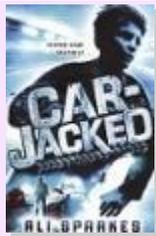


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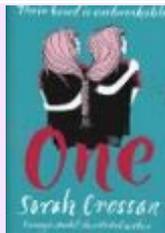
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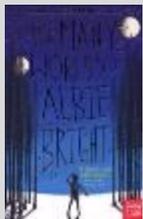
2016

Car-jacked
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2016

One
Sarah Crossan



2017

The Many Worlds of Albie Bright
Christopher Edge



2017

Flawed
Cecilai Ahern



2018

A Place Called Perfect
Helena Duggan



2018

Warcross
Marie Lu



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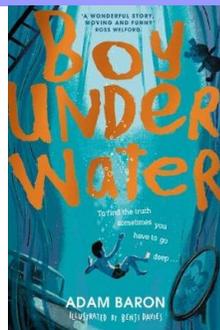


Children's Long List

Boy Underwater

Adam Baron

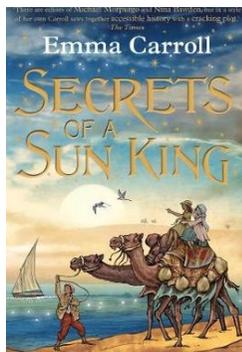
Cymbeline Igloo has never been swimming - not ever, not once - so challenging the class bully to a race during their first school swimming lesson was never going to go down well. When Cymbeline nearly drowns, his mother has a nervous breakdown and ends up in hospital. Why? Why has she never taken him anywhere near water? Cymbeline follows a series of clues to find the answer, helped by an eclectic bunch of friends. What he finally discovers is as shocking as it is unexpected, and it turns Cymbeline's life on its head.



Secrets of a Sun King

Emma Carroll

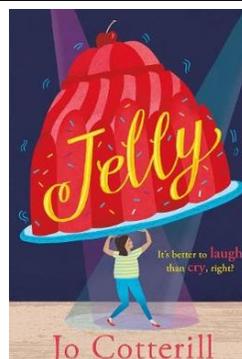
When Lilian Kaye finds a parcel on her granddad's doorstep, she is shocked to see who sent it: a famous Egyptologist, found dead that very morning, according to every newspaper in England! The mysterious package holds the key to a story...about a king whose tomb archaeologists are desperately hunting for. Lil and her friends must embark on an incredible journey - to return the package to its resting place, to protect those they love, and to break the deadly pharaoh's curse.



Jelly

Jo Cotterill

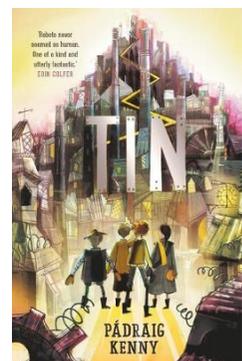
Angelica (nicknamed Jelly), is the life and soul of the classroom. She's popular and great at doing impressions. She's also overweight. She's learned to deal with put-downs by pretending she finds it all very funny - while writing poems and her private worries in a notebook. Lennon, mum's new boyfriend is nice. He treats her mum well, doesn't let her down. He notices that Jelly is acting. He reads her poems and says he'd like to set one to music. Lennon persuades Jelly to sing her poem at a talent contest in school. But can Jelly perform something so personal - especially when Lennon might not always be there to cheer her on?



Tin

Padraig Kenny

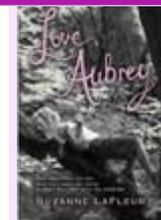
Christopher is 'Proper': a real boy with a real soul, orphaned in a fire. He works for an engineer, a maker of the eccentric, loyal and totally individual mechanicals who are Christopher's best friends. But after a devastating accident, a secret is revealed and Christopher's world is changed for ever. What follows is a remarkable adventure, as Christopher discovers who he really is, and what it means to be human.



