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**TO THE BOYS WHO GET  
CALLED GIRLS,  
THE GIRLS WHO GET  
CALLED BOYS,  
AND THOSE WHO LIVE  
OUTSIDE THESE  
WORDS.  
TO THOSE CALLED  
NAMES,  
AND THOSE  
SEARCHING FOR  
NAMES OF THEIR OWN.  
TO THOSE WHO LIVE  
ON THE EDGES,  
AND IN THE SPACES IN  
BETWEEN.  
I WISH FOR YOU EVERY  
LIGHT IN THE SKY.**

**ANNA-MARIE  
MCLEMORE  
WHEN THE MOON  
WAS OURS**

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TEENS

# **TRANS STORIES**

## TEEN FICTION

*Cris Beam* (T BEAM, C)  
**I Am J**

J, who feels like a boy mistakenly born as a girl, runs away from his best friend who has rejected him and the parents he thinks do not understand him when he finally decides that it is time to be who he really is.



*Kacen Callender* (T CALLENDER, K)  
**Felix Ever After**

Felix Love, a transgender seventeen-year-old, attempts to get revenge by catfishing his anonymous bully, but lands in a quasi-love triangle with his former enemy and his best friend.

*Akwaeke Emezi* (T EMEZI, A)  
**Pet**

In a near-future society that claims to have gotten rid of all monstrous people, a creature emerges from a painting seventeen-year-old Jam's mother created, a hunter from another world seeking a real-life monster.

*Anna-Marie McLemore* (T MCLEMORE, A)  
**When the Moon Was Ours**

To everyone who knows them, best friends Miel and Sam are as strange as they are inseparable. Roses grow out of Miel's wrist, and rumors say that she spilled out of a water tower when she was five. Sam is known for the moons he paints and hangs in the trees and for how little anyone knows about his life before he and his mother moved to town. But as odd as everyone considers Miel and Sam, even they stay away from the Bonner girls, four beautiful sisters rumored to be witches. Now they want the roses that grow from Miel's skin, convinced that their scent can make anyone fall in love. And they're willing to use every secret Miel has fought to protect to make sure she gives them up.

*Tobly McSmith* (T MCSMITH, T)  
**Stay Gold**

Told in two voices, Pony, who is concealing his transgender identity at his new Texas high school, and Georgia, a cisgender cheerleader counting the days until she graduates, develop a complicated relationship.

*Meredith Russo* (T RUSSO, M)  
**If I Was Your Girl**

Amanda Hardy only wants to fit in at her new school, but she is keeping a big secret, so when she falls for Grant, guarded Amanda finds herself yearning to share with him everything about herself, including her previous life as Andrew.

*A.B. Rutledge* (T RUTLEDGE, A.B.)  
**Miles Away from You**

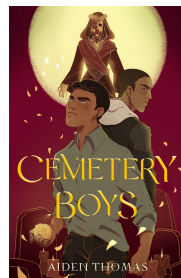
Eighteen months after Vivien, his beloved transgender girlfriend, slipped into a coma after a suicide attempt, eighteen-year-old Miles begins healing while photographing her empty shoes against the stark landscapes of Iceland. Told through a series of instant messages.

*Amber Smith* (T SMITH, A)  
**Something Like Gravity**

A near-fatal car accident brings Chris and Maia together, and their next encounters don't fare much better. They're neighbors, at least for the summer, and despite their best efforts, they just can't seem to stay away from each other. Chris has come out as transgender, but he's still processing a frightening assault he survived the year before. Maia is grieving the loss of her older sister and trying to find her place in the world without her. Falling in love was the last thing on either of their minds.

*Brie Spangler* (T SPANGLER, B)  
**Beast**

After falling off the roof, fifteen-year-old misfit Dylan must attend a therapy group for self-harmers where he meets Jamie, a beautiful and amazing person he does not know is transgender.



*Aiden Thomas* (T THOMAS, A)  
**Cemetery Boys**

Yadriel, a trans boy, summons the angry spirit of his high school's bad boy, and agrees to help him learn how he died, thereby proving himself a brujo, not a bruja, to his conservative family.

*Lisa Williamson* (T WILLIAMSON, L)  
**The Art of Being Normal**

David Piper, always an outsider, forms an unlikely friendship with Leo Denton who, from the first day at his new school wants only to be invisible, but when David's deepest secret gets out, that he wants to be a girl, things get very messy for both of them.

## TEEN NONFICTION

*Mady G* (T306.76 G)

**A Quick and Easy Guide to Queer & Trans Identities**

Covering essential topics like sexuality, gender identity, coming out, and navigating relationships, this guide explains the spectrum of human experience through informative comics, interviews, worksheets, and imaginative examples. A great starting point for anyone curious about queer and trans life, and helpful for those already on their own journeys!

*Kathryn Gonzalez* (T306.768 GON)

**Trans+: Love, Sex, Romance, and Being You**

An all-inclusive, uncensored guide for teens who are transgender, nonbinary, gender-nonconforming, or gender-fluid. TRANS+ answers all your questions, easy and hard, about gender and covers mental health, physical health and reproduction, transitioning, relationships, sex, and life as a trans or nonbinary individual.

*Owl* (T306.768 OWL)

**Trans Survival Guide**

Frank, friendly, and funny, this book will inform, empower, and arm you with all the tips, confidence, and practical advice needed to navigate life as a trans teen. Wondering how to come out to your family and friends, what it's like to go through cross-hormonal therapy, or how to put on a packer? Trans youth activists Owl and Fox have stepped in to answer everything that trans teens and their families need to know.

*Juno Roche* (T306.768 ROC)

**Gender Explorers: Our Stories of Growing Up Trans and Changing the World**

In this life-affirming, heartening and refreshing collection of interviews, young trans people offer valuable insight and advice into what has helped them to flourish and feel happy in their experience of growing up trans. Speaking openly and candidly about their gender, their experiences of coming out, their aspirations, and their fears - accompanied by interviews and support from their parents and carers - this book is beautiful proof of the potential for trans children to live rich and fulfilling lives when given the support and love they need.