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The Sunbearer Trials

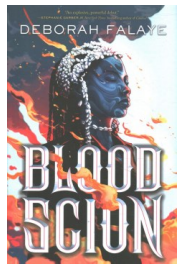
by Aiden Thomas

Chosen to participate in The Sunbearer Trials, where the loser is sacrificed to the Sun Stones, Teo, the trans son of the bird goddess, competes against powerful opponents for fame, glory and survival.



Song of the Six Realms

A talented musician with no family and no patron, Xue accepts an offer from the mysterious Duke Meng only to discover he's the Duke of Dreams, one of the divine rulers of the Celestial Realm who needs her help to stop an impending war.



Blood Scion

by Deborah Falaye
A Scion— a descendant of the ancient
Orisha gods who must hide her powers—
Sloan, drafted into the brutal Lucis army,
decides to destroy their ranks from within.
In the process, she risks becoming the
very monster she hates.



So Let Them Burn

by Kamilah Cole
After her sister forms a bond with an enemy dragon, Faron, who once wielded the magic of the gods to save her island from those dragon-riding colonizers, must save her sister and the world in this story inspired by Jamaican mythology.



The Dark Becomes Her

by Judy I. Lin

This bone-chilling novel, infused with Chinese & Taiwanese mythology, follows Ruby as she seeks to expel an evil spirit possessing her sister. She is thrown into a battle over the underworld gateway.



Skin of the Sea

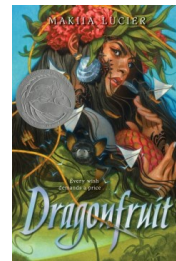
by Natasha Bowen
Transformed by the goddess Yemoja into a Mami Wati, an African mermaid charged with collecting the souls of those who die at sea, Simi goes against the gods to save a living boy from drowning.



Threads That Bind

by Hatzopoulou, Kika

Using her Fate-born abilities as a private investigator, Io works at the right hand of the infamous Mob Queen to solve a string of murders, but when her sister shows up on the arm of her best suspect, her investigation turns personal.



Dragonfruit

by Makiia Lucier

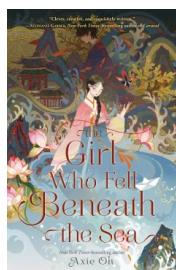
Forced into exile, Hanalei of Tamarind is reunited with her childhood best friend Sam to find a rare dragonfruit whose magic can save his mother, the princess—offering Hanalei the chance to return home and right a terrible wrong.



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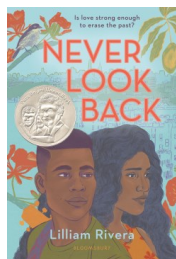


The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea

by Oh, Axie

In a land ravaged by deadly storms, Mina sacrifices herself to the Sea God to save her brother and, after being swept away to the Spirit Realm, finds him caught in an enchanted sleep and must awaken him to save her people in this Korean

mythology retelling.



Never Look Back

by Rivera, Lilliam

An Afro-Latinx Dystopian retelling of the Greek myth, Orpheus and Eurydice, in which Eury leaves Puerto Rico for the Bronx, haunted both by losing all to Hurricane Maria and by Ato, an evil Caribbean mythological spirit. She falls for Pheus, who tries to fight her demons.



This Woven Kingdom

by Tahereh Mafi

Alizeh is the long-lost heir to an ancient Jinn kingdom forced to hide in plain sight as a servant. Crown Prince Kamran has heard the prophecies foretelling the death of his king. But he could never have imagined that the servant girl he can't put out of his mind would uproot his kingdom and the world in this trilogy inspired by Persian mythology.



The Lost Dreamer

by Lizz Huerta

In an ancient world, Indir, a Dreamer able to see beyond reality, must carefully guard her secrets from the new king, who plans to see the Dreamers destroyed. Saya, a seer, risks everything to find the truth about her gifts in this story based on MesoAmerican mythology.



The Night Hunt

by Alexandra Christo

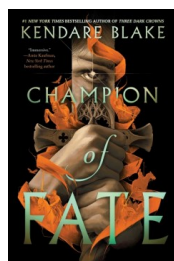
To avenge her family, Atia, a monster who feeds on fear, strikes a bargain with Silas, a cursed Herald who desperately wants his humanity restored, and together they must kill the three powerful creatures who destroyed both their lives in order to rewrite their destinies.



Her Dark Wings

by Salisbury, Melinda

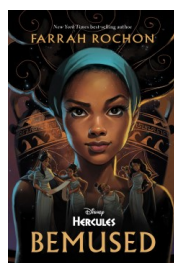
Accidentally catching a glimpse of her best friend's spirit passing into the afterlife, which brings her face-to-face with Hades, lord of the dead, Corey is taken to the Underworld where she tries to resist the lure of the darkness within.



Champion of Fate

by Kendare Blake

To finally take her place in the mythical order of female warriors, Reed, a hero-maker in training, must lead her hero to victory or lose all she's ever known. But when she falls in love with her hero, she is forced to make a difficult decision.



Bemused

by Farrah Rochon

Five teenaged sisters learn their mother is the Goddess of Memory and that she's been hiding from the gods of Mount Olympus to keep her daughters safe, in the origin story of the five Muses from Disney's Hercules.



Godly Heathens

by H. E. Edgmon

Nonbinary Seminole teen Gem Echols is rescued by a strange new girl who reveals they are reincarnated gods who've known and loved each other across lifetimes—and who have made enemies, including the Death Goddess.



The Girl With No Reflection

by Chow, Keshe

Chosen to wed the crown prince, Ying finds her husband-to-be cold and indifferent. Confined to her room with only her reflection for company, she is pulled into a mirror world where she discovers the dark truth the royal family has been hiding for centuries in this tale infused with Chinese mythology.