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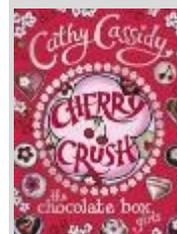


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Love Aubrey
Suzanne LaFleur

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The Hunger Games
Suzanne Collins

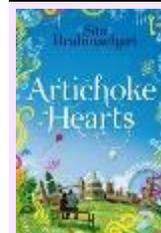


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Cherry Crush
Cathy Cassidy

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Boys Don't Cry
Malorie Blackman

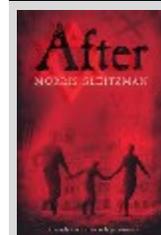


2012

Artichoke Hearts
Sita Brahmachari

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Entangled
Cat Clarke



2013

After
Morris Gleitzman

2013

Secrets of the Henna Girl
Sufiya Ahmed



2014

The Diamond Thief
Sharon Gosling

2014

The Bunker Diary
Kevin Brooks



2015

The Iron Trial
Cassandra Clare
& Holly Black

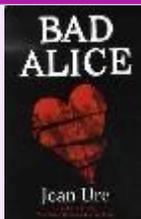
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We Were Liars
E Lockhart



2003

Bad Alice
Jean Ure



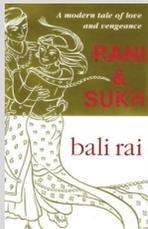
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Scorpia
Anthony Horowitz



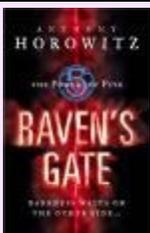
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Raven's Gate
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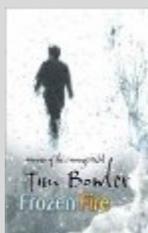
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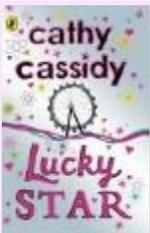
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Frozen Fire
Tim Bowler



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Lucky Star
Cathy Cassidy



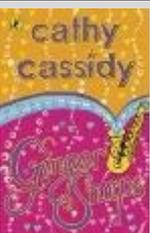
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Life on the Refrigerator Door
Alice Kuipers



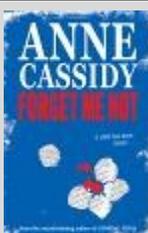
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Ginger Snaps
Cathy Cassidy



2009

Forget Me Not
Anne Cassidy



Gabriel and the Phantom Sleepers

Jenny Nimmo

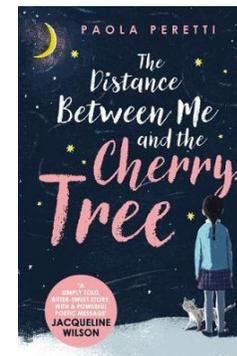
Gabriel Silk's family are the Keepers of a magical cloak, handed down the generations. When Gabriel's father is called away, responsibility for the cloak falls to Gabriel. Gabriel must journey to his uncle's house, but someone else is on the trail of the cloak and it disappears. With the help of his cousin Sadie, and an assortment of unexpected friends along the way, Gabriel sets out to find the cloak. But they are heading towards great danger... and the Phantom Sleepers aren't far behind. Will Gabriel be able to save himself and his family?



The Distance Between Me and the Cherry Tree

Paola Peretti

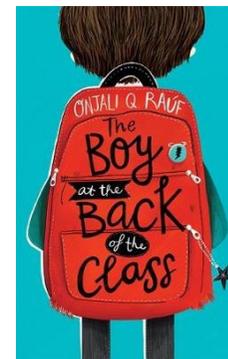
Mafalda is a nine-year-old girl who knows one thing: some time in the next six months her sight will fail completely. Can Mafalda find a way through a seemingly dark future and still go to school, play football and look after her beloved cat? With the help of her family, and her friends, Mafalda needs to discover the things that will be important to her when her sight has failed. A moving, empowering tale of courage and determination that will inspire young and old.



The Boy at the Back of the Class

Onjali Rauf

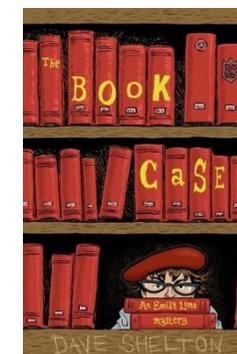
There used to be an empty chair at the back of my class, but now a new boy called Ahmet is sitting in it. He's nine years old (just like me), but he's very strange. He never talks and never smiles. But then I learned the truth: Ahmet really isn't very strange at all. He's a refugee who's run away from a War. A real one. With bombs and fires and bullies that hurt people. And the more I find out about him, the more I want to help. That's where my best friends Josie, Michael and Tom come in. Because you see, together we've come up with a plan...



