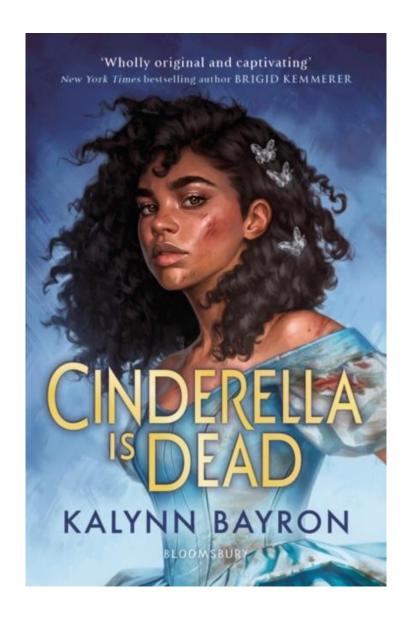
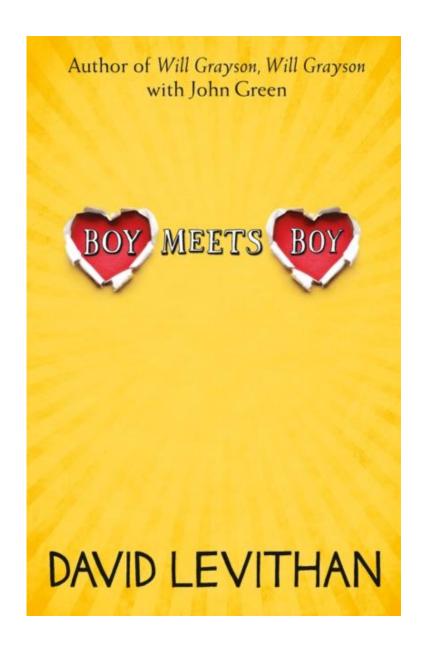


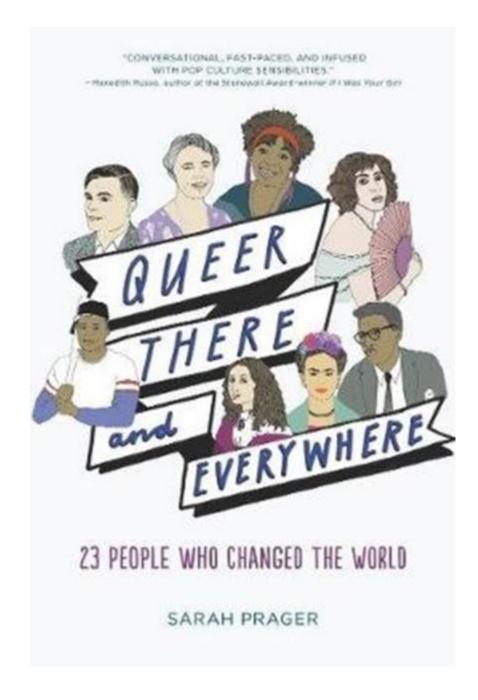
## LGBTQIA+ Recommended Reading



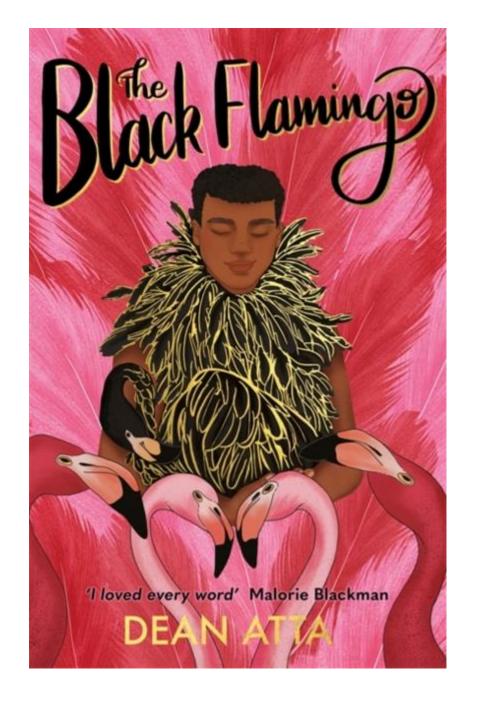
It's 200 years after Cinderella found her prince, but Sixteen-year-old Sophia would much rather marry Erin, her childhood best friend, than a prince. This fresh take on a classic story will make readers question the tales they've been told, and root for girls to break down the constructs of the world around them.



