

Diaries, Letters, and E-mail

Breathing Underwater by Alex Flinn

Sent to counseling for hitting his girlfriend, Caitlin, and ordered to keep a journal, sixteen-year-old Nick recounts his relationship with Caitlin, examines his controlling behavior and anger, and describes living with his abusive father.

Bridget Jones' Diary by Helen Fielding

Follow the ups and downs of Bridget's love life, cigarette consumption, weight as she gets involved with Daniel the cad, embarrasses herself on TV, and pines for Mr. Darcy.

Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason by Helen Fielding

In this continuation of Bridget's diary, she's v. happy to have Mark Darcy as her boyfriend but the constant presence of ultra-thin man-poacher Rebecca, the return of Daniel, an unreliable contractor who leaves her apartment a disaster and a horrifying vacation in Thailand mean that things do not run smoothly for our heroine.

Catherine, Called Birdy by Karen Cushman

The thirteen-year-old daughter of an English country knight keeps a journal in which she records the events of her life, particularly her longing for adventures beyond the usual role of women and her efforts to avoid being married off to horrible, older men.

Confessions of Georgia Nicolson series: Angus, Thongs, and Full-Frontal Snogging (book 1) by Louise Rennison

Join fabby fab Georgia as she deals with boys, snogging, crazy disco dancing, her mad family and friends, and her enormous cat, Angus.

Confessions of Georgia Nicolson series: On the Bright Side, I'm now the Girlfriend of a Sex God (book 2) by Louise Rennison

Georgia starts dating Sex God Robbie, so life should be perfect. But in Georgia's life, nothing is ever perfect.

Confessions of Georgia Nicolson series: Knocked Out by my Nunga-Nungas (book 3) by Louise Rennison

Now that she's landed Robbie the sex god, Georgia finds that just about every guy she encounters, from Dave the Laugh to the new French teacher, looks quite dreamy.

Confessions of Georgia Nicolson series: Dancing in my Nuddy-pants (book 4) by Louise Rennison

Having gotten her lustful thoughts under control, Georgia has chosen Robbie over Dave the Laugh. But now she's not so sure about her choice – is she doomed to be a pop-star widow?

Confessions of Georgia Nicolson series: Away Laughing on a Fast Camel (book 5) by Louise Rennison

Just when the Sex God becomes Georgia's official boyfriend, he takes off to Kiwi-agogo-land! But Masimo, the gorgeous new Italian-American lead singer of the Stiff Dylans, might just be able to take Georgia's mind off Robbie.

Confessions of Georgia Nicolson series: Then He Ate My Boy Entrancers (book 6) by Louise Rennison

Georgia, Jas and Georgia's family are off on vacation to Hamburger-agogo-land (America) and it just so happens that Masimo is visiting the States, too. Georgia is determined to find him, despite the fact that he's in New York and she's in Tennessee. Surely they can't be that far apart, they're both in America!

Confessions of Georgia Nicolson series: Startled by his Furry Shorts (book 7) by Louise Rennison

Dave the Laugh has (maybe?) declared his love for Georgia, leaving her in a state of confusosity. And when she decides to give Masimo an ultimatum (to be her one and only) he tells her he has to think about it.

Don't You Dare Read This, Mrs. Dunphrey by Margaret Peterson Haddix

In the journal she is keeping for English class, sixteen-year-old Tish chronicles the changes in her life when her abusive father returns home after a two-year absence.

Life as we Knew it by Susan Beth Pfeffer

Through journal entries sixteen-year-old Miranda describes her family's struggle to survive after a meteor hits the moon, causing worldwide tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.

Heart on my Sleeve by Ellen Wittlinger

During a weekend at Cartwright College for prospective freshmen, Chloe meets Julian, and they hit it off. Chloe is thrilled that when she starts school in the fall, she'll have a boyfriend there. The problem is, she can't tell Eli, the boy she's sort of going with but thinks of more as a brother. Chloe and Julian's story is told through e-mail, instant messages, letters, notes, and postcards.

The Princess Diaries series: The Princess Diaries (volume 1) by Meg Cabot

Fourteen-year-old Mia is shocked to discover that her father is the Prince of Genovia, which makes her the heir to the throne.

The Princess Diaries series: Princess in the Spotlight (volume 2) by Meg Cabot

Just when Mia thought she had the whole princess thing under control, Grandmère arranges a national primetime interview for her. With just a few innocent remarks, Mia manages to enrage her best friend Lilly, practically get one of her teachers fired, and alienate the entire country of Genovia.

The Princess Diaries series: Princess in Love (volume 3) by Meg Cabot

Princess Amelia Mignonette Grimaldi Thermopolis Renaldo may seem like the luckiest girl ever. But in reality, Mia spends all of her time doing three things - preparing for her entrée into Genovian society with her slave-driving Grandmère, slogging through Manhattan traffic, and avoiding further smooches from her hapless boyfriend Kenny. All Mia wants is a little peace and quiet... and a certain someone else to be her boyfriend.

