

# Short Stories for teens



*Books in this list were selected to appeal  
to teens with a wide range of reading  
and maturity levels.*

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## Humorous Stories

**A Couple of Kooks: And Other Stories About Love**  
Rylant, Cynthia

**I Love You, I Hate You, Get Lost**  
Conford, Ellen

**Nastybook**  
Yourgrau, Barry

**Sixteen: Stories About That Sweet and Bitter Birthday**  
Sixteen

## Frightening Stories

**All the Old Haunts**  
Lynch, Chris

**Being Dead: Stories**  
Vande Velde, Vivian

**Demons and Shadows:  
The Ghostly Best Stories of Robert Westall**  
Westall, Robert

**Gothic!: Ten Original Dark Tales**  
Gothic

**Horowitz Horror: Stories You'll Wish You'd Never Read**  
Horowitz, Anthony

**Invasion of the Road Weenies:  
And Other Warped and Creepy Tales**  
Lubar, David

**Tales of Terror**  
Poe, Edgar Allan

**What Are You Afraid Of?: Stories About Phobias**  
What

## Multicultural Stories

**American Eyes: New Asian-American Short Stories  
for Young Adults**  
American

**Crazy Loco: Stories**  
Rice, David

**Face Relations: 11 Stories About Seeing Beyond Color**  
Face

**Island Boyz: Short Stories**  
Salisbury, Graham

**An Island Like You: Stories of the Barrio**  
Ortiz Cofer, Judith

**Join In: Multiethnic Short Stories  
by Outstanding Writers for Young Adults**  
Join

**Moccasin Thunder: American Indian Stories for Today**  
Moccasin

**145th Street: Short Stories**  
Myers, Walter Dean

**Thicker Than Water:  
Coming-of-age Stories by Irish and Irish American Writers**  
Thicker

**A Walk in My World:  
International Short Stories About Youth**  
Mazer, Anne

# Science Fiction/Fantasy

**Dreams and Visions: Fourteen Flights of Fantasy**  
Dreams

**Little Red Riding Hood in the Big Bad City**  
Little

**New Magics: An Anthology of Today's Fantasy**  
New

**Tales from Earthsea**  
LeGuin, Ursula K. (pb) L

**Water: Tales of Elemental Spirits**  
McKinley, Robin

**The Year's Best Science Fiction and Fantasy for Teens:**  
**First Annual Collection**  
Year's

# Sports Stories

**Athletic Shorts: Six Short Stories**  
Crutcher, Chris

**Love, Football, and Other Contact Sports**  
Carter, Alden

# Favorites

**Best Shorts: Favorite Short Stories for Sharing**  
Best

# Stories About Issues

**Black Juice**  
Lanagan, Margo

**The Color of Absence: 12 Stories About Loss and Hope**  
Color

**I Believe in Water: Twelve Brushes with Religion**  
I

**No Easy Answers: Short Stories About Teenagers**  
**Making Tough Choices**  
No

**On the Edge: Stories at the Brink**  
On

**Shattered: Stories of Children and War**  
Shattered

**Shining On: 11 Star Authors' Illuminating Stories**  
Shining

**Soul Searching: Thirteen Stories about Faith and Belief**  
Soul



# Teen Life

**Big City Cool: Short Stories About Urban Youth**  
Big

**Doing Time: Notes from the Undergrad**  
Thomas, Rob

**Every Man for Himself: Ten Short Stories  
About Being a Guy**  
Every

**Gone from Home: Short Takes**  
Johnson, Angela

**Help Wanted: Short Stories About Young People Working**  
Help

**Kissing Tennessee and Other Stories from  
the Stardust Dance**  
Appelt, Kathi

**Lost and Found: Award-winning Authors Sharing  
Real-life Experiences Through Fiction**  
Appelt, Kathi

**Necessary Noise: Stories About Our Families  
As They Really Are**  
Necessary

**No Missing Parts: And Other Stories About Real Princesses**  
Carter, Anne

**On the Fringe**  
On

**Past Perfect, Present Tense: New and Collected Stories**  
Peck, Richard

# Teen Life

**Shelf Life: Stories by the Book**  
Shelf

**Small Avalanches and Other Stories**  
Oates, Joyce Carol

**Stay True: Short Stories for Strong Girls**  
Stay

**Such A Pretty Face: Short Stories About Beauty**  
Such

**13: Thirteen Stories That Capture the Agony and  
Ecstasy of Being Thirteen**  
Thirteen

**A Time to Love: Stories from the Old Testament**  
Myers, Walter Dean

**Twice Told: Original Stories Inspired by Original Art**  
Twice

**What a Song Can Do: 12 Riffs on the Power of Music**  
What

**Young Warriors: Stories of Strength**  
Young

**Zebra and Other Stories**  
Potok, Chaim