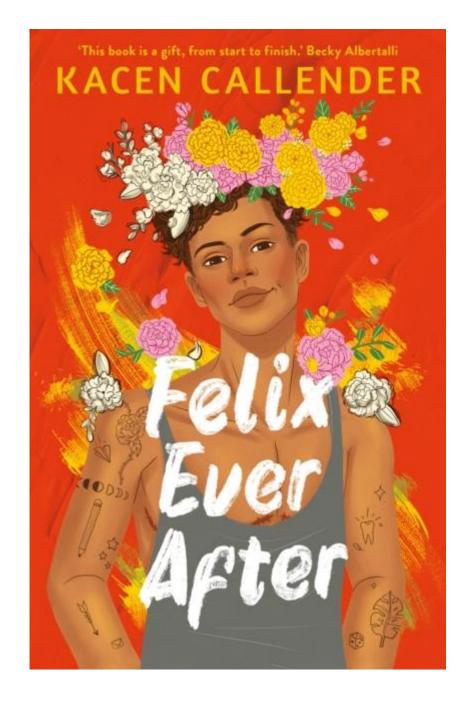
Paul has been gay his whole life and he's confident about almost everything. He doesn't have to hide his feelings like best friend Tony or even cope with loving the wrong guy like his other best friend Joni. But heartbreak can happen to anyone. Falling in love changes everything.



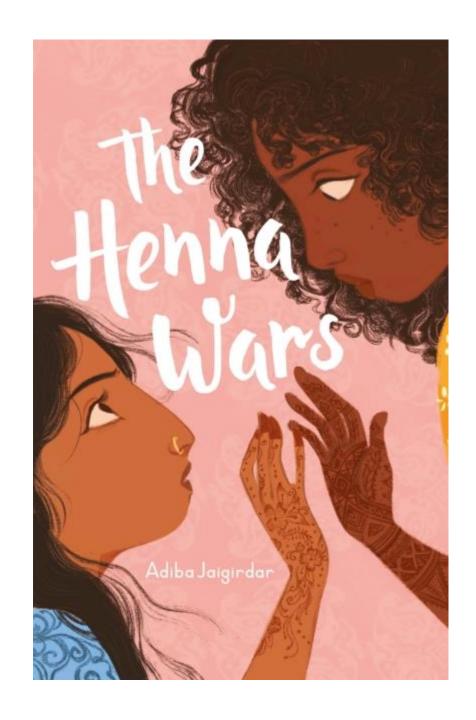
Learn about queer rights movements through the stories of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer individuals who made world history. This accessible book is the perfect intro or addition to any teenager's journey learning about queer history.



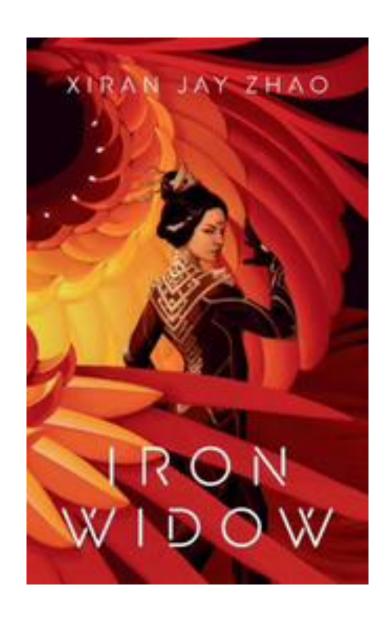
Atta's debut novel about a mixed race, gay teen is full of positivity, love, celebration, pride and fabulous flamboyance. But this isn't just a great read, it's also a book about having the bravery to accept yourself, and to share that person with the world.



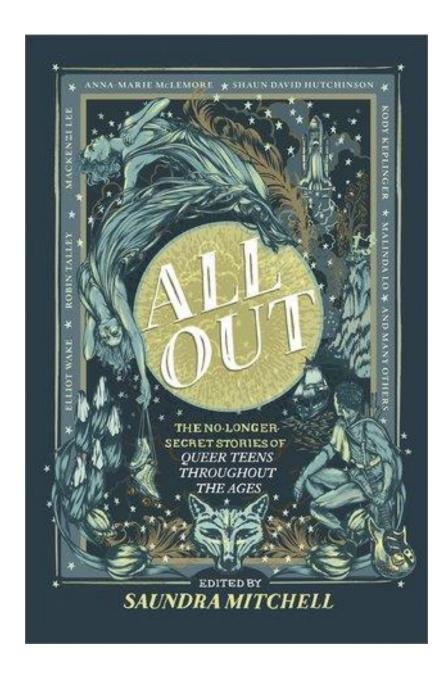
Felix Love fears that being black, queer and transgender will prevent him from finding his happy ending. This young adult novel tells the story of a trans teen tumbling through love toward the realisation that the person who most deserves it is himself.



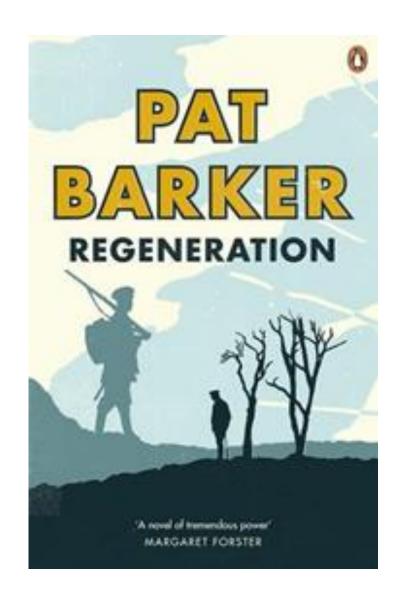
When henna business entrepreneur Nishat comes out to her family, they ask her to stay in the closet. So when Flavia, her charismatic and beautiful childhood friend, walks into her life again, she is left with a difficult decision.



