**LTRC 2019-2020**

**Narrowed Consideration List**

**38 Titles**

*\*\* The Following titles were strongly considered but did not make the final nominated list.*

1. **All About Mia** by Lisa Williamson, 9781338163971, 336 pgs., 2017. Scholastic, Incorporated, no AR yet, [16 year old Jamaican/Irish female-protagonist, middle child, drinking & sexual elements, pregnant teenage sister, British colloquialisms, some very humorous parts, personal growth, coming of age, Mia is a hot mess].
2. **All The Crooked Saints** by Maggie Stiefvater, 9780545930802, 320 pgs., 2017. Scholastic, Incorporated. IL: UG - BL: 6.8 - AR Pts: 13.0. AR Quiz No. 192128 [first in series, pilgrimage, 1962 Colorado, miracles, healing family, Mexican-American family, historical fiction].
3. **Backfield Boys: A Football Mystery in Black and White**, by John Feinstein, 9780374305925, 353 pp., 2017, FSG for Young Readers. IL: MG+ - BL: 5.6 - AR Pts: 13.0. AR Quiz No. 191609 [male protagonist, football, prejudice and racism, best friends, coaches, high school]
4. **The Book of Dust** by Philip Pullman, 9780375815300, 464 pgs., 2017. Random House Children's Books, IL: UG - BL: 5.4 - AR Pts: 20.0. AR Quiz No. 191925. [male-protagonist, first in series, prequel to His Dark Materials trilogy, fantasy]
5. **City of Saints & Thieves** by Natalie C. Anderson, 9780399547584, 432 pgs., 2017. G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers. IL: UG - BL: 4.4 - AR Pts: 14.0. AR Quiz No. 187286. [murder mystery/thriller, POC female protagonist, contemporary, action/adventure, multicultural, Congo/Kenya]
6. **Dear Martin** by Nic Stone, 9781101939499, 224 pgs., 2017. Random House Children's Books, IL: UG - BL: 4.8 - AR Pts: 6.0. AR Quiz No. 192070 [Booklist starred review, male-protagonist, African-American, racism, police brutality, letter writing, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.]
7. **Defy the Stars** by Claudia Gray, 9780316394031, 503 pgs. 2017. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. IL: UG - BL: 6.0 - AR Pts: 17.0. AR Quiz No. 190219 [Louisiana Author, Science Fiction, Space Opera, Adventure, told in alternating viewpoints from POC Protag (Chilean descendant) and male mech (android), 2 starred reviews]
8. **Disappeared** by Francisco X. Stork, 9780545944472, 336pgs. 2017. Scholastic. IL: UG - BL: 4.6 - AR Pts: 12.0. AR Quiz No. 190933. [two starred reviews, kidnapping, brothers & sisters, Mexico, Hispanic characters, alternating perspectives from male and female protagonists, investigations, journalism]
9. **The Epic Crush of Genie Lo** by F.C. Yee, 9781419725487, 320 pgs., 2017. Abrams, Inc., IL: UG - BL: 5.4 - AR Pts: 12.0. AR Quiz No. 190442 [female Chinese-American protagonist, Silicon Valley, Chinese folktales, supernatural beings, humorous, demons, Chinese culture, 3 starred reviews, the Monkey King]
10. **Flame in the Mist** by Renée Ahdieh, 9780399171635, 416 pp., 2017, G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers. AR Quiz No. 190984. IL: UG - BL: 5.5 - AR Pts: 13.0. [fantasy, historical fiction (ancient); Japan Tokugawa period, 1600-1868; samurai, brothers and sisters, robbers & outlaws, female protagonist]
11. **Forest of a Thousand Lanterns** by Julie C. Dao, 9781524738297, 363 pgs., 2017. IL: **UG** - BL: **6.4** - AR Pts: **17.0.** AR Quiz No. 193581. [Asian influenced fantasy retelling of Snow White, dark and violent, female protagonist, told from Evil Queen’s perspective, starred reviews in Booklist & Publishers Weekly]
12. **Genuine Fraud** by E. Lockhart. 9780375991844, 288 pgs., 2017, Random House Children’s Books. IL: UG - BL: 4.7 - AR Pts: 8.0. AR Quiz No. 190554 [fast read, mystery, murder suspense, female-protagonist, deception, orphans, impersonation, story told in reverse]
13. **Girls Made of Snow and Glass** by Melissa Bashardoust, 9781250077738, 384 pgs., 2017. Flatiron Books, IL: UG - BL: 6.2 - AR Pts: 18.0, AR Quiz No. 192621 [three starred reviews, fantasy, illness, female protagonists, glass heart, alternating viewpoints between Snow White and Evil Queen, backstory, fairytale elements (Snow White)]
14. **The Heartbeats of Wing Jones** by Katherine Webber, 9780399555022, 328 pgs. 2017. Delacorte Press, No AR yet, [15 year old Black/Chinese female protagonist, football star older brother, emotions, siblings, self-esteem, finding comfort in running, coming of age, strong female characters, set in 1995 Atlanta]
15. **Here We Are Now** by Jasmine Warga, 9780062324702, 304 pp., 2017, Balzer + Bray. No AR yet. [snarky humor, upbeat feel to the book, girly, fathers and daughters, musicians, rock music, families, secrets, Arab Americans, contemporary, for fans of Nick Hornby, *Fangirl*]
