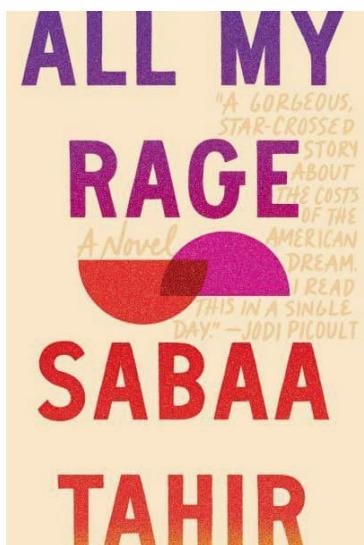
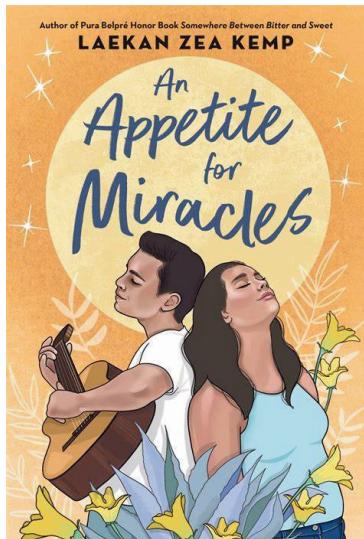


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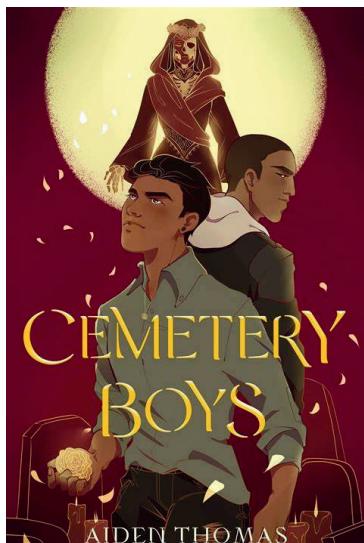
All My Rage
by Sabaa Tahir

Sal and Noor who from growing up together, are more than best friends; they are family...until The Fight. Now, Noor's days are spent hiding the fact that she's applying to college so she can escape her uncle and hometown forever. Meanwhile, Sal struggles to run the family motel as his mother's health fails and his father drinks. But when Sal's attempts spiral out of control, he and Noor must ask themselves what friendship is worth.



An Appetite for Miracles
by Laekan Zea Kemp

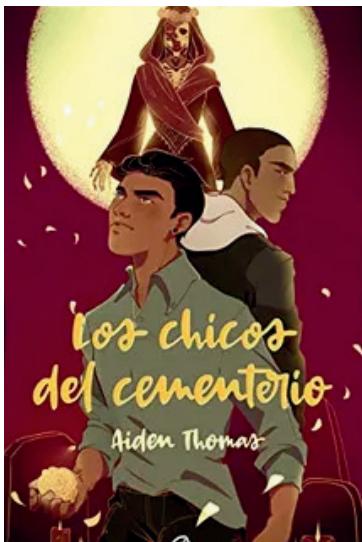
After finding a personal book of recipes written by their grandfather who has dementia, Danna and her cousin Victoria reintroduce him to each dish, intending to recall lost memories. Meanwhile, Raúl Santos, alongside his pastor uncle, acts as a "human jukebox" for their community's elderly. When Danna and Raúl meet, sparks fly, and together they discover the joys of first love and inspire each other to look ahead to their futures.



