It Goes Like This By Miel Moreland YA MORELAND

Eva, Celeste, Gina, and Steph used to think their friendship was unbreakable. After all, they've been though a lot together, including the astronomical rise of Moonlight Overthrow, the world-famous queer pop band they formed in middle school. But after a sudden falling out leads to the dissolution of the teens' band, their friendship, and Eva and Celeste's starry-eyed romance, nothing is the same,

The Heartbreakers By Ali Novak YA NOVAK

When her triplet sister Cara is diagnosed with leukemia, eighteen-year-old Stella puts her dreams on hold to move home and be with her family, but when she starts spending time with the lead singer of Cara's favorite band, will Stella resent him for taking her attention away from her sister--or will he help Stella find the courage to live her own life?

Rani Patel in Full Effect By Sonia Patel YA PATEL

Rani Patel, almost seventeen and living on remote Moloka'i island, is oppressed by the cultural norms of her Gujarati immigrant parents but when Mark, an older man, draws her into new experiences red flags abound.

Notes from the Midnight Driver By Jordan Sonnenblick YA SONNENBLICK

After being assigned to perform community service at a nursing home, sixteen-year-old Alex befriends a cantankerous old man who has some lessons to impart about jazz guitar playing, love, and forgiveness.

On the Come Up By Angie Thomas YA THOMAS

Bri—daughter of an underground hip hop legend and aspiring rapper herself—pours all the anger and frustration of her home live into her first song, which goes viral for all the wrong reasons. Portrayed by the media as a menace, Bri makes a choice, and becomes the very thing the public has made her out to be.

Who's That Girl By Blair Thornburgh YA THORNBURGH

When her former crush Sebastian Delacroix returns to town with his band and a major hit song named after her, shy high schooler Nattie starts to question her feelings for both Sebastian and her friend Zach.

Night Music By Jenn Marie Thorne VA THORNE

Ruby and Oscar are caught up in a romance despite very different backgrounds and her having given up on music, while he is the protégé of her father, a renowned composer.

Wildflower By Alecia Whitaker YA WHITAKER

Sixteen-year-old Bird Barrett is discovered by a country music record label while playing in her family's bluegrass band. As her star rises, she must learn to stay true to her roots while navigating a brave new world of glamour and gold records in Nashville, Tennessee.

Super Fake Love Song By David Yoon YA YOON

When Sunny meets Cirrus, he develops an instant crush on her. So when she sees his older brother's bedroom full of guitars and rock posters and mistakes it for his, Sunny... doesn't correct her. Desperate for her to see him as cool, he accidentally winds up telling her he's the singer of a rock band. Now Sunny is knee-deep in the lie, and begs his best friends into forming a fake band with him. When Cirrus asks to see them play, people start noticing him in the hallways. Now Sunny is going to football games and parties, feeling more confident, falling in love-- and having fun. As his lies begin to catch up, was it all worth it?

Idol Gossip By Alexandra Leigh Young YA YOUNG

Offered a spot at the Star Academy, one of the biggest K-pop companies, seventeen-year-old singer Alice Choy must navigate culture clashes, egos and extreme training practices to come out on top, despite the efforts of an influential blogger trying to tear her down.

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The Haters By Jesse Andrews YA ANDREWS

A road trip adventure about a trio of jazz-camp escapees who, against every realistic expectation, become a band.

Battle of the Bands Edited by Lauren Gibaldi & Eric Smith YA BATTLE OF THE BANDS

This short story collection features stories from 15 different authors, each of which takes place at the same high school Battle of the Bands. From the musicians to the tiket-takers to the teens at the merchandise tables, every one of these 16 stories is part of an interconnected picture featuring secret crushes, friend drama, breakups, make-ups, and more.

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist By Rachel Cohn & David Levithan YA COHN

High school student Nick meets college-bound Norah at a concert and asks her to be his girlfriend for five minutes in order to avoid his ex. Then one kiss starts off a series of circumstances that leads to a wild adventure, a secret concert, and one very long night.

Permanent Record By Mary H.K. Choi YA CHOI

Nineteen-year-old college dropout Pablo is working nights at an upscale health food store in Brooklyn when pop star Leanna Smart rushes in to buy snacks. Pablo doesn't recognize her, but the two strike up a conversation, and he soon finds his life turned upside-down as he is swept into her exciting and lavish world.

