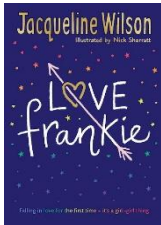


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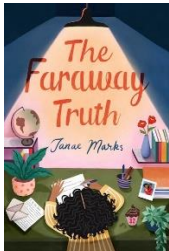
Love Frankie – Jacqueline Wilson



Frankie is nearly fourteen and teenage life certainly comes with its ups and downs. Her mum is seriously ill with MS and Frankie can feel herself growing up quickly, no thanks to Sally and her gang of bullies at school.

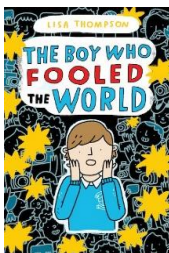
When Sally turns out to be not-so-mean after all, they strike up a friendship and are suddenly spending all of their time together. But Frankie starts to wonder whether these feelings she has for Sally are stronger than her other friendships. Might she really be in love?

The Faraway Truth – Janae Marks



Zoe's dad has been locked up all her life. He's a mystery to her. Can she solve it? It's Zoe's twelfth birthday, and she's just had a letter from a man she's never met: her father. Marcus was sent to prison right before she was born. Zoe's mum always said he was a liar, a monster. But in the letter, he sounds *nice*. So Zoe starts looking into the crime. But the deeper she digs, the more she doubts the conviction. Is her dad innocent? Or is he a frightening liar?

The Boy Who Fooled The World – Lisa Thompson



Cole is the odd one out at school: the other kids have the latest gadgets and trainers while his family struggles to make ends meet. Until the day one of his paintings is talent-spotted and sells for thousands of pounds at a posh London gallery. Suddenly, Cole is the toast of the international art world, the star guest on TV shows, rich beyond his wildest dreams, hailed as a boy genius! Being famous is FANTASTIC... but Cole has a guilty secret that if exposed will bring everything crashing down around him.

The Castle of Tangled Magic – Sophie Anderson



When thirteen-year-old Olia steps through a magical doorway, she discovers another land. A land tangled by magic, where hope is lost, and a scheming wizard holds all the power. Soon Olia learns that she is destined to save this land, but with time running out and her new friends and family in danger, she must search for the magic within herself - to save everything and everyone she loves.