

# Quick Reads

## Short Stories for Teens



- After**                    **After: Nineteen Stories of Apocalypse and Dystopia** (2012)  
Stories that explore the lives of teens being raised in worlds that have survived catastrophes.
- Chambers, Aidan**        **The Kissing Game** (2011)  
A collection of sixteen short stories that center around love and relationships.
- Crutcher, Chris**        **Angry Management** (2009)  
Like **Athletic Shorts** (1991), these stories feature old and new characters from earlier Crutcher novels.
- Curiosities**            **The Curiosities** (2012)  
An anthology of darkly paranormal stories, with comments by the authors on their writing process.
- DeLint, Charles**        **Waifs and Strays** (2002)  
Magic, vampires, deception, and good versus evil collide to form a well blended book of short stories.
- Fear**                    **Fear: Thirteen Stories of Suspense and Horror** (2010)  
From cannibalistic children, to an unwitting date with a vampire, no scary stone is left unturned.
- Firebirds**                **Firebirds Soaring** (2009)  
A collection of original stories by today's finest fantasy and science fiction writers.
- Gaiman, Neil**            **M is for Magic** (2007)  
Eleven stories that involve strange and fantastical events.
- Geektastic**              **Geektastic: Stories From the Nerd Herd** (2009)  
Features all things geeky, from Klingons and Jedi Knights to fan fiction, theater geeks, and cosplayers.
- Horowitz, Anthony**    **Bloody Horowitz** (2010)  
Fourteen horror tales that include a deadly car, a phantom cobra, and a reality show pitting teens against adults.
- Lanagan, Margo**        **Red Spikes** (2006)  
Supernatural stories that delve into the crevices of nightmare, temptation, and helplessness.
- Levithan, David**        **How They Met and Other Stories** (2008)  
A collection of eighteen stories describing the surprises, sacrifices, doubts, pain, and joy of falling in love.
- Link, Kelly**              **Pretty Monsters** (2008)  
Weirdly wonderful with a touch of horror, nine stories take readers into realistic worlds with a fantastic twist.
- Lubar, David**            **Battle of the Red Hot Pepper Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales** (2009)  
Fourth book in the "Weenies" short story collections that include funny, scary, and bizarre tales.
- Marr, Melissa**            **Love is Hell** (2008)  
Five stories of supernatural romance by popular authors.

Outside	<b>Outside Rules: Short Stories About Nonconformist Youth</b> (2007) An anthology of fourteen stories about teens who do not quite fit in.
Peters, Julie Ann	<b>Grl2grl</b> (2007) Stories that explore the complexities of love, romance and dating for gay teenage girls.
Prom	<b>Prom Nights From Hell</b> (2007) Popular teen authors write a collection of horror stories that all are set during high school proms.
Shards	<b>Shards and Ashes</b> (2013) Dystopian stories of the survivors of worlds devastated by human, ecological, or supernatural causes.
Shusterman, Neal	<b>Darkness Creeping: Twenty Twisted Tales</b> (2007) Stories that show what happens when mundane reality bumps against the scary and the strange.
Sideshow	<b>Sideshow: 10 Original Tales of Freaks, Illusionists and Other Matters Odd and Magical</b> (2009) Stories of the bizarre featuring mediums, mummies, circus freaks, and monsters of every sort.
Steampunk!	<b>Steampunk!: An Anthology of Fantastically Rich and Strange Stories</b> (2012) Fourteen fantasy stories featuring automatons, clockworks, and marvels that never existed.
Such	<b>Such a Pretty Face: Short Stories About Beauty</b> (2007) A collection of wild, funny, and thought-provoking stories by well-known young adult writers.
Thirteen	<b>13: Thirteen Stories That Capture the Agony and Ecstasy of Being Thirteen</b> (2003) Popular teen authors write original stories about being the pivotal age of thirteen.
Twenty	<b>21 Proms</b> (2007) A collection of stories centered around prom written by well-known young adult authors.
Twice	<b>Twice Told: Original Stories Inspired by Original Art</b> (2006) 9 drawings are translated into a story by two different authors who imagine what is going on in the picture.
Vacations	<b>Vacations From Hell</b> (2009) Five short stories in which a vacation takes a supernatural turn.
Vande Velde, Vivian	<b>Cloaked in Red</b> (2010) Presents eight twists on the traditional tale of Little Red Riding Hood.
What	<b>What A Song Can Do: 12 Riffs on the Power of Music</b> (2004) Twelve stories describe the power of music on young people.
What	<b>What Are You Afraid Of? Stories About Phobias</b> (2006) Stories by popular authors featuring teens with phobias, including fear of gaining weight, clowns, and cats.
World's	<b>The World's Shortest Stories</b> (1995) Truly short stories, all about 55 words long with themes of murder, love, horror, and suspense.
Zombies	<b>Zombies Vs. Unicorns</b> (2010) Twelve stories by a variety of authors seek to answer the question of whether zombies are better than unicorns.