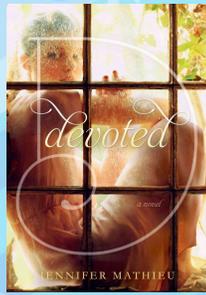
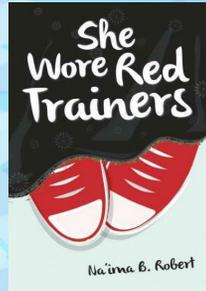


Religion and Spirituality in Fiction for Teens

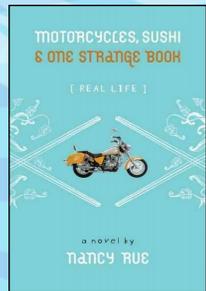
Devoted
Jennifer Mathieu
YA MATHIEU
Rachel is devoted to God and her family, but as her curiosity about the world grows and she finds that neither her church nor her home-school education has the answer she craves, she considers leaving her sheltered life.



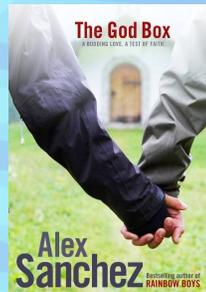
She Wore Red Trainers
Na'ima Bint Robert
PB YA ROBERT
When Ali first meets Amirah, he notices everything about her, her hijab, her long eyelashes and her red trainers. And, although Ali is still coming to terms with his mother's death and exploring his identity as a Muslim, and although Amirah has sworn never to get married, they can't stop thinking about each other.



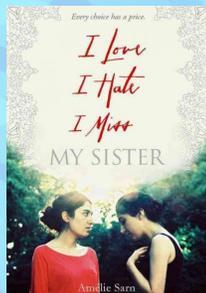
Motorcycles, Sushi & One Strange Book
Nancy N. Rue
PB YA RUE
Jessie, forced to go to Florida with her estranged father, finds that his faith, a book that seems to speak to her heart, and new friends help her get control of her ADHD and her life.



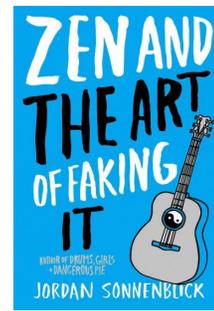
The God Box
Alex Sanchez
YA SANCHEZ
When openly gay Manuel transfers to Paul's high school, Paul, a born-again Christian, begins to question his own spirituality and sexuality.



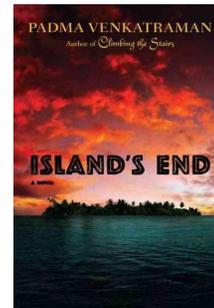
I Love I Hate I Miss My Sister
Amélie Sarn
YA SARN
A portrait of two Muslim sisters, once closely bonded, but now on divergent paths as one embraces her religion and the other remains Secular.



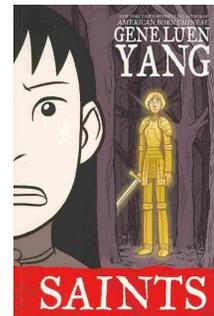
Zen and the Art of Faking It
Jordan Sonnenblick
YA SONNENBLICK
When San Lee moves to a new town and school for the umpteenth time, he is looking for a way to stand out when his knowledge of Zen Buddhism, gained in his previous school, provides the answer.



Island's End
Padma Venkatraman
YA VENKATRAMAN
A young girl trains to be the new spiritual leader of her remote Andaman Island tribe, while facing increasing threats from the modern world.



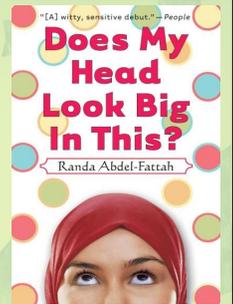
Saints
Gene Luen Yang
YA GRAPHIC BOOK YANG
Vibiana, an unwanted fourth child, finds her name and identity in Christianity, but with the Boxer Rebellion in full swing and Chinese Christians facing death, she must decide whether her loyalties lie with her religion or her country. Companion to Boxers.



