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Read-Alikes for *The Hunger Games*

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Enclave By Ann Aguirre

Read by Kristin Allison

Reading time 7 hours

In a post-apocalyptic future, Deuce, a loyal huntress, brings back meat while avoiding the deadly Freaks outside her underground enclave. But when she is partnered with outsider Fade, she begins to see that the ways of the elders may be horrifically wrong. Violence. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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Feed By M.T. Anderson

Read by Christopher Walker

Reading time 5 hours, 18 minutes

In the future, most people have computer implants in their heads streaming information. Titus has had his since birth, while home-schooled Violet received hers later. When the "feed" is attacked by a hacker, Titus's system shortly recovers but Violet's continues to malfunction. Strong language. For senior high and older readers. National Book Award finalist. 2002.

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Ship Breaker By Paolo Bacigalupi

Read by Kristin Allison

Reading time 7 hours, 8 minutes

Teenaged Nailer scavenges precious copper wiring from grounded oil tankers with his crewmates, but when he finds a beached clipper ship and a beautiful girl trapped inside, he must decide whether to strip the materials or rescue the girl. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2010.

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Exodus By Julie Bertagna

Read by Mare Trevathan

Reading time 9 hours, 22 minutes

The year 2100. As the island Wing faces inundation and annihilation, fifteen-year-old Mara convinces her people to seek refuge in New Mungo, a New World city with a high-tech civilization. Blocked out by walls, Mara must find another way into the city. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2002.

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Ashes By Ilsa J. Bick

Read by Katherine Kellgren

Reading time 11 hours, 11 minutes

Alex, a seventeen-year-old with a brain tumor; Tom, an Afghanistan War veteran; and Ellie, an eight-year-old orphan join forces after a devastating electromagnetic pulse leaves the world's few survivors either zombies or people with superhuman senses. Violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. Commercial audiobook. 2011.

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Graceling By Kristin Cashore

Read by Kristin Allison

Reading time 10 hours, 41 minutes

In a world where some people are born with an extreme and often-feared skill, Katsa struggles with hers--the "grace" of killing. When she first encounters Prince Po, whose grace is incompatible with hers, she doesn't foresee the bond that will form between them. Some violence. For senior high readers. 2008.

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Matched By Allyson Braithwaite Condie

Read by Erin Jones

Reading time 8 hours, 40 minutes

In a supposedly perfect future world, bureaucrats determine which young adults will marry in a process called the Matching. Cassia is delighted when she is paired with her best friend Xander. Then a different, forbidden boy appears on Cassia's datacard. For senior high and older readers. 2010.

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After the Snow By S.D. Crockett

Read by Joe Peck

Reading time 8 hours, 5 minutes

Wales. Fifteen-year-old Willo and his family are "stragglers," independent homesteaders who reject the repressive government that seized control after a new ice age brought an era of scarcity. When his family vanishes from their home, Willo sets out to find--or avenge--them. Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. 2012.

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The Maze Runner By James Dashner

Read by Gary Tipton

Reading time 10 hours, 33 minutes

A teenage boy wakes up in an elevator remembering nothing but his name, Thomas. He soon meets a group of boys who welcome him to the Glade--and the unsolved puzzle of the Maze. The next day a girl arrives with an unexpected message. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 2009.

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Little Brother By Cory Doctorow

Read by Erik Sandvold

Reading time 12 hours, 37 minutes

After a terrorist attack on San Francisco's Bay Bridge, the Department of Homeland Security detains high school senior Marcus and his friends without cause. When Marcus is released, he lashes out at the authorities by hacking into the city's universal electronic surveillance system. For senior high and older readers. 2008.

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The Sky Inside By Clare B. Dunkle

Read by Jack Fox

Reading time 9 hours, 14 minutes

Thirteen-year-old Martin represents the transitional generation between his parents, who remember the natural world, and his younger, genetically engineered sister Cassie, who only knows life in their artificial-dome neighborhood. When Cassie and her age group are taken away, it is Martin who leaves to investigate. For grades 5-8. 2008.