16. **I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter** by Erika L. Sanchez, 9781524700485, 352 pgs., 2017. Random House Children's Books, IL: **UG** - BL: **4.7** - AR Pts: **12.0.** AR Quiz No. 193218. [three starred reviews, female-protagonist, Mexican heritage and culture, undocumented parents, death of sister, secrets, grief, coming-of-age]
17. **I Believe in a Thing Called Love**, by Maurene Goo, 9780374304041, 325 pgs. 2017. Farrar, Straus & Giroux Inc. No AR yet. [Korean-American soccer star female protagonist, hilarious romance, 2 starred reviews, decides to use the formula that works in Korean-Dramas to win her crush]
18. **Letters to the Lost** by Brigid Kemmerer, 9781681190082, 400 pgs., 2017. Bloomsbury, IL: MG+ - BL: 4.1 - AR Pts: 12.0. AR Quiz No. 189937 [female protagonist, letters, grief, loss, death of mother, emotional]
19. **The Lines We Cross** by Randa Abdel-Fattah, 9781338118667, 400 pgs., 2017. Scholastic, Inc., IL: UG - BL: 4.8 - AR Pts: 11.0, AR Quiz No. 188809 [two starred reviews, refugees from Afghanistan, Muslims, takes place in Australia, Islamophobia, multiculturalism, anti-immigration group, alternating perspectives (male and female protagonists), teen romance]
20. **A List of Cages** by Robin Roe, 9781484763803, 310 pgs. 2017. Hyperion, IL: **UG** - BL: **4.6** - AR Pts: **10.0** . AR Quiz No. 188047. [Abuse, friendship, relationships, foster care, three starred reviews, 2 male protagonists, power of friendship]
21. **Love and First Sight** by [Josh Sundquist](https://www.goodreads.com/author/show/2031113.Josh_Sundquist), 9780316305358. 288 pgs. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. IL: MG+ - BL: 4.8 - AR Pts: 9.0. AR Quiz No. 186913 [male protagonist, blind since birth, starts a regular high school, self-reliance, bullying, lighter read]
22. **Midnight at the Electric** by Jodi Lynn Anderson, 9780062393548, 272 pp., 2017, HarperCollins, IL: UG - BL: 5.5 - AR Pts: 9.0. AR Quiz No. 190494. [six starred reviews, New York Public Library Best Book of 2017, multiple pov, teenage girls, female friendship, fate, identity, interplanetary voyages, Dust Bowl era, letters, family, Kansas, England, time travel, interconnected tales, historical, sci fi]
23. **Moxie** by Jennifer Mathieu, 9781626726352, 330 pp., 2017. Roaring Brook Press. IL: UG - BL: 5.3 - AR Pts: 12.0, AR Quiz No. 192052 [Junior Library Guild selection, two starred reviews, zines, sexism, feminism, high school, mothers and daughters, bullying, Texas]
24. **Noteworthy** by Riley Redgate, 9781419723735, 400 pgs. 2017. Harry N. Abrams. IL: UG - BL: 5.5 - AR Pts: 15.0. AR Quiz No. 191612 [Chinese-American female protagonist at a prestigious Arts high school disguises herself as a boy to join an all-male acapella group. secrets, feelings, family difficulties, LGBTQ Protag, elite boarding school, bisexual protagonist, 3 starred reviews]
25. **The Nowhere Girls** by Amy Reed, 9781481481731, 416 pgs., 2017. Simon Pulse, no AR yet, [two starred reviews, female-protagonists, rape, sexism, search for truth, reads like Female of the Species, empowerment]
26. **Piecing Me Together** by Renee Watson,  9781681191058, 272 pgs. 2017. Bloomsbury USA Childrens. IL: UG - BL: 4.5 - AR Pts: 7.0. AR Quiz No. 187729 [African-American female protagonist junior in high school, attends a cross town private school, navigates between two worlds, trying to be successful, get an education and get out of her neighborhood , Portland, diversity, collage artist, mentorship program four starred reviews, *2018 Newbery Honor and Coretta Scott King Author Award Winner*]
27. **Ramona Blue** by Julie Murphy. 9780062418357, 432 pp. 2017. Balzer + Bray. IL: UG - BL: 4.9 - AR Pts: 14.0. AR Quiz No. 190495 [Hurricane (not Katrina), bi-racial lesbian female protagonist, dating, friendship, family, LGBTQ, diversity]
28. **Renegades** by Marissa Meyer, 978125044662, 556 pp., 2017, Feiwel and Friends. IL: **UG** - BL: **6.5** - AR Pts: **25.0.** AR Quiz No. 192083. [sci fi, female superheroes, 1st in series]
29. **A Short History of the Girl Next Door** by Jared Reck, 9781524716073, 272 pgs., 2017. Random House Children’s Books, IL: **UG** - BL: **5.8** - AR Pts: **11.0.** AR Quiz No. 193116. [male-protagonist, dating, friendship, basketball, high school crush and romance, tragic, plot twist].
30. **Solo** by Kwame Alexander and Mary Rand Hess, 9780310761839, 464 pgs., 2017, Blink. IL: MG+ - BL: 4.2 - AR Pts: 5.0 [novel-in-verse, father and sons, drugs, reconciliation, children of drug addicts, family secrets]
31. **Spill Zone** by Scott Westerfeld, 9781596439368, 215 pgs. 2017. First Second. IL: UG - BL: 2.9 - AR Pts: 1.0. AR Quiz No. 189547. [first book in new graphic novel series, sci-fi, female protagonist
32. **They Both Die at the End** by Adam Silvera, 9780062457790, 384 pgs., 2017. HarperCollins Publishers, IL: UG - BL: 5.5 - AR Pts: 11.0, AR Quiz No. 192213 [four starred reviews, teen romance, LGBTQ, two male protagonists, Latino, death, adventure]

