

Kaufman Silverberg Library
Grade 9-10 Suggested Reading List
2018

Books with Judaic Content

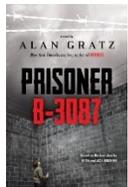
Almost autumn, by Marianne Kaurin. As autumn approaches Ilse Stern is thinking about her infatuation with Hermann Rød, and whether his determination to be a painter will interfere with their romance--but the reality of being Jewish in occupied Oslo is about to turn her whole world upside down, as the deportation of the Norwegian Jews begins. **Call number: YA FIC KAU**



To look a Nazi in the eye: a teen's account of a war criminal trial, by Kathy Kacer with Jordana Lebowitz. The true story of nineteen-year-old Jordana Lebowitz's experience attending the war criminal trial of Oskar Groening. **Call number: J 341.6 KAC**

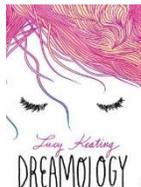


Prisoner B-3087, by Alan Gratz. Based on the life of Jack Gruener, this book relates his story of survival from the Nazi occupation of Krakow, when he was eleven, through a succession of concentration camps, to the final liberation of Dachau. **Call number: YA FIC GRA**

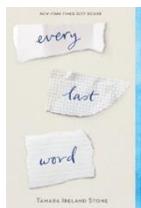


Fiction

Dreamology, by Lucy Keating. Experiencing dreams about her soulmate all of her life, Alice meets the real boy, Max, when she moves to a new school and finds that their real relationship is more complicated than their dream one. **Call number: YA FIC KEA**



Every last word, by Tamara Ireland Stone. Samantha looks just like the rest of the popular girls in her junior class. But deep inside Sam is suffering from Purely-Obsessional OCD and is consumed by a stream of dark thoughts and worries. Second-guessing every move, thought, and word makes daily life a struggle, and it doesn't help that her lifelong friends will turn toxic at the first sign of a wrong outfit, wrong lunch, or wrong crush. So when Sam meets Caroline, she has to keep her new friend with a refreshing sense of humor and no style a secret. Caroline introduces Sam to Poet's Corner, a tight-knit group of misfits who have been ignored by the school at large. Sam is drawn to them immediately, especially a guitar-playing guy with a talent for verse, and starts to discover a whole new side of herself. **Call number: YA FIC STO**

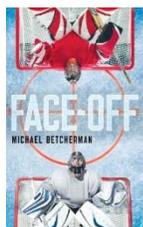


Every hidden thing, by Kenneth Oppel. Deep in the Badlands, embedded in rock and sand, lies the skeleton of a massive dinosaur. For Samuel Bolt it's the dinosaur that could put him and his father into the history books. But Samuel and his father aren't the only ones on the trail. For Rachel Cartland the Rex could be her ticket to finally explore her love of science and adventure. Samuel and Rachel are pushed closer together as their paths cross and the rivalry between their fathers becomes more intense. And with both after the same prize,

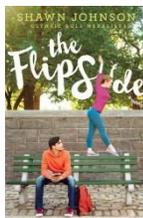


any romance seems destined to fail. Can they find the skeleton, and with it a new life together, or will the rivalry tear them apart? **Call number: YA FIC OPP**

Face-off, by Michael Betcherman. Seventeen-year-old Alex Petrovic is surprised when he discovers that he has a twin brother he never knew about. This meeting with his brother uncovers family secrets that involve a civil war that tore apart their home country. Two war criminals from this conflict escape and Alex hopes to bring them to justice. **Call number: YA FIC BET**



The flip side, by Shawn Johnson with Amy Sonnichsen. An elite teenaged gymnast with Olympic dreams finds it hard to train when an irresistible guy comes along and threatens to throw her whole world off balance. **Call number: YA FIC JOH**



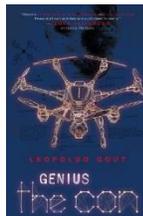
Gang tackle, by Eric Howling. Jamal and his teammates take a stand against their new football coach when his bullying and discrimination go too far. **Call number: M FIC HOW**



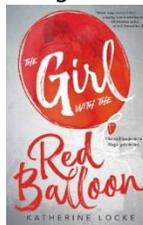
Gemini, by Sonya Mukherjee. In a small town, as high school graduation approaches, two conjoined sisters must weigh the importance of their dreams as individuals against the risk inherent in the surgery that has the potential to separate them forever. **Call number: YA FIC MUK**



Genius: the con, by Leopoldo Gout. Three young geniuses from around the globe hatch a plot to trick a vicious warlord, infiltrate a mastermind's organization, to protect their families, and save the world. **Call number: YA FIC GOU**

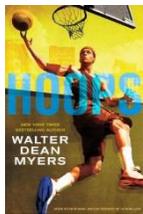


The girl with the red balloon, by Katherine Locke. When Ellie Baum accidentally time-travels via red balloon to 1988 East Berlin, she's caught up in a conspiracy of history and magic. She meets members of an underground guild in East Berlin who use balloons and magic to help people escape over the Wall. But even to the balloon makers Ellie's time travel is a mystery. When it becomes clear that someone is using dark magic to change history, Ellie must risk everything-- including her only way home-- to stop the process. **Call number: YA FIC LOC**



Hoops, by Walter Dean Myers. A teenage basketball player from Harlem is befriended by a former professional player who, after being forced to quit because of a point shaving scandal, hopes to prevent other young athletes from repeating his mistake.

