

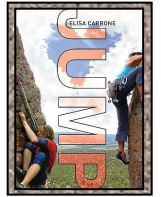
ROAD TRIP READS

Traveling Fiction for Teens

[Going Bovine by Libba Bray](#)

YA BRAY

Cameron Smith, a disaffected 16-year-old who, after being diagnosed with Creutzfeldt Jakob's (aka mad cow) disease, sets off on a road trip with a death-obsessed video gaming dwarf he meets in the hospital in an attempt to find a cure.



[Desert Crossing by Elise Broach](#)

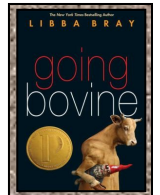
YA BROACH

A summer trip across the New Mexico desert turns nightmarish for 14-year-old Lucy, her older brother Jamie, and his best friend Kit, as they become involved in the suspicious death of a young girl.

[Jump by Elisa Carbone](#)

YA CARBONE

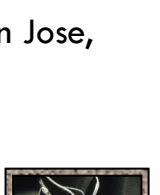
Two teenaged runaways meet at a climbing gym and together embark on a dangerous and revealing journey.



[Car Trouble by Jeanne DuPrau](#)

YA DUPRAU

Early one August morning, 17-year-old computer nerd Duff Pringle leaves Richmond, VA, in a newly acquired used car and begins an unexpectedly convoluted journey to San Jose, California, and the job that awaits him there.



[An Abundance of Katherines by John Green](#)

YA GREEN

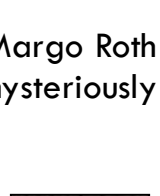
Colin Singleton tends to fall for girls named Katherine. He goes on a mission to prove The Theorem of Underlying Katherine Predictability, which will predict the future of all relationships, realize his true genius, and win him the girl.



[Paper Towns by John Green](#)

YA GREEN

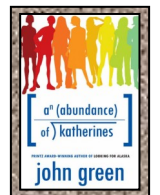
One month before graduating from his Central Florida high school, Quentin "Q" Jacobsen basks in the predictable boringness of his life until the beautiful and exciting Margo Roth Spiegelman, Q's neighbor and classmate, takes him on a midnight adventure and then mysteriously disappears.



[Sister Slam and the Poetic Motormouth Roadtrip](#) by Linda Oatman High

YA HIGH

In this novel told in slam verse, best friends and aspiring poets Laura and Twig embark on a road trip after graduating from high school, from Pennsylvania to NYC, to compete at slam poetry events.



[Becoming Chloe by Catherine Ryan Hyde](#)

YA HYDE

A gay teen boy and a fragile teen girl meet while living on the streets of NYC and eventually decide to take a road trip across America to discover whether or not the world is a beautiful place.

LIFE IS A JOURNEY, NOT A DESTINATION

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Public Libraries

"WHAT A LONG STRANGE TRIP IT'S BEEN"—GRATEFUL DEAD

[13 Little Blue Envelopes by Maureen Johnson](#)

YA JOHNSON

When 17-year-old Ginny receives a pack of mysterious envelopes from her favorite aunt, she leaves New Jersey to criss-cross Europe on a sort of scavenger hunt that transforms her life.

[Boy Girl Boy by Ronald Koertge](#)

YA KOERTGE

Three troubled high school seniors, who plan to run away together from Illinois to California after graduation, try to figure out who they are and who they want to be.

[How To Be Bad by E. Lockhart](#)

YA LOCKHART

Told in alternating voices, Jesse, Vicks, and Mel, hoping to leave all their worries and woes behind, escape their small town by taking a road trip to Miami.

[Amy & Roger's Epic Detour by Morgan Matson](#)

YA MATSON

After the death of her father, Amy, a high school student, and Roger, a college freshman, set out on a carefully planned road trip from California to Connecticut, but wind up taking many detours, forcing Amy to face her worst fears and come to terms with her grief and guilt.

[Miles Between by Mary E. Pearson](#)

YA PEARSON

17-year-old Destiny keeps a painful childhood secret all to herself until she and three classmates from her exclusive boarding school take off on an unauthorized road trip in search of "one fair day."

[As Easy as Falling Off the Face of the Earth](#)

by Lynne Rae Perkins

YA PERKINS

A teen boy encounters one comedic calamity after another when his train strands him in the middle of nowhere, and everything comes down to luck.

[Fall For Anything by Courtney Summers](#)

YA SUMMERS

As she searches for clues that would explain the suicide of her successful photographer father, Eddie Reeves meets the strangely compelling Culler Evans who seems to know a great deal about her father and could hold the key to the mystery surrounding his death.

[Wherever Nina Lies by Lynn Weingarten](#)

YA WEINGARTEN

V, the queen of the meaningless hookup, has been with Sam for a pretty long time, but when she panics after graduation and messes everything up, it takes a solo driving trip from New York to visit her irresponsible mother in Texas before she learns enough about herself to know what she really wants.

[My Road Trip to the Pretty Girl Capital of the World](#)

by Brian Yansky

YA YANSKY

In 1979 when his life in Mansfield, Iowa, seems to fall apart, 17-year-old Simon takes his father's car and sets out for Texas, looking for his birth parents and picking up a man claiming to be Elvis, two bums, and an abused young wife along the way.

