

All the Rage by Courtney Summers

After being assaulted by the sheriff's son, Kellan Turner, Romy Grey was branded a liar and bullied by former friends, finding refuge only in the diner where she works

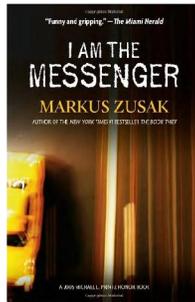
outside of town. But when a girl with ties to both Romy and Kellan goes missing and news of him assaulting another girl gets out, Romy must decide whether to speak out again or risk having more girls hurt.

Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein

In 1943, a British fighter plane crashes in Nazi occupied France and the survivor tells a tale of friendship, war, espionage, and great courage as she relates what she must to survive while keeping secret all that she can.

I Am the Messenger by Marcus Zusak

After capturing a bank robber, nineteen-year-old cab driver Ed Kennedy begins receiving mysterious messages that direct him to addresses where people need help, and he begins getting over his lifelong feeling of worthlessness.



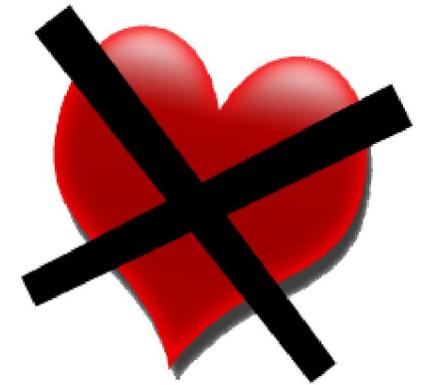
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Had
enough
of love
stories?



Here are some reads
that contain little to
no romance.



Romance-Free* Reads

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

Budding cartoonist Junior leaves his troubled school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all-white farm town school where the only other Indian is the school mascot.

Guitar Notes by Mary Amato

Tripp, who plays guitar only for himself, and Lyla, a cellist whose talent has already made her famous but not happy, form an unlikely friendship when they are forced to share a practice room at school.

The Last Leaves Falling by Sarah Benwell

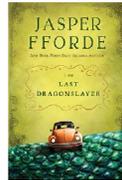
Japanese teenager, Sora, is diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). Lonely and isolated, Sora turns to the ancient wisdom of the samurai for guidance and comfort. But he also finds hope in the present; through the internet he finds friends that see him, not just his illness.

Plain Kate by Erin Bow

Plain Kate's odd appearance and expertise as a woodcarver cause some to think her a witch, but friendship with a talking cat and, later, with humans help her to survive and even thrive in a world of magic, charms, and fear.

Going Bovine by Libba Bray

Cameron Smith is a disaffected sixteen year-old who, after being diagnosed with Creutzfeldt Jakob's (aka Mad Cow) disease, sets off on a road trip with a death-obsessed video gaming dwarf he meets in the hospital in an attempt to find a cure.



The Last Dragonslayer by Jasper Fforde

Fifteen-year-old Jennifer Strange runs an agency for underemployed magicians in a world where magic is fading away. But when visions of the death of the world's last dragon begin, all signs point to Jennifer—and Big Magic.

The Maze Runner by James Dashner

Sixteen-year-old Thomas wakes up with no memory in the middle of a maze and realizes he must work with the community in which he finds himself if he is to escape.

Monster by Walter Dean Myers

While on trial as an accomplice to a murder, sixteen-year-old Steve Harmon records his experiences in prison and in the courtroom in the form of a film script as he tries to come to terms with the course his life has taken.



Ripper by Stefan Petrucha

Adopted by famous Pinkerton Agency Detective Hawking in 1895 New York, fourteen-year-old Carver Young hopes to find his birth father, but when he becomes involved in the pursuit of notorious killer Jack the Ripper, Carver discovers that finding the truth can be worse than ignorance.

Life As We Knew It by Susan Beth Pfeffer

Through journal entries sixteen-year-old Miranda describes her family's struggle to survive after a meteor hits the moon, causing worldwide tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.



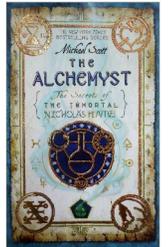
Threatened by Eliot Schrefer

Luc is an orphan living in debt slavery in Gabon until he meets a Professor who claims to be studying chimpanzees, and they head off into the jungle—but when the Professor disappears, Luc has to fend for himself and join forces with the chimps to save their forest.

The Alchemist: The Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel

by Michael Scott

While working at pleasant but mundane summer jobs, fifteen-year-old twins Sophie and Josh suddenly find themselves caught up in the deadly, centuries-old struggle over an ancient and powerful book holding the secrets of alchemy and everlasting life.



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