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The Agathas

Kathleen Glasglow & Liz Lawson

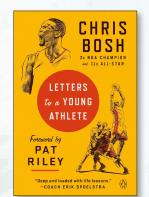
Alice Ogilvie's five-day disappearance last summer was the biggest scandal at Castle Cove High School until her ex-boyfriend is accused of murdering his new girlfriend, and Alice must pair up with her tutor to clear his name.



The Davenports

Krystal Marquis

The Davenports are one of the few Black families of wealth and status in a changing America, their fortune made by William Davenport, a formerly enslaved man who founded a carriage company years ago. Now the Davenports live in luxury, finding their way and finding love—even where they're not supposed to.



Letters to a Young Athlete

Chris Bosh

A legendary NBA player and beloved teammate shares his hard-earned wisdom about finding your true purpose and mastering your inner game, whatever that game might be.



Any Sign of Life

Rae Carson

Paige Miller fears she is the only person left alive in Ohio until she meets a handful of other survivors, and together they struggle with the knowledge that their new reality is the first part of an alien invasion.



Hollow Fires

Samira Ahmed

After discovering the body of 14-year-old Jawad Ali in Jackson Park, 17-year-old journalism student Safiya Mirza begins investigating his murder and ends up confronting white supremacy in her own high school.



The Red Palace

June Hur

While investigating a series of grisly murders, 18-year-old palace nurse Hyeon navigates royal and political intrigue and becomes entangled with a young police inspector also searching for the killer.



Black Cake

Charmaine Wilkerson

Two estranged siblings must set aside their differences to deal with their mother's death and her hidden past—a journey that takes them from the Caribbean to London to California and ends with her famous black cake.



If You Could See the Sun

Ann Liang

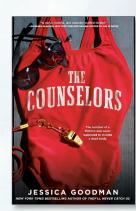
Alice Sun has always felt invisible at her elite Beijing international boarding school. When her parents can no longer afford her tuition, even with a scholarship, Alice hatches a plan to monetize her strange new power.



Throwback

Maurene Goo

Sam has always butted heads with her mom, Priscilla, a former high school cheerleader who expects Sam to want the same all-American nightmare. After a huge fight, Sam is desperate to get away from her mom but instead finds herself thrown back to the '90s...alongside a 17-year-old Priscilla.



The Counselors

Jessica Goodman

After a traumatic school year, camp counselor Goldie Easton is excited to reunite with her two best friends at an elite summer camp, but when a local boy is found dead on the grounds, all three must reveal a dark secret to find the murderer.



The Knockout

Sajni Patel

Kareena's world is turned upside down when she lands an invitation to the US Muay Thai Open, which could lead to a spot on the first-ever Olympic team. To make it, she must come clean about being a Muay Thai fighter—a sport that her traditional Indian community deems too violent for girls.



The Weight of Blood

Tiffany D. Jackson

When Springville residents at least the ones still alive are questioned about what happened on prom night, they all have the same explanation...Maddy did it.



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