Cemetery Boys
by Aiden Thomas

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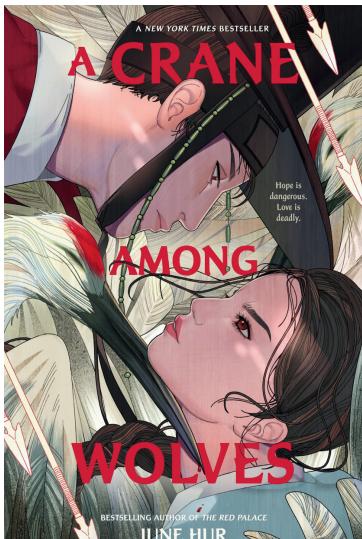
Yadriel a trans boy in a family of unaccepting bruix, tries to prove he's a true brujo by releasing his cousin's spirit. But he mistakenly summons the spirit of Julian Diaz, an obnoxious boy from his school who refuses to move on until he's sure the friends he was with when he died are alright. Falling in love with a spirit wasn't his plan, but attraction grows even as the mystery of what happened to both Julian and Miguel remains.

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Los chicos del cementerio
de Aiden Thomas

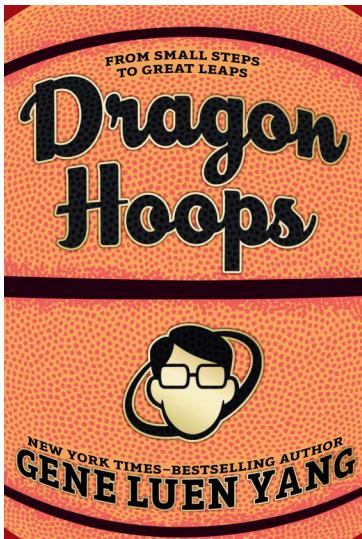
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Yadriel, un chico trans en una familia de brujos intolerantes, intenta demostrar que es un verdadero brujo liberando el espíritu de su primo. Pero por error invoca el espíritu de Julián Díaz, un chico odioso de su escuela que se niega a seguir adelante hasta estar seguro de que los amigos con los que estaba cuando murió están bien. Enamorarse de un espíritu no era su plan, pero la atracción crece incluso cuando el misterio de lo que les sucedió a Julián y Miguel sigue sin resolverse.



A Crane Among Wolves
by June Hur

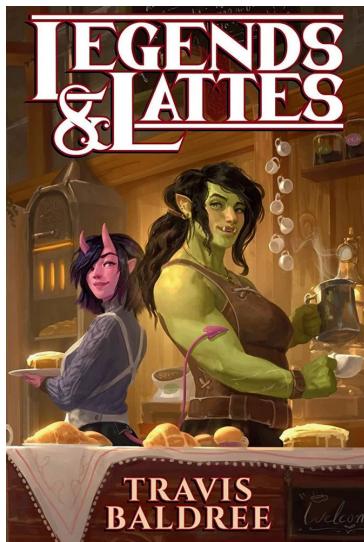
In a kingdom gripped by turmoil, privileged Iseul defies danger to rescue her sister Suyeon from the absolute power of tyrannical King Yeonsan, while Prince Daehyun, desperate to overthrow his despotic half-brother with a coup, forms an uneasy alliance with her as she hunts for an assassin known as Nameless Flower—in the hopes of trading the true identity for her sister's release.



Dragon Hoops
by Gene Luen Yang

Part memoir, part history, and part riveting sports story, Yang opens with a confession: He's always hated sports. But he's drawn to cross the divide when he begins hearing about the school basketball team's current season. Seeking out the coach, he discovers they have a lot in common.

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Legends & Lattes
by Travis Baldree

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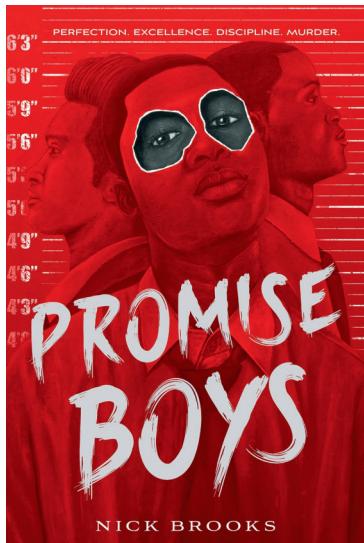
After a lifetime of bounties and bloodshed, Viv is hanging up her sword for the last time. The battle-weary orc aims to start fresh, opening the first ever coffee shop in the city of Thune. But old and new rivals stand in the way of success—not to mention the fact that no one has the faintest idea what coffee actually is.



