FIC KIN

### **Confessions of a shopaholic / Sophie Kinsella.**

Kinsella, Sophie.

From Publishers Weekly

Add this aptly titled piffle to the ranks of pink-covered girl-centric fiction that has come sailing out of England over the last two years. At age 25, Rebecca Bloomwood has everything she wants. Or does she? Can her career as a financial journalist, a fab flat and a closet full of designer clothes lessen the blow of the dunning letters from credit card companies and banks that have been arriving too quickly to be contained by the drawer in which Rebecca hides them? Although her romantic entanglements tend toward the superficial, there is that wonderful Luke Brandon of Brandon Communications: handsome, intelligent, the 31st-richest bachelor according to Harper's and actually possessed of a personality that is more substance than style. Too bad that Rebecca blows it whenever their paths cross. Will Rebecca learn to stop shopping before she loses everything worthwhile? When faced with the opportunity to do good for others and impress Luke, will she finally measure up? Rebecca is so unremittingly shallow and Luke is so wonderful that readers may find themselves rooting for the heroine not to get the man. Although, since Shakespeare's time, there's rarely been any doubt concerning how romantic comedies will end. There's a certain degree of madcap fun with some of Rebecca's creative untruths; when she persuades her parents that a bank manager is a stalker, some very amusing situations ensue. Still, this is familiar stuff, and Rebecca is the kind of unrepentant spender who will make readers, save those who share her disorder in the worst way, pity the poor bill collector. (Feb. 13) Forecast: This is a well-designed book, with a catchy magenta spine, and a colorful and kinetic double cover which will attract many browsers. Major ad/promo, including national NPR sponsorships, will enhance sales, despite the novel's flaws.

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FIC LAR

### **How to ditch your fairy / Justine Larbalestier.**

Larbalestier, Justine.

In a world in which everyone has a personal fairy who tends to one aspect of daily life, fourteen-year-old Charlie decides she does not want hers--a parking fairy--and embarks on a series of misadventures designed to rid herself of the invisible sprite and replace it with a better one, like her friend Rochelle's shopping fairy.

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FIC LIT

### **Purge / by Sarah Darer Littman.**

Littman, Sarah.

When her parents check sixteen-year-old Janie into Golden Slopes to help her recover from her bulimia, she discovers that she must talk about things she has admitted to no one--not even herself.

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FIC MCM

### **Fade / Lisa McMann.**

McMann, Lisa.

Using her ability to tap into other people's dreams, eighteen-year-old Janie investigates an alleged sex ring at her high school that involves teachers using the date rape drug on students.  
Sequel to: Wake.

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FIC MCM

### **Wake / Lisa McMann.**

McMann, Lisa.

Ever since she was eight years old, high school student Janie Hannagan has been uncontrollably drawn into other people's dreams, but it is not until she befriends an elderly nursing home patient and becomes involved with an enigmatic fellow-student that she discovers her true power.

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FIC MEA

### **Frostbite**

Mead, Richelle.

While on a school skiing trip, guardian-in-training Rose faces everything from misunderstandings between friends to fights among factions of Moroi as reports of horrific Strigoi attacks raise tensions, ultimately leading Rose and some of those closest to her into a battle that teaches her much about life, death, and love.

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FIC MEA

### **Shadow kiss / Richelle Mead.**

Mead, Richelle.

ISBN: 9781595141972

While Rose is coping with the darker effects of being shadow-kissed, her relationship with Dimitri is finally taking off, and when he disappears during a Strigoi attack on St. Vladimir's Academy, she must make a terrible choice.

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FIC MEA

### **Vampire Academy**

Mead, Richelle.

Two years after a horrible incident made them run away, vampire princess Lissa and her guardian-in-training Rose are found and returned to St. Vladimir's Academy, where one focuses on mastering magic, the other on physical training, while both try to avoid the perils of gossip, cliques, gruesome pranks, and sinister plots.

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FIC MEY

### **Eclipse / Stephenie Meyer.**

Meyer, Stephenie, 1973-

Bella must choose between her friendship with Jacob and her relationship with Edward, but when Seattle is ravaged by a mysterious string of killings, the three of them need to decide whether their personal lives are more important than the well-being of an entire city.

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FIC MYR

### **Bliss / Lauren Myracle.**

Myracle, Lauren, 1969-

Having grown up in a California commune, Bliss sees her aloof grandmother's Atlanta world as a foreign country, but she is determined to be nice as a freshman at an elite high school, which makes her the perfect target for Sandy, a girl obsessed with the occult.

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FIC NIC

### **Ways to live forever**

Nicholls, Sally,

Eleven-year-old Sam McQueen, who has leukemia, writes a book during the last three months of his life, in which he tells about what he would like to accomplish, how he feels, and things that have happened to him.

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FIC NOE

### **Evermore / Alyson Noel.**

Noel, Alyson.

Since the car accident that claimed the lives of her family, sixteen-year-old Ever can see auras and hear people's thoughts, and she goes out of her way to hide from other people until she meets Damen, another psychic teenager who is hiding even more mysteries.

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FIC OCK

### **20 Boy summer / Sarah Ockler**

Ockler, Sarah

According to her best friend, Frankie, twenty days in Zanzibar Bay is the perfect opportunity to have a summer fling, and if they meet one boy every day, there's a pretty good chance Anna will find her first summer romance. Anna lightheartedly agrees to the game, but there's something she hasn't told Frankie--she's already had that kind of romance, and it was with Frankie's older brother, Matt, just before his tragic death one year ago.

