

Kaufman Silverberg Library
Grade 9-10 Suggested Reading List
2017

Books with Judaic Content

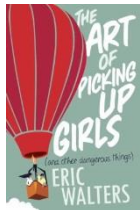
Girl in the blue coat, by Monica Hesse. In 1943 Nazi-occupied Amsterdam, teenage Hanneke--a 'finder' of black market goods--is tasked with finding a Jewish girl a customer had been hiding, who has seemingly vanished into thin air, and is pulled into a web of resistance activities and secrets as she attempts to solve the mystery and save the missing girl.



Call number: YA FIC HES

Fiction

The art of picking up girls (and other dangerous things), by Eric Walters. Graham Fox is reeling after breakings up with his girlfriend and moving to a new city, and school, in his senior year, but he soon finds himself playing wingman to Ethan Frost, who seems to have the art of meeting girls down to a science. Distracted from his own pain, Graham finds himself absorbing the "lessons" from Ethan, turning meeting girls into a game. That is, until he meets someone who challenges everything Ethan has taught him.



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The cost of all things, by Maggie Lehrman. When her boyfriend dies, a grieving Ari uses a spell to erase her memories of him, but this spell triggers a series of events that reveal hidden, and sometimes dangerous, connections between her friends and the boyfriend she no longer remembers.



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Cut off, by Jamie Bastedo. A topical tale of one teen's addiction to the Cyber World - and the Northern adventure that saved his life.



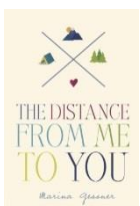
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Dead ends, by Erin Jade Lange. When Dane, a bully, refuses to hit Billy D. because he has Down syndrome, Billy takes that as a sign of friendship and enlists Dane's help in solving riddles left in an atlas by his missing father, sending the pair on a risky adventure.



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The distance from me to you, by Marina Gessner. McKenna and her best friend planned for over a year to defer their freshman year of college to hike the Appalachian Trail all the way from Maine to Georgia, so when her friend backs out McKenna embarks alone on a physical and emotional journey that will change her life forever.



The dogs, by Allan Stratton. Cameron is used to moving at a moment's notice because he and his mother are always running away from his supposedly violent father, but he is disturbed by their latest refuge, a creepy, deserted farmhouse, haunted by bloodthirsty dogs.



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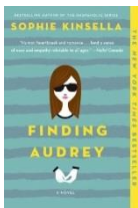
Dreamland, by Robert L. Anderson. Odea Donahue has been able to travel through people's dreams since she was six years old. Her mother taught her the three rules of walking: Never interfere. Never be seen. Never walk the same person's dream more than once. Then a mysterious new boy, Connor, comes to town. For the first time in her life, Dea feels normal. But both Dea and Connor have secrets, and as she is increasingly drawn to Connor's dreams and nightmares the boundary between worlds begins to deteriorate, putting everyone she loves in danger. **Call number: YA FIC AND**



Elena vanishing: a memoir, by Elena and Clare B. Dunkle. This is a true story of a seventeen-year girl struggling with anorexia nervosa. **Call number: YA FIC DUN**



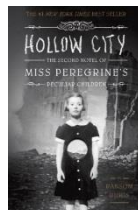
Finding Audrey: a novel, by Sophie Kinsella. Fourteen-year-old Audrey is making slow but steady progress dealing with her anxiety disorder when Linus comes into the picture and her recovery gains momentum. **Call number: YA FIC KIN**



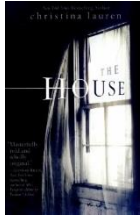
Holding Smoke, by Elle Cosimano. John "Smoke" Conlan uses his supernatural ability to travel outside the walls of a juvenile detention center to try to clear his name and help his fellow inmates find redemption. **Call number: YA FIC COS**



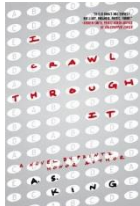
Hollow city: the second novel of Miss Peregrine's peculiar children, by Ransom Riggs. Having escaped Miss Peregrine's island by the skin of their teeth, Jacob and his new friends, who possess supernatural abilities, must journey to London (circa 1940), the 'peculiar' capital of the world. There they hope to find a cure for their beloved headmistress, Miss Peregrine. But in this war-torn city, hideous surprises lurk around every corner. **Call number: YA FIC RIG**