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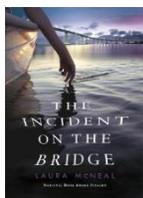


The impossible knife of memory, by Laurie Halse Anderson. Hayley Kincaid and her father move back to their hometown to try a 'normal' life, but the horrors he saw in war threaten to destroy their lives. **Call number: YA FIC AND**



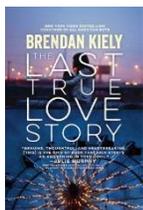
The incident on the bridge, by Laura McNeal. When Thisbe Locke is last seen standing on the edge of the Coronado Bridge it looks like there is only one thing to call it and the town prepares to mourn the loss, but her sister Ted, and Fen, the new kid in town, are not convinced and they set out to figure out what happened on that bridge and find Thisbe.

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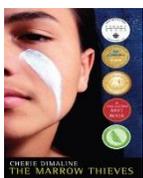


The last true love story, by Brendan Kiely. Hendrix and Corrina bust Hendrix's grandfather out of assisted living, and leave LA for New York in pursuit of freedom, truth, and love.

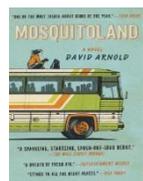
Call number: YA FIC KIE



The marrow thieves, by Cherie Dimaline. In a dystopian future, a young Métis boy, Frenchie, comes of age while fleeing capture. Along with a group of Indigenous young people and their leader, Miig, they resist the constant threat of being harvested for their dream-carrying bone marrow. Growing up on the run, Frenchie learns how to hunt, trap, and keep moving north to survive, but climate change has caused chaos and collapse around the world. The group must escape the Recruiters, who cause loved ones to disappear forever, and adapt to harsh conditions. **Call number: YA FIC DIM**



Mosquitoland, by David Arnold. When she learns that her mother is sick in Ohio, Mim confronts her demons on a thousand-mile odyssey from Mississippi that redefines her notions of love, loyalty, and what it means to be sane. **Call number: YA FIC ARN**



On the spectrum, by Jennifer Gold. Growing up in the shadow of a famous mother, Clara has never felt good about her body. Now, at sixteen, she has an unhealthy obsession with healthy eating. After a social media disaster, she decides to escape for the summer to Paris to stay with her estranged dad and her six-year-old brother, Alastair, who is on the autism spectrum. Charged with his care, Clara and Alastair set out to explore the city. Paris teaches Clara about first love and gives her a new love of food. And Alastair teaches Clara about patience, trust and the beauty of loving without judgment. **Call number: YA FIC GOL**



One of us is lying, by Karen M. McManus. When the creator of a high school gossip app mysteriously dies in front of four high-profile students all four become suspects. It's up to them to solve the case. **Call number: YA FIC MCM**



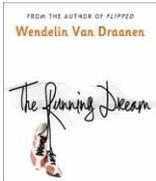
The other F-word, by Natasha Friend. A teen girl who was conceived via in vitro fertilization goes off in search for answers about her past. **Call number: YA FIC FRI**



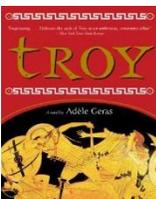
The rule of three, by Eric Walters. One ordinary afternoon, every single machine in sixteen-year-old Adam's high school computer lab stops working. At first the problem seems to be an electrical outage, but it quickly becomes apparent that it is far more serious. Soon--as resources dwindle, crises mount, and chaos descends--he will see that his suburban neighborhood must band together for protection. Soon violence will erupt and Adam will understand that having a police captain for a mother and a retired government agent living next door are not just the facts of his life but the keys to his survival. **Call number: YA FIC WAL**



The running dream, by Wendelin Van Draanen. When a school bus accident leaves sixteen-year-old Jessica an amputee, she returns to school with a prosthetic limb and her track team finds a wonderful way to help rekindle her dream of running again. **Call number: YA FIC VAN**



Troy, by Adele Geras. Told from the point of view of the women of Troy, portrays the last weeks of the Trojan War, when women are sick of tending the wounded, men are tired of fighting, and bored gods and goddesses find ways to stir things up. **Call number: YA FIC GER**



What to say next, by Julie Buxbaum. When an unlikely friendship is sparked between relatively popular Kit Lowell and socially isolated David Drucker, Kit asks David for his help figuring out the how and why of her father's tragic car accident. **Call number: YA FIC BLO**



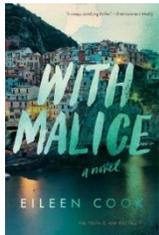
The whole thing together, by Ann Brashares. On alternating weeks, Sasha and Ray vacation in the beach house their parents refused to give up after their divorce, but they never meet until one summer when their lives and those of their siblings intersect in ways none of them could have imagined. **Call number: YA FIC BRA**



Windfall, by Jennifer E. Smith. Alice loves Teddy, her best friend, but has never told him. When she buys him a lottery ticket that turns out to be a winner, their lives are changed forever, and their friendship is put to the ultimate test. **Call number: YA FIC SMI**



With malice, by Eileen Cook. Eighteen-year-old Jill Charron's senior trip to Italy was supposed to be the adventure of a lifetime. And then the accident happened. Waking up in a hospital room, her leg in a cast, stitches in her face, and a big blank canvas where the last 6 weeks should be. She was jetted home by her affluent father to receive quality care. Care that includes a lawyer. And a press team. Because maybe the accident wasn't an accident. Wondering not just what happened but what she did, Jill tries to piece together the events of the past six weeks before she loses her thin hold on her once-perfect life. **Call number: YA FIC COO**



Non-Fiction

A storm too soon: a remarkable true survival story in 80-foot seas, by Michael J. Tougas. When a forty-seven-foot sailboat disappears in the Gulf Stream in the throes of a calamitous storm, it leaves behind three weary passengers struggling to stay alive afloat a life raft in violent waves 80 feet tall. **Call number: J 910.452 TOU**

