

Kathleen's Recent Reads—January

Adult Fiction

Fleischman is in Trouble by Taffy Brodesser-Akner

Contemporary, character-driven, set in NYC, darkly funny; try if you liked *My Year of Rest and Relaxation* or *Where'd You Go, Bernadette?*

The Tattooist of Auschwitz by Heather Morris

Historical, based on a true story, set in Auschwitz during the Holocaust, gripping and redemptive.

Youth & *Young Adult Fiction

**The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks* by E. Lockhart

Realistic and contemporary, coming of age, school story set at an exclusive New England boarding school, featuring a witty, clever protagonist

Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly

Realistic and contemporary, middle grade, diverse characters struggling with bullying and to fit in socially find friendship

A Curious Tale of the In-Between by Lauren DeStefano

Chilling, magical, ghost story, dealing with loss and belonging, older middle grade

Because of the Rabbit by Cynthia Lord

Realistic and contemporary, set in Maine, middle grade, a home-schooled girl transitions to public school, friendship

Best Friend Next Door by Carolyn Mackler

Realistic and contemporary, middle grade, dealing with friendship, family, neighborhood

The Explorer by Katherine Rundell

Adventure, historical, fast-paced, survival, middle grade