The Princess Diaries series: Princess in Waiting (volume 4) by Meg Cabot

Mia's royal introduction to Genovia has mixed results: while her fashion sense is widely applauded, her position on the installation of public parking meters is met with resistance.

The Princess Diaries series: Project Princess (volume 4 ½) by Meg Cabot

Mia and her friends volunteer to build a house for the less fortunate during Spring Break.

The Princess Diaries series: Princess in Pink (volume 5) by Meg Cabot

Mia has one wish: an evening spent with Michael in a tux and a corsage on her wrist - in other words, the PROM. Michael, however, does not seem to share her dream. Worse still, a service workers strike (with Grandmère and Lilly it and on opposite sides) threatens the very existence of this year's prom.

The Princess Diaries series: Princess in Training (book 6) by Meg Cabot

Lilly is mad with power – her best friend has nominated Mia for class president without even asking her! This is not how Mia imagined kicking off her sophomore year, even if Grandmère thinks ruling her high school makes good practice for ruling Genovia someday.

The Princess Diaries series: The Princess Present (book 6 ½) by Meg Cabot

Every year, Princess Mia spends the holidays in Genovia with Grandmère. This year, she's looking forward to the most perfect Christmas ever – Michael and Lilly, are coming to Genovia, too! But Lilly has a lot to learn about palace protocol, and with all the state holiday functions Mia must attend, there's no time to linger under the mistletoe with Michael.

The Princess Diaries series: Party Princess (book 7) by Meg Cabot

This spring, Mia's determined to have a good time, despite the fact that her student government is suddenly broke. But Grandmère has an elaborate scheme to simultaneously raise money, catapult Mia to theatrical fame, and link her romantically with an eligible teen bachelor not her boyfriend. It's no wonder that Michael, the love of her life, seems to think she's a psycho, or worse: not much fun.

The Princess Diaries series: Sweet Sixteen Princess (book 7 ½) by Meg Cabot

Mia doesn't want a sweet sixteen birthday bash, but Grandmère has other ideas – a reality TV special

where all of her friends take the royal jet to Genovia for a party the likes of which would make Paris Hilton green with envy. Can Mia stop the madness? And if she does, will her friends forgive her?

The Princess Diaries series: Valentine Princess (book 7 ¾) by Meg Cabot

Valentine's Day usually means flowers, chocolates, and all-out romance. But when you're Princess Mia, nothing happens the way it's supposed to. Grandmère seems determined to prove "that boy" (or Michael, as he is commonly known) isn't the right one for the crown princess of Genovia. And Mia isn't having much luck proving otherwise, since Michael has a history of being decidedly against any kind of exploitative commercialization (Valentine's Day, as it is commonly known). Why can't Michael give in to Cupid and tell Mia he loves her - in time to prove he's Mia's true prince?

The Princess Diaries series: Princess on the Brink (book 8) by Meg Cabot

Mia finds herself facing some very difficult problems - Algebra and Geometry, there's no guarantee she'll make it through Precalculus. On top of all the mathematical strife, Michael is leaving for Japan for a year.

Royal Diaries series by various authors

Please post all reviews for this series here. Read about what life was like for young princesses throughout history.

Runaway by Wendelin Van Draanen

After running away from her fifth foster home, Holly, travels across the country, keeping a journal of her experiences and struggle to survive.

Sun Signs by Shelley Hrdlitschka

While she battles cancer, fifteen-year-old Kayleigh Wyse tries to complete her classes online by correspondence. Developing a science project on astrology, Kayleigh asks other online learners to participate in her study. The collaborative, supportive project slowly veers off course when it becomes clear that all of the participants are hiding vital clues about their identities.

Ttyl by Lauren Myracle

Chronicles, in instant message format, and the day-to-day experiences, feelings, and plans of three friends, Zoe, Maddie, and Angela, as they begin grade ten.

Ttfn by Lauren Myracle

Zoe, Maddie, and Angela continue to share their lives through instant messages as one of them tries marijuana, one of them gets her first boyfriend, and one of them moves thousands of miles away.

Thirteen Little Blue Envelopes by Maureen Johnson

17 year-old Ginny has always lived a pretty quiet life, except when her free-spirited, artistic Aunt Peg used to visit and they'd go off on adventures in New York City together. But Ginny hasn't seen her aunt since she moved to Europe years ago. One day, Ginny receives a letter from Aunt Peg with \$1000 and instructions for Ginny to book a one-way flight to London out of New York and pick up a package at one of their old haunts before she leaves. If that wasn't weird enough, Aunt Peg died of cancer months ago.

True Confessions of a Hollywood Starlet by Lola Douglas

Teen movie star Morgan Carter retreats to a small midwestern town to recuperate anonymously after an overdose and rehabilitation.

The Year of Secret Assignments by Jaclyn Moriarty

As part of a pen pal program, three female students from Ashbury High write to three male students from rival school, Brookfield High. Eventually, the letters lead to romance, humiliation, revenge and war between the schools.