

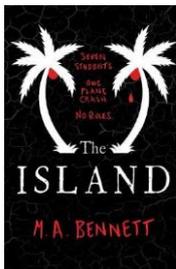
## Recommended Reads Year 11 2018



### **Agevado, Elizabeth – The Poet X**

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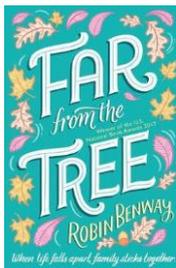
Xiomara lives in Harlem in New York and is used to using her wits and her fists to survive. But she also uses poetry to describe her life though she keeps that to herself. Will joining a poetry slam group allow her voice to be heard and for her to make a difference.



### **Bennett, M A – The island**

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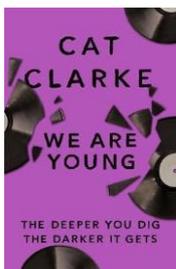
A group of teenagers are sent on a school trip to a remote island. The problem is that none of them like each other so it becomes a test of survival and self-discovery. And when conditions worsen, will their true colours emerge?



### **Benway, Robin – Far from the tree**

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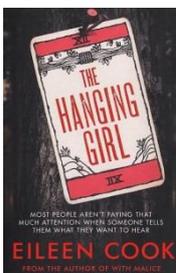
Grace gives up her baby at sixteen. This prompts her to investigate her own birth family, with surprising consequences. A touching novel of redemption.



### **Clarke, Cat – We are young**

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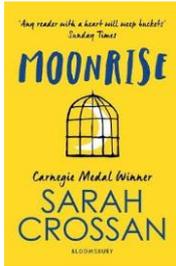
On the day of her mother's wedding, Evan's brother is injured in a car crash that also kills 3 teenagers. Everyone assumes they know the cause but Evan is not so sure. And when she starts investigating, she finds secrets that may tear her family apart.



### **Cook, Eileen – The Hanging Girl**

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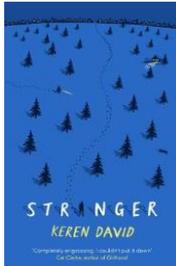
Skye claims her skill at reading tarot cards is giving clues to the whereabouts of missing Paige, but where does the truth actually lie?



**Crossan, Sarah – Moonrise**

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Told in poetry, this is a deeply, moving story about a young man on Death Row in America and his brother's frantic efforts to save him.



**David, Keren – Stranger**

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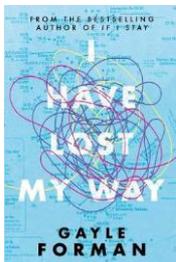
Told from 2 viewpoints, this is a compelling story of changing attitudes over 90 years. It is about family and love and sometimes how you do not get what you want but make the best of your life regardless.



**Dawson, Juno – Grave Matter**

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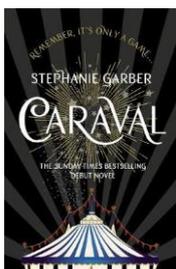
Sam says he'll do anything to bring back his girlfriend Eliza from the dead. But sometimes the price is way too high.



**Forman, Gayle – I have lost my way**

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3 teenagers meet in Central Park by chance and discover that they can help each other as they struggle with conflicting situations. Told over the course of just one day, this is an inspiring read.



**Gardner, Stephanie – Caraval**

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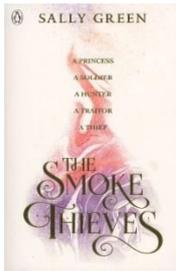
Caraval is a once a year, audience participation event open to invited guests only. When 2 sisters receive that invitation they view it as an escape route but Caraval is not as innocent a pastime as they have always been led to believe.



**Graudin, Ryan - Invictus**

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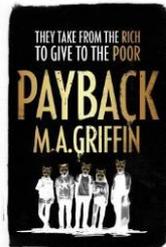
Farway McCarthy is a time traveller sent to steal an artefact from the Titanic. But Eliot is one step ahead of him all the time. Can he trust her?



### **Green, Sally – The Smoke Thieves**

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Great world-building in this epic, challenging fantasy, where the stories of five unforgettable characters are intimately entwined. First of a new series.