# Turtles All the Way Down by John Green, 9780525555360, 304 pgs. 2017. Dutton Books for Young Readers. IL: UG - BL: 5.6 - AR Pts: 10.0. AR Quiz No. 191868 [female protagonist, mental illness, friendship, emotional pain and anxiety, sad, teens go in search of missing billionaire by connecting with his son]

1. **Undefeated** by Steve Sheinkin, 9781596439542, 280 pgs. 2017. Roaring Book Press, IL: **MG+** - BL: **6.8 -** AR Pts: **9.0, AR Quiz No. 186921 [nonfiction, true story of Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team and Pop Warner, sports legends, gold medalist, football mastermind, Native Americans, erasing culture, 4 starred reviews] \*also on 6-8\***
2. **We Are Okay** by Nina LaCour, 9780525425892, 234 pgs. 2017. Dutton (Penguin Imprint). IL: **UG** - BL: **4.5** - AR Pts: **7.0.** AR Quiz No. 187723. [*2018 Printz Award*, five starred reviews, 6 best of year lists, freshman in college female protagonist is staying in her dorm alone over the holidays, her best friend is flying cross country to be there for her and help her deal with her grief, LGBTQIA themes, loss, isolation, betrayal]

# What to Say Next by Julie Buxbaum, 9780553535686, 304 pp. 2017. Delacorte Press, AR Quiz No. 192828. IL: UG - BL: 5.2 - AR Pts: 11.0 [bi-racial female protagonist, contemporary, friendship, love, grief, high school, It’s told in the alternating voices of David, a kid with Asperger and Kit “the prettiest girl in the school”. On Florida Teen state list]

1. **Words in Deep Blue** by Cath Crowley, 9781101937648, 288 pp. 2017. Knopf Books for Young Readers, IL: UG - BL: 4.9 - AR Pts: 10.0. AR Quiz No. 189225. [love, bookstores, Australia, friendship, contemporary]
2. **You're Welcome, Universe** by Whitney Gardner, 9780399551413, 297 pgs. 2017. Knopf. IL: UG - BL: 4.2 - AR Pts: 9.0​. AR Quiz No. 188179 [Disabilities-Hearing Impaired/Deaf; Interpersonal Relationships-Friendship; betrayal, emphasis on art, female protagonist, Junior Library Guild Selection, VOYA Starred Review]