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The Adventures of Amina Al-Sirafi by Shannon Chakraborty

"The Adventures of Amina Al-Sirafi works on multiple levels, from fantasy and adventure to family and love. Readers who enjoyed the Daevabad series will be excited to see Chakraborty start a new trilogy—and it does not disappoint. If you like pirates, magical adventure, and strong female leads, this book is for you."
— Aashna Kinkhabwala, Dover Free Library, Dover, VT
NovelList read-alike: The Rowankind Series by Jaycee Bedford

Don’t Fear the Reaper by Stephen Graham Jones

"Jade just wants to go home and get back to her life after four years in prison, but Proofrock is not done with her as another serial killer has come to town. This sequel to My Heart is a Chainsaw amps up the action while giving slasher fans everything they could want—and then giving them even more!"
— Joseph Jones, Cuyahoga County Public Library, Cuyahoga, OH
NovelList read-alike: The Summer is Ended and We are Not Yet Saved by Joey Comeau

Radiant Sin by Katee Robert

"Apollo, keeper of secrets for The Thirteen, enlists his assistant Cassandra to join him on a getaway weekend party at a suspicious newcomer’s house to uncover what he’s hiding. But they must pretend to be a couple for the plan to work. Will their fake relationship lead to something real or will secrets destroy everything they’ve worked for? For fans of Greek retellings."
— Kari Bingham-Gutierrez, Olathe Public Library, Olathe, KS
NovelList read-alike: The Hades Saga by Scarlett St. Clair

Secretly Yours by Tessa Bailey

"Bailey’s latest series starter is a grumpy/sunshine romance a bit different from her others. Julian is a buttoned-up professor prone to panic attacks from suppressed trauma. Hallie is a free-spirited gardener who has had an unrequited crush on him since high school and is dealing (or rather, not dealing) with her own traumatic past in a completely opposite way. When he comes back to their Napa hometown on sabbatical, she manufactures a run-in that doesn’t go as she had hoped. Likable and believable characters make this a winner!"
— Katlin Booth, Cuyahoga County Public Library, OH
NovelList read-alike: To Sir, With Love by Lauren Layne

Someone Else’s Shoes by Jojo Moyes

"A mix up at a gym forces two very different women to literally walk in each other’s shoes, leading to a complete breakdown and reinvention of their current lives and world views. Sisterhood, mental health, a risky heist, romance, regret... this book has everything in perfect proportion and is a true page-turner to boot. Readers will love every page of this fantastic book."
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Feb 23 Bonus Pick: (New addition to the regular list)

Black Candle Women: A Novel by Diane Marie Brown

"A dual timeline moving from 1950s New Orleans to the present, three generations of strong magical women, a spell book, and a secret generational curse make for a very entertaining spin on family drama."
— Rebecca Vnuk, LibraryReads

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