#### **Young Adult Biographies**

# This Star Won't Go Out: The Life and Words of Esther Grace Earl

YA B Earl (Kennedy/Westergard)

A collection of the journals, fiction, letters, and sketches of the late Esther Grace Earl, who passed away at the age of 16. Photographs and essays by family and friends will help to tell Esther's story, along with an introduction by John Green who dedicated *The Fault in Our Stars* to her.

#### Autobiography of a Face

YA B Grealy (Kennedy/Westergard)

At age nine, Lucy was diagnosed with a potentially terminal cancer. When she returned to school with a third of her jaw removed, she faced the cruel taunts of classmates. In this strikingly candid memoir, Grealy tells her story of great suffering and remarkable strength.

## **Dear Nobody: The True Diary of Mary Rose**

YA B Rose (Kennedy)

A real-life teen describes in words and sketches the course of her desperate journey to fit in and find love, a no-holds-barred effort that escalated to life-risking measures.

# **Regine's Book: A Teen Girl's Last Words** YA B Stokke (Kennedy/Westergard)

Regine's blog about living with leukemia gained a huge following, and eventually became this book. She writes openly about emotional and physical aspects of her struggle to recover, and explains how her disease impacts her life. She was a typical teenager with an amazing will to live; and the lessons she learned have relevance for all of us.

#### **Adult Fiction and Nonfiction**

#### PS, I Love You

FIC Ahern (Kennedy/LP FIC Westergard)

Gerry's death devastates Holly. But, as her 30th birthday looms, Gerry comes back to her. He's left her a bundle of notes, gently guiding Holly into her new life without him.

#### The Time Traveler's Wife

FIC Niffenegger (Kennedy/Westergard)

This is the story of Henry, an adventuresome librarian who travels involuntarily through time, and Clare, an artist. Henry and Clare's love story endures across time.

#### My Sister's Keeper

FIC Picoult (Kennedy/Westergard)

Conceived to provide a bone marrow match for her sister, teenage Kate begins to question her moral obligations in light of countless medical procedures and decides to fight for the right to make decisions about her own body.

# Just Don't Fall: How I Grew Up, Conquered Illness, and Made It Down the Mountain

B Sundquist (Westergard)

A disabled champion skier recounts the child-hood sarcoma that cost him his left leg, his relationship with his pastor father and conservative home-schooling mother, and his inspirational efforts to participate in the 2006 Paralympics.



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#### **Young Adult Fiction**

#### Me and Earl and the Dying Girl

YA FIC Andrews (Westergard)

Greg's life changes when his mother forces him to befriend Rachel, a girl who has leukemia. Against his better judgment, he does. This is a hilarious, outrageous, and truthful look at death and high school.

#### **Before I Die**

YA FIC Downham (Westergard)

Tessa has just months to live. Fighting back against hospital visits, endless tests, and drugs with excruciating side effects, Tessa compiles a list of things to do before she dies.

#### The F-It List

YA FIC Halpern (Kennedy)

Alex cuts ties with her best friend Becca after her dad's funeral. Time passes, and Alex finally decides to forgive Becca. Then she finds out Becca has cancer. It also turns out Becca has a bucket list, one she doesn't know if she'll be able to finish

#### **Forever Changes**

YA FIC Halpin (Kennedy)

Brianna's held out for a long time, but a body with cystic fibrosis doesn't last forever. Now at eighteen, and doubting she'll make nineteen, Brianna learns that the meaning of forever can change, and life, and death, are both filled with infinite possibilities.

#### Please Ignore Vera Dietz

YA FIC King (Kennedy)

Vera's spent her whole life secretly in love with her best friend, Charlie Kahn. And over the years she's kept a lot of his secrets, even after he betrayed her. So when Charlie dies in dark circumstances, Vera knows a lot more than anyone, but will she emerge to clear his name? Does she even want to?

#### Say What You Will

YA FIC McGovern (Kennedy)

A girl confined to a wheelchair by cerebral palsy and a boy stymied by an obsessive-compulsive disorder are assigned to spend time together in what becomes a blossoming friendship that neither expected.

#### **Side Effects May Vary**

YA FIC Murphy (Kennedy)

After being diagnosed with leukemia, Alice is determined to make the most of the time she has left and exact revenge on the people that have wronged her. Just when Alice's scores are settled and she's prepared to die, something unexpected happens—she goes into remission.

#### OCD, the Dude, and Me

YA FIC Roedy (Kennedy)

Danielle doesn't fit in at her alternative high school, and she's forced to see the school psychologist and enroll in a "social skills" class. But, when she meets Daniel, another social misfit, Danielle's resolve to keep everyone at arm's length starts to crumble.

#### **Catch & Release**

YA FIC Woolston (Kennedy)

Polly and Odd survived an outbreak of MRSA (also known as flesh-eating bacteria). Polly lost an eye and her face is scarred. Odd lost his foot and is tortured by phantom pain. Polly and Odd had no connection before MRSA, but now they have nothing but each other.

#### The Probability of Miracles

YA FIC Wunder (Westergard)

Campbell has never been in love, and if the doctors are right, she'll never have the chance. So when she's told she needs a miracle, her family moves to Promise, Maine, a place where amazing, unexplainable events are said to occur.

#### **Additional Titles**

Thirteen Reasons Why

YA FIC Asher (Kennedy/Westergard)

**Going Bovine** 

YA FIC Bray (Kennedy/Westergard)

The Perks of Being a Wallflower

YA FIC Chbosky (Kennedy/Westergard)

**Deadline** 

YA FIC Crutcher (Kennedy/Westergard)

**Love Letters to the Dead** 

YA FIC Dellaira (Kennedy)

If I Stay

YA FIC Forman (Kennedy)

**Looking for Alaska** 

YA FIC Green (Kennedy/Westergard)

A Love Story Starring Me Dead Best Friend

YA FIC Horner (Kennedy/Westergard)

See You at Harry's

YA FIC Knowles (Westergard)

**Every Day** 

YA FIC Levithan (Kennedy)

**Second Chance Summer** 

YA FIC Matson (Kennedy)

A Monster Calls

YA FIC Ness (Westergard)

**Eleanor & Park** 

YA FIC Rowell (Kennedy/Westergard)

The Beginning of Everything

YA FIC Schneider (Kennedy)

Somebody Up There Hates You YA FIC Seamon (Kennedy)

How to Say Goodbye in Robot YA FIC Standiford (Kennedy)