



Books for intermediate level

Looking for a good book, suitable for your level?

We recommend the books below:

Title	Theme	Age	Pages	Intro
The hunger games - Suzanne Collins	Fantasy, adventure, friendship	12-16y	374 pages	<p>The nation of Panem is a country that consists of a wealthy Capitol region and 12 poor districts. A rebellion led by a 13th district against the Capitol resulted in the creation of the annual event known as the Hunger Games. As a punishment, each district must send one boy and one girl between the ages of 12 and 18. There they are forced to fight to the death, leaving only one survivor to claim victory. When Katniss's younger sister is selected, she volunteers. She must compete against bigger, stronger teenagers, some of whom have trained for this their whole lives. But Katniss has been close to death before. For her, survival is second nature</p> <p>https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/2767052-the-hunger-games</p>
Welcome to nowhere - Elizabeth Laird	Family, politics, Syria, refugee	12-16y	352 pages	<p>Twelve-year-old Omar and his brothers and sisters live in Bosra, Syria. Omar doesn't care about politics - all he wants is to grow up to become a successful businessman. But when his clever older brother, Musa, gets mixed up with some young political activists, everything changes. Before long, bombs are falling, people are dying, and Omar and his family have no choice but to flee their home with what they can carry. Eventually, they attempt the dangerous journey to escape their homeland altogether. But where do you go when you can't go home?</p> <p>https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/32504814-welcome-to-nowhere</p>

The rain - Virginia Bergin	Adventure, thriller, death, friendship	12-14y	386 pages	They don't believe it at first. Crowded in Zach's kitchen, Ruby and the rest of the partygoers laugh at Zach's parents' frenzied push to get them all inside as it starts to drizzle. But then the radio comes on with the warning, "It's in the rain! It's fatal, it's contagious, and there's no cure." Two weeks later, Ruby is alone. Anyone who's been touched by rain or washed their hands with tap water is dead. The only drinkable water is quickly running out. Ruby's only chance for survival is a treacherous hike across the country to find her father-if he's even still alive. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/21116887-the-rain
The golden compass - Philip Pullman	Fantasy, adventure, friendship, magic	11-15y	399 pages	Lyra is rushing to the cold, far North, where clans and armored bears rule. North, where the Gobblers take the children they steal--including her friend Roger. North, where her fearsome uncle Asriel is trying to build a bridge to a parallel world. Can one small girl make a difference in such great and terrible endeavors? This is Lyra: a savage, a schemer, a liar, and as fierce and true a champion as Roger or Asriel could want--but what Lyra doesn't know is that to help one of them will be to betray the other. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/119322.The_Golden_Compass
The Perks of Being a Wallflower - Stephen Chbosky	Growing up, family, friendship, love, drugs	13-16y	213 pages	Charlie goes through the strange world between adolescence and adulthood. First dates, family drama, and new friends. Sex, drugs, and The Rocky Horror Picture Show. Devastating loss, young love, and life on the fringes. Caught between trying to live his life and trying to run from it, Charlie must learn to navigate those wild and poignant roller-coaster days known as growing up. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/22628.The_Perks_of_Being_a_Wallflower
The curious incident of the dog in the night-time - Mark Haddon	Drama, being different, loneliness	14-18y	226 pages	Christopher knows all the countries of the world and their capitals and every prime number up to 7,057. He relates well to animals but has no understanding of human emotions. And he detests the colour yellow. For Christopher everyday interactions and admonishments have little meaning. He lives on patterns, rules, and a diagram kept in his pocket. Then one day, a neighbour's dog, Wellington, is killed and his carefully constructive universe is threatened. Christopher sets out to solve the murder in the style of his favourite detective, Sherlock Holmes. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/1618.The_Curious_Incident_of_the_Dog_in_the_Night_Time
Looking for Alaska - John Green	Love, drama, adventure, growing up	15-18y	221 pages	Miles "Pudge" Halter is done with his safe life at home. His whole life has been one big non-event, and his obsession with famous last words has only made him crave "the Great Perhaps" even more. He heads off to the sometimes crazy and anything-but-boring world of Culver Creek Boarding School, and his life becomes the opposite of safe. Because down the hall is Alaska Young. The gorgeous, clever,

funny, sexy, self-destructive, screwed up, and utterly fascinating Alaska. She pulls Pudge into her world, launches him into the Great Perhaps, and steals his heart.