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Dark Life By Kat Falls

Read by Brian Conn

Reading time 6 hours, 42 minutes

Fifteen-year-old Ty, who has always lived in an ocean-floor community, meets Gemma, a Topsider or land dweller, who is searching for her missing brother. They foray by submarine into the dark undersea frontier's rough underworld, battle outlaws, and discover secrets that threaten to destroy everything. For grades 6-9. 2010.

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Incarceron By Catherine Fisher

Read by Mare Trevathan

Reading time 10 hours, 12 minutes

To free herself from an upcoming arranged marriage, Claudia, pampered daughter of the warden of Incarceron, plots to help inmate Finn escape the vast, futuristic prison that has a mind of its own. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high readers. 2007.

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Black Hole Sun By David Macinnis Gill

Read by Andy Pyle

Reading time 9 hours, 42 minutes

On the planet Mars, sixteen-year-old Durango and his crew of mercenaries are hired by the settlers of a mining community to protect the outpost's most valuable resource from a feral band of marauders. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2010.

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The Other Side of the Island By Allegra Goodman

Read by Margaret Strom

Reading time 7 hours, 52 minutes

Born in the eighth year of the Enclosure, ten-year-old Honor and her parents move to a highly regulated tropical island, where neither she nor her parents fit in. But defiance is not tolerated in the colony--and one morning her parents disappear. For junior and senior high readers. 2008.

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Gone By Michael Grant

Read by Kristin Allison

Reading time 12 hours, 22 minutes

In Perdido Beach, California, people fifteen years or older suddenly disappear. Televisions, Internet access, and phones vanish, too. Bullies take over, food runs out, animals mutate, and some kids develop supernatural powers. What will happen to Sam on his fifteenth birthday? Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. 2008.

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Girl in the Arena a Novel Containing Intense Prolonged Sequences of Disaster and Peril By Lise Haines

Read by Mare Trevathan

Reading time 7 hours

Eighteen-year-old Lyn is a celebrity, the daughter of seven modern-day gladiators. After watching her latest stepfather die in the arena, she faces a choice: marry the killer or face him in battle herself. For senior high readers. 2009.

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The Carbon Diaries 2015 By Saci Lloyd

Read by Corrie James

Reading time 8 hours, 55 minutes

2015. After the Great Storm, England desperately tries to reduce carbon emissions by sixty percent. Sixteen-year-old Laura documents her family's hardships in her diary as they slowly fall apart under the new restrictions. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 2008.

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Legend By Marie Lu

Read by Anne Hancock

Reading time 8 hours, 28 minutes

In the distant future, North America has split into two warring nations. Two fifteen-year-olds--Day, a famous criminal, and June, a soldier prodigy sent to capture Day--discover they have a common enemy. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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Shatter Me By Tahereh Mafi

Read by Eva Wilhelm

Reading time 9 hours, 23 minutes

Incarcerated seventeen-year-old Juliette is freed on the condition that she use her horrific abilities to support the Reestablishment, a postapocalyptic dictatorship. But Adam shows her a better future. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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Cinder the Lunar Chronicles By Marissa Meyer

Read by Mare Trevathan

Reading time 9 hours, 20 minutes

Cinder, a teen cyborg and the best mechanic in New Beijing, labors to support her stepmother--and owner--Adri and Adri's two daughters. But after Cinder's only human friend, her stepsister Peony, is infected with the plague letumosis, Adri volunteers Cinder's body for plague research. For senior high and older readers. 2012.

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The Host By Stephenie Meyer

Read by Kristin Allison

Reading time 19 hours, 49 minutes

A new species has overtaken Earth by inhabiting human hosts. But Melanie Stryder's invading soul, "Wanderer," can't force Melanie to relinquish her mind. Melanie's thoughts are of Jared, the man she loves, who is in hiding. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2008.

