Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers 2001

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The Young Adult Services Association (YALSA), a division of the American Library Association (ALA), has announced its 2001 Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers. The list was released during the ALA Midwinter Meeting in Washington, DC.

Compiled by an eleven member committee, the 79 titles on the list were published from late 1999 through 2000 and represent more than 40 different publisher imprints. 36 of the titles are Fiction and 43 are Non-Fiction. The committee annually selects for the Quick Picks list outstanding titles that will appeal to reluctant teen readers. Reluctant readers are considered those teenagers who, for whatever reason, choose not to read. These titles are provided to stimulate their interest in doing so. The list is not intended for teenagers with reading disabilities, though some of the selected titles may be appropriate for those teens.

Adoff, Arnold. Basket Counts. Simon & Schuster, $17 (0-689-80108-4)

Alphin, Elaine Marie. Counterfeit Son. Harcourt, $17 (0-15-202645-2)

Anderson, Joan. Rookie: Tamika Whitmore's First Year in the WNBA. illus.Dutton, $16.99 (0-525-4612-3)


Atkins, Catherine. *When Jeff Comes Home*. G. P. Putnam's Sons, $17.99 (0-399-23366-0)

Atwater-Rhodes, Amelia. *Demon in my View*. Delacorte, $9.95 (0-385-32720-X)

**Baseball's Best Shots: the greatest baseball photography of all time.*** illus.DK, $30 (0-7894-6119-6)

Bauer, Cat. *Harley Like a Person*. Winslow, $16.95 (1-890-81748-1), paper $6.95 (1-890-81749-X)

Bennett, Cherie. *Love Him Forever*. Avon, $4.50 (0-380-80124-8)

Bo, Ben. *The Edge*. Lerner, $14.95 (0-8225-3308-1)

Bo, Ben. *Skullcrack*. Lerner, $14.95 (0-8225-3307-3)

Bressler, Karen W. and Susan Redstone. *D.I.Y. Beauty*. illus.Penguin/Alloy, $5.95 paper (0-14-130918-0)


Danziger, Paula and Martin, Ann M. **Snail Mail No More.** Scholastic, $16.95 (0-439-06335-3)

Donkin, Andrew. **Truly Tasteless Scratch & Sniff Book.** illus. DK, $9.95 (0-7894-6514-0)

Dougall Alastair. **James Bond: The Secret World of 007.** illus. DK, $19.95 (0-7894-6691-0)

Drill, Esther and Heather McDonald, Rebecca Olds. **Deal With It: A Whole New Approach to Your Body, Brain and Life as a Gurl.** illus. Pocket, $15 paper (0-671-04157-6)

Ellis, Warren. **StormWatch: Force of Nature.** illus. DC Comics, $14.95 paper (1-56389-646-X)

Escher, M.C. and J.L. Locher. **The Magic of M.C. Escher.** illus. Abrams, $39.95 (0-8109-6720-0)

Goddess of the Night. (0-7868-0653-2)
Into the Cold Fire. (0-7868-0654-0)

Franco, Betsy. **You Hear Me?** Candlewick, $14.99 (0-7636-1158-1)

Frank, E.R. **Life is Funny.** DK, $17.95 (0-789-42634-X)

Golden, Christopher. **Meets the Eye.** Pocket Books, $4.99 paper (0-671-03495-2)

Gottlieb, Lori. **Stick Figure: A Diary of my Former Self.** Simon & Schuster, $22 (0-684-86358-8)

Greenberg, Gary. **Pop-Up Book of Phobias.** illus. William Morrow, $24.95 (0-688-17195-8)


Herrera, Juan Felipe. *Crashboomlove: A Novel in Verse*. Publisher: University of New Mexico Press, $18.95 (0-8263-2114-3)

Hughes, Dave. *MTV's Celebrity Deathmatch Companion*. illus. Rizzoli, $22.50 paper (0-7893-0503-8)


Logue, Mary. *Dancing With An Alien*. HarperCollins, $14.95 (0-060-28318-1)