El café de las leyendas
de Travis Baldree

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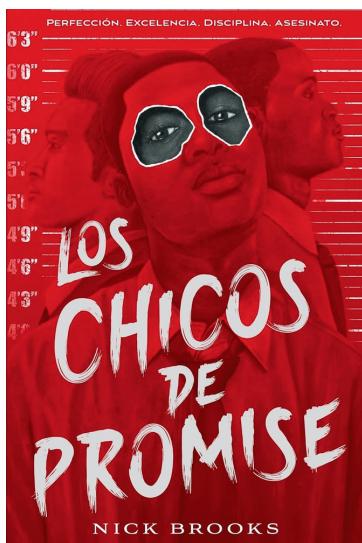
Tras toda una vida de recompensas y derramamiento de sangre, Viv cuelga su espada por última vez. La orca, cansada de la guerra, quiere empezar de cero y abrir la primera cafetería de la ciudad de Thune. Pero antiguos y nuevos rivales se interponen en su camino hacia el éxito, por no mencionar el hecho de que nadie tiene la más mínima idea de lo que es realmente el café.



Promise Boys
by Nick Brooks

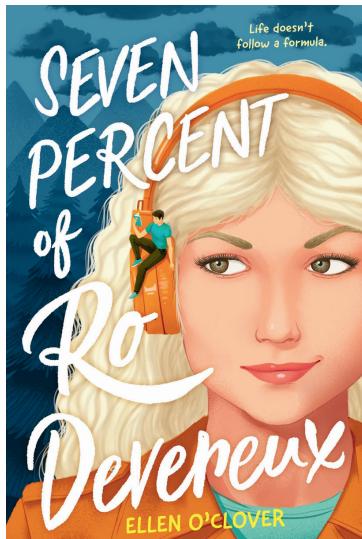
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The prestigious Urban Promise Prep school might look pristine on the outside, but deadly secrets lurk within. When the principal ends up murdered and the cops come sniffing around, a trio of students emerge as the prime suspects. They had the means, they had the motive...and they may have had the weapon. But with all three maintaining their innocence, they must band together to track down the real killer.

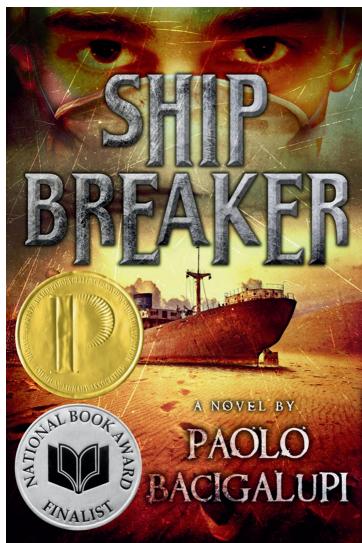
BATTLE OF THE BOOKS*Los chicos de Promise*
de Nick Brooks

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La prestigiosa escuela Urban Promise Prep puede parecer impecable por fuera, pero en su interior se esconden secretos mortales. Cuando el director aparece asesinado y la policía empieza a investigar, tres estudiantes se convierten en los principales sospechosos. Tenían los medios, tenían el motivo...y es posible que tuvieran el arma. Pero como los tres mantienen su inocencia, deben unirse para encontrar al verdadero asesino.

