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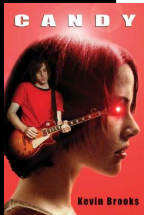
Teen Books About Music

There are more love songs than anything else. If songs could make you do something we'd all love one another. — Frank Zappa



Jimi and Me **Jaime Adoff** **YA Adoff**

After his father's tragic death, twelve-year-old Keith James moves from Brooklyn to a small midwestern town where his mixed race heritage is not accepted, but he finds comfort in the music of Jimi Hendrix and the friendship of a white classmate.



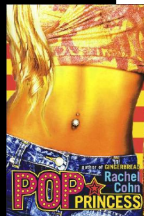
Candy **Kevin Brooks** **YA Brooks**

After falling in love with Candy, a drug addict, Joe becomes desperate as he tries to keep his dream of working as a musician alive while trying to save Candy from her self-destructive ways.



Wild Roses **Deb Caletti** **YA Caletti**

In Washington State, seventeen-year-old Cassie learns about the good and bad sides of both love and genius while living with her mother and brilliant, yet disturbed, violinist stepfather and falling in love with a gifted young musician.



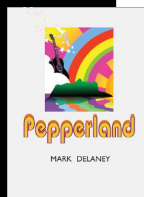
Pop Princess **Rachel Cohn** **YA Cohn**

Yearning to escape the small Massachusetts town where her family retreated after her sister's death, Wonder Blake gets her chance when her sister's manager offers Wonder a record contract on her sixteenth birthday.



Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist
Rachel Cohn and David Levithan **YA Cohn**

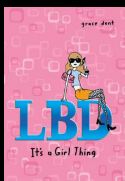
High school student Nick O'Leary, member of a rock band, meets college-bound Norah Silverberg and asks her to be his girlfriend for five minutes in order to avoid his ex-sweetheart.



Pepperland **Mark Delaney** **YA Delaney**

Pamela Jean (a.k.a. Star) is sixteen when her mother dies, and nothing seems to make her feel better. It is not until Star finds an unsent letter addressed to John Lennon and a broken-down vintage Gibson guitar that she begins to find a way out of her grief...and maybe even a way to take care of some unfinished business left by her mother.

I think there's nothing better than seeing a three-chord straight up rock 'n' roll band in your face with sweaty music and three minute good songs. — Joan Jett



LBD: It's A Girl Thing Grace Dent YA Dent

Barred by their overprotective parents from attending a rock music festival, fourteen-year-olds Ronnie, Fleur, and Claude, also known as "Les Bambinos Dangereuses," decide to stage their own music festival at Blackwell School.



Just Listen Sarah Dessen YA Dessen

Isolated from friends who believe the worst because she has not been truthful with them, sixteen-year-old Annabel finds an ally in classmate Owen, whose honesty and passion for music help her to face and share what really happened at the end-of-the-year party that changed her life.



Fat Kid Rules the World K.L. Going YA Going

Seventeen-year-old Troy, depressed, suicidal, and weighing nearly 300 pounds, gets a new perspective on life when a homeless teenager who is a genius on guitar wants Troy to be the drummer in his rock band.



Born To Rock Gordon Korman YA Korman

High school senior Leo Caraway, a conservative Republican, learns that his biological father is a punk rock legend.



Heavy Metal and You Christopher Krovatin YA Krovatin

High schooler Sam begins losing himself when he falls for a preppy girl who wants him to give up getting wasted with his best friends and even his passion for heavy metal music in order to become a better person.



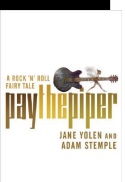
Guitar Girl Sarra Manning YA Manning

Seventeen-year-old Molly Montgomery forms a rock band with her closest friends, Tara and Jane, but their unexpected success forces them to confront the hazards of fame.



King Dork Frank Portman YA Portman

High school loser Tom Henderson discovers that "The Catcher in the Rye" may hold the clues to the many mysteries in his life.



Pay the Piper Jane Yolen and Adam Stemple YA Yolen

When Callie interviews the band, Brass Rat, for her school newspaper, her feelings are ambivalent, but when all the children of Northampton begin to disappear on Halloween, she knows where the dangerous search must begin.