https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/99561.Looking_for_Alaska

The hate U give - Angie Thomas	Racism, politics, drama, friendship, fights	14-18y	444 pages	Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighbourhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Soon afterward, his death is a national headline. Protesters are on the streets in Khalil's name. Some cops and the local drug lord try to intimidate Starr and her family. What everyone wants to know is: what really went down that night? And the only person alive who can answer that is Starr. But what Starr could say might endanger her life.
If I stay - Gayle Forman	Family, dreams, love, drama	13-18y	201 pages	Seventeen-year-old Mia is faced with some tough choices: Stay true to her first love—music—even if it means losing her boyfriend and leaving her family and friends behind? One February morning Mia goes for a drive with her family, and in an instant, everything changes. Suddenly, all the choices are gone, except one. And it's the only one that matters.
Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children - Ransom Riggs	Family, friendship, adventure, fantasy, orphans	13-18y	352 pages	A mysterious island. An abandoned orphanage. A strange collection of very curious photographs. As Jacob explores the abandoned orphanage, it becomes clear that the children were more than just peculiar.
12 years a slave - Solomon Northup	Autobiography , slave labour,	15-18y	363 pages	Solomon Northup, citizen of New-York, kidnapped in Washington city in 1841, and rescued in 1853, from a cotton plantation near the Red River in Louisiana, is a autobiography. It is a slave narrative of a black man who was born free in New York state but kidnapped in Washington, D.C., sold into slavery, and kept in bondage for 12 years in Louisiana.
The sun is also a star - Nicola Yoon	Love, friendship, politics,	14-18y	348 pages	Natasha: I'm a girl who believes in science and facts. I'm definitely not the kind of girl who meets a cute boy on a crowded New York City street and falls in love with him. Not when my family is twelve hours away from being deported to Jamaica. Falling in love won't be my story. Daniel: I've always been the

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/32075671-the-hate-u-give>

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/4374400-if-i-stay>

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/9460487-miss-peregrine-s-home-for-peculiar-children>

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/18478222-twelve-years-a-slave>

	deportation, dreams			good son, the good student, living up to my parents' high expectations. Never the poet. Or the dreamer. But when I see her, I forget about all that. The Universe: Every moment in our lives has brought us to this single moment. A million futures lie before us. Which one will come true? https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/28763485-the-sun-is-also-a-star
All the light we cannot see - Anthony Doerr	Word war II, friendship, adventure, handicap, trauma	13-16y	531 pages	Marie-Laure lives in Paris near the Museum of Natural History, where her father works. When she is twelve, the Nazis occupy Paris and they flee to the walled citadel of Saint-Malo, where her great uncle lives. With them they carry what might be the museum's most valuable jewel. In a mining town in Germany, Werner Pfennig, an orphan, grows up with his younger sister, enchanted by a crude radio that brings them news and stories from places they have never seen or imagined. Werner becomes an expert at building and fixing and is enlisted to use his talent to track down the resistance. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/18143977-all-the-light-we-cannot-see
Noughts and crosses - Malorie Blackman	Racism, friendship, love, terrorism, prejudice	14-18y	490 pages	Sephy is a Cross -- a member of the dark-skinned ruling class. Callum is a Nought -- a "colourless" member of the underclass who were once slaves to the Crosses. The two have been friends since early childhood, but that's as far as it can go. In their world, Noughts and Crosses simply don't mix. Against a background of prejudice and distrust, intensely highlighted by violent terrorist activity, a romance builds between Sephy and Callum -- a romance that is to lead both of them into terrible danger. Can they possibly find a way to be together? https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/714902.Noughts_Crosses
Everything Everything - Nicolo Yoon	Illness, love, friendship, dreams, family	12-18y	307 pages	My disease is as rare as it is famous. Basically, I'm allergic to the world. I don't leave my house, have not left my house in seventeen years. The only people I ever see are my mom and my nurse, Carla. But then one day, a moving truck arrives next door. I look out my window, and I see him. He's tall, lean and wearing all black. He catches me looking and stares at me. I stare right back. His name is Olly. Maybe we can't predict the future, but we can predict some things. For example, I am certainly going to fall in love with Olly. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/18692431-everything-everything
Tell the wolves I'm home - Carol Rifka Brunt	Art, friendship, family, drama, impossible love	13-18y	360 pages	1987. There's only one person who has ever truly understood fourteen-year-old June Elbus, and that's her uncle, the renowned painter Finn Weiss. Shy at school and distant from her older sister, June can only be herself in Finn's company. So when he dies of a mysterious illness her mother can barely speak about, June's world is turned upside down. But Finn's death brings a surprise acquaintance into June's

life—someone who will help her to heal, and to question what she thinks she knows about Finn, her family, and even her own heart. He just might be the one she needs the most.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/12875258-tell-the-wolves-i-m-home>