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Winter's End By Jean-Claude Mourlevat

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee Reading time 10 hours, 40 minutes

Helen and Milena meet Milos and Bartolomeo while on a treasured outing to visit Helen's consoler. Soon after, the four teenagers escape their prison-like boarding schools to revive the resistance movement against the tyrannical government that murdered their parents fifteen years ago. Translated from French. For senior high readers. 2006.

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Ashfall By Mike Mullin

Read by Mark Delgado

Reading time 9 hours, 36 minutes

After the Yellowstone super volcano erupts--destroying his city and its surroundings--fifteen-year-old Alex journeys from Iowa to Illinois, searching for his parents and sister. To survive, he must adjust to the transformed landscape and new society. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2010.

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The Knife of Never Letting Go By Patrick Ness

Read by Nick Podehl

Reading time 11 hours, 57 minutes

Todd is the only child in Prentisstown, where all the women are dead and the men can hear each other's thoughts. When he finds Viola, a young girl, the two flee in search of answers. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. Commercial audiobook. 2008.

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The Birthmarked Trilogy Birthmarked ; Prized ; Promised By Caragh M.

O'Brien

Read by Eva Wilhelm

Reading time 31 hours, 51 minutes

Trilogy includes Birthmarked, Prized, and Promised. In futuristic Birthmarked society is divided by the walls of the Enclave. When sixteen-year-old midwife Gaia Stone's parents are arrested, she must make a life-altering decision. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2010.

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Delirium By Lauren Oliver

Read by Erin Jones

Reading time 11 hours, 8 minutes

Lena eagerly anticipates the government-mandated cure that prevents the delirium of love and leads to a safe, predictable, and happy life. But when Lena's diagnostic evaluation is interrupted by a protest, her greatest fear comes true--she falls in love. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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Jenna Fox Chronicles: The Adoration of Jenna Fox ; The Fox Inheritance ; Fox Forever By Mary Pearson

Read by Jill Fox

Reading time 28 hours

Trilogy includes The Adoration of Jenna Fox, The Fox Inheritance, and Fox Forever. Seventeen-year-old Jenna Fox awakens from a year-long coma and does not remember anything before her accident. Watching old home videos of herself, Jenna realizes something is wrong. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2008.

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Life As We Knew It By Susan Beth Pfeffer

Read by Aimee Jolson

Reading time 9 hours, 38 minutes

Sixteen-year-old Miranda keeps a journal describing her family's struggle to survive after an asteroid hits the Moon and causes disastrous climate change on Earth. She records her feelings about losing contact with friends and the outside world, locating food, and keeping hope alive. For junior and senior high readers. 2006.

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Across the Universe By Beth Revis

Read by J. P. Linton

Reading time 11 hours, 49 minutes

After Amy and her parents agree to be cryogenically frozen for three hundred years aboard the spaceship Godspeed, Amy is shocked to awaken early--and to learn that someone is trying to kill her. Some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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Divergent By Veronica Roth

Read by Erin Jones

Reading time 10 hours, 12 minutes

In a future Chicago, society is divided into five factions. During the Choosing Ceremony, sixteen-year-old Beatrice Prior must pick her lifelong faction. But Beatrice discovers she is an anomaly--a divergent--who does not fit anywhere. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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The Forest of Hands and Teeth By Carrie Ryan

Read by Mary Kane

Reading time 8 hours, 11 minutes

Mary seeks knowledge of the world beyond the village's protective fences and the surrounding forest containing the "Unconsecrated"--an aggressive, formerly dead, flesh-eating people. When outsider Gabrielle enters the village, Mary wonders about the Sisterhood's secrets and plans for escape. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2009.

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Steelheart By Brandon Sanderson

Read by Graham Halstead

Reading time 13 hours, 17 minutes

When David was eight, his father was killed by Steelheart, a human turned supervillain otherwise known as an Epic. Ten years later David joins the Reckoners, ordinary humans determined to kill the Epics and end their tyranny. Violence. For senior high and older readers. 2013.