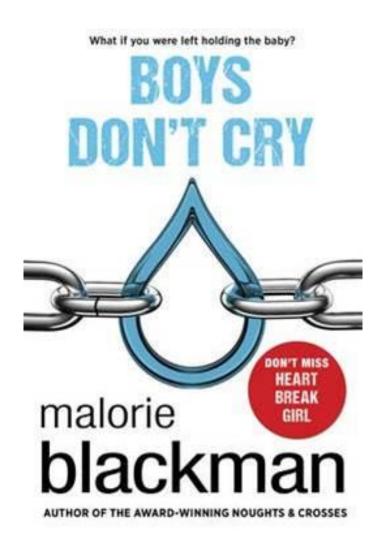
The boys of Huaxia dream of the celebrity status that comes with piloting Chrysalises - giant transforming robots that battle the aliens beyond the Great Wall. Their female co-pilots are expected to serve as concubines and sacrifice their lives. When 18-year-old Zetian offers herself up as a concubine-pilot, her plan is to assassinate the ace male pilot responsible for her sister's death. But on miraculously emerging from the cockpit unscathed after her first battle, she is declared an Iron Widow - the most feared pilot of all. Now that Zetian has had a taste of power, she sets her sights on bigger things. The time has come to stop more girls from being sacrificed.



Take a journey through time and genres and discover a past where queer figures live, love and shape the world around them. Seventeen of the best young adult authors across the queer spectrum have come together to create a collection of beautifully written diverse historical fiction for teens.



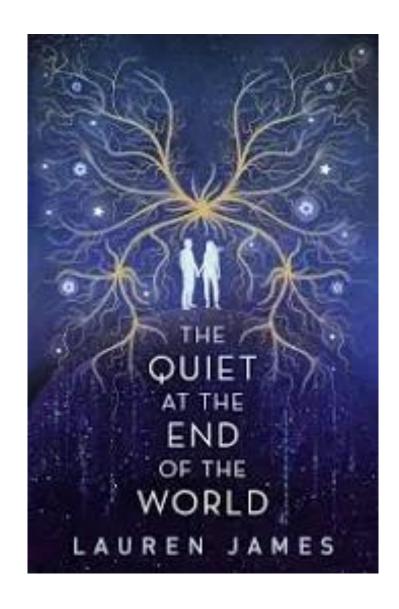
Craiglockhart War Hospital, Scotland, 1917, and army psychiatrist William Rivers is treating shell-shocked soldiers. Under his care are the poets Siegfried Sassoon and Wilfred Owen, as well as mute Billy Prior, who is only able to communicate by means of pencil and paper. Rivers's job is to make the men in his charge healthy enough to fight. Yet the closer he gets to mending his patients' minds the harder becomes every decision to send them back to the horrors of the front. Pat Barker's Regeneration is the classic exploration of how the traumas of war brutalised a generation of young men.



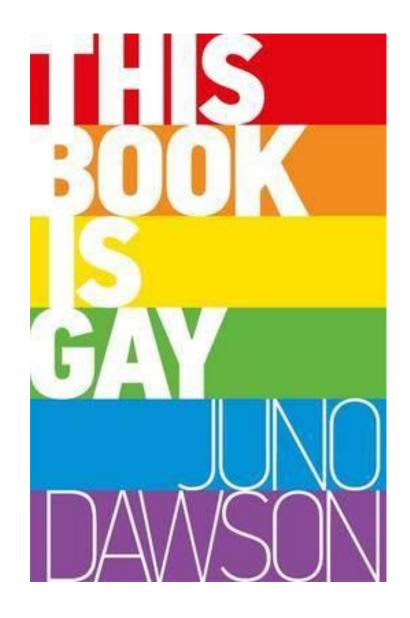
Dante is waiting for the postman. It's 'A' level results day and he has high hopes, but a knock on the door brings an old girlfriend and some news that will change his plans for good.

Written from the point of view of two teenaged brothers: Dante, who is looking forward to university and a successful career, unexpectedly finds himself faced with the demands of full time single parenthood, and Adam, who is happy to be gay and makes no secret of it, but ultimately suffers from the intolerance of those around him.

A hard-hitting novel dealing with some of the real issues facing teenagers. This is also a moving story about father-son relationships.



How far would you go to save those you love? Lowrie and Shen are the youngest people on the planet after a virus caused global infertility. Closeted in a pocket of London and doted upon by a small, ageing community, the pair spend their days mudlarking and looking for treasure – until a secret is uncovered that threatens not only their family but humanity's entire existence. Now Lowrie and Shen face an impossible choice: in the quiet at the end of the world, they must decide what to sacrifice to save the whole human race...



Including testimonials from people across the gender and sexual spectrums, this is an accessible and inclusive take on what it's like to grow up LGBT, addressing all the worries and anxieties young people may have about this topic - whether or not they are questioning their own sexuality. Dawson writes responsibly and sensitively about her subject, but has plenty of fun along the way - and Spike Gerrell's irreverent illustrations add an extra dose of humour too.