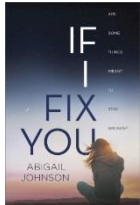
The house, by Christina Lauren. Told in their separate voices, Gavin, a loner outcast, and Delilah, back in small-town Kansas after years at a Massachusetts boarding school, reconnect during their senior year, but as their relationship deepens, it is clear that the eerie house Gavin dwells in will do anything to keep the two apart. **Call number: YA FIC LAU**



I crawl through it: a novel, by A.S. King. A surrealist novel about four teenagers who find unconventional ways to escape standardized tests and their perilous world, and discover that the only escape from reality is to face it. **Call number: YA FIC KIN**



If I fix you, by Abigail Johnson. When Jill's mother unceremoniously leaves her family for reasons only Jill knows, Jill tries to piece her life together with the help of new guy Daniel, who has scars on the inside and out. **Call number: YA FIC JOH**



The last little blue envelope, by Maureen Johnson. Seventeen-year-old Ginny Blackstone precipitously travels from her home in New Jersey to London when she receives a message from an unknown man telling her he has the letters that were stolen just before she completed a series of mysterious tasks assigned by her now dead aunt, an artist. **Call number: YA FIC JOH**



The last time we were us, by Leah Konen. Liz Grant is about to have the summer of her life. She and her friend MacKenzie are getting invited to all the best parties, and with any luck, Innis Taylor, the most gorgeous guy in Bonneville, will be her boyfriend before the Fourth of July. Jason Sullivan wasn't supposed to come back from juvie. A million years ago, he was her best friend, but that was before he ditched her for a different crowd. Liz always found it hard to believe what they said about Jason, but all of Bonneville thinks he's dangerous. If word gets out she's seeing him, she could lose everything. But what if there's more to that horrible night than she knows? And how many more people will get hurt when the truth finally comes out? **Call number: YA FIC KON**



Maybe one day, by Melissa Kantor. Zoe thought that being cut from her ballet program was the worst thing that could happen, but when her best friend Olivia is diagnosed with a life-threatening disease, Zoe quickly learns that not being able to dance is the least of her problems. **Call number: YA FIC KAN**



More than this, by Patrick Ness. Seth remembers dying. He remembers splitting his head on the rocks and drowning. But now he is awake again, naked and lost in his old home in England. Seth wanders the empty, desolate streets of town, eating spoiled food, looking for any signs of life, finally considering he may very well be in his own personal hell. Seth begins a search for answers, hoping that he might not be alone, that this might not be the hell he fears it to be, that there might be more than just this. **Call number: YA FIC NES**



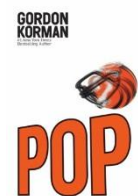
Openly straight, by Bill Konigsberg. Tired of being known as "the gay kid", Rafe Goldberg decides to assume a new persona when he comes east and enters an elite Massachusetts prep school--but trying to deny his identity has both complications and unexpected consequences. **Call number: YA FIC KON**



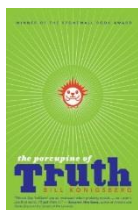
Playlist for the dead, by Michelle Falkoff. After his best friend, Hayden, commits suicide, fifteen-year-old Sam is determined to find out why--using the clues in the playlist Hayden left for him. **Call number: YA FIC FAL**



Pop, by Gordon Korman. When Marcus moves to a new town in the dead of summer he doesn't know a soul. While practicing football for impending tryouts, he strikes up an unlikely friendship with an older man. Charlie is a charismatic prankster - and the best football player Marcus has ever seen. He can't believe his good luck when he finds out that Charlie is actually Charlie Popovich, or "the King of Pop," as he had been nicknamed during his career as an NFL linebacker. But that's not all. There is a secret about Charlie that his family is desperate to hide. **Call number: M FIC KOR**



The porcupine of truth, by Bill Konigsberg. Seventeen-year-old Carson Speier is bored of Billings, Montana, and resentful that he has to help his mother take care of his father, a dying alcoholic whom he has not seen in fourteen years--but then he meets Aisha, a beautiful African American girl who has run away from her own difficult family, and together they embark on a journey of discovery that may help them both come to terms with their lives. **Call number: YA FIC KON**



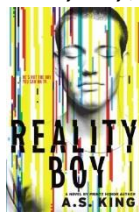
Pushing perfect, by Michelle Falkoff. Although she seems to have the perfect life, Kara is caught up with a group whose secrets threaten to ruin her perfectly planned future. **Call number: YA FIC FAL**