The Book Case; an Emily Lime Mystery

Dave Shelton

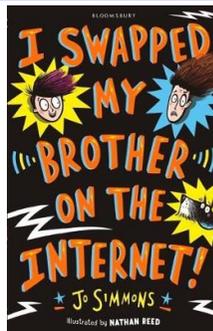
Daphne is off to St Rita's, an exclusive girls' boarding school. It sounds awfully respectable and Daphne herself is awfully respectable too. She loves to read, and is delighted to be offered the chance to interview for Librarian's assistant's assistant immediately upon arrival. Daphne discovers the librarian doesn't really exist. But there is a librarian's assistant, Emily Lime. And she's really a crime-solving genius, who's looking for a new assistant of her own. And booksmart Daphne is just the girl for the job, because mystery and intrigue are about to strike St Rita's and Emily Lime is going to need all the help she can get.



I Swapped My Brother on the Internet

Jo Simmons

Everyone has dreamed of being able to get rid of their brother or sister at one time or another - but for Jonny, the dream is about to become a reality with SiblingSwap.com! What could be better than someone awesome to replace Ted, Jonny's obnoxious older brother. But finding the perfect brother isn't easy, as Jonny discovers when Sibling Swap sends him a line of increasingly bizarre replacements: first a merboy, then a brother raised by meerkats, and then the ghost of Henry the Eighth! What's coming next? Suddenly old Ted isn't looking so bad. But



Night Speakers

Ali Sparkes

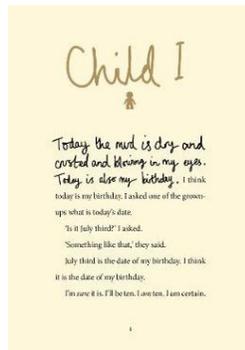
Night after night Elena, Matt, and Tima wake at exactly the same time, with no idea why. It's messing them up and fracturing their lives... until they venture out into the dark and find each other. And then the sleepless trio realise their astounding power - they can speak any language; they can even communicate with animals. But something is happening over on the industrial estate-something which is emitting sounds that only they can hear, and killing any winged thing that crosses its path. There's nobody to fight it but themselves, for only they can possibly understand it and what it means to do.



Child I

Steve Tasane

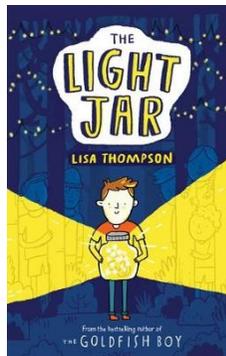
A group of undocumented children with letters for names, are stuck living in a refugee camp, with stories to tell but no papers to prove them. As they try to forge a new family amongst themselves, they also long to keep memories of their old identities alive. Will they be heard and believed? And what will happen to them if they aren't? An astonishing piece of writing that will enchant and intrigue children.



The Light Jar

Lisa Thompson

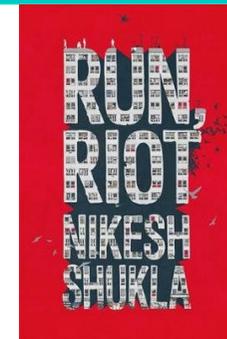
Nate and his mother are running away, hiding out in a tumbledown cottage in the middle of a forest. When Mum heads off for provisions, and then doesn't return, Nate is left alone and afraid, with the dark closing in all around him. But comfort can come from the most unexpected of places - a mysterious girl trying to solve the clues of a treasure hunt and the reappearance of an old friend from his past. Will Nate find the bravery needed to face the troubles of his present and ultimately illuminate the future?



