Love Stinks

26 Kisses
Anna Michels

When Veda's boyfriend unceremoniously dumps her right after graduation, she embarks on a summer love quest to move on and move up: kiss 26 boys, one for each letter of the alphabet.

99 Days
Katie Cotugno

Cheating, a love triangle, and a summer that feels like a prison sentence.

And We Stay
Jenny Hubbard

Sent to an Amherst, Massachusetts, boarding school after her ex-boyfriend shoots himself, seventeen-year-old Emily expresses herself through poetry as she relives their relationship, copes with her guilt, and begins to heal.

Arrows
Melissa Gorzelanczyk

Dance prodigy Karma Clark's unrequited love for Danny is unbearable until Aaryn, son of Cupid, tries to fix his mistake and ends up falling in love with the beautiful dancer from Wisconsin who can never love him in return.

Back that Thing
Stephanie Perry Moore

The "Swoop list" girls are forced to examine their pasts and why their names are on that roster of so-called sluts, as well as what they should do--individually and in support of one another--to turn things around.

Better Off Friends
Elizabeth Eulberg

Macallan and Levi are best friends from the first day they meet in seventh grade, but over the years their close friendship keeps interfering with their dating life because everyone else regards them as a couple.

Boy Trouble
ReShonda Tate Billingsley

When it comes to the glitterati, nothing shocks Maya Morgan--until she sees former starlet Paula Olympia getting hit by her A-list actor boyfriend. So she's making it her mission to out celebrities in abusive relationships. But the bigger her story gets, the more signs she's seeing that her BFFs, Sheridan and Kennedi, are in big-time relationship trouble. And when they won't listen to her 411, Maya makes them her next big story. But putting her friends on blast uncovers a shocking secret. With friendships at the breaking point and her credibility again in doubt, Maya will have to dig deeper to find the whole truth--and save something way more valuable than her gossip diva throne.
In "Hot Boyz," Chance will do anything to become Ahmad's girl, but a lie might blow up in everyone's face; and in "The Boy Trap," Gabrielle schemes to be Tyler's pampered basketball wife, but her cheating ways put their relationship on the line.

Four tales by four different authors look at different sides of the end of a first love, presenting each author’s trademark style within her story.

Some sixteen-year-olds babysit for extra cash. Some work at the mall. Becca Williamson breaks up couples. Becca knows from experience the damage that love can do. After all, it was so-called love that turned Huxley from her childhood best friend into a social-world dictator, and love that left Becca's older sister devastated at the altar.

Jennifer thinks she and Max are the perfect couple, until he decides he just wants to be friends.

Just before her sixteenth birthday, Brie Eagan literally dies of a broken heart when her boyfriend tells her he does not love her, and she then must go through the five stages of grief, while watching her friends and family try to cope with her death, before her faith in love is restored and she can move on to the afterlife.

Seventeen-year-old aspiring artist Samantha Henderson, eager to learn about life and to get away from her father's political campaigns and her stepmother, refuses to give up on her new boyfriend, "X," even after he proves to be trouble, damaging her friendships and introducing her to drugs.

Nearly 1.5 million high school students a year are the victims of dating violence. One out of three teens experiences physical, emotional, verbal, or sexual abuse perpetrated by a boyfriend or girlfriend. One out of ten teens has been intentionally physically hurt by a romantic partner. Being the victim of dating violence may make you feel guilty, ashamed, depressed, or terrified. But it is sadly common. You are not alone, and none of it is your fault.
Did I Mention I Need You?
Estelle Maskame

Stepsiblings Eden Munro and Tyler Bruce have desperately tried to ignore their love for each other for the sake of their family. They've each formed other relationships, but now Tyler has invited Eden to spend the summer with him in New York. How will their family react if their physical relationship is uncovered?

Faking Perfect
Rebecca Phillips

Follows Lexi Shaw and dating drama in her high school.

The Fill In Boyfriend
Kasie West

When Gia Montgomery's boyfriend, Bradley, dumps her in the parking lot of her high school prom, she decides to do the unthinkable ... convince the cute guy waiting to pick up his sister to pretend to be her boyfriend for the night.

Fury
Elizabeth Miles

When high school junior Emily hooks up with her best friend's boyfriend and football quarterback Chase's life spirals out of control, three mysterious Furies--paranormal creatures that often assume the form of beautiful women--come to town to make sure that Emily and Chase get what they deserve.

The Geek's Guide to Unrequited Love
Sarvenaz Tash

Graham Posner is trying to get his best friend, Roxana, to fall in love with him by planning the perfect weekend for her at Comic-Con.

The Girl Who Fell
S. M. Parker

When new boy in school, Alec, sweeps Zephyr off her feet, their passionate romance takes a dangerous and possessive turn when Alec begins manipulating Zephyr.

Heart's Delight
Per Nilsson

As a sixteen-year-old looks at and systematically destroys each of his mementos of Ann-Katrin, he replays scenes from their relationship and realizes that it was not the great romance he believed it to be.

A Little in Love
Susan E. Fletcher

Eponine, the street girl from Les Misérables, tells the story of her life and her unrequited love for Marius, which ultimately leads to her death on the barricades during the short-lived rebellion of June 1832.
The Lo-down
Lo Bosworth
Call Number: 306.73 B747 2011

Dating and interpersonal relationships.

The Most Excellent and Lamentable Tragedy of Romeo & Juliet
Call Number: 741.5 qH6621r 2013

A comedic adaptation of the play by William Shakespeare.

The Museum of Heartbreak
Meg Leder

In this ode to all the things we gain and lose and gain again, seventeen-year-old Penelope Marx curates her own mini-museum to deal with all the heartbreaks of love, friendship, and growing up.

The Night We Said Yes
Lauren Gibaldi

After Ella unexpectedly falls for Matt, the cute new guy in town, she's heartbroken when he abruptly disappears, only to return a year later with a plan to relive the night that brought them together, but Ella wonders if he's worth a second chance.

Over You
Emma McLaughlin

When seventeen-year-old Max got her heart broken, she made it her mission to help other girls get over being dumped, but did she ever really get over her own heartbreak?

Pretend You Love Me
Julie Anne Peters

Mike is struggling to come to terms with her father's suicide and her mother's detachment from the family. Mike (real name: Mary Elizabeth) is gay and likes to pump iron, play softball, and fix plumbing. When a glamorous new girl, Xanadu, arrives in Mike's small Kansas town, Mike falls in love at first sight. Xanadu is everything Mike is not -- cool, confident, feminine, sexy... straight.

Starting From Here
Lisa Jenn Bigelow

Sixteen-year-old Colby is barely hanging on with her mother dead, her long-haul trucker father often away, her almost-girlfriend dumping her for a boy, and her failing grades, when a stray dog appears and helps her find hope.

Strobe Edge
Sakisaka Io
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A manga series about high school romance.
Teens and dating.

This Song is (Not) For You
Laura Nowlin

When Ramona falls in love with two members of her band, how can she be true to her feelings without breaking up the band?

Triggered
Vicki Grant

Mick knew breaking up with Jade would be tough--but not as tough as this. They've been going out for three years. He can't ditch her now just when her little brother Gavin is so sick. She needs him. Is Mick being a good guy or a sucker? Is Jade using Gavin's illness to hang on to Mick--or is it something more sinister than that? It all depends on who you believe.

Truly, Madly, Deadly
Hannah Jayne

When her abusive boyfriend dies in what seems to be a drunk-driving accident, Sawyer is secretly relieved until she opens her locker and finds a note from a secret admirer that says "You're welcome."