Good me, Bad me - Ali Land	Family, fear, drama, adventure, trauma	14-18y	338 pages	Milly's mother is a serial killer. Though Milly loves her mother, the only way to make her stop is to turn her in to the police. Milly is given a fresh start: a new identity, a home with an affluent foster family, and a spot at an exclusive private school. But Milly has secrets, and life at her new home becomes complicated. As her mother's trial looms, with Milly as the star witness, Milly starts to wonder whether she is doomed to turn out like her mother. When tensions rise and Milly feels trapped by her shiny new life, she has to decide: Will she be good? Or is she bad? She is, after all, her mother's daughter.
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Thirteen reasons why - Jay Asher	Suicide, drama, trauma, friendship, lies	14-18y	352 pages	Clay Jensen returns home from school to find a strange package with his name on it lying on his porch. Inside he discovers several cassette tapes recorded by Hannah Baker who committed suicide two weeks earlier. Hannah's voice tells him that there are thirteen reasons why she decided to end her life. Clay is one of them. If he listens, he'll find out why. Clay spends the night walking through town with Hannah as his guide. What he discovers, will change his life forever.
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<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/29844228-thirteen-reasons-why>

Forgive me, Leonard Peacock - Matthew Quick	Murder, friendship, loneliness, drama, shooting, suicide	13-18y	288 pages	Today is Leonard's birthday. It is also the day he hides a gun in his backpack. Because today is the day he will kill his former best friend, and then himself. But first he must say good-bye to the four people who matter most to him: his Humphrey Bogart-obsessed next-door neighbour, Walt; his classmate, Baback, a violin virtuoso; Lauren, the Christian homeschooler he has a crush on; and Herr Silverman, who teaches the high school's class on the Holocaust. Speaking to each in turn, Leonard slowly reveals his secrets as the hours tick by and the moment of truth approaches.
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<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/13477676-forgive-me-leonard-peacock>

I know what you are - Taylor Edison	Autobiography , abuse, violence, family drama, teenage	14-18y	304 pages	Taylor had always struggled to make friends – she felt 'different'. Taylor never knew her father and her mother wasn't around much. She just didn't understand people, and was alone and scared most of the time. That was until, aged just 11, an older married man called Tom befriended her. She loved having someone who would talk to her, listen to her, a protector. But when he moved away a few months later she was easy prey to the gang of drug dealers and petty criminals who groomed and abused her, using her as a form of currency to appease their debtors and friends.
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	pregnancy, loneliness			https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/30840018-i-know-what-you-are
The third twin - C.J. Omololu	Family, abduction, drama, imagination, thriller	12-16y	336 pages	When they were little, Lexi and her identical twin, Ava, made up a third sister, Alicia. Alicia was always to blame for everything. The game is all grown up now that the girls are seniors. They use Alicia as their cover to go out with boys who are hot but not exactly dating material. Now one of the guys Alicia went out with has turned up dead, and Lexi wants to stop the game for good. As coincidences start piling up, Ava insists that if they follow the rules for being Alicia, everything will be fine. But when another boy is killed, the DNA evidence and surveillance photos point to only one suspect: Alicia. As she runs from the cops, Lexi has to find the truth before another boy is murdered. Because either Ava is a killer...or Alicia is real.
				https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/18135437-the-third-twin
Hysteria - Megan Miranda	Love, trust, murder, drama, thriller	14-18y	336 pages	Mallory killed her boyfriend, Brian. She can't remember the details of that night but everyone knows it was self-defence, so she isn't charged. But Mallory still feels Brian's presence in her life. In need of a fresh start, Mallory is sent to Monroe, a fancy prep school where no one knows her. But the feeling follows her, as do her secrets. Then, one of her new classmates turns up dead. As suspicion falls on Mallory, she must find a way to remember the details of both deadly nights so she can prove her innocence-to herself and others.
				https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/14798443-hysteria
The glass sentence - E.S. Grove	Adventure, family, fantasy , drama	13-16y	493 pages	Boston, 1891. Sophia Tims comes from a family of explorers and cartologers who, for generations, have been traveling and mapping the New World. Eight years ago, her parents left her with her uncle Shadrack and went on an urgent mission. Life with her brilliant, absent-minded, adored uncle has taught Sophia to take care of herself. Then Shadrack is kidnapped. And Sophia, who has rarely been outside of Boston, is the only one who can search for him. Together with Theo, a refugee from the West, she tries to find her uncle.
				https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/18668056-the-glass-sentence
One came home - Amy Timberlake	Family, drama, adventure	13-17y	272 pages	In the town of Placid, Wisconsin, in 1871, Georgie Burkhardt is known for two things: her uncanny aim with a rifle and her habit of speaking her mind plainly. But when Georgie blurts out something she shouldn't, her older sister Agatha flees, running off with a pack of "pigeoners" trailing the passenger pigeon migration. And when the sheriff returns to town with an unidentifiable body, everyone assumes

