

100 Best-Ever Teen Novels



NPR conducted a survey in the summer of 2012 which had people nominate their favorite teen books. Over 1,200 books were suggested, and the list was narrowed down to the top 235. These books were voted on to decide these final winning 100 titles by popularity. See a book you haven't read? You can find all of these books in our YA collection, unless otherwise noted.

1. *Harry Potter* (series),
by J.K. Rowling (*J Fiction collection*)
2. *The Hunger Games* (series), by Suzanne Collins
3. *To Kill a Mockingbird*, by Harper Lee
4. *The Fault in Our Stars*, by John Green
5. *The Hobbit*, by J.R.R. Tolkien
6. *The Catcher in the Rye*, by J.D. Salinger
7. *The Lord of the Rings* (series), by J.R.R. Tolkien
8. *Fahrenheit 451*, by Ray Bradbury
9. *Looking for Alaska*, by John Green
10. *The Book Thief*, by Markus Zusak
11. *The Giver* (series), by Lois Lowry
12. *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* (series),
by Douglas Adams
13. *The Outsiders*, by S.E. Hinton
14. *Anne of Green Gables* (series),
by Lucy Maud Montgomery (*J Fiction collection*)
15. *His Dark Materials* (series), by Philip Pullman
16. *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*,
by Stephen Chbosky
17. *The Princess Bride*,
by William Goldman (*Adult Fiction collection*)
18. *Lord of the Flies*, by William Golding
19. *Divergent* (series), by Veronica Roth
20. *Paper Towns*, by John Green
21. *The Mortal Instruments* (series), by Cassandra Clare
22. *An Abundance of Katherines*, by John Green
23. *Flowers for Algernon*, by Daniel Keyes
24. *Thirteen Reasons Why*, by Jay Asher
25. *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*,
by Mark Haddon (*Adult Fiction collection*)
26. *Speak*, by Laurie Halse Anderson
27. *Twilight* (series), by Stephenie Meyer
28. *Uglies* (series), by Scott Westerfeld
29. *The Infernal Devices* (series), by Cassandra Clare
30. *Tuck Everlasting*,
by Natalie Babbitt (*J Fiction collection*)
31. *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*,
by Sherman Alexie
32. *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* (series),
by Anne Brashares
33. *The Call of the Wild*, by Jack London
34. *Will Grayson, Will Grayson*,
by John Green, David Levithan
35. *Go Ask Alice*, by Anonymous
36. *Howl's Moving Castle*, by Diana Wynne Jones
37. *Stargirl*, by Jerry Spinelli
38. *A Separate Peace*, by John Knowles
39. *Vampire Academy* (series), by Richelle Mead
40. *Abhorsen / Old Kingdom Trilogy* (series),
by Garth Nix
41. *Dune*, by Frank Herbert (*Adult Fiction collection*)
42. *Discworld / Tiffany Aching* (series),
by Terry Pratchett (*Discworld in Adult Fiction*)
43. *My Sister's Keeper*, by Jodi Picoult
44. *The Dark is Rising* (series),
by Susan Cooper (*J Fiction collection*)
45. *Graceling* (series), Kristin Cashore
46. *Forever...*, by Judy Blume
47. *Earthsea* (series), by Ursula K. Le Guin
48. *Inheritance Cycle* (series), by Christopher Paolini
49. *The Princess Diaries* (series), by Meg Cabot

50. *The Song of the Lioness* (series), by Tamora Pierce
51. *Treasure Island*,
by Robert Louis Stevenson (*J Fiction collection*)
52. *Delirium* (series), by Lauren Oliver
53. *Anna and the French Kiss*, by Stephanie Perkins
54. *Hush, Hush Saga* (series), by Becca Fitzpatrick
55. *13 Little Blue Envelopes*, by Maureen Johnson
56. *It's Kind of a Funny Story*, by Ned Vizzini
57. *The Gemma Doyle Trilogy* (series), by Libba Bray
58. *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children*,
by Ransom Riggs
59. *The House on Mango Street*,
by Sandra Cisneros (*Adult Fiction collection*)
60. *Something Wicked This Way Comes*,
by Ray Bradbury
61. *The Chocolate War*, by Robert Cormier
62. *Just Listen*, by Sarah Dessen
63. *A Ring of Endless Light*,
by Madeleine L'Engle (*J Fiction collection*)
64. *The Truth About Forever*, by Sarah Dessen
65. *The Bartimaeus Trilogy* (series), by Jonathan Stroud
66. *Bloodlines* (series), by Richelle Mead
67. *Fallen* (series), by Lauren Kate
68. *House of Night* (series), by P.C. Cast, Kristin Cast
69. *I Capture the Castle*,
by Dodie Smith (*Adult Fiction collection*)
70. *Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist*,
by Rachel Cohn, David Levithan
71. *Before I Fall*, by Lauren Oliver
72. *Unwind*, by Neal Shusterman
73. *The Last Unicorn*, by Peter S. Beagle
74. *The Maze Runner Trilogy* (series),
by James Dashner
75. *If I Stay*, by Gayle Forman
76. *The Blue Sword*, by Robin McKinley
77. *Crank* (series), by Ellen Hopkins
78. *Matched* (series), by Ally Condie
79. *Gallagher Girls* (series), by Ally Carter
80. *The Goose Girl*, by Shannon Hale
81. *Daughter of the Lioness / Tricksters* (series),
by Tamora Pierce
82. *I Am the Messenger*, by Markus Zusak
83. *The Immortals* (series), by Tamora Pierce
84. *The Enchanted Forest Chronicles* (series),
by Patricia C. Wrede
85. *Chaos Walking* (series), by Patrick Ness
86. *Circle of Magic* (series), by Tamora Pierce
87. *Daughter of Smoke & Bone*, by Laini Taylor
88. *Feed*, by M.T. Anderson
89. *Weetzie Bat* (series), by Francesca Lia Block
90. *Along for the Ride*, by Sarah Dessen
91. *Confessions of Georgia Nicolson* (series),
by Louise Rennison
92. *Leviathan* (series), by Scott Westerfeld
93. *The House of the Scorpion*, by Nancy Farmer
94. *The Chronicles of Chrestomanci* (series),
by Diana Wynne Jones
95. *The Lullaby*, by Sarah Dessen
96. *Gone* (series), by Michael Grant
97. *The Shiver Trilogy* (series), by Maggie Stiefvater
98. *The Hero and the Crown*, by Robin McKinley
99. *Wintergirls*, by Laurie Halse Anderson
100. *Betsy-Tacy Books* (series),
by Maud Hart Lovelace (*J Fiction collection*)

Which one is *your* favorite?