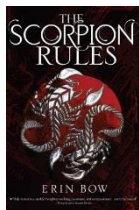
The rains, by Gregg Hurwitz. In one terrifying night, the peaceful community of Creek's Cause turns into a war zone. No one under the age of eighteen is safe. Chance Rain and his older brother, Patrick, have already fended off multiple attacks from infected adults by the time they arrive at the school where other young survivors are hiding. Most of the kids they know have been dragged away by once-trusted adults who are now ferocious, inhuman beings. The parasite that transformed them takes hold after people turn eighteen--and Patrick's birthday is only a few days away. **Call number: YA FIC HUR**



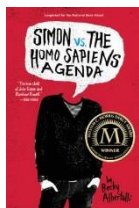
Reality boy, by A.S. King. An emotionally damaged seventeen-year-old boy in Pennsylvania, who was once an infamous reality television show star, meets a girl from another dysfunctional family, and she helps him out of his angry shell. **Call number: YA FIC KIN**



The scorpion rules, by Erin Bow. The teenage princess of a future-world Canadian superpower, where royal children are held hostage to keep their countries from waging war, falls in love with an American prince who rebels against the brutal rules governing their existences. **Call number: YA FIC BOW**



Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens agenda, by Becky Albertalli. Sixteen-year-old, not-so-openly-gay Simon Spier is blackmailed into playing wingman for his classmate or else his sexual identity will be revealed. **Call number: YA FIC ALB**



The six, by Mark Alpert. Adam, crippled by muscular dystrophy, and five other terminally ill teenagers sacrifice their bodies and upload their minds into weaponized robots to battle a dangerously advanced artificial intelligence program bent on destroying humanity. **Call number: YA FIC FLO**



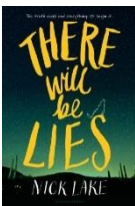
The start of me and you, by Emery Lord. Paige Hancock starts junior year with a list of ways to take back her life, rather than spending another year as "The Girl Whose Boyfriend Drowned," and finding out that Ryan Chase, her long-term crush, is available again might be the key. **Call number: YA FIC LOR**



Tattoo Atlas, by Tim Floreen. After Franklin commits a horrific crime and is sent to a special lab for rehabilitation, only Jeremy believes that Franklin might actually be better...but when crimes start up again in their small town, Jeremy begins to wonder if evil can ever truly be quelled. **Call number: YA FIC FLO**



There will be lies, by Nick Lake. Shelby Cooper, nearly eighteen, has been overprotected by her single mother all her life, but after a car accident Shelby's life is transformed not only by the discovery of secrets about herself, but also by trips into "The Dreaming," where she is sent on a heroic quest wrapped in Native American mythology. **Call number: YA FIC LAK**



Thirteen little blue envelopes, by Maureen Johnson. When seventeen-year-old Ginny receives a packet of mysterious envelopes from her favorite aunt, she leaves New Jersey to criss-cross Europe on a sort of scavenger hunt that transforms her life. **Call number: YA FIC JOH**



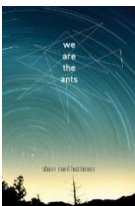
Unbecoming, by Jenny Downham. Life has just become very complicated for seventeen-year-old Katie; her father walked out a year ago, her mother is stressed out, her brother is a "special needs" teenager, and she is caring for the maternal grandmother she has never met, who is suffering from Alzheimer's--and Katie has a secret of her own that she cannot reveal. **Call number: YA FIC DOW**



Until Friday night: a field party novel, by Abbi Glines. New to the small town of Lawton, Alabama, Maggie Carlton begins to help Lawton High quarterback West Ashby open up about his grief as well as finally beginning to confront her own. **Call number: YA FIC GLI**



We are the ants, by Shaun David Hutchinson. After the suicide of his boyfriend, Henry deals with depression and family issues, all while wondering if he was really abducted and told he has 144 days to decide whether or not the world is worth saving. **Call number: YA FIC HUT**



You know me well: a novel, by Nina LaCour and David Levithan. Mark and Kate sit next to each other in school, but are barely acquainted until they meet at a San Francisco club during Pride Week and connect over each one's forbidden love. **Call number: YA FIC LAC**

