



Gateway Readers Award

2019 Nominees

Far From the Tree by *Robin Benway*

YA BEN

Grace is an only child adopted at birth. When she reunites with her biological younger sister and older brother, their family's long-buried secrets and fears explode.

Invictus by *Ryan Graudin*

YA GRA

Son of a time traveler and a gladiator in ancient Rome, Farway Gaius McCarthy was born outside of time. He longs to explore history, but settles for stealing ancient relics. Meeting mysterious Eliot alters his path.

Defy the Stars by *Claudia Gray*

YA GRA

Soldier Noemi and enemy robot Abel, forced by chance to work together, can end the fighting for good, but not without sacrifice.

Soldier Boy by *Keely Hutton*

YA HUT

Abducted at age 14, Ricky is trained and forced to serve in the rebel army in Uganda's decades-long civil war. Twenty years later, Ricky helps rehabilitate thousands of former child soldiers in Uganda through his organization Friends of Orphans.

Dreamland Burning by *Jennifer Latham*

YA LAT

Two voices from different centuries examine the same unsettling events. Rowan finds a skeleton and begins investigating the brutal, century-old murder. William, a teenager grappling with the racial firestorm leading up to the 1921 Tulsa race riot, reveals clues to the mystery Rowan is trying to solve.

The Names They Gave Us by *Emery Lord*

YA LOR

Lucy was ready for a perfect summer hanging out with her boyfriend, working at Bible camp and spending quality time with her parents. When her mom's cancer reappears and long-hidden family secrets emerge, Lucy must discover what grace really means.

Moxie by *Jennifer Mathieu*

YA MAT

In a small Texas town where high school football reigns supreme, Viv starts a feminist revolution using anonymously-written zines.

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One of Us Is Lying by *Karen M. McManus* YA MACM
When the creator of a high school gossip app mysteriously dies in front of four high-profile students, all four become suspects. It's up to them to solve the case.

A Short History of the Girl Next Door
by *Jared Reck* YA REC
Tabby is Matthew's best friend. When she starts dating senior basketball star Liam, he's sad about losing her to another guy, but fears losing their friendship more.

Nyxia by *Scott Reintgen* YA REI
Emmett accepts an interstellar space contract. While enroute, he learns that to win the promised fortune, he and nine other recruits face a brutal competition, putting their very humanity at risk.

A List of Cages by *Robin Roe* YA ROE
Through his high school job with the school psychologist, Adam encounters Julian, the foster brother he hasn't seen in five years, now living with an abusive uncle. Though determined to help Julian, Adam finds that getting involved is dangerous.

Dear Martin by *Nic Stone* YA STO
Feeling caught between two worlds, college-bound Justyce McAllister struggles against prejudices of race, class and social norms. He looks to the teachings of Martin Luther King, Jr. for answers, but gets sidelined when caught in the crosshairs with the police.

The Hate U Give by *Angie Thomas* YA THO
Starr Carter witnesses her friend's death at the hands of a police officer. Both the police and a local drug lord try to intimidate her to learn what happened the night Khalil died.

Eliza and Her Monsters by *Francesca Zappia* YA ZAP
Eliza is shy, weird and friendless. Online, she's LadyConstellation, the creator of the wildly popular webcomic Monstrous Sea. She's happiest in her online world until Wallace transfers to her school and begins drawing Eliza out of her shell.

Goodbye Days by *Jeff Zentner* YA ZEN
A fatal crash, blamed on a text from him, kills Carver's three best friends. The victims' families ask to spend a "goodbye day" with Carver, to share their memories. Will this help them cope or bring Carver one step closer to a complete breakdown and possibly prison?