

## **Science Fiction for Teens**

### **New Bedford Free Public Library**

1. *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, by Douglas Adams.  
YA PBK ADAMS  
After Earth is demolished to make way for a new hyperspatial expressway, Arthur Dent and his friend Ford Prefect begin to hitch-hike through space.
2. *Fahrenheit 451*, by Ray Bradbury  
YA PBK Bradbury  
In a future totalitarian world, books and reading are illegal. Fireman Guy Montag realizes the value of reading and risks his life to own books.
3. *Ender's Game*, by Orson Scott Card  
YA PBK Card; Sci CARD  
Ender Wiggin is brilliant, ruthless, cunning, a master battle strategist – and eight years old. Winner of the Hugo and Nebula awards and one of ALA's "100 Best Books for Teens".
4. *The White Mountains*, by John Christopher  
J FIC CHRISTOPHER  
Young Will Parker and his companions make a perilous journey toward an outpost of freedom where they hope to escape from the ruling Tripods, who capture mature human beings and make them docile, obedient servants. First in a series.
5. *Things Not Seen*, by Andrew Clements  
Y FIC CLEMENTS  
When fifteen-year-old Bobby wakes up and finds himself invisible, he and his parents and his new blind friend Alicia try to find out what caused his condition and how to reverse it.
6. *The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm*, by Nancy Farmer  
Y FIC FARMER  
In 2194 in Zimbabwe, General Matsika's three children are kidnapped and put to work in a plastic mine while three mutant detectives use their special powers to search for them.
7. *The House of the Scorpion*, by Nancy Farmer  
YA FIC FARMER  
In a future where humans despise clones, Matt enjoys special status as the young clone of El Patrón, the 142-year-old leader of a corrupt drug empire nestled between Mexico and the United States.
8. *Running Out of Time*, by Margaret Peterson Haddix  
Y FIC HADDIX  
When a diphtheria epidemic hits her 1840 village, thirteen-year-old Jessie discovers it is actually a 1996 tourist site under unseen observation by heartless scientists, and it's up to Jessie to escape the village and save the lives of the dying children.
9. *A Wrinkle in Time*, by Madeline L'Engle  
J FIC L'ENGLE  
Meg Murry and her friends become involved with unearthly strangers and a search for Meg's father, who has disappeared while engaged in secret work for the government.

10. *Nick of Time*, by Anne Lindbergh  
Y FIC LINDBERGH  
Thirteen-year-old Jericho, whose father runs an unconventional school in their home, passes through an invisible gateway into the year 2094 and discovers a future world of uniformity and overpopulation, where his school has been made a national monument.
11. *Gathering Blue*, by Lois Lowry  
Y FIC LOWRY  
Lame and suddenly orphaned, Kira is mysteriously removed from her squalid village to live in the palatial Council Edifice, where she is expected to use her gifts as a weaver to do the bidding of the all-powerful Guardians. Sequel to *The Giver*.
12. *Tomorrow When the War Began*, by John Marsden  
Y FIC MARSDEN  
Seven Australian teenagers return from a camping trip in the bush to discover that their country has been invaded and they must hide to stay alive.
13. *Acorna: The Unicorn Girl*, by Anne McCaffrey  
SCI MCCAFFREY  
Found in a survival pod in space by prospectors, the infant Acorna soon exhibits the ability to analyze deficiencies in plants by taste, purify water and air, and heal. Taken to the planet Kezdet to avoid scientists who want to study her, Acorna discovers barbaric child-labor practices and vows to rescue the children.
14. *Only You Can Save Mankind*, by Terry Pratchett  
YA FIC PRATCHETT  
Twelve-year-old Johnny endures tensions between his parents, watches television coverage of the Gulf War, and plays a computer game called *Only You Can Save Mankind*, in which he is increasingly drawn into the reality of the alien ScreeWee.
15. *Dark Side of Nowhere*, by Neal Shusterman  
YA FIC SHUSTERMAN  
Fourteen-year-old Jason faces an identity crisis after discovering that he is the son of aliens who stayed on earth following a botched invasion mission.
16. *Time of the Great Freeze*, by Robert Silverberg  
YA FIC SILVERBERG  
During the receding Fifth Ice Age seven men expelled from underground New York in 2650 and one deserter of that isolated colony attempt to travel to London, where contact has been made with other people.
17. *Interstellar Pig*, by William Sleator  
J FIC SLEATOR  
Barney's boring seaside vacation suddenly becomes more interesting when the cottage next door is occupied by three exotic neighbors who are addicted to a game they call "Interstellar Pig."
18. *Be More Chill*, by Ned Vizzini  
YA FIC VIZZINI  
Badly in need of self-confidence and a change of image, high school nerd Jeremy Heere swallows a pill-sized super computer that is supposed to help him get whatever he wants.

19. *War of the Worlds*, by H. G. Wells

YA FIC WELLS; YA PBK Wells; Classics WELLS

Invaders from Mars land on Earth and proceed to harvest humans.

20. *Rats*, by Paul Zindel

YA PBK Zindel

When mutant rats threaten to take over Staten Island, which has become a huge landfill, fourteen-year-old Sarah and her younger brother Mike try to figure out how to stop them.

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