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Unwind By Neal Shusterman

Read by Erik Synnestevedt

Reading time 10 hours, 27 minutes

In a future world, parents may "unwind," or disassemble, their offspring between the ages of thirteen and eighteen to harvest their body parts for others' use.

Teens Connor, Risa, and Lev fight to uphold their beliefs and perhaps save their own lives. For junior and senior high readers. 2007.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB066918

Orleans By Sherri L. Smith

Read by Colleen Delany

Reading time 8 hours, 20 minutes

2056. After a string of hurricanes destroyed the southern states, Delta fever spread and a quarantined zone was erected. Fen and her tribe struggle to survive in the separated New Orleans; then an ambush and a baby further complicate things. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2013.

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Also available on digital cartridge DB076282

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Also available in braille BR019878

The Scorpio Races By Maggie Stiefvater

Read by Gregory Gorton

Reading time 11 hours, 34 minutes

On the first day of each November, fierce water horses are ridden on the beach of Thisby Island. Nineteen-year-old Sean Kendrick, the returning champion, competes against Puck Connolly, the first girl ever to participate in the dangerous--and often deadly--Scorpio Races. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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The Water Wars By Cameron Stracher

Read by Erin Jones

Reading time 5 hours, 32 minutes

After the great empires fall to drought and war, any drinkable water is precious. That makes teenaged Kai's gift for locating underground water valuable. When Kai is kidnapped, his young friends Will and Vera set out to rescue him. For grades 6-9. 2011.

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The Comet's Curse: A Galahad Book By Dom Testa

Read by Theresa Conkin

Reading time 7 hours, 37 minutes

After a comet's tail delivers a virus that decimates Earth's adult population, 251 teens blast off on the Galahad to colonize another planet. But soon they discover a saboteur is on board, and they race to uncover the culprit's identity. For senior high and older readers. 2005.

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Ashes, Ashes By Jo Treggiari

Read by Theresa Conkin

Reading time 9 hours, 11 minutes

In a future world devastated by illness and environmental catastrophes, Lucy "Lucky" Holloway lives alone. But when she befriends a group of survivors, she faces a new threat--the Sweepers, who kidnap healthy individuals to experiment on. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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Heir Apparent By Vivian Vande Velde

Read by Anne Hancock Reading time 8 hours, 18 minutes

While playing a total immersion virtual reality game full of medieval kings and intrigue, fourteen-year-old Giannine learns that demonstrators protesting such pastimes have damaged the equipment she's connected to. She must win the game quickly or face brain damage. For grades 6-9. 2002.

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Partials By Dan Wells

Read by Jill Fox Reading time 13 hours, 28 minutes

War with engineered organic beings called Partials and a deadly virus that targets newborns have decimated the population, but a few survivors are trying to keep the human race alive. Medic-in-training Kira searches for solutions at any cost. For senior high and older readers. 2012.

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Uglies By Scott Westerfeld

Read by Barbara Pinolini Reading time 9 hours, 47 minutes

Tally, at age sixteen, is required to undergo a surgical procedure that would turn her into a beauty. But Tally's new friend, Shay, refuses the operation and runs away. The authorities insist that unless Tally finds Shay, she can't become beautiful. For senior high readers. 2005.

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The 5th Wave By Richard Yancey

Read by Margaret Strom

Reading time 14 hours, 25 minutes

Few survivors remain on Earth after an alien invasion, and it's hard to know who is human. Determined to fight extinction, Cassie joins Evan and together they search for a group of captured children that includes her little brother. Violence and strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2013.

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Blood Red Road Dustlands By Moira Young

Read by Nicola Daval

Reading time 11 hours, 22 minutes

After four horsemen kidnap eighteen-year-old Lugh, his twin sister Saba and their nine-year-old sister Emmi track Lugh across the bleak Sandsea. Then Saba is taken captive to be a cage fighter--but her friends have an escape plan. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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