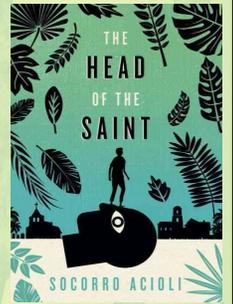
Once Was Lost
Sara Zarr
YA ZARR
As the tragedy of a missing girl unfolds in her small town, Samara, who feels emotionally abandoned by her parents, begins to question her faith.



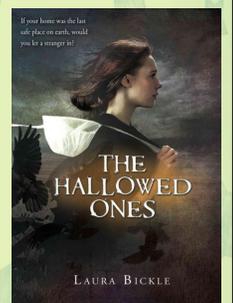
Does My Head Look Big In This?
Randa Abdel-Fattah
YA ABDEL-FATTAH
Life at an exclusive prep school is further complicated for Amal when she decides to wear the hijab, the Muslim head scarf, full-time as a badge of her faith.



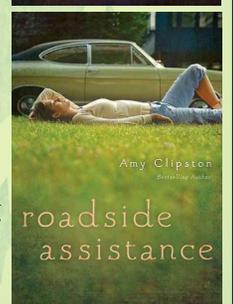
The Head of the Saint
Socorro Aciola
YA ACIOLI
Having arrived in Candeia, Brazil, after walking sixteen days to fulfill his dying mother's last wishes, Samuel takes up residence in an enormous, broken statue of Saint Anthony and finds that he can hear the prayers of the townspeople, despite his lack of faith.



The Hallowed Ones
Laura Bickle
PB YA BICKLE
Amish teen Katie smuggles an injured outsider into her family's barn despite the elders' ruling that no one can enter the community while some mysterious unrest is wreaking havoc in the "English" world.

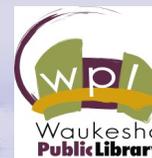


Roadside Assistance
Amy Clipston
PB YA CLIPSTON
After her mother dies and she and her father move in with her wealthy aunt, Emily struggles when her tomboy identity and her way of expressing her faith clash with the expectations of others.



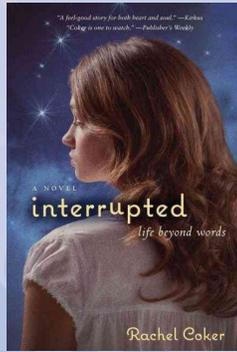
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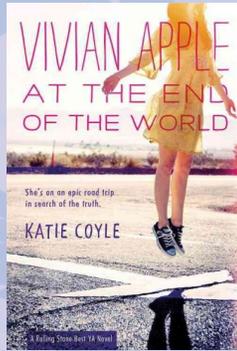
**Interrupted:
Life Beyond Words**
Rachel Coker
YA COKER

After the loss of her mother, Allie is sent from Tennessee to Maine to become the daughter of Miss Beatrice Lovell, a prim woman with a faith Allie cannot accept.



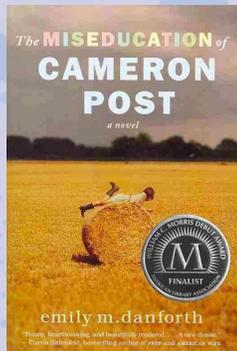
**Vivian Apple at the
End of the World**
Katie Coyle
YA COYLE

Vivian Apple returns home after the alleged 'Rapture' to find her devout parents gone and two mysterious holes in the roof. Vivian never believed in the Rapture, or the uber powerful Church of America. Now that she has been left behind, Vivian's quest for the truth begins. Sequel: Vivian Apple Needs a Miracle.



**This Miseducation of
Cameron Post**
Emily M. Danforth
PB YA DANFORTH

In the early 1990s, when gay teenager Cameron Post rebels against her conservative Montana ranch town and her family decides she needs to change her ways, she is sent to a gay conversion therapy center.



