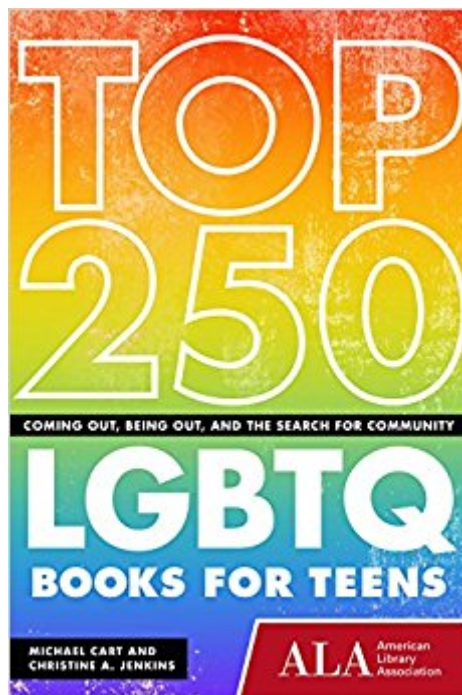




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# Top 250 LGBTQ Books For Teens: Coming Out, Being Out, And The Search For Community



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A summary of the 250 best books for LGBTQ teens, written by experts on the subject and addressed to teen book buyers. Identifying titles that address the sensitive and important topics of coming out, being out, and the search for community, this catalog spotlights the best gay, lesbian, bi, transgender, and questioning books written for teens. The authors cover fiction of all kinds, as well as graphic novels and general nonfiction aimed at readers in middle school and high school, and include recent publications as well as classics that continue to be read and enjoyed by 21st-century teens. Information on how to find library programs, services, and additional resources for LGBTQ teens is also provided, making this a one-stop sourcebook for LGBTQ teens, their families, friends, and classmates, as well as teachers and librarians.

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be Mine (Algonquin, 2013). Only a few 2014 titles appear and the two most recent and significant Printz Award and Honor titles, Jandy Nelson's I'll Give You the Sun (2014) and Andrew Smith's Grasshopper Jungle (2014, both Penguin), both of which prominently feature queer protagonists, are missing. Despite its excellent attention to detail and clear celebration of LGBTQ literature, it's sadly a book that will be dated rapidly as new titles hit the market. VERDICT An additional purchase, best used for backlist collection development. —Ingrid Abrams, Brooklyn Public Library, NY

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