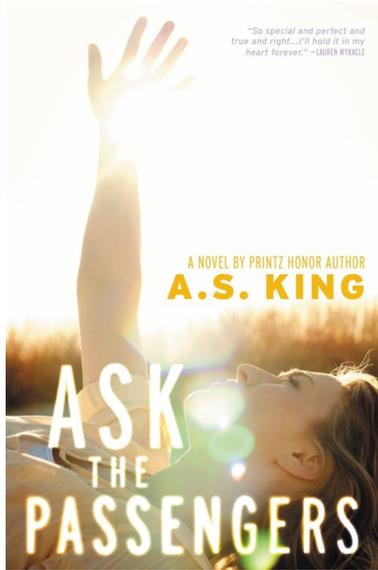


**Guardian** by Alex London. In the new world led by the Rebooters former Proxy Syd is the figurehead of the Revolution beloved by some and hated by others. Liam a seventeen-year-old Rebooter is Syd's bodyguard and must protect him with his life. But armed Machinists aren't the only danger. People are falling ill, their veins show through their skin, they find it hard to speak, and sores erupt all over their bodies. Guardians the violent enforcers of the old system are hit first, and the government does nothing to help. The old elites fall next and in the face of an indifferent govern-

ment Syd decides it's up to him to find a cure and what he discovers leaves him stunned. YA LON

**If you could be mine** by Sara Farizan. In Iran, where homosexuality is punishable by death,

seventeen-year-olds Sahar and Nasrin love each other in secret until Nasrin's parents announce their daughter's arranged marriage and Sahar proposes a drastic solution. YA FAR



**See you at Harry's** by Jo Knowles. Twelve-year-old Fern's family are so consumed with their own lives that Fern often feels overlooked. She has a lot on her plate dealing with her three-year-old brother Charlie and sister Sara as well as being publically embarrassed by her father's overzealous marketing for their family restaurant Harry's. Fern's mother often disappears to meditate while older brother Holden who is being bullied at school and is struggling over whether to come out as gay pushes Fern away. Things become nearly unbearable when Fern blames herself for a tragic accident that rocks the family to its core. Fern's closest friend Ran and indeed her family help her find a glimmer of hope amid powerful grief. YA KNO

**Two boys kissing** by David Levithan. A chorus of men who died of AIDS observes and yearns to help a cross-section of today's gay teens who navigate new love, long-term relationships, coming out, self-acceptance, and more in a society that has changed in many ways. YA LEV

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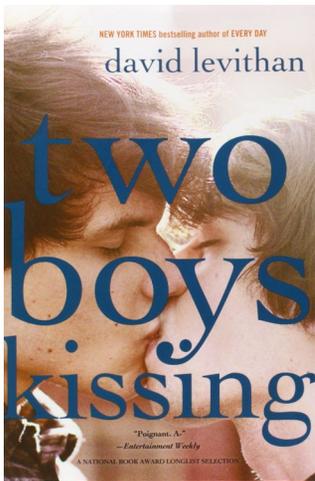
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### **Absolute brightness**

by James Lecesne.

Phoebe lives with her mom and older sister and they are all shocked to hear that their cousin from Arizona, Leonard, is coming to live with them.

They have no idea how to live with a boy and when Leonard gets there they all

think he's really weird. He's flamboyant, jovial, and Phoebe thinks he has all the telltale signs of being gay. Leonard doesn't identify as anything, yet--he thinks he's just being himself. Tragedy strikes when Leonard goes missing and suddenly the whole town of Neptune, New Jersey is turned upside down by trying to uncover what happened to Leonard Pelkey.

YA LEC

**Ask the passengers** by A.S. King. Astrid copes with her small town's gossip and narrow-mindedness by staring at the sky and imagining that she's sending love to the passengers in the airplanes flying high over her backyard. Her mother doesn't want it her father's always stoned her perfect sister's too busy trying to fit in and the people in her town would never allow her to love the person she really wants to another girl. There's no one Astrid feels she can talk to about this deep secret or the profound questions that she's trying to answer. But little does she know just how much sending her love and asking the right questions will affect the passengers' lives and her own for the better. YA KIN

### **Everything leads to you** by Nina LaCour.

Just out of high school Emi Price is a talented young set designer already beginning to thrive in the L.A. film scene. But her artistic eye has failed her in one key area helping her to design a love life that's more than make-believe. Then she finds a mysterious letter at an estate sale and it sends her chasing down the loose ends of a movie icon's hidden life. And along the way she finds Ava and at long last Emi's own hidden life begins to bloom. YA LAC

**Fan art** by Sarah Tregay. Even though he tries to keep his feelings to himself everyone seems to know how he feels about Mason and the girls in his art class are determined to help them get together. Telling the truth could ruin Jamie and Mason's friendship, but it could also mean a chance at happiness. Falling in love is easy, except when it's not, and Jamie must decide if coming clean to Mason is worth facing his worst fear. YA TRE

**Far from you** by Tess Sharpe. Sophie Winters nearly died. Twice. The first time she's fourteen and escapes a near-fatal car accident with scars and an addiction to Oxy that'll take years to kick. The second time she's seventeen. Sophie and her best friend Mina are confronted by a masked man in the woods. Sophie survives but Mina does not. After Sophie survives the brutal attack, she sets out to find the killer. At the same time she must prove she is free of her past Oxy addiction and in no way to blame for Mina's death. YA SHA

### **Gracefully Grayson** by Ami Polansky.

Grayson Sender has been holding onto a secret for what seems like forever he is a girl on the inside stuck in the wrong gender's body. The weight of this secret is crushing but sharing it would mean facing ridicule, scorn, rejection or worse. Despite the risks Grayson's true self itches to break free. Will new strength from an unexpected friendship and a caring teacher's wisdom be enough to help Grayson step into the spotlight she was born to inhabit? YA POL

