

**Horror Books for Teens**  
**Akron-Summit County Public Library**

Alender, Katie. **The Companion**, 2021. TEEN ALENDER Companion

Margot survives a horrible car accident that kills her entire family and is sent to live at Palmer House, a home for youth that have nowhere to stay. She suffers from such intense nightmares from her trauma that she often screams out in the night. Then a prestigious foster family chooses her to live with them at their country estate so that she can be a companion to their silent, mysterious daughter. At first Margot feels calmer with her new family and her nightmares subside, but as time goes by her isolation in the new house begins to play tricks on her mind and then the real nightmare begins.

Gould, Courtney. **The Dead and the Dark**, 2021. TEEN GOULD Dead

Something is wrong in Snakebite, Oregon. Teenagers are going missing or turning up dead, the weather isn't normal and it all started when TV's most popular ghost hunters arrived in town. Ashley Barton's boyfriend is the first teen to go missing and so she teams up with the ghost hunters to find out what has happened to him. Fans of horror, mysteries and romances will be delighted with this book that has all three.

Leno, Katrina. **Horrid**, 2020. TEEN LENO Horrid

After her father's death, Jane North-Robinson moves with her mom from sunny California to a dreary, old house in Maine where her mother grew up. Jane struggles to fit in as an introverted book "nerd" and is bullied by the local girls. After Jane discovers that the "storage room" her mother has kept locked for years is not actually empty, but is inhabited by the spirit of a little girl, she starts to question her own sanity.

Lepore, Gabriella. **This is Why We Lie**, 2021. TEEN LEPORE This

Jenna and Adam are shocked to find the dead body of one of their classmates floating in shallow water on the beach, and it is even more shocking when it is revealed that her drowning is no accident. Soon it is obvious that many students at the school have a secret about what happened, and they will do anything to hide the truth.

Marsh, Sarah Glenn. **The Girls Are Never Gone**, 2021. TEEN MARSH Girls

Dare Chase doesn't believe in ghosts, but since she is the host of a paranormal investigation podcast she keeps that to herself. One summer she decides to spend a month in the old Arrington Estate mansion to investigate the death of a young girl that drowned there 30 years earlier. Her spirit is said to have been haunting the estate ever since. During her stay, Dare is drawn deeper into the mystery of their girl's death and she soon finds herself in a life-or-death struggle against an evil spirit. Fans of "The Conjuring" will enjoy this chilling haunted house story.

McManus, Karen M. **The Cousins**, 2020. TEEN MCMANUS Cousins

Milly, Aubrey and Jonah Story are cousins that have never met their extremely wealthy and reclusive grandmother who disowned their parents before they were born. When they receive an invitation to work at their grandmothers island resort for the summer, they are curious but hesitant. Their parents insist that they go as a chance to get back into their mother's good graces, but the longer they stay there the more they realize how dark their family's history is. Fans of spooky classic mysteries will enjoy this well-crafted page-turner.

Parsons, Ash. **You're So Dead**, 2021. TEEN PARSONS You're

This fun combination of the classic mysteries "And Then There Were None" and "Clue" will keep you on the edge of your seat while making you laugh. When three best friends sneak into an "Influencers Only" festival event things go terribly wrong and people start dying right and left.

Perkins, Stephanie. **The Woods Are Always Watching**, 2021. TEEN PERKINS Woods

Fans of "There's Someone Inside Your House" will enjoy this chilling story with a very creepy setting...the deep, dark woods. Best friends Neena and Josie are in their senior year of High School. Before they go off to college they decide to go on one last adventure together, a hiking trip in the Pisgah National Forest. Neither of them has hiking experience and when they stray from the path and get lost in the dark woods they encounter increasingly frightening and dangerous situations. Could someone be stalking them?

Urban, Diana. **These Deadly Games**, 2022. TEEN URBAN These

Crystal Donovan and her friends are in the middle of a gaming tournament when she gets a message on a mysterious app with a video of her younger sister bound and gagged. When her sister's kidnappers force Crystal to complete a series of bizarre tasks, like steal a test and stuff it in a locker, she soon realizes that each game is designed to kill one of her friends. If she refuses to play, then the kidnapper will kill her sister. This thriller is perfect for fans of "One of Us Is Lying."

Wallach, Diana Rodriguez. **Small Town Monsters**, 2021. TEEN WALLACH Small

Maxwell Oliver just wants to fit in at his small town High School, but it's hard to make friends when his mother is turning into someone he doesn't recognize. Ever since she joined a self-help group she has been acting strangely, walking around as if in a trance and babbling nonsense for weeks. When he and his friend Vera Martinez suspect that something is wrong with their town, they begin to investigate and soon discover that their town is being run by a deeply disturbing death cult.

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