



Davenport by Krystal Marquis

There is Olivia, the beautiful elder Davenport daughter, ready to do her duty by getting married...until she meets the charismatic civil rights leader Washington DeVight and sparks fly. The younger daughter, Helen, is more interested in fixing cars than falling in love— unless it's with her sister's suitor. Amy-Rose, the childhood friend turned maid to the Davenport sisters, dreams of opening her own business—and marrying the one man she could never be with, Olivia and Helen's brother, John. But Olivia's best friend, Ruby, also has her sights set on John Davenport, though she can't seem to keep his interest...until family pressure has her scheming to win his heart, just as someone else wins hers.



Planning Perfect by Haley Neal

Felicity Becker loves watching an event come together. So when her mom gets engaged, Felicity sees the wedding as the perfect opportunity to show off her skills. But the more time Felicity and Nancy spend together dress shopping and hunting for just-right mismatched china, the more it starts to seem like there might be something besides friendship between them. Felicity isn't sure how she feels. As someone on the asexual spectrum, what would dating even look like for her? Suddenly the summer is a lot more complicated.



The Wrong Kind of Weird by James Ramos

Cameron Carson, member of the Geeks and Nerds United (GANU) club, has been secretly hooking up with student council president, cheerleader, theater enthusiast, and all-around queen bee **Karla Ortega** since the summer. Enter Mackenzie Briggs, who isn't afraid to be herself or wear her heart on her sleeve. When Cameron finds himself unexpectedly bonding with Mackenzie and repeatedly snubbed in public by Karla, he starts to wonder who he can truly consider a friend and who might have the potential to become more.



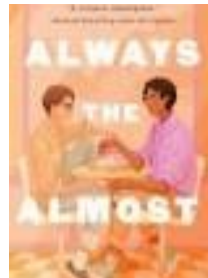
Six Times We Almost Kissed (and One Time We Did) by Tess Sharpe

After years of bickering, Penny and Tate have called a truce: they'll play nice. They have to. Their mothers (life-long best friends) need them to be perfect, drama-free daughters when Penny's mother becomes a living liver donor to Tate's mom. Forced to live together as the Moms recover,, they've got to let this thing between them go.



The Love Match by Priyanka Taslim

Zahra Khan is basically Bangladeshi royalty, but being a princess doesn't pay the bills in Paterson, New Jersey. While Zahra's plans for financial security this summer involve working long hours at Chai Ho and saving up for college writing courses, Amma is convinced that all Zahra needs is a "good match," Jane Austen style. Enter Harun Emon, who's wealthy, devastatingly handsome, and...loof. As soon as Zahra meets him, she knows it's a bad match.



Always the Almost by Edward Underhill

Sixteen-year-old trans boy Miles Jacobson has two New Year's resolutions: 1) win back his ex-boyfriend (and star of the football team) Shane McIntyre, and 2) finally beat his slimy arch-nemesis at the Midwest's biggest classical piano competition.



Her Good Side by Rebekah Weatherspoon

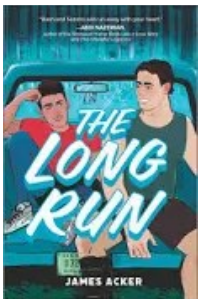
Bethany Greene, though confident and self-assured, is what they call a late-bloomer. She's never had a boyfriend, date, or first kiss. She's determined to change that but after her crush turns her down cold for Homecoming--declaring her too inexperienced--and all her back-up ideas fall through, she cautiously agrees to go with her best friend's boyfriend Jacob.

Romantic Reads



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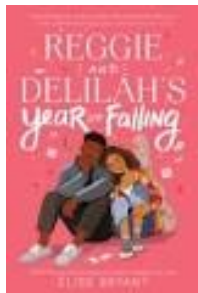


The Long Run by James Acker

When fate--in the form of a party that gets busted--brings together two very different track-and-field athletes, each trying to figure out what they want out of life, they find a love for which they'd risk everything.

Reggie + Delilah's Year of Failing by Elise Bryant

Delilah always keeps her messy, gooey insides hidden behind a wall of shrugs and yeah, whatever's. She goes with the flow--which is how she ends up singing in her friends' punk band as a favor, even though she'd prefer to hide at the merch table. Reggie is a D&D Dungeon Master and self-declared Blerd. He spends his free time leading quests and writing essays critiquing the game under a pseudonym, disapproving family. These two, who have practically nothing in common, meet for the first time on New Year's Eve. And then again on Valentine's Day. And then again on St. Patrick's Day. As their holiday meetings continue, the two begin to fall for each other.