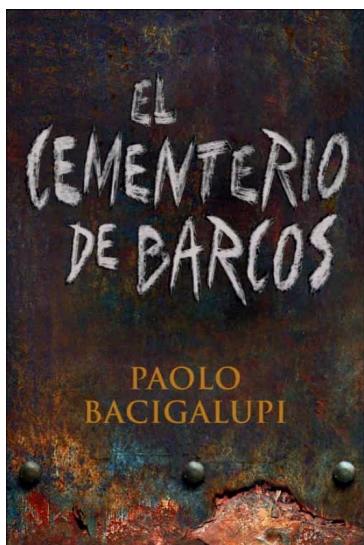
*Seven Percent of Ro Devereux*
by Ellen O'Clover

Working with her neighbor, a retired behavioral scientist, Ro created an app called MASH that can predict a person's future with 93% accuracy. Now, this senior project turned viral sensation may solve her college vs. dream job dilemma. That is if she can get her childhood best friend, whom she had a friendship-destroying fight with, to agree to fake date her to prove the app's capabilities.

*Ship Breaker*
by Paolo Bacigalupi

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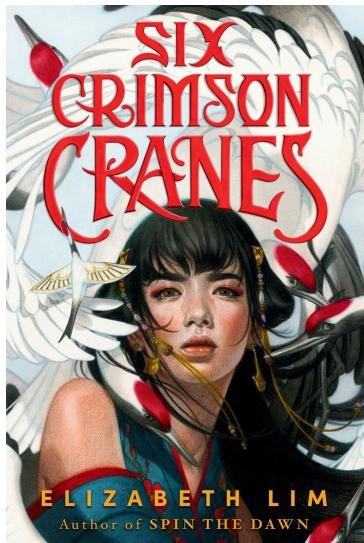
Earning barely enough to buy food, Nailer and the other scavengers live life on the edge. So when he discovers a luxurious clipper ship beached after a hurricane and filled with dead crew members, the potential to change his life for the better seems within reach...until he discovers the owner on board, barely alive. Now Nailer must decide whether to kill her and claim her riches or help her return home.

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El cementerio de barcos
de Paolo Bacigalupi

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Ganando apenas lo suficiente para comprar comida, Nailer y los demás chatarreros viven al límite. Así que cuando descubre un lujoso velero varado tras un huracán y lleno de tripulantes muertos, la posibilidad de cambiar su vida para mejor parece estar a su alcance...hasta que descubre a la propietaria a bordo, apenas viva. Ahora Nailer debe decidir si matarla y quedarse con sus riquezas o ayudarla a regresar a casa.



Six Crimson Cranes
by Elizabeth Lim

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Shiori, the only princess of Kiata, has a secret. Forbidden magic runs through her veins. When caught wielding this power, her stepmother banishes her and her brothers who've been transformed into cranes with a warning that with every word to escape her lips, one will die. To reverse the curse, Shiori must place her trust in a paper bird, a mercurial dragon, and the very boy she fought so hard not to marry.

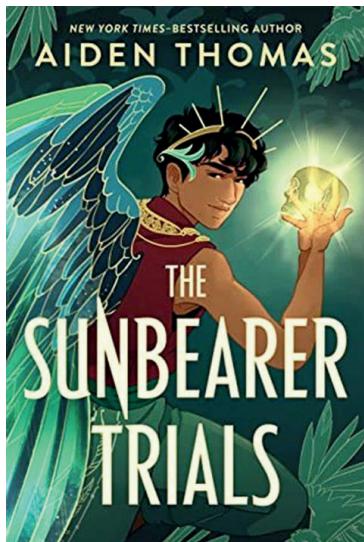


Seis grullas
de Elizabeth Lim

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Shiori, la única princesa de Kiata, tiene un secreto. La magia prohibida corre por sus venas. Cuando la descubren ejerciendo este poder, su madrastra la destierra junto con sus hermanos, que han sido transformados en grullas, con la advertencia de que por cada palabra que salga de sus labios, uno de ellos morirá. Para revertir la maldición, Shiori debe depositar su confianza en un pájaro de papel, un dragón mercurial y el mismo chico con el que luchó tan duramente para no casarse.

