Romance Books for Teens Akron-Summit County Public Library

Blake, Ashley Herring, Ed. **Fools in Love: fresh twists on romantic tales,** 2021. TEEN Fools Enemies to lovers, fake dates, mistaken identities and best friends are some of the things that make up the perfect romance novel. Throw in some superheroes, catching the wrong ride-share and even the end of the world and you've got 15 great and fun romance short stories by award-winning and up-and-coming authors.

Boyce, Kristy. Hot British Boyfriend, 2021. TEEN BOYCE Hot

Who doesn't dream of traveling overseas and meeting the love of your life? After Ellie Nichols suffers a humiliating public rejection by her High School crush, she hopes a study abroad trip to England will help her regain her self-confidence. When she meets Will, a handsome Brit from her new school, she asks her friend Dev to help hook them up. This light, fluffy novel combines romance and a fun foreign travel experience.

Bryant, Elise. Happily Ever Afters, 2021. TEEN BRYANT Happily

16-year-old Tessa Johnson is a talented writer and dreams of being a romance novelist. Her talents get her accepted into a prestigious private arts school, but when school starts she develops a terrible case of writer's block. Her best friend suggests that she just needs some real life inspiration from a real romance with the handsome, brooding artist at school that looks like he walked right out of one of her novels. The problem is, as she pursues her dream relationship she starts to lose who she really is. This feel good rom-com is full of humor, romance and wisdom.

Cotugno, Katie. You Say It First, 2021. TEEN COTUGNO You

Is it possible to have a love relationship with someone that has entirely different political views from your own? Meg, a politically active senior from Philadelphia, meets Ohioan Colby on the phone by chance when she's doing phone canvassing. At first their conversation doesn't go well, but after a series of long conversations they two get to know each other and a long-distance romance develops.

Forman, Gayle. We Are Inevitable, 2021. TEEN FORMAN We

When his friends leave town after graduation Aaron is left working at his parents' old, declining bookstore. He is in a rut, lonely and has very little motivation until he meets Hannah, a charming musician who loves books as much as he does. As they work together to try to save the failing bookstore Aaron's view of life becomes much more positive.

Loutzenhiser, Katy. **The Girl Least Likely,** 2021. TEEN LOUTZENHISER Girl Unlike the characters in her favorite romantic comedies, Gretchen has never been the adventurous type. But when she finds herself falling for her best friend Sam, she does a complete makeover and starts doing stand-up comedy to win him over. Fans of "To All the Boys I've Loved Before" and "Dumplin'" will enjoy this rom-com about a girl learning to be her authentic self.

Nazemian, Abdi. Like a Love Story, 2019. TEEN NAZEMIAN Like

It's 1989 in New York City, when being openly gay was still dangerous for many and the AIDS epidemic made it even more difficult. Reza is an Iranian boy who goes to live with his stepfather in the city, and is terrified that someone will find out about his sexuality. When he begins dating Judy, she introduces him to her out and proud friend Art. Soon Reza and Art grow close, and Reza must find a way out of his deception without destroying the most meaningful friendship he's ever known.

Smith, Eric. You Can Go Your Own Way, 2021. TEEN SMITH You

Adam Stillwater is determined to protect his family's independent pinball arcade from the local, wealthy café mogul who wants to buy it and turn it into a gaming café. When he meets the daughter of his nemesis they immediately begin throwing insults at each other, but then Adam and Whitney are stranded at the arcade together during a snowstorm and the tension between them melts away.

Solomon, Rachel Lynn. **Today Tonight Tomorrow**, 2020. TEEN SOLOMON Today Rowan Roth and Neil McNair have been High School rivals since their sophomore year. They compete with each other over test scores, student council elections and school-wide essay contests. When Neil is named valedictorian, Rowan has one last chance to beat him before graduation...at Howl, a senior game where players must compete against each other by doing tasks all over Seattle. When the two find out that other students are plotting against them, they decide to team up and throughout the course of the evening Rowan realizes that Neil might just be the boy of her dreams.

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