

Realistic Fiction for Boys

Titles

- 12 Things to Do Before You Crash and Burn by James Proimos
- The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie
- An Abundance of Katherines by John Green
- Alabama Moon & Dirt Road Home by Watt Key
- Astonishing Adventures of FanBoy and Goth Girl by Barry Lyga
- The Big Crunch by Pete Hautman
- Blank Confession by Pete Hautman
- Brain Jack by Brian Falkner (a bit sci-fi, but in the same mode as Little Brother, which I'd also rec)
- Breathing Underwater by Alex Flinn
- Burger Wuss by M.T. Anderson
- Cardturner by Louis Sachar
- Carter Finally Gets It by Brent Crawford
- The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time by Mark Haddon
- Deadline by Chris Crutcher
- The Disenchantments by Nina LaCour (too bad about the girly cover)
- Don't Call Me Ishmael by Michael Gerard Bauer
- The downside of being Charlie by Jenny Torres Sanchez
- Everybody Sees the Ants by A. S. King
- The Fault in our Stars by John Green
- Fighting Ruben Wolf by Markus Zusak
- Food, Girls, & Other Things I Can't Have (as well as other books) by Allen Zadoff
- Funny How Things Change by Melissa Wyatt
- Gentlemen by Michael Northrop (guys also seem to like Trapped, which I found disappointing)
- Happyface & Winter Town by Stephen Emond
- Head Case by Sarah Aronson
- Heavy Metal and You by Christopher Krovatin
- How to Get Suspended and Influence People by Adam Selzer
- I am the Messenger by Markus Zusak
- I'll Be There by Holly Goldberg Sloan
- JASPER JONES by Craig Silvey
- King Dork by Frank Portman
- Looking for Alaska by John Green
- Marcelo in the Real World by Francisco X. Stork
- Me, Earl, and the Dying Girl by Jesse Andrews
- Monster by Walter Dean Myers
- Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist by Rachel Cohn and David Levithan
- Peak by Roland Smith
- The Piper's Son by Melina Marchetta
- Recovery Road by Blake Nelson
- Right Behind You by Gail Giles

- Rotters by Daniel Kraus (it seems like a zombie book, but it's not)
- Seth Baumgartner's Love Manifesto by Eric Luper
- Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie by David Lubar
- Something Like Normal by Trish Doller
- Son of the Mob by Gordon Korman
- Split by Swati Avasthi
- Sprout by Dale Peck
- Stick by Andrew Smith
- Stupid Fast and Nothing Special (a duology) by Geoff Herbach
- Swim the Fly and Beat the Band by Don Calame
- *Two Parties, One Tux and a Very Short Film About the Grapes of Wrath* by Steven Goldman
- Tyrell and others by Coe Booth
- WAITING TO FORGET by Sheila Kelly Welch
- Where She Went (guy's take on a devastating breakup) by Gayle Forman
- Where Things Come Back by John Corey Whaley (is mostly realistic)
- Will Grayson, Will Grayson by John Green
- With or Without You by Brian Farrey
- Yummy: The Last Days of a Southside Shorty (graphic novel) by G. Neri

Web Links

- http://sccl.bibliocommons.com/list/show/71513322_sccl_teens/83356849_teens_read_books_for_guys
- <http://www.bridgetobooks.org/2011/09/why-chromosome-meet-our-special-guests.html>

Authors

- Barry Lyga
- Chris Crutcher (pretty much everything he writes)
- Gary Soto
- Gordon Korman
- John Green
- Jordan Sonnenblick
- Matt de la Pena
- Terry Trueman