Run Riot

Nikesh Shukla

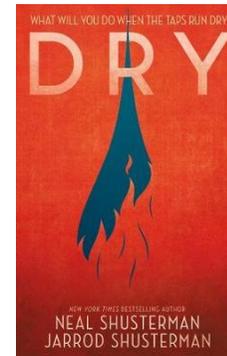
Taran and her twin Hari never wanted to move to Firestone House. But when the rent was doubled overnight and Dad's chemo meant he couldn't work, this tower block became their home. It's good now though; they feel part of something here. When they start noticing boarded-up flats and glossy fliers for expensive apartments, they don't think much of it - till Hari is caught up in a tragedy, and they are forced to go on the run. It's up to the teenagers to uncover the sinister truth behind what's going on in the block, before it blows their world apart.



Dry

Neal and Jarrod Shusterman

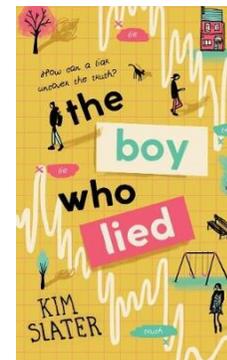
The drought - or the tap-out, as everyone calls it - has been going on for a while. Life has become an endless list of don'ts: don't water the lawn, don't take long showers, don't panic. But now there is no water left at all. Suddenly, Alyssa's quiet suburban street spirals into a warzone of desperation and violence. When her parents go missing, she and her younger brother must team up with an unlikely group in search of water. Each of them will need to make impossible choices to survive.



The Boy Who Lied

Kim Slater

Fourteen-year-old Ed Clayton is a liar. It started when his dad went to prison and now he can't seem to stop. When Ed's younger brother, Sam, goes missing when under his supervision, nobody believes Ed when he says he can't remember what happened. Things begin to go very wrong for Ed's family. His mum loses her job and they have to start using a food bank. Ditched even by his best friend, Ed is on his own trying find out what's happened to Sam, until he meets Fallon, a new neighbour who's willing to help him. The two stumble on a secret even Ed could never have imagined. But nobody will ever believe a liar.



Girl in the Window

Penny Joelson

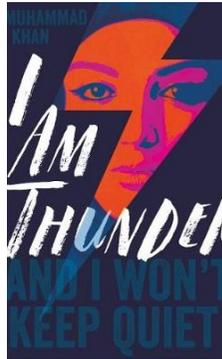
A teenager housebound with ME witnesses what looks like an abduction outside her house. Nothing ever happens on Kasia's street. And Kasia would know, because her illness makes her spend days stuck at home, watching the world from her bedroom window. So when she sees what looks like a kidnapping, she's not sure whether she can believe her own eyes. There was a girl in the window opposite - she must have seen it too. But when Kasia goes to find her she is told the most shocking thing of all. There is no girl.



I am Thunder

Muhammad Khan

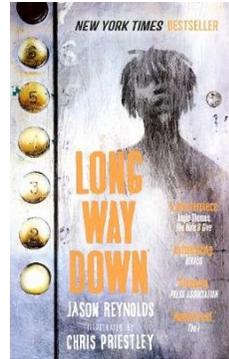
Fifteen-year-old Muzna Saleem dreams of becoming a novelist. There's just one problem - her super-controlling parents have already planned her life out for her: Step 1) Get educated Step 2) Qualify as a doctor Step 3) Marry a cousin from Pakistan. Boyfriends are totally haram. No one is more surprised than humble Muzna when high school hottie, Arif Malik, takes an interest in her. But Arif and his brother are angry at the West for demonizing Islam and hiding a terrible secret. As Arif begins to lead Muzna down a dark path, she faces a terrible choice: keep quiet and betray her beliefs, or speak up and betray her heart?



Long Way Down

Jason Reynolds

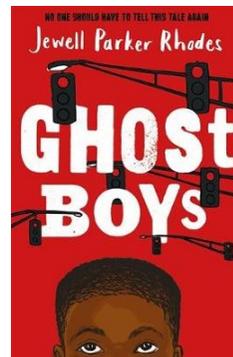
After Will's brother is shot in a gang crime, he knows the next steps. Don't cry. Don't snitch. Get revenge. So he gets in the lift with Shawn's gun, determined to follow The Rules. Only when the lift door opens, Buck walks in, Will's friend who died years ago. And Dani, who was shot years before that. As more people from his past arrive, Will has to ask himself if he really knows what he's doing. This haunting, lyrical, powerful verse novel will blow you away.



