

## Indie Bestsellers k of 09.09 **EARLY & MIDDLE GRADE READERS YOUNG ADULT**



WHALE OF

THE WILD

- I. Rowley Jefferson's Awesome Friendly Adventure Jeff Kinney, Amulet, \$14.99
- 2. The One and Only Bob Katherine Applegate, Patricia Castelao (Illus.), Harper, \$18.99
- 3. The One and Only Ivan Katherine Applegate, Patricia Castelao (Illus.), Harper, \$8.99
- 4. New Kid Jerry Craft, Harper, \$12.99
- 5. This Book Is Anti-Racist Tiffany Jewell, Aurelia Durand (Illus.), Frances Lincoln Children's Books, \$14.99
- 6. Guts Raina Telgemeier, Graphix, \$12.99
- 7. When Stars Are Scattered Victoria Jamieson, Omar Mohamed, Dial Books, \$12.99
- 8. Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid: **Rowley Jefferson's Journal** Jeff Kinney, Abrams, \$13.99
- 9. A Whale of the Wild Rosanne Parry, Lindsay Moore (Illus.), Greenwillow Books, \$17.99
- 10. Drama Raina Telgemeier, Graphix, \$10.99
- II. The Silver Arrow Lev Grossman, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, \$16.99
  - 12. Hatchet Gary Paulsen, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$9.99
  - 13. Smile Raina Telgemeier, Graphix, \$10.99
  - 14. Ghosts Raina Telgemeier, Graphix, \$10.99
- 15. Witches of Brooklyn Sophie Escabasse, Random House Graphic, \$12.99

## For Ages 9 to 12



ITCHES

Lightfall: The Girl & the Galdurian, by Tim Probert (HarperAlley, Hardcover, \$22.99; **Paperback, \$12.99)** "With flavors of Amulet, Labyrinth, The Dark Crystal, and the world of Shannara, Lightfall delivers a rich and exciting quest that feels epic yet thoroughly cheeky, accessible, and adorable all at once. So many themes are handled with delicate gusto, such as Bea's anxiety and her grandfather's failing memory. Above all, there is such a positive mindset it makes me wish I had a friend like Cad who would help me face my fears. I am SO excited to read the next book in the series (hello, cliffhanger!) and push these into our readers' hands." -Grace Menary-Winefield, Booked, Evanston, IL













- I. Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You Jason Reynolds, Ibram X. Kendi, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, \$18.99
- 2. Cemetery Boys Aiden Thomas, Swoon Reads, \$17.99
- 3. Punching the Air Ibi Zoboi, Yusef Salaam, Balzer + Bray, \$19.99
- 4. The Hate U Give Angie Thomas, Balzer + Bray, \$18.99
- 5. One of Us Is Lying Karen M. McManus, Delacorte Press, \$17.99
- 6. A Peculiar Peril Jeff Vander Meer, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, \$19.99
- 7. Clap When You Land Elizabeth Acevedo, Quill Tree Books, \$18.99
- 8. Fable Adrienne Young, Wednesday Books, \$18.99
  - 9. You Should See Me in a Crown 툑 Leah Johnson, Scholastic Press, \$17.99
- 10. The Giver Lois Lowry, HMH Books for Young Readers, \$9.99
- II. We Were Liars E. Lockhart, Ember, \$10.99
- 12. Elatsoe Darcie Little Badger, Rovina Cai (Illus.), Levine Querido, \$18.99
- 13. The Poet X Elizabeth Acevedo, Quill Tree Books, \$12.99
- 14. Raybearer Jordan Ifueko, Amulet, \$18.99 📗

15. Dear Martin Nic Stone, Ember, \$9.99

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## For Teen Readers



Never Look Back, by Lilliam Rivera (Bloomsbury YA, \$18.99) "In this fresh remix, Lilliam Rivera deftly combines original details with contemporary Afro-Latinx life in the Bronx, from the flirty bounce of bachata to the weight of Hurricane Maria and its impact on island communities and diaspora. I love how this characterdriven romance humanizes Pheus and Eury-they are accessible, complex teens distinctly of our time who face an ancient and destructive threat with equal parts assuredness and fearful trepidation. A satisfyingly feminist ending rounds out this myth retextured for our modern moment. Immersive and intense, Never Look Back will make you want Rivera to retell all of your favorite classics." -Niki Marion, Third Place Books, Lake Forest Park, WA















