

sit in a begrudging burst of profanity. From that awkward foundation, a breathtakingly beautiful, complex, frustrating, epic romance grows.

***Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore* by Robin Sloan (2012)**

Fantasy/Mystery

NA, 304 pages

After losing his job during the Great Recession, Clay Jannon trades on his ability to climb a ladder to land a gig as the night clerk at an unusual bookstore. He quickly realizes there is something deeply strange about this establishment where there are only a few customers and they never buy anything. He embarks on a journey to uncover secrets that extend far beyond the bookstore's walls.

***The Name of the Star* by Maureen Johnson**

Mystery

HL710L, 374 pages

On the very day that Rory Deveaux moves from Louisiana to London, someone starts recreating the Jack the Ripper murders. As Rippermania grips the city, Rory gets drawn into the center of the increasingly strange mystery.

***Please Ignore Vera Dietz* by A.S. King (2010)**

Mystery

830L, 336 pages

High school senior Vera Dietz has spent a lifetime secretly in love with her best friend, Charlie Kahn, although he has betrayed her and ruined everything. When Charlie dies in dark and mysterious circumstances, Vera struggles with whether to reveal Charlie's many secrets that she has kept hidden over the years.

***Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline (2011)**

Science Fiction

990L, 375 pages

In the year 2044, the real world is an ugly place. Wade Watts escapes reality in OASIS, a virtual utopia that lets players be anything and anywhere. Among the millions seeking the special puzzles hidden in the game by creator James Halliday, Watts stumbles across the first puzzle and begins the quest for massive fortune and remarkable power.

***Throne of Glass* by Sarah J. Maas (2012)**

Fantasy

HL790L, 408 pages

After serving out a year of hard labor in the salt mines of Endovier for her crimes, 18-year-old assassin Celaena Sardothien is dragged before the Crown Prince. Prince Dorian offers her freedom on one condition: she must act as his champion in a competition to find a new royal assassin.

***Whistling Past the Graveyard* by Susan Crandall (2013)**

Historical Fiction

NA, 307 pages

It is July 4, 1963 and nine-year-old Starla Claudelle has had it with life in her super-strict grandmother's Mississippi home. She runs away, hoping to get to Nashville and find the mother who abandoned her when she was three. Her life changes forever when she accepts a ride from Eula, a black woman traveling alone with a white baby.