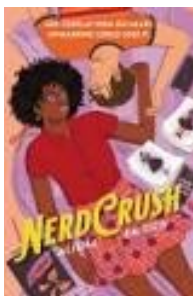
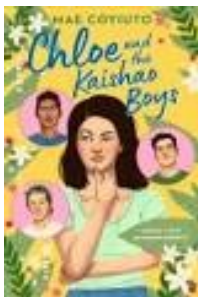


When You Wish Upon a Lantern by Gloria Chao

A romance about teens who devote themselves to granting other people's wishes, but are too afraid to let them selves have their own hearts' desires -- each other.

Chloe and the Kaishao boys by Mae Coyiuto

When Chloe Liang is officially off the wait list for USC, she's one step closer to realizing her dream of becoming an animator in the United States. Her auntie insists on planning a traditional debut for Chloe's eighteenth birthday, and it would be the perfect send-off-- if her aunt wasn't making such a big production out of it. To make matters worse, her father, intent on finding Chloe the perfect escort for the party, keeps setting her up on one awkward kaishao--arranged date-- after another.



Nerdcrush by Alicia Emrich

Ramona Lambert is a typical shy, artistic sixteen-year-old. She has a best friend whom she's known since they were in diapers; parents who love her; a love for cosplay; and a crush on the cute boy in her class. The only problem? Her best friend moved away; her parents don't quite understand her love of cosplay; and she is pretty sure her crush has no idea she exists.



Friday I'm in Love by Camryn Garrett

After not being able to have a sweet sixteen party, Mahalia decides to throw a coming out party to celebrate love and herself"



Then Everything Happens at Once by M.E. Girard

Sixteen-year-old Baylee has never been kissed, but she wants to do way more than that. She's had a huge crush on her gorgeous best friend and neighbor, Freddie, for years, but since she doesn't look like the type he normally dates, the judgmental voice in her head tells her he'll never see her as more than a friend. Then Baylee meets Alex online and she starts to fall for this sweet, funny barista who likes her just as she is.



Highly Suspicious and Unfairly Cute by Talia Hibbert

Brad, a popular football player who has OCD and Celine, who is obsessed with conspiracy theories and becoming a powerful lawyer, used to be best buds back in their younger years. They had a falling out and have been bitter rivals ever since. Forced to work as a team for the chance to win a grand prize, these two teens must trudge through not just mud and dirt but their messy past. And as this adventure brings them closer together, they begin to remember the good bits of their history. But has too much time passed . . . or just enough to spark a whole new kind of relationship?



The Dos and Donuts of Love by Adiba Jaigirdar

Shireen Malik is still reeling from the breakup with her ex-girlfriend, Chris, when she receives news that she's been accepted as a contestant on a new televised baking competition show. This is Shireen's dream come true! Winning will not only mean prize money, but it will also bring some much-needed attention to You Drive Me Glazy, her parents' beloved donut shop. Things get complicated, though, because Chris is also a contestant on the show. Then there's the very outgoing Niamh, a fellow contestant who is becoming fast friends with Shireen. Things are heating up between them, and not just in the kitchen. As the competition intensifies, Shireen will have to ignore all these factors and more—including potential sabotage—if she wants a sweet victory!



Fake Dates and Mooncakes by Sher Lee

Dylan Tang wants to win a Mid-Autumn Festival mooncake-making competition for teen chefs—in memory of his mom, and to bring much-needed publicity to his aunt's struggling Chinese takeout in Brooklyn. Enter Theo Somers: charming, wealthy, with a smile that makes Dylan's stomach do backflips. AKA a distraction. Their worlds are sun-and-moon apart, but Theo keeps showing up. He even convinces Dylan to be his fake date at a family wedding in the Hamptons.

This Time It's Real by Ann Liang

When seventeen-year-old Eliza Lin's essay about meeting the love of her life unexpectedly goes viral, her entire life changes overnight. Now she has the approval of her classmates at her new international school in Beijing, a career-launching internship opportunity at her favorite magazine...and a massive secret to keep. Eliza made her essay up. She's never been in a relationship before, let alone in love. All good writing is lying, right? Desperate to hide the truth, Eliza strikes a deal with the famous actor in her class, the charming but aloof Caz Song.

