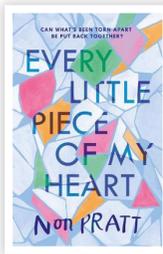


PRATT, NON

Every Little Piece of my Heart

Five months ago, Sophie was diagnosed with lupus which causes her constant pain, but she keeps it a secret. At the same time, her best friend Freya disappeared and hasn't been in touch since. Out of the blue, a parcel arrives from her and, inside, another addressed to a stranger, and then more layers. As Sophie delivers the parcels to people Freya knew, they all discover more about her, themselves and each other. Very real characters in a warm, funny story about growing up, friendship and self identity.



SMALE, HOLLY

Far From Perfect

Faith Valentine has it all - she's beautiful, clever, from a famous family and just wants a quiet life away from all the celebrity media circus. But will she be able to walk away and live the life that she wants or will her friends and family ensure she is constantly in the limelight? Can she take control of her own life and not be what everyone else expects her to be?



TAVENGERWEI, RUTENDO

The Colours That Blind

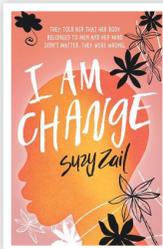
This is the powerful story of Tumirai, his family and his country. Fifteen-year-old Tumirai is an albino child living in Zimbabwe where he will always feel out of place. While staying with his grandmother, Tumirai will discover there is more to his family and country's history than he knew before.



ZAIL, SUZY

I am Change

Lilian dreams about becoming a writer or a teacher. However, in her world these dreams are impossible for a girl. Women are expected to marry, they are not to go to school, they are not supposed to have dreams and they're not even allowed to enjoy their own bodies. Set in a Ugandan village, this is an empowering story of a young girl who fights for her dreams against the voices who tell her no.



ZOBOI, IBI

Punching the Air

Amal threw the first punch, but it was the last that found him convicted of a crime he did not commit. Adapting to his new surroundings, Amal must learn to confront his mistakes and misgivings. Holding on to anger about the biased system which found him guilty, he learns to channel his emotions through art and poetry. This book uses racial slurs which some readers may find upsetting.



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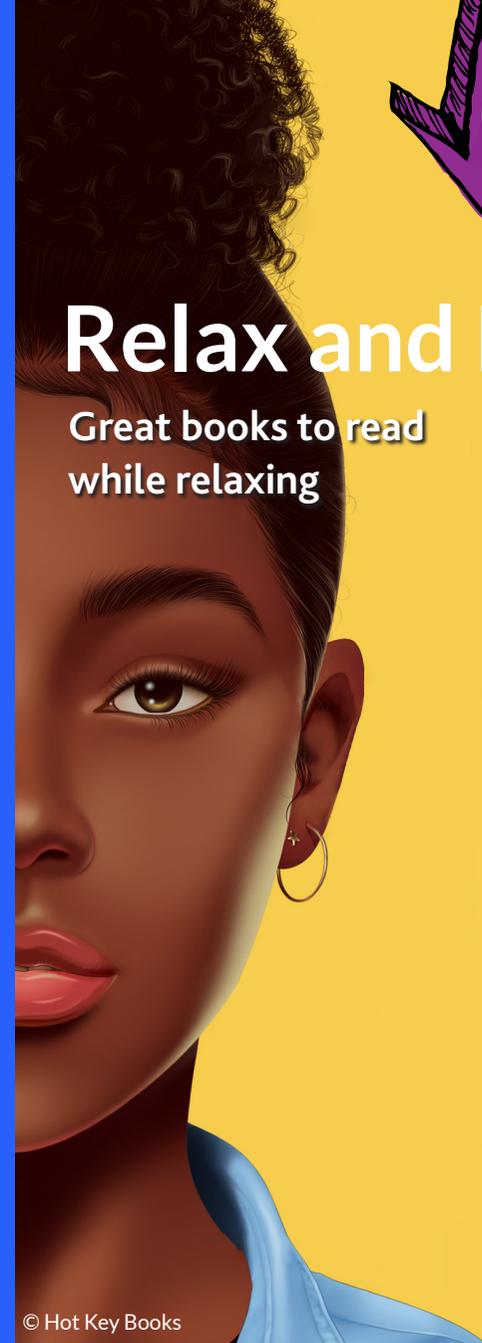
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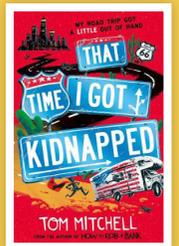
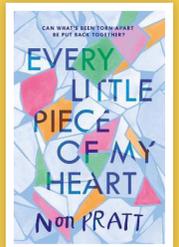


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ACEVEDO, ELIZABETH

Clap When You Land

When a plane crash kills Mr Rios, his double life is exposed and his two daughters find out about each other for the first time. Can they forge a relationship out of adversity and recover from their father's deception. Told in verse, each daughter deals with the news in different ways but has to compare their very different lives.



AINSWORTH, EVE

Just Another Little Lie

Violet lives with her mum and her younger brother but is struggling to deal with Mum's behaviour. We discover that Mum has turned to alcohol and Violet is struggling to hold the family together - getting her brother to school, going to school herself, having no food in the house. She is ashamed to ask for help when she needs it most.