Ghost Boys

Jewell Parker Rhodes

Alive - Twelve-year-old Jerome doesn't get into trouble. He goes to school. He does his homework. He takes care of his little sister. Then Jerome is shot by a police officer who mistakes his toy gun for a real threat. Dead - As a ghost, watching his family trying to cope with his death, Jerome begins to notice other ghost boys. Each boy has a story and they all have something in common. Bit by bit, Jerome begins to understand what really happened - not just to him, but to all of the ghost boys. A poignant and gripping story about how children and families face the complexities of race in today's world.



The last Chance Hotel

Nicki Thornton

Seth is the downtrodden kitchen boy at the remote Last Chance Hotel, owned by the nasty Bunn family. His only friend is his black cat, Nightshade. But when a strange gathering of magicians arrives for dinner, kindly Dr Thallomius is poisoned by Seth's special dessert. A locked-room murder investigation ensues - and Seth is the main suspect. The funny thing is, he's innocent. Can he solve the mystery and clear his name, especially when magic's afoot?



The Lost Magician

Piers Torday

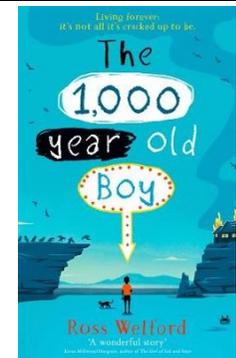
1945. They have survived the Blitz, but when Simon, Patricia, Evelyn and Larry step through a magical library door, they walk into a danger-filled adventure. They have discovered Folio: an enchanted world of fairy knights, bears and tree gods, which is under threat from an army of silver robots. The many stories of the Library are locked in eternal war, and the children's only hope is to find the mysterious magician who has been lost for centuries. What they discover will change not just their own lives, but the fate of the world, for ever.



The 1,000 Year Old Boy

Ross Welford

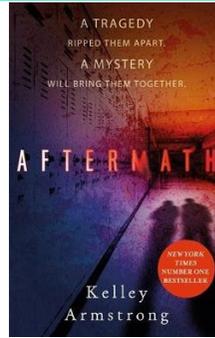
Alfie Monk is like any other nearly teenage boy - except he's 1,000 years old and can remember the last Viking invasion of England. Obviously no one believes him. So when everything Alfie knows and loves is destroyed in a fire, and the modern world comes crashing in, Alfie embarks on a mission to find friendship, acceptance, and a different way to live... which means finding a way to make sure he will eventually die.



Aftermath

Kelley Armstrong

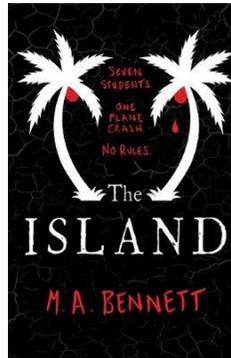
Three years after losing her brother Luka in a school shooting, Skye Gilchrist is moving home. But there's no sympathy for Skye and her family because Luka wasn't a victim; he was a shooter. Jesse Mandal knows all too well that the scars of the past don't heal easily. The shooting cost Jesse his brother and also his best friend - Skye. Jesse and Skye are haunted by the unanswered questions of that terrible day. But the more they hunt for the truth of what really happened, the closer they get to a new killer.



The Island

M.A. Bennett

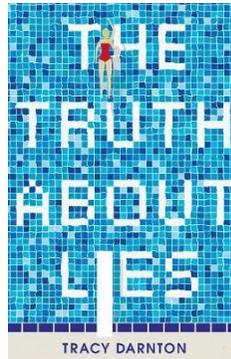
New from America, Link is finding it hard to settle into Osney School. There are so many strange traditions to understand? This includes ranking its students by how fast they can run round the school quad. When Link runs the slowest time in years, he becomes the butt of every school joke and becomes the target of bullies. His parents say he can only leave Osney School if he goes on his summer trip, that includes his tormentors. Link decides to endure it so he can leave the school. When oppressive heat, hunger and thirst start to bite, everyone's true colours will be revealed. Let the battle commence...