OyMG!

Amy Fellner Dominy
YA DOMINY

Ellie will do almost anything to win a scholarship to the best speech school in the country, but must decide if she is willing to hide her Jewish heritage while at a Phoenix, Arizona, summer camp that could help her reach her goal.



Blue Thread

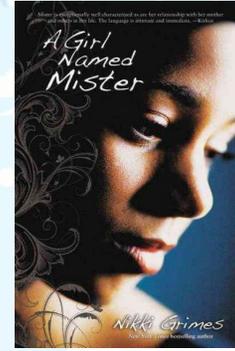
Ruth Tenzer Feldman
PB YA FELDMAN

Miriam desperately wants to work at her father's printing shop. When he refuses, she dedicates herself to the suffrage movement, demanding rights for women and a different life for herself.



A Girl Named Mister
Nikki Grimes
YA GRIMES

A pregnant teenager finds support and forgiveness from God through a book of poetry presented from the Virgin Mary's perspective.



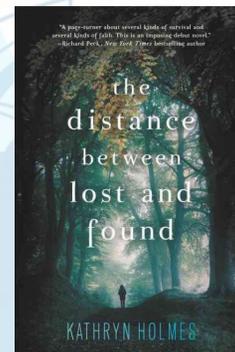
The Obsidian Blade
Pete Hautman
YA HAUTMAN

After Tucker Feye's parents disappear, he suspects that the strange disks of shimmering air that he keeps seeing are somehow involved, and when he steps inside of one he is whisked on a time-twisting journey trailed by a shadowy sect of priests and haunted by ghostlike figures.



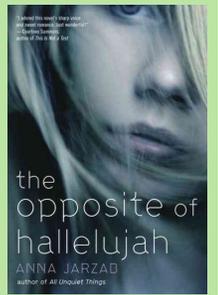
**The Distance Between
Lost and Found**
Kathryn Holmes
YA HOLMES

Hallie, her former friend Jonah, and her new friend Rachel leave a church youth group hike in the Great Smoky Mountains and become lost for five days, struggling to survive as Hallie finally speaks about the incident that made her a social pariah and Jonah admits why it hurt him so much.



The Opposite of Hallelujah
Anna Jarzab
YA JARZAB

For half of her life Carolina's older sister Hannah has been a nun in a convent, almost completely out of touch with her family. When she suddenly abandons her vocation and comes home, nobody knows how to handle the situation.



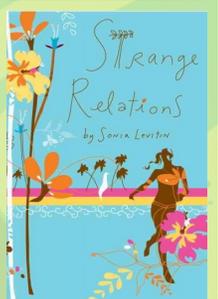
Wanting Mor
Rukhsana Khan
YA KHAN

Jameela feels relatively secure, sustained by her Muslim faith and the love of her mother, Mor. But when Mor dies, Jameela becomes an orphan after being abandoned in a busy marketplace by her father and stepmother.



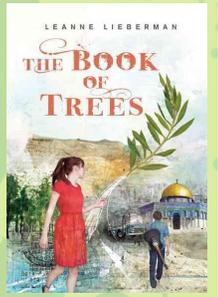
Strange Relations
Sonia Levitin
YA LEVITIN

Marne is excited to spend her summer in Hawaii, not realizing the change in lifestyle it would bring by staying with her aunt, seven cousins, and uncle who is a Chasidic rabbi.



The Book of Trees
Leanne Lieberman
PB YA LIEBERMAN

When Mia, a Jewish teenager goes to Jerusalem to spend the summer studying at a yeshiva, she expects to connect with the land and deepen her understanding of Judaism. Instead she gets a crash course in both the politics of the Middle East and the intricacies of the human heart.



Gravity
Leanne Lieberman
PB YA LIEBERMAN

An Orthodox Jewish teenager comes to terms with her sexuality and her faith.

