

Physical, Cognitive, Sensory & Neuro Disabilities & Diversity in Fiction



Physical Diversity

Freak the Mighty, Rodman Philbrick (10+)
Gathering Blue, Lois Lowry (YA)
Grey Land duology, Peadar O'Guillin
Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus,
Dusti Bowling (10+)
Lincoln Rime series, Jeffrey Deaver
Matthew Shardlake series, C.J. Sansom
Me Before You, Jojo Moyes
Of Human Bondage, Somerset Maugham
See Ya Simon, David Hill (YA)
The Hunchback of Notre-Dame, Victor Hugo
The Secret Garden, Frances Hodgson Burnett
The War that Saved my Life, Kimberly
Brubaker Bradley (9+)

Cerebral Palsy

A Curse so Dark and Lonely, Brigid Kemmerer (YA Fantasy)
Accidents of Nature, Harriet McBryde
Johnson (13+)
Dancing Daisies, Sara Pyszka (YA)
I have No Secrets, Penny Joelson (YA)
Out of my Mind, Sharon M. Draper (YA)
Petey, Ben Mikaelsen (10+)
Roll with it, Jamie Summer (10+)
Say What You Will, Cammie McGovern (YA)
Stoner and Spaz, Ron Koertge (YA)
Stuck in Neutral, Terry Trueman (12+)
Truly Wildly Deeply, Jenny McLachlan (11+)

Growth

Jepp, Who Defied the Stars, Katherine Marsh (13+)
Mendel's Dwarf, Simon Mawer
Midget, Tim Bowler (YA)
Stones from the River, Ursula Hegi
The Giant's House, Elizabeth McCracken
The Thing About George, Lisa Graff (8+)
The Tin Drum, Gunter Grass

Wild and Crooked, Leah Thomas (YA)

Adapting to a Physical Disability

A Time to Dance, Padma Venkatraman (YA) Deenie, Judy Blume (11+) Deeper than Blue Jill Hucklesby (12+) How We Roll Natasha Friend (YA) Paralyzed, Sherry Ashwood (YA)
Shark Girl, Kelly Bingham (12+)
The Beginning of Everything, Robyn
Schneider (14+)
The Key to Flambards Linda Newbery (11+)
The Running Dream, Wendelin Van Draanen
(YA)

Disfigurement

Invisible Monsters, Chuck Palahniuk
Phantom of the Opera, Gaston Leroux
Scars Like Wings, Erin Stewart
So Much to Tell You, John Marsden (11+)
The Man without a Face, Isabelle Holland
V for Vendetta, Alan Moore
Wonder, R.J. Palacio (8+)

Sensory Diversity

Not if I Can Help It, Carolyn Mackler

Visual

All the Light we Cannot See, Anthony Doer Blindness, Jose Saramago (Sci-fi) Girl Stolen, April Henry (13+) Love and First Sight, Josh Sundquist (YA) Not if I See You First, Eric Lindstrom (YA) Planet of the Blind, Stephen Kussisto Run, Kody Keplinger She is not Invisible, Marcus Sedgwick (YA) Tangerine, Edward Bloor (YA) The One Thing, Marci Lyn Curtis (YA)
The Speed of Falling Objects, Nancy
Richardson Fischer (YA)
Truesight, David Stahler Jr. (Dystopian)

Audio

A Quiet Kind of Thunder, Sara Barnard (13+)
Andromeda Klein, Frank Portman (YA)
Magnus Chase Chronicles, Rick Riordan
El Defo, Cece Bell (Children's Graphic Novel)
Hello, Universe, Erin Entrada Kelly (Middle Grade)
Song for a Whale, Lynne Kelly (8+)

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Soundless, Richelle Mead (12+ Fantasy)
The Silence Between Us, Alison Gervais (YA)
There will be Lies, Nick Lake (12+)
Wonderstruck, Brian Selznick (9+)
You're Welcome, Universe, Whitney Gardner
(YA)

Cognitive & Neuro Diversity

Intellectual functioning

Forrest Gump, Winston Groom
Freak the Mighty, Rodman Philbrick (10+)
Of Mice and Men, John Steinbeck
Running on Empty, S.E. Durrant (9+)
The Sound and the Fury, William Faulkner

Down's Syndrome

A Storm of Strawberries, Jo Cotterill (10+)
Behind Closed Doors, B.A. Paris
Big Ben, Rachel Anderson (8+)
Dead Ends, Erin Large (11+)
Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish, Pablo
Cartaya (Age?)
Rosie Loves Jack, Mel Darbon (12+)
Sky Song, Abi Elphinstone (8+)

