



**RAINN (Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network)**  
<https://www.rainn.org/>

**NSVRC (National Sexual Violence Resource Center)**  
<http://www.nsvrc.org/>

**Not Alone: Together Against Sexual Assault**  
<https://notalone.gov/>

**RACES (Rape Advocacy, Counseling, & Education Services)**  
<https://www.cu-races.org/>

**For 24/7 help,  
call: 800.656.HOPE(4673)**

**HEAR  
THEIR VOICES**



Survivors of sexual assault are often silenced in the media we consume.

Let's listen to realistic and empowering stories of survival and strength.

Many of these titles are popular, but have unrealistic and harmful depictions of love, abuse, and the effects of sexual assault.



Anything to Have You by Paige Harrison  
Twilight by Stephenie Meyer  
Hush Hush by Becca Fitzpatrick  
Swoon by Nina Malakin  
Go Ask Alice by Beatrice Sparks  
Evermore by Alyson Noel



Have You read any of these?

## TRY THESE INSTEAD

- The Hunting Ground (film) (DVD-2015) Nonfiction DVDs 371.782 Hunting In this documentary film, survivors of sexual assault share their stories and fight for justice. This powerful and telling exposé reveals the rampant injustices of rape on college campuses.
- In Love and in Danger by Barrrie Levy, MSW (Book-2006) Teen Nonfiction 362.88 LEV In Love and in Danger provides guidance for how to identify harmful and unhealthy relationships, and gives resources for how to leave them. Teen testimonials are included, as well as general information about sexual assault and how to leave them.
- Some Boys by Party Blount (Book-2014) Teen BLOUNT, Party Blount Grace is raped by her town's golden boy, and when she speaks out about it, nobody believes her. How will she navigate her toxic relationships with friends and family when they don't support her?
- Autumn (video game) (Virtual reality game-2015) In this Oculus Rift game, players are placed in the shoes of a sexual assault survivor. Episodic experiences are bookmarked by the four seasons, which flow in reverse chronologicaly. Look through the eyes of a survivor to build a useful, empathetic perspective.
- The Way I Used to Be by Amber Smith (Book-2016) Teen SMITH, Amber Eden was 14 when she was raped by her brother's best friend. Now, she knows she'll never be the same. Today year by year, Eden's high school experience is heavily influenced by her trauma.
- The Perks of Being a Wallflower (film) (DVD-2013) DVDs DRAMA Perks Based on the popular novel by Stephen Chbosky, watch Charlie, the quiet and introverted freshman, find himself in a charismatic group of friends. Drugs, sexuality, and mental health are all explored.

The Female of the Species by Mindy McGinnis (Book-2016) Teen MCGINNIS, Mindy Alex Craft is shy and awkward, but she has a thirst for vengeance. Follow this complex and dynamic character's psychological journey after she kills her sister's rapist.

We Believe You: Survivors of Campus Sexual Assault Speak Out by Annie E. Clark (Book-2016) Adult Nonfiction 371.782 CLA More than 1 in 5 women and 5 percent of men are sexually assaulted at college. This collection of over 30 diverse narratives of trauma, abuse, and recovery unveil the silenced stories of survivors.

Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson (Audioobook-1999) Overdrive Eaudiobook Everyrone wants Melinda to speak about her rape, but nobody really listens. Through her artwork, Melinda can truly express herself and be heard.

Asking For It by Louise O'Neill (Book-2015) Teen O'NEILL, Louise Emma, a young Irish woman, wakes up on a porch after a party... and can't remember what happened. Once photos surface from the night before, she must stand up for herself in a culture that doesn't believe her. This powerful and moving story... and can't remember what happened. Once photos surface from the night before, she must stand up for herself in a culture that doesn't believe her.

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