ALI, S K

Love from A to Z

Zeynab is angry with an Islamophobic teacher and takes action to make him pay for his prejudice. She gets suspended but at least can start spring break early and travels to Qatar to visit her aunt. Zeynab decides to swallow her principles to show how 'nice' she can be. She meets Adam, but he is also hiding something. Can they build a relationship if they are hiding parts of themselves? A heartwarming tale of family and friendship, growing up Muslim and learning to trust people while being true to yourself.



ATTA, DEAN

The Black Flamingo

Told in verse through the eyes of Michael, the reader follows along pivotal moments in Michael's adolescence, discussing race, gender, identity and all the pains of growing up. From his 6th birthday to his first drag show at University, this coming of age tale beautifully expresses what it truly means to be.



ATTAH, AYESHA HARRUNA

The Deep Blue Between

At the turn of the 20th century, Hassana and Husseina are separated and enslaved. Once freed and cared for, they experience various cultures and religions as they try to survive in their new lives. This dual narrative explores the lives of twin sisters in the colonial worlds of the Gold Coast of Africa and Brazil. While they grow apart in distance they remain connected through their dreams.



CHARLTON, DARREN

Wranglestone

Set in a dystopian future on the banks of Lake Wranglestone, Peter and Cooper must face the horrors around them as a dark secret about Wranglestone comes to light. This bloody but romantic horror story, filled with zombies, will keep you on the edge of your seat.



CROSSAN, SARAH

Toffee

Allison runs away from her abusive father in search of her dad's ex-fiance. She ends up living in an old lady's garden shed. The old lady is suffering from dementia and thinks Allison is Toffee, a friend from the past. This is a moving portrayal of their relationship. Told in verse.



CURHAM, SIOBHAN

Clementine and Rudy

Clementine and Rudy both love art as well as having a strong sense of what is right. They wouldn't normally meet but when they do, the two girls realise that together they can make a difference and help each other deal with their unconventional home lives. Friends can be found in unlikely places.



CUTHEW, LUCY

Blood Moon

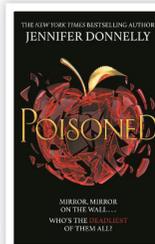
After Frankie gets her period during her first sexual experience with her crush Benjamin, the two young teens agree it is perfectly normal; however, when a meme about her goes viral, Frankie feels lonely and ashamed. Discussing the importance of female friendship, the acceptance of your own body and standing up to misogynistic attitudes. A book all young girls should read.



DONNELLY, JENNIFER

Poisoned

Snow White as you have never read it before. Sophie is kind and gentle and therefore a threat to her stepmother, the Queen, who orders a huntsman to cut out her heart. Luckily, seven brothers save her with a clockwork heart but she must travel through the kingdom to find her real heart and her self belief if she is to survive and save the kingdom from the tyrannical queen. A dark but ultimately hopeful tale with plenty of adventure and twists along the way.



HARTLEY, A J

Impervious

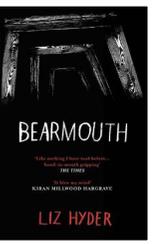
Trina is an ordinary film and RPG loving teenager, dealing with high school life in a small American town. She never planned on being a hero but a mysterious necklace gives her special powers and launches her into a quest to defeat the Soulless One and save her town, her friends, and herself.



HYDER, LIZ

Bearmouth

Newt was raised in the mines of Bearmouth, where it is cold, dark and the men are meant to believe in the Maker - a deity who is punishing them for the sins of their ancestors. When a newcomer joins the crew, Newt begins to question everything, including the maker. Written phonetically from the eyes of Newt, the reader will see the language develop as Newt's own perspective of the world does.



JOHNSON, LEAH

You Should See Me in a Crown

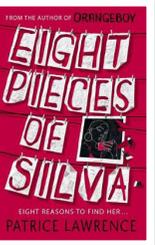
Liz is desperate to go to a prestigious college but to do that she needs to be crowned Prom Queen and win a scholarship. Her small town has never had a black Prom Queen before. Can Liz overcome her own anxiety (and crush on a competitor) to take the crown? Dealing with racism, homophobia, issues of self-belief and identity, and illness and grief, this multi-layered book could be too serious but has just the right balance of depth and joy.



LAWRENCE, PATRICE

Eight pieces of Silva

Becks is loud and into girls while Silva, her older stepsister, values her privacy. When Silva takes her dad and Becks' mum to the airport for their honeymoon, she vanishes. Now home alone, Becks breaks her stepsister's privacy and enters her forbidden bedroom to discover clues about Silva's secret life. An intriguing and complex mystery that will keep you engaged.



MITCHELL, TOM

That Time I Got Kidnapped

Jacob has just won a trip to the US to have a very small part in a superhero movie - a dream come true. But his dream turns to a nightmare when he misses his connecting flight in Chicago and ends up on a bus with runaway Jennifer. A hilarious trip across America ensues with multiple disasters happening to both of them. Will he manage to reach LA to be in the film or not?