Pop Princess By Rachel Cohn YA COHN

Yearning to escape the small Massachusetts town where her family retreated after her sister's death, Wonder Blake gets her chance when her sister's manager offers Wonder a record contract on her sixteenth birthday.

The Secrets of Attraction By Robin Constantine YA CONSTANTINE

Madison, whose life is turned upside down by a family friend's visit, and heartbroken guitarist Jesse, who is trying to find the inspiration to write music again, form a friendship that soon grows into romance.

Beautiful Music for Ugly Children By Kristin Cronn-Mills YA CRONN-MILLS

Gabe has always identified as a boy, but he was born with a girl's body. With his new public access radio show gaining in popularity, Gabe struggles with romance, friendships, and parents—all while trying to come out as transgendered.

Where the Rhythm Takes You By Sarah Dass YA DASS

Reyna, who lives in and manages her late mother's seaside resort on the island of Tobago, is thrown for a loop when her ex-boyfriend Aiden, now a famous musician, returns to the resort with his bandmates and friends in tow. When Aiden's group hires her to be their tour guide on the island, Reyna is faced with reawakening feelings and struggling beneath the weight of family obligations. Based on the Jane Austen novel *Persugsion*.

Mirror, Mirror By Cara Delevingne YA DELEVINGNE

Sixteen-year-old friends Red, Leo, Rose, and Naomi are excited about what the future holds for their band, Mirror, Mirror, until Naomi vanishes before being pulled unconscious out of the river. She's left fighting for her life in a coma. The police claim it was a failed suicide attempt, but her friends aren't convinced. Will Naomi ever wake? What -- or perhaps who - led her to that hospital bed?

This Lullaby By Sarah Dessen YA DESSEN

Raised by a mother who's had five husbands, eighteen-yearold Remy believes in short-term, no-commitment relationships until she meets Dexter, a rock band musician.

Take a Bow By Elizabeth Eulberg YA EULBERG

Emme, Sophie, Ethan, and Carter are seniors at a performing arts high school in New York City, preparing for the senior recital and feeling the pressure to perform well and take the next step in their careers and their lives—whether they want to or not.

If This Gets Out By Sophie Gonzales & Cale Dietrich YA GONZALES

Best friends and members of popular boy band Saturday find their once-easy rapport straining under the pressures of fame and their management's decision singer Ruben must stay in the closet, even as he begins dating one of his bandmates.

Somewhere Only We Know By Maurene Goo YA GOO

K-pop superstar Lucky sneaks out of her hotel room and away from her handlers to find a hamburger, and ends up meeting Jack—a part-time tabloid writer keeping his job secret from his parents. Lucky tries keeping her identity secret, and Jack (who recognizes her) keeps his job secret even as he plans to write the scoop of his life. There's just one problem: they're falling for each other.

If I Stay By Gayle Forman YA FORMAN

While in a coma following an automobile accident that killed her parents and brother, Mia, a gifted cellist, weighs whether to live with her grief or join her family in death.

Lemonade Mouth By Mark Peter Hughes YA HUGHES

A disparate group of high school students thrown together in detention form a band to play at a school talent show and end up competing with a wildly popular local rock band.

Jesse's Girl By Miranda Kenneally YA KENNEALLY

On Career Shadow Day, Maya gets paired with pop star Jesse Scott, who rose to fame at a young age and has no real friends, and although the last thing Maya wants is to be reminded of how music broke her heart, she and Jesse might be just what the other needs. But can they open up enough to become real friends—or even something more?

K-Pop Confidential By Stephan Lee

Korean-American Candace secretly dreams of pop stardom, even as she trudges through AP classes and school band. When she enters a global audition and secures a coveted spot in the trainee program of her favorite K-pop band's record label, she must convince her parents to let her move to Korea. Once there, the challenges she faces will be even more difficult.

Hold Me Closer: the Tiny Cooper Story By David Levithan YA LEVITHAN

Larger-than-life Tiny Cooper tells his story, from his fabulous birth and childhood to his quest for true love and his infamous parade of ex-boyfriends, in the form of a musical he wrote.

The Kingdom of Back By Marie Lu YA LU

Nannerl Mozart delights audiences with her masterful playing, but has little chance to become the acclaimed composer she longs to be. As a young woman in 18th century Europe, she's allowed to perform only until she reaches a marriageable age. Meanwhile her beloved younger brother Wolfgang is starting to shine even brighter, until one day a mysterious stranger from a magical land appears with an irresistible offer. He has the power to make Nannerl's wish come true-- but his help may cost her everything.