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LOOKING FOR A BOOK THAT IS NOT FROM AROUND HERE? HERE ARE SOME AROUND-THE-WORLD TITLES FOR YOU TO ENJOY.

CANADA
Ten years after the Great Collapse of 2031, Molly McClure leaves the safety of her family’s island home to travel through a dangerous and desolate wasteland to find her grandparents and persuade them to return with her to Canada.

In order to win Ramona, Scott Pilgrim must fight and defeat her seven evil exes.

EASTERN EUROPE
In the early 1990s, a boy with a mysterious past and the woman who cares for him endure a five-year journey across the war-torn Caucasus and Europe, weathering hardships and welcoming unforgettable encounters with other refugees searching for a better life.

Sepetys, Ruta. *Between shades of gray*. 2011. YA SEP
In 1941, Lina and her family are pulled from their Lithuanian home by Soviet guards and sent to Siberia, where her father is sentenced to death in a prison camp while she fights for her life, vowing to honor her family and the thousands like her.

WESTERN EUROPE
Dogar, Sharon. *Annexed*. 2010. YA DOG
Everyone knows about Anne Frank and her life hidden in the secret annex – but what about the boy who was also trapped there with her? This is Peter’s story.

Ginny Blackstone travels from her home in New Jersey to London when she receives a message from a mysterious boy in London – that he has the letters that were stolen just before she completed a series of tasks assigned by her now dead aunt.

When Anna’s father sends her to an American boarding school in Paris for her senior year of high school, she reluctantly goes, and meets a boy who becomes her best friend, in spite of the fact that they both want something more.

AFRICA
Coates, Jan. L. *A hare in the elephant’s trunk*. 2010. YA COA
Inspired by the real life experiences of a Sudanese boy, follows Jacob Akech Deng’s journey as he flees his home under the threat of war, and, guided by the memory of his mother, tries to survive in a refugee camp.

In 1983, at an elite boys’ boarding school in Zimbabwe, thirteen-year-old English lad Robert Jacklin finds himself torn between his black roommate and the white bullies still bitter over losing power through the recent civil war.

MIDDLE EAST
Friesner, Esther M. *Sphinx’s Queen*. 2010. YA FRI
Chased after by the prince and his soldiers for a crime she did not commit, Nefertiti finds temporary refuge in the wild hills along the Nile’s west bank before returning to the royal court to plead her case to the Pharaoh.
When the world’s deadliest terrorist organization, Scorpia, stirs up trouble in the Middle East, it is up to fourteen-year-old MI6 agent Alex Rider to thwart their plans.

**ASIA**
It is 1984, and fifteen-year-old Maya is on her way to India with her father. She carries with her the ashes of her mother, and arrives in Delhi on the eve of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi’s assassination – one of the bloodiest riots in the country’s history.

Emmajin, the sixteen-year-old eldest granddaughter of Khublai Khan, becomes a warrior and falls in love with explorer Marco Polo in thirteenth-century China.

**PACIFIC ISLANDS**
Tom Tin and his friend Midgely – with assorted juvenile criminals – escape the ship taking them to serve their terms in Australia and head for a Pacific island, forgetting Tom’s father’s warnings about headhunters and cannibals.

After a devastating tsunami destroys all that they have ever known, Mau, an island boy, and Daphne, an aristocratic English girl, together with a small band of refugees, set about rebuilding their community and all the things that are important in their lives.

**AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND**
New Zealand boarding school student Ellie Spencer must use her rusty tae kwon do skills and newfound magic to try and stop a fairy-like race of creatures from Maori myth and legend that is plotting to kill millions of humans in order to regain their lost immortality.

Williams, Gabrielle. *Beatle Meets Destiny*. 2010. YA WIL
When superstitious teen John “Beatle” Lennon, who is dating the best friend of his twin sister, meets Destiny McCartney, their instant rapport and shared quirkiness make it seem that their fate is written in the stars.

**SOUTH AMERICA**
Having locked the Raven’s gate, fourteen-year-old Matt travels to Peru where he meets the second of the five gatekeepers and works with him to try to stop the opening of a second gate somehow related to the Nazca Lines.

**LATIN AMERICA/CARIBBEAN**
Set in the lush, wild environment of Guadeloupe, a coming-of-age story follows three teenaged sisters, M’Rose, Elle, and Câelina, during a summer vacation as they experience schoolyard fights, boys and petty thievery.

Restrepo, Bettina. *Illegal*. 2011. OVERDRIVE
Nora, a fifteen-year-old Mexican girl, faces the challenges of being an illegal immigrant in Texas when she and her mother cross the border in search of Nora’s father.