Dry
by Neal Shusterman
A lengthy California drought escalates to catastrophic proportions, turning Alyssa’s quiet suburban street into a warzone, and she is forced to make impossible choices if she and her brother are to survive.

These violent delights
by Chloe Gong
Set in 1920s Shanghai, a reimagining of Romeo and Juliet follows the star-crossed romance of a flapper-turned-gang leader who must set aside her prejudices to work beside a rival to protect their city from territorial gangsters.

At the end of everything
by Marieke Nijkamp
Trapped in the Hope Juvenile Treatment Center with a plague raging outside that passes through their ranks while supplies quickly dwindle, a group of incarcerated teens must figure out how to survive in a world that has never seemed to want them.

The outlaws Scarlett and Browne
by Jonathan Stroud
On the run from her latest bank robbery, Scarlett McCain comes to the rescue of Albert Browne, the sole survivor of a horrific accident, and soon learns he may be the most dangerous threat of all.

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Looking for books about surviving the wilderness or fast-paced stories with a touch of fantasy or science fiction? Try these Adventure books!
Paradise on fire
by Jewell Parker Rhodes
*Tween Rhodes*
Attending a summer wilderness program along with five other Black city kids, Addy, haunted by the fire that killed her parents, is forced to come face-to-face with her past when she must save her fellow campers from a raging forest fire.

Hunting by stars
by Cherie Dimaline
Years ago, when plagues and natural disasters killed millions of people, the only people who can still dream are the Indigenous peoples of North America. Soon, residential schools pop up—or are re-opened—across the land to bring in the dreamers and harvest their dreams.

Ski Weekend
by Rektok Ross
Sam is dreading senior ski weekend and having to watch after her brother and his best friend, Gavin, to make sure they don’t do anything stupid. Crammed into an SUV with three other classmates and Gavin’s dog, they crash into a snowbank, and Sam and her friends find themselves stranded in the mountains with no cell coverage and temperatures dropping.

Be not far from me
by Mindy McGinnis
Feeling more at home in the woods than under a roof, Ashley finds the limits of her survival abilities tested when a betrayal and an accident strand her in untracked territory.

The epic crush of Genie Lo
by F. C. Yee
Sixteen-year-old Genie’s focus on getting into a top-tier college is destroyed when an enigmatic transfer student, Quentin, helps her transform into a demon-fighter.

My Hero Academia. Vol. 1
by Khei Horikoshi
*Manga M*
Without any special power, middle school student Izuku Midoriya has no chance of getting into the prestigious U.A. High School for budding heroes, but an encounter with the great hero All Might gives him an opportunity to change his destiny.

Dustborn
by Erin Bowman
Hiding a map branded onto her back that nobody she knows can read, Delta attempts to rescue loved ones from attacking raiders before uncovering a secret that upends the foundation of her postapocalyptic world.

Dactyl Hill Squad
by Daniel José Older
* Tween Older*
It is the summer of 1863, and as the Civil War rages between dinosaur-mounted armies down south, and a tense New York City seems on the brink of exploding into riots, Magdalys Roca and the other children at the Colored Orphan Asylum are trying to survive while also saving her brother from the war.

Alone in the woods
by Rebecca Behrens
* Tween Behrens*
8th graders Jocelyn and Alex, former best friends forced together on a family vacation, must cooperate to survive when they get lost in the Wisconsin Northwoods. Told in two voices.

Cleo Porter and the body electric
by Jake Burt
* Tween Burt*
Like everyone else Cleo and her parents are sealed in an apartment so they’re safe from the disease that nearly killed all humans. When they receive a package with substance critical for a stranger’s survival—Cleo is stuck.

Girls save the world in this one
by Ash Parsons
Looking forward to the panels, photo ops and celebrity appearances at the ZombieCon fan convention, June and her girl-power friends discover that real zombies have taken over the event, prompting a daring plan to save the world.

The Friend Scheme
by Cale Dietrich
Expected to follow in his powerful criminal father’s footsteps, 17-year-old Matt longs for a different life while bonding with a new friend who demonstrates suspicious interest in Matt’s father’s activities.