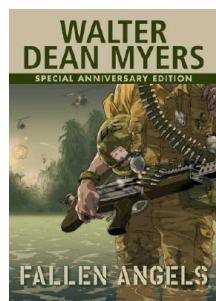
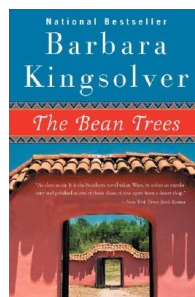


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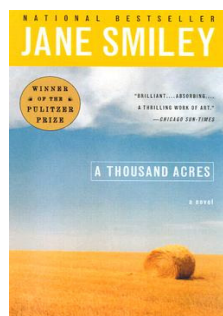
Gripping War Story
***Fallen Angels*, Walter Dean Myers.**

A Harlem teenager join the Army to fight in the Vietnam War after his dream of going to college falls through.



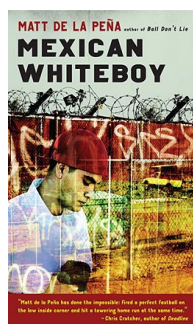
Beautiful Characters and Imagery
***The Bean Trees*, Barbara Kingsolver**

A rural Kentucky teen manages to avoid pregnancy in high school, saves up for a car and finally heads west.



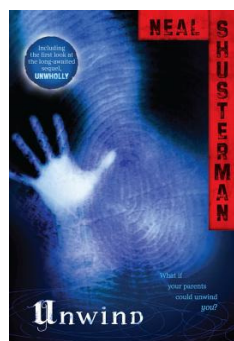
Epic American Family Story
***A Thousand Acres*, Jane Smiley**

A successful Iowa farmer leaves his farm to his three daughters, leaving out his youngest. King Lear in rural America.



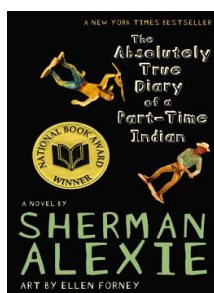
Funny and Harsh
***Mexican Whiteboy*, Matt de la Peña.**

16-year old Danny leaves his prep school to live with his Dad's Mexican family for the summer. Cut from the baseball team, he spends the summer learning who he is.



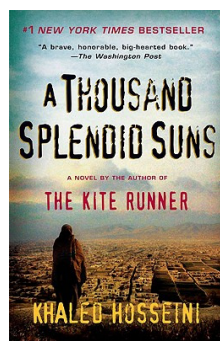
For *Hunger Games* fans
***Unwind*, Neil Shusterman**

A futuristic society where unwanted teens are harvested for their body parts. Three teens escape and you are on the edge of your seat!



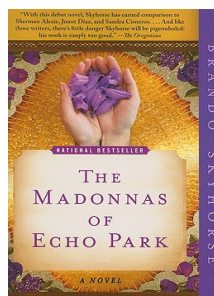
Funny, moving and thoughtful
***The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, Sherman Alexie**

A 14 year old transfers from the reservation school to all-white one. He is seen as a traitor, especially when he must confront his old school's team, and his best friend, on the basketball court.



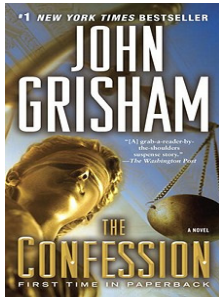
Great Storyteller
***A Thousand Splendid Suns*, Khaled Hosseini**

The story of two women from different generations reveals the history of Afghanistan from the Soviet invasion to the rise of the Taliban.



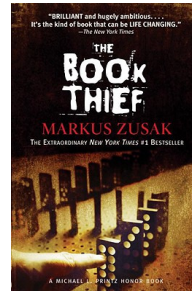
Breathaking, tangled tale
***The Madonnas of Echo Park*, Brando Skyhorse**

A random shooting of a young girl is seen through the different perspectives of the people who live in this LA neighborhood.



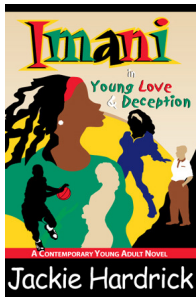
Thrilling Nail Biter
***The Confession*, John Grisham**

For every innocent man sent to prison, there is a guilty one left on the outside. Will the real killer confess after the football player is accused of killing the cheerleader?



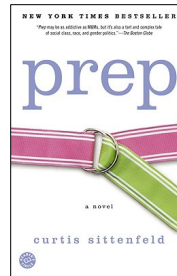
Unforgettable Story
***The Book Thief*, Markus Zusak**

Nazi Germany, a 9-year old girl's story narrated by Death. The girl steals the first of 14 books at her brother's funeral, sensing they will feed her soul even before she knows how to read.



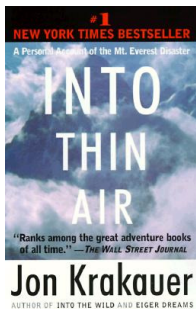
Cannot put this one down!
***Imani in Young Love and Deception*, Jackie Hardrick**

Imani plays basketball and is on her way to college. She meets a boy but tries to stay true to her goals.



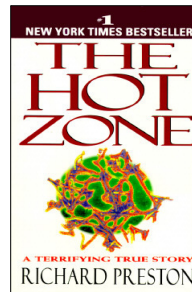
How to Survive Prep School
***Prep*, Curtis Sittenfeld**

A midwestern girl wins a scholarship to a New England prep school and tries to find her place in this alien world. For mature readers.



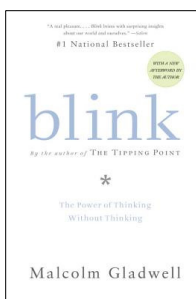
Bone-chilling!
***Into Thin Air*, Jon Krakauer**

A climbing disaster on Mt Everest left 5 men dead. Krakauer was among the survivors and tries to figure out what went wrong with the climb.



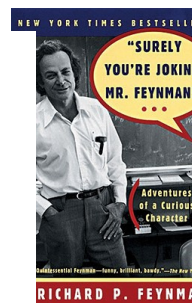
Terrifying and True
***The Hot Zone*, Richard Preston**

A secret military SWAT team of soldiers and scientists mobilizes to stop the outbreak of a deadly virus in this terrifyingly true story.



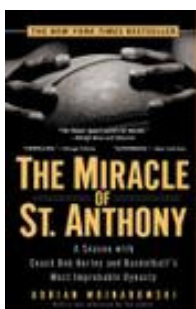
Fascinating psychology
***Blink*, Martin Gladwell**

Blink is a book about how we think without thinking, about choices that seem to be made in an instant - in the blink of an eye - but aren't as simple as they seem.



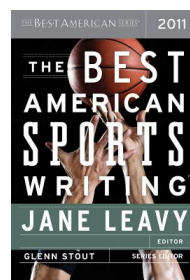
Eccentric and Funny
***Surely You're Joking, Mr. Feynman*, Richard P. Feynman**

Nobel Prize physicist recounts his adventures trading ideas on atomic physics with Einstein and ideas on gambling with Nick the Greek, and other amusing anecdotes.



Ragtag Team Wins
***The Miracle of St. Anthony*, Adrian Wojnarowski**

Bob Hurley coached basketball for this Jersey City high school, winning 22 tournaments when he was faced with the most unmotivated team ever and led them to glory.



The Best American Sports Writing 2011, Jane Leavy, Glenn Stout
 Great collection of the best sports writing this year – short fiction and essays.



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