

“HARMFUL” BOOKS IN THE IDAHO FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY (IFPL)

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**NAME OF BOOK/
AUTHOR**

REVIEWS/RATINGS/COMMENTS

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“13 Reasons Why” Asher, Jay	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – “Not for minors”
“Abuela” Dorros, Arthur	Banned - Florida
“A Court of Frost and Starlight” Maas, Sarah J.	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – “Not for minors” Banned – Utah; on “Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022” list by American Library Association (ALA);
“A Court of Mist and Fury” Maas, Sarah J.	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – “Not for minors”
“A Court of Silver Flames” Maas, Sarah J.	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – “Not for minors”
“A Court of Thorns and Roses” Maas, Sarah J.	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – “Not for minors”
“A Court of Wings and Ruin” Maas, Sarah J.	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – “Not for minors”
“All Boys Aren’t Blue” Johnson, George M.	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – “Not for minors” On “Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022” list by American Library Association (ALA);
“Assassination Classroom” Matsui, Yusei	Assassination Classroom Volumes 1 through 7; Volume 11 - BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – “Not for minors”
“A Thousand Acres” Smiley, Jane	Banned in Kuna, Idaho (sex and violence); 2013 – Removed from Katy, TX Independent School District required reading list following parental complaints about references to sex and violence; banned in Lynden, Washington .
“Beloved” Morrison, Tony	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – “Not for minors”
“Between Us and Abuela” Dorros, Arthur	Banned - Florida
“Breathless” Niven, Jennifer	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – “Not for minors” Banned – Alpine Utah School District
“City of Heavenly Fire (The Mortal Instruments, #6) Clare, Cassandra	Banned – Nampa School Board.
“Clockwork Princess” Clare, Cassandra	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – “Not for minors” Banned - Nampa School Board.
“Crank” Hopkins Ellen	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – “Not for minors” On “Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022” list by American Library Association (ALA) Banned - Nampa School Board.
“Damsel” Arnold, Elana K.	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – “Not for minors” Banned - Utah
“Drama” Telgemeier, Raina	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 2/5 – “Young Adult Graphic Novel” Banned - Nampa School Board.
“Dreaming in Cuban: A Novel” Garcia, Cristina	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – “Not for minors” Adjudged “obscene” by Idaho Family Policy Center
“Eleanor and Park” Rowell, Rainbow	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – “Not for minors” Banned - Nampa School Board.
“Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close” Foer, Jonathan Safran	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – “Not for minors” Banned - Nampa School Board.

"Fallout" Strasser, Todd	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – "Not for minors" Banned - Utah
"Flamer" Curato, Mike	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – "Not for minors" On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA)
"Forever" Blume, Judy	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA)
"Fry Bread: A Native American Family Story"	Banned – Florida Northampton (PA) Area School District objected to "The Conscious Kid" non-profit org. of which "Fry Bread" is a part, because of Marxist critical race theory promotion.
"Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic" Bechdel, Alison	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors"
"Gender Queer: A Memoir" Kobabe, Maia	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" Adjudged "obscene" by Idaho Family Policy Center; On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA)
"It's Perfectly Normal" Harris, Robie	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – "Not for minors" Adjudged "obscene" by Idaho Family Policy Center Banned - Nampa School Board
"L8r G8r" Myracle, Lauren	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – "Not for minors" Banned - Nampa School Board.
"Lawn Boy" Evison, Jonathan	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – "Not for minors" On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA);
"Leah on the Offbeat" Albertalli, Becky	Banned - Nampa School Board
"Looking for Alaska" Green, John	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – "Not for minors" On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA) Banned - Nampa School Board.
"Me and Earl and the Dying Girl" Andrews, Jesse	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – "Not for minors" On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA)
"Out of Darkness" Perez, Ashley Hope	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – "Not for minors" On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA) Banned - Nampa School Board.
"Radiant Child" Stephens, Javaka	Pen America – "One of the most banned picture books of the 2021-2022 school year."
"Shine" Grabenstein, J. J. & Chris	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" Banned – Utah and Alpine Utah School District
"Slaughterhouse-Five" Vonnegut, Kurt	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" Banned – Florida
"Sold" Gallagher, Diana G.	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 5/5 – "Aberrant content" Banned - Nampa School Board.
"Speak" Anderson, Laurie Halse	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 3/5 – "Not for minors" Banned - Nampa School Board.
"Sula" Morrison, Toni	ALA regularly includes this work on its annual list of most banned and challenged books.
"The 57 Bus" Slater, Dashka	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 2/5 – "Teen guidance; young adult graphic novel" Banned - Nampa School Board
"The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian" Alexie, Sherman	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 2/5 – "Teen guidance; young adult graphic novel" On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA) Banned - Nampa School Board.

"The Bluest Eye" Morrison, Toni	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA) Banned - Nampa School Board.
"The Color Purple" Walker, Alice	"Parents are the most common group attempting to remove this novel from schools. There have been different reasons for the book being banned, including religious objections, homosexuality, violence, African history, rape, incest, drug abuse, explicit language, and sexual scenes." https://bannedbooks.library.cmu.edu/alice-walker-the-color-purple/
"The Handmaid's Tale" Atwood, Margaret	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" Banned - Nampa School Board.
"The Haters" Andrews, Jesse	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" Banned - Utah
"The Kite Runner" Hosseini, Khaled	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" Banned - Nampa School Board.
"The Perks of Being a Wallflower" Chbosky, Stephen	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" On "Top 13 Most Challenged Books of 2022" list by American Library Association (ALA); Banned - Nampa School Board.
"The Prince and the Dressmaker" Wang, Jen	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 2/5—"Teen guidance; young adult graphic novel" Banned – Nampa School Board.
"Tilt" Hopkins, Ellen	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" Banned – Utah
"TTYL" Myracle, Lauren	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 2/5—"Teen guidance; young adult graphic novel" Banned – Utah
"Twisted" Anderson, Laune Halse	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 2/5—"Teen guidance; young adult graphic novel" Banned – Utah
"What Girls are Made Of" Arnold, Elana K.	BookLooks.org Review Rating: 4/5 – "Not for minors" Banned – Utah

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"We believe "sunlight" is the best disinfectant, and parents should have the information at their disposal to make informed decisions about the content their children consume."

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