### **Griffin, M A – Payback**

**T+**

Payback are a gang of vigilantes who steal from the rich to give to the poor often in dramatic circumstances. But a new recruit has inadvertently brought danger to the group and they have to be on their guard to maintain their values.



### **Hunt, Leo – Phantom**

**T+**

Nova is an expert at hacking computer systems but when she is recruited by the biggest anti- corporation hacker, Nova realises that she may have got into big trouble. A gripping, futuristic novel.



### **Killeen, Matt – Orphan Monster Spy**

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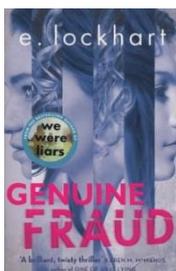
Sarah lives in Nazi Germany but she is also Jewish and a spy. But she finds that trying to work undercover in an exclusive boarding school tests her resolve to the limit and questions her values.



### **Lake, Nick - Satellite**

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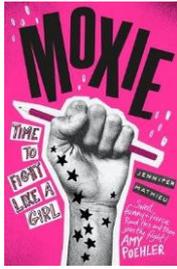
Three teens, raised for their entire lives in space, travel "home" to Earth and struggle with the huge contrasts between the two worlds. Written in text-speak.



### **Lockhart, E – Genuine Fraud**

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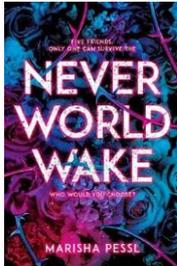
Gripping murder story, written in reverse chronology. How did Jule become a ruthless killer and take over her friend Imogen's entire existence?



**Mathieu, Jennifer - Moxie**

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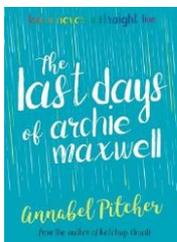
Viv Carter creates "Moxie", a zine designed to challenge sexism and bullying in her school. An empowering and inspiring read.



**Pessl, Marisha – Never World Wake**

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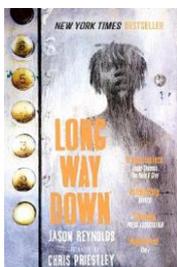
5 friends meet up a year after another friend is killed in mysterious circumstances. One of them will live, the other 4 will die as well but how will they decide who will survive?



**Pitcher, Annabel – The last days of Archie Maxwell**

**T+**

Archie's dad has left home; nothing unusual about that but in this case his Dad has left to live with another man. Archie can't tell anyone and that leaves him feeling alone and vulnerable. A short but compelling read to make people think.



**Reynolds, Jason – Long Way Down**

**T+**

Will's brother is killed in a gangland killing so Will knows that you need to get revenge. But in a lift with his brother's gun, Will is joined by people trying to make him change his mind. The difference is that all those people are dead! A moving tale told in verse but very relevant to today.



**Shusterman, Neal – Scythe**

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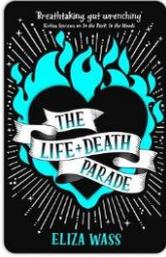
A futuristic thriller where teenagers are trained to be scythe wielding assassins. But only one can complete the training and their first task will be to eliminate the other trainees.



**Stewart, Martin – The Sacrifice Box**

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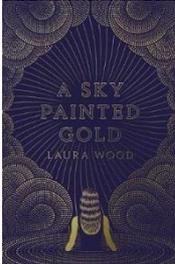
One of five friends betrays the pledges made years earlier by removing a sacrifice from a mysterious stone box, and evil is unleashed.



### **Wass, Eliza – The Life & Death parade**

**T+**

Can you be brought back from the dead? Kitty's boyfriend died a year ago but she tracks down a group of psychics who say they can bring him back. But is it all a ruse?



### **Wood, Laura – A sky painted Gold**

**T+**

Starting in 1929 in Cornwall, this is an exuberant tale of a young girl discovering a world far removed from her quiet existence. But is it all she thinks or is she heading for a rude awakening.

T = Younger Teen Reads/T+ = Older Teen Reads



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