The Truth about Lies

Tracy Darnton

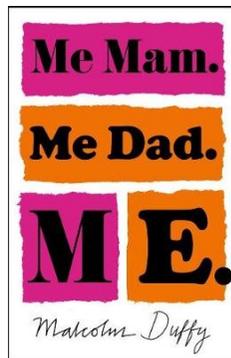
Jess has an incredible memory. She can remember every single detail of every single day since she was eleven. After years of testing at the hands of a ruthless research team, she has finally managed to escape. Just when Jess thinks she's starting to live a normal life, everything changes. Her boarding-school roommate dies. Then new boy Dan appears. But building relationships is hard when you can't reveal who you really are and Jess is getting hints that someone knows more about her than she would like. Is it time to run again? Will she ever be truly free?



Me Mam. Me Dad. Me.

Malcolm duffy

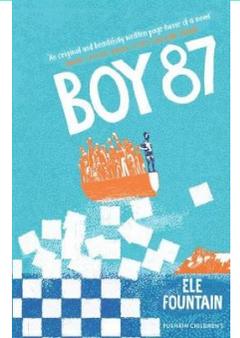
Danny's mam has a new boyfriend. Initially, all is good - Callum seems nice enough, and Danny can't deny he's got a nice set up; big house, fast car, massive TV, and Kim seems to really like him. But cracks begin to show, and they're not the sort that can be easily repaired. As Danny witnesses Mam suffer and Callum spiral out of control he goes in search of his dad. The Dad he's never met. Set between Newcastle and Edinburgh, this powerful coming-of-age drama tackles the issue of domestic violence head on but manages to find humour and hope in the most unlikely of places.



Boy 87

Emily Barr

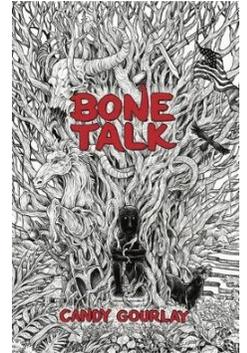
Flora has anterograde amnesia. She can't remember anything day-to-day: the joke her friend made, the instructions her parents gave her, how old she is. Then she kisses someone she shouldn't, and the next day she remembers it. It's the first time she's remembered anything since she was ten. But the boy is gone. She thinks he's moved to the Arctic. Will following him be the key to unlocking her memory? Who can she trust?



Bone Talk

Candy Gourlay

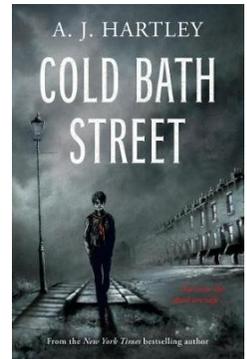
At the end of the 19th century in a remote village in the Philippines. a boy named Samkad thinks he knows everything. He knows the mountains he lives in, his people and his blood enemy, the Mangili. He wants to be a man, with his own shield, spear and axe to fight with. His best friend, Luki, wants all the same things - except she is a girl, and no girl has ever become a warrior. But then a new boy arrives in the village. He calls himself Samkad's brother, yet he knows nothing of the ways of the mountain. And he brings news of a people called 'Americans', who are bringing war and destruction to his home.



Cold Bath Street

A.J. Hartley

It was 9:22 pm. It was always 9:22 pm. AT 9.22pm, a cold hand had plunged into Preston Oldcorn's chest and tightened its icy grip around his heart. In an instant, Preston was dead. Preston finds himself in a desolate void, trapped in the chasm between life and death. Soon discovering that he is not alone, Preston must stay one-step ahead of his enemies and discover the mysteries held by this new world as he tries to save his soul. But doing so means braving the darkest and most feared part of town: Cold Bath Street.



Phantom

Leo Hunt

Sixteen-year-old thief and hacker Nova makes just enough to live on leeching from the corpsesmen that live in the spires 400 storeys above the forgotten undercity slums she calls home. So when infamous anti-corp hacker The Moth offers Nova a huge sum to infiltrate and steal something from the biggest corp of all, Bliss Inc. - manufacturer of the neural implants that allow everyone in the spires continuous metanet access - she jumps at the chance. But what is the dark secret Bliss Inc. is hiding and why does The Moth want to get his hands on it so badly?