Lund, Kristin. *Star Wars Episode 1: Incredible Locations*. illus. DK, $19.95 (0-7894-6692-9)
Mackler, Carolyn. **Love and Other Four Letter Words**. Random House, $14.95 (0-385-32743-9)

Mannarino, Melanie. **The Boyfriend Clinic: the final word on flirting, dating, guys and love**. illus. Harper Collins $6.95 paper (0-06-447235-3)

McCormick, Patricia. **Cut**. Front Street, $16.95 (1-886910-61-8)

Moore, Alan. **Tom Strong - Book 1**. illus. DC Comics, $24.95 (1-56389-654-0)

Morgenstern, Mindy. **Real Rules for Girls**. illus. Girl Press, $14.95 (0-96594754-5-2)

Morrison, Grant. **JLA: Earth 2**. illus. D.C. Comics, $24.95 (1-56389-575-7)

Myers, Walter Dean. **145th Street: Short Stories**. Delacorte Press, $15.95 (0-385-32137-6)

Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. **Jade Green**. Atheneum, $16 (0-689-82005-4)


Packer, Alex. **Highs!** illus. Free Spirit, $14.95 (1-57542-074-0)

Pascal, Francine. **Fearless Vol 1**. Pocket Books, $5.99 paper (0-671-03941-5)


Peters, Julie Anne. **Define "Normal"**. Little Brown, $14.95 (0-316-70631-0)

Planet Dexter (Ed.). *This Book Really Sucks*. illus. Planet Dexter $12.99 (0-448-44075-X)

Pollett, Alison. *MTV's The Real World New Orleans: unmasked*. illus. Pocket Books, $16 (0-7434-1127-7)

Rennison, Louise. *Angus, thongs, and full-frontal snogging*. HarperCollins, $15.89 (0-06-028871-X)


Ryder, Bob and Dave Scherer. *WCW: the ultimate guide*. illus. DK, $19.95 (0-7894-6673-2)


Shaw, Tucker and Fiona Gibb. *.... Any Advice?* illus. Penguin/Alloy, $5.99 paper (0-14-130921-0)

Singleton, L.J. *Regeneration* (series). Penguin Putnam,
$4.50
#1. Regeneration (0-425-17302-X)
#2. The Search (0-425-17368-X)
#3. The Truth (0-425-17415-8)

Smith, Charles R. **Tall Tales: Six Amazing Basketball Dreams.** illus. Dutton, $16.99 (0-525-46172-8)

Stratton, Allan. **Leslie's Journal.** Annick Press, $19.95 (1-55037-665-9)

Sweeeney, Joyce. **Players.** Winslow Press, $16.95 (1-890817-54-6)

Tarbox, Catherine. **Katie.com: my story.** Dutton, $19.95 (0-525-94543-1)

Trueman, Terry. **Stuck in Neutral.** Harper Collins, $19.95 (0-06-028519-2)

**Turning Seventeen Series.** Harper Collins, paper $4.95 each
Craft, Elizabeth. Show Me Love (#4). (0-06-44720-X)
Noonan, Rosalind. Any Guy You Want (#1) (0-06-447237-X)
Roberts, Christa. For Real (#3). (0-06-447239-6)
Staub, Wendy Corsi. More Than This (#2). (0-06-447238-8)

Von Ziegesar, Cecily. **SLAM.** illus. Alloy Books/Penguin Putnam, $5.99 paper (0-14-130919-9)

Wallace, Rich. **Playing Without the Ball.** Knopf, $15.95 (0-679-88672-9)

Watson, Esther Pearl and Todd, Mark, Editors. **The Pain Tree and other Teenage Angst-Ridden Poetry.** Houghton Mifflin, $16 (0-618-01558-2)

Wilcox, Charlotte. **Mummies, Bones & Body Parts.** illus. Lerner, $25 (1-57505-428-0)

Winick, Judd. **Pedro and Me.** illus. Henry Holt, $15 paper
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