Dyslexia

Dying to Know You, Aiden Chambers (14+)
Eleven, Patricia Reilly Giff
Fangirl, Rainbow Rowell (14+)
Fish in a Tree, Lynda Mullaly (11+???)
Lightning Chase me Home, Amber Lee Dodd (9+)
Pages & Co, Anna James (9+)
Percy Jackson series, Rick Riordan (10+)

Autism/ Aspergers

A Kind of Spark, Elle McNicoll (9+)
Al Capone does my Shirts, Gennifer
Choldenko (10+)
Anything but Typical, Nora Raleigh Basking
(9+)
Autism, the Invisible Cord: A Sibling Diary,
Barbara S. Cain (9+)
By Any Other Name, Laura Jarratt (13+)
Can You See Me, Libby Scott & Rebecca
Westcott (9+)

Car Wash Wish, Sita Brahmachari (13+) Colin Fischer, Asley Miller & Zack Stentz (10+) Counting by 7's, Holly Goldberg Slaon (10+) Dandelion Clocks, Rebecca Westcott (9+) Every Shiny Thing, Cordelia Jensen & Laurie Morrison, (11+) How to Look for a Lost Dog, Ann M. Martin (9+)I'll Be There, Holly Goldberg Sloan (12+) In the Absence of Light, Adrienne Wilder In Two Worlds, Ido Kedar (Age?) Marcelo in the Real World, Francisco X. Stork (YA) Maria and Me, Maria & Miguel Gallardo (9+) Mockingbird, Katherine Erskine (11+) Rain Reign, Ann M. Martin (9+) Rebel Nation, Shaunta Grimes Scarlet Ibis, Gill Lewis (8+) Speed of Dark, Elizabeth Moon Standard Deviation, Katherine Heiny The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time, Mark Haddon (12+) The Girl he Used to Know, Tracey Garvis Graves The Guggenheim Mystery, Robin Stevens (10+)The Kiss Quotient, Helen Hoang The Legend of Mickey Tusler, Frank Nappi The London Eye Mystery, Siobhan Dowd The Lost Diary of Sami Star, Karen McCrombie

(8+)

The Original Ginny Moon, Benjamin Ludwig (YA)

The Polar Bear Explorer's Club, Alex Bell (9+)

The Real Boy, Anne Ursa (9+)

The Rosie Project, Graeme Simsion

The Space We're in, Katya Balen (10+)

The State of Grace, Rachael Lucas (12+)

The Witness, Nora Roberts

Too Close to Home, Aoife Walsh (11+)

Truman Bradley- Aspie Detective, Alexei

Maxim Russell (10+)

When my Heart Joins the Thousand, A.J.

Steiger (YA)

ADHD/ ADD

Hank Zipzer series, Henry Winkler (7+) Joey Pigza Series, Jack Gantos (10+)

On the Edge of Gone, Corinne Duyvis (YA)

(Sci-fi)

Percy Jackson series, Rick Riordan (10+)

The Boy with the Butterfly Mind, Victoria

Williamson (10+)

This is not the Abby Show, Debbie Reed

Fischer (9+)

Tourettes

A Taxonomy of Love, Rachael Allen (YA)
Forget Me Not, Ellie Terry
Icy Sparks, Gwyn Hyman Rubio
Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus,
Dusti Bowling (10+)

Jerk, Jonathan Friesen (YA)

Nothing to See Here, Kevin Wilson

Skull Session, Daniel Hecht

The Perfect Son, Barbara Claypole White

The Prisoner of Cell 25, Richard Paul Evans

(YA, Fantasy)

When Mr Dog Bites, Brian Conaghan (14+)

Invisible Disabilities

Aurora Rising, Jay Kristoff & Amie Kaufman (YA)

Far from You, Tess Sharpe (YA)

Get a Life Chloe Brown, Talia Hibbert

Girl in the Window, Penny Joelson (11+)

Love from A-Z, S.K. Ali (YA)

Six of Crows, Leigh Bardugo (YA)

Unspecified or Various

A Step Toward Falling, Cammie McGovern (13+)

Geek Love, Katherine Dunn (Fantasy/Horror)

Unbroken: 13 Stories Starring Disabled Teens,

Ed: Marieke Nikjkamp (YA)



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