

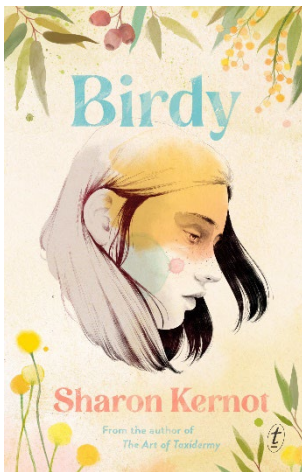
BOOKS FOR YOUNG ADULTS



***Every Word a Lie* / Sue Wallman 2023**

15-18 years

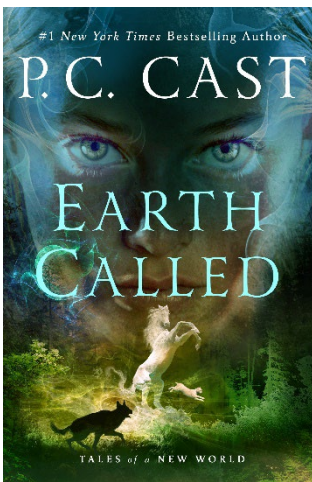
Someone is catfishing ... to kill. This is a nail-biting story of a catfishing prank that gets out of control ... and gets deadly. Two friends, Amy and Stan, plan revenge on their prankster friend Hollie by catfishing her as her crush. They only mean to do it for a day or two - but then Hollie ends up dead. As the catfish continues to strike others, Amy needs to find out: who is really in control of the catfish? Can she trust anyone? And is she the killer's next



***Birdy* / Sharon Kernot 2024**

14-17 years

Maddy is mute. Since the Incident she has barely spoken. And now she and her mother and brother are staying in a farmhouse on an old apricot orchard not far from town. It's a chance to rest and recuperate - or a way to hide further away from the world. Alice is waiting. Since Birdy, her darling daughter, disappeared forty-five years ago, she has sat in her house waiting for her to come home. Alice says Maddy reminds her of Birdy, and Maddy feels a strange connection to the long-lost girl. In the quiet not-speaking and waiting, amid the clutter of the old woman's house, Maddy and Alice slowly become friends. Until Maddy takes something that's not hers. Birdy is a tender warm-hearted verse novel about the pain of loss and shame, the beauty of words, and the healing power of small acts of kindness.



***Earth Called* / P.C. Cast 2023**

12+ years

Mari, Nik, their newly formed Pack and the Wind Riders are in danger as Thaddeus and the God of Death march ever closer in their quest to destroy and conquer everything and anyone who stands in their path.

The Pack and the Wind Riders must find a way to stop the God of Death before all is lost. There is one hope: Ralina, Death's Storyteller. The woman meant to be by his side, recording all his feats of greatness. Instead Ralina's heeds the call of the Goddess of Life, the only one who can defeat Death and escapes to warn the Pack and the Wind Riders.

In this last instalment of the *Tales of a New World* series, love and goodness are put to the ultimate test as gods, humans, and animals come together to save everything they hold dear.



***The Getaway List* / Emma Lord 2024**

12-18 years

The day of her high school graduation, Riley realises that she has spent the last four years trying so hard to be a Good Kid for her mom that she has no idea who she really is anymore. The solution? Pack her bags and move to New York for the summer to stay with her best friend Tom and do everything on The Getaway List. Riley isn't sure what to expect from Tom, who has been distant since he moved away. But when she arrives in the city, their reconnection is effortless. As she, Tom, and their newfound friends work their way through the delightfully chaotic items on The Getaway List, Riley learns that sometimes the biggest adventure is not one you take, but one you feel in your heart.