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FIC PIC

### **Change of heart / Jodi Picoult.**

Picoult, Jodi, 1966-

One moment June Nealon was happily looking forward to years full of laughter and adventure with her family, and the next, she was staring into a future that was as empty as her heart. Now her life is a waiting game. Waiting for time to heal her wounds, waiting for justice. In short, waiting for a miracle to happen. For Shay Bourne, life holds no more surprises. The world has given him nothing, and he has nothing to offer the world. In a heartbeat, though, something happens that changes everything for him. Now, he has one last chance for salvation, and it lies with June's eleven-year-old daughter, Claire. But between Shay and Claire stretches an ocean of bitter regrets, past crimes, and the rage of a mother who has lost her child.--From publisher description.

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FIC PIC

### **Handle with care : a novel / Jodi Picoult.**

Picoult, Jodi, 1966-

After her daughter contracts a fatal disease, Charlotte O'Keefe must confront some serious questions that ultimately lead to one final epiphany: what constitutes a valuable life.

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FIC PIC

### **Harvesting the heart / Jodi Picoult.**

Picoult, Jodi, 1966-

Paige's mother left when she was five. When Paige becomes a mother herself, she is overwhelmed by the demands. Unable to forget her past, Paige struggles with the difficulties of marriage and motherhood.

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FIC PIC

### **Salem Falls / Jodi Picoult.**

Picoult, Jodi, 1966-

Robbed of his teaching career and reputation by a student's false accusations, Jack St. Bride is struggling to rebuild his life, but fresh accusations of rape by teenage girls from his former school threaten to destroy him once again.

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FIC PIC

### **Vanishing acts : a novel / by Jodi Picoult.**

Picoult, Jodi, 1966-

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FIC PIE

### **Melting stones / Tamora Pierce.**

Pierce, Tamora.

Residents on one of the Battle Islands south of Emelan have sent a call for help to Winding Circle temple: their plants and trees and the animals who live around them are dying off in patches, for no reason that they can work out. From Winding Circle come two familiar figures: prickly green mage Rosethorn, whose plant magic will help her to decipher what's ailing the plant life on the island, and Briar's former student, the obstreperous stone mage Evumeimei, or Evvy, who is eager to travel once more. With them comes the eager and nervous Dedicate Initiate Myrrhtide, who will help them to communicate with Winding Circle should they need to, and the companion Evvy met while she, Rosethorn, and her former teacher Briar were traveling in distant Yanjing, Luvo, a being who is best described as a walking, intelligent rock. Though supposedly Evvy and Luvo are simply along for the ride, they are pulled into the island's mystery when Evvy is caught up by the wild spirits loose in an immense bubble of molten rock quite close to the surface of the island. What Evvy, Luvo, Rosethorn, and the people of the island can do in the face of a fast-approaching volcano will be anyone's guess. Can they evacuate the island? Or worse--will they try to shift a volcano?

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FIC REE

### **Here lies Arthur / Philip Reeve.**

Reeve, Philip.

When her village is attacked and burned, Gwyna seeks protection from the bard Myrddin, who uses Gwyna in his plan to transform young Arthur into the heroic King Arthur.

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FIC SCH

### **The school for dangerous girls / Eliot Schrefer.**

Schrefer, Eliot, 1978-

Sent to a remote, run-down reform school in Colorado, fifteen-year-old Angela is placed with the better girls, but upon learning that her "dangerous" friends are being isolated and left to live as animals, she takes radical steps to join them and help them escape.

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FIC SIM

### **Bones of Faerie / Janni Lee Simner.**

Simner, Janni Lee.

Fifteen-year-old Liza travels through war-ravaged territory in a struggle to bridge the faerie and human worlds and to bring back her mother while learning of her own powers and that magic can be controlled.

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FIC SMI

### **Eternal / Cynthia Leitich Smith.**

Smith, Cynthia Leitich.

Elevated and adopted by none other than the reigning King of the Mantle of Dracul, Mirando goes from high school wannabe to glamorous royal vampire overnight. But her reckless and adoring guardian angel is determined to save her soul and redeem himself before hell arrives, quite literally, at their doorstep.

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FIC SON

### **One of those hideous books where the mother dies / Sonya Sones.**

Sones, Sonya.

Fifteen-year-old Ruby Milliken leaves her best friend, her boyfriend, her aunt, and her mother's grave in Boston and reluctantly flies to Los Angeles to live with her father, a famous movie star who divorced her mother before Ruby was born.

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FIC SON

**What my girlfriend doesn't know / Sonya Sones.**

Sones, Sonya.

Fourteen-year-old Robin Murphy is so unpopular at high school that his name is slang for "loser," and so when he begins dating the beautiful and popular Sophie her reputation plummets, but he finds acceptance as a student in a drawing class at Harvard.

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FIC SON

**What my mother doesn't know**

Sones, Sonya.

Sophie describes her relationships with a series of boys as she searches for Mr. Right.

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FIC SWA

**Slumdog millionaire : a novel / Vikas Swarup.**

Swarup, Vikas.

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FIC VAN

**Raven / Allison van Diepen.**

Van Diepen, Allison.

New York City breakdancer Nicole loves fellow dancer Zin, who keeps her at a distance, harboring a very old secret.

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FIC WAL

**The color purple**

Walker, Alice

An expression of love and humanity, the story of a poor, barely literate black woman in the rural South during the early decades of this century, and her struggle for independence.

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FIC WEI

**Wherever Nina lies / Lynn Weingarten.**

Weingarten, Lynn.

Two years after the disappearance of her older sister, sixteen-year-old Ellie goes on a quest to find her.

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FIC YOU

**The shack : a novel / by William P. Young.**

Young, William P.

Four years after his daughter is abducted and evidence of her murder is found in an abandoned shack, Mackenzie Allen Philips returns to the shack in response to a note claiming to be from God, and has a life-changing experience.