the worst. Refusing to believe the facts that are laid down before her, Georgie sets out on a journey to find her sister

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/13641955-one-came-home>

The book thief - Markus Zusak	World war II, historical, based on true story, love.	12-18y	552 pages	Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death relates the story of Liesel--a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbours. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/19063.The_Book_Thief
A night divided - Jennifer A. Nielson	Historical, drama, family, cold war	14-18y	357 pages	With the rise of the Berlin Wall, Gerda, her mother, and her brother Fritz live on the eastern side, controlled by the Soviets. Her father and middle brother, who had gone west in search of work, cannot return home. Gerta knows it is dangerous to watch the wall, to think forbidden thoughts of freedom, yet she can't help herself. She sees the East German soldiers with their guns trained on their own citizens; she, her family, her neighbours and friends are prisoners in their own city. But one day, while on her way to school, Gerta spots her father on a viewing platform on the western side, pantomiming a peculiar dance. Then, when she receives a mysterious drawing, Gerta puts two and two together and concludes that her father wants Gerta and Fritz to tunnel beneath the wall, out of East Berlin. However, if they are caught, the consequences could kill them. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/40944461-a-night-divided
IT - Stephen King	Horror, clowns, teenagers, friendship.	14-18y	1116 pages	It's a small city, a place as hauntingly familiar as your own hometown. Only in Derry the haunting is real ... They were seven teenagers when they first stumbled upon the horror. Now they are grown-up men and women who have gone out into the big world to gain success and happiness. But none of them can withstand the force that has drawn them back to Derry to face the nightmare without an end, and the evil without a name. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/830502.It
The 5th wave - Rick Yancey	Adventure, fanatasy, end of the world	12-18y	457 pages	After the 1st wave, only darkness remains. After the 2nd, only the lucky escape. And after the 3rd, only the unlucky survive. After the 4th wave, only one rule applies: trust no one. Now, it's the dawn of the 5th wave, and on a lonely stretch of highway, Cassie runs from Them. The beings who only look human, who roam the countryside killing anyone they see. To stay alone is to stay alive, Cassie believes, until she meets Evan Walker. https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/16101128-the-5th-wave

The mortal instruments series - Cassandra Clare	Fantasy, friendship, superpowers	12-17y	+- 500 pages	When fifteen-year-old Clary Fray heads out to the Pandemonium Club in New York City, she hardly expects to witness a murder— much less a murder committed by three teenagers covered with strange tattoos and brandishing bizarre weapons. Then the body disappears into thin air. It's hard to call the police when the murderers are invisible to everyone else and when there is nothing—not even a smear of blood—to show that a boy has died. Or was he a boy?
				https://www.goodreads.com/series/44457-the-mortal-instruments
Still Alica - Lisa Genova	Alzheimer, family, friendship, drama, love	13-18y	292 pages	Alice Howland, happily married with three grown children and a house on the Cape, is a celebrated Harvard professor at the height of her career when she notices a forgetfulness creeping into her life. As confusion starts to cloud her thinking and her memory begins to fail her, she receives a devastating diagnosis: early onset Alzheimer's disease. Fiercely independent, Alice struggles to maintain her lifestyle and live in the moment, even as her sense of self is being stripped away. In turns heartbreaking, inspiring and terrifying, Still Alice captures in remarkable detail what's it's like to literally lose your mind...
				https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/2153405.Still_Alice