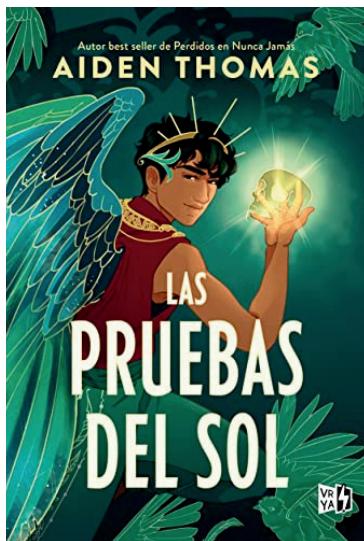
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The Sunbearer Trials by Aiden Thomas

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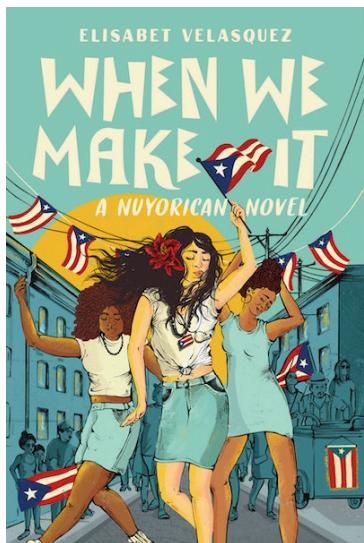
Every decade, ten worthy opponents compete in the Sunbearer Trials to determine who will keep the Obsidian gods at bay. The loser has the greatest honor of all—they will be sacrificed to Sol, their body melted down to refuel the protective Sun Stones. Teo, born to a weaker god, isn't worried about being chosen until the impossible happens. Now he must compete against his best friend, crush, and others favored and trained to win.



Las pruebas del sol de Aiden Thomas

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Cada década, diez dignos oponentes compiten en las Pruebas del sol para determinar quién mantendrá a raya a los dioses de Obsidiana. El perdedor tiene el mayor honor de todos: será sacrificado a Sol, y su cuerpo se fundirá para reabastecer las piedras protectoras del sol. Teo, hijo de un dios más débil, no se preocupa por ser elegido, hasta que ocurre lo imposible. Ahora debe competir contra su mejor amigo, su amor platónico y otros favoritos, y entrenados para ganar.

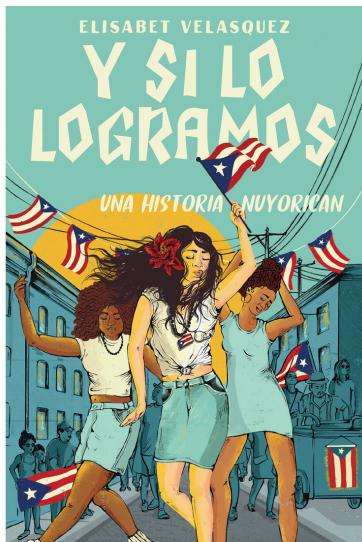


When We Make It by Elisabet Velasquez

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Sarai, a proud Puerto Rican growing up in the '90s, uses verse to navigate the strain of family traumas and the systemic pressures of toxic masculinity and housing insecurity in a rapidly gentrifying Brooklyn. As she questions society around her, her Boricua identity, and the life she lives, she relies on sisterly love and her own grit to find her way.

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Y si lo logramos
de Elisabet Velasquez

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Sarai, una orgullosa puertorriqueña que creció en los años 90, utiliza la poesía para lidiar con el estrés de los traumas familiares y las presiones sistémicas de la masculinidad tóxica y la inseguridad de la vivienda en un Brooklyn en rápida gentrificación. Mientras cuestiona la sociedad que la rodea, su identidad boricua y la vida que lleva, se apoya en el amor fraternal y en su propia determinación para encontrar su camino.



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