

Humor Books for Teens
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Calame, Don. **Dan vs. Nature**, 2016. CALAME Dan TEEN

The clever and very funny dialog in this story of graphic novelist wannabe, Dan, will grab you from page one. Dan's mom has one goal, to date every man in the state of California until she finds the perfect one. One day Dan gets home from school to find his mom with a gorgeous "Hugh Jackman lookalike" and she announces that they are engaged to be married and she would like Dan to join him on a camping to trip so they can get to know each other. Dan isn't convinced that this is the one for his mom so he invites his friend to go along and they plan a series of embarrassing pranks to scare him off.

Henry, Katie. **This Will Be Funny Someday**, 2021. HENTRY This TEEN

Shy, 16-year-old Izzy feels invisible at home and has an overbearing boyfriend who usually does the talking for her. One day she accidentally walks into a comedy club and gathers the courage to step up on stage and in front of a mic. She impresses a group of young comedians who invite her to join them in the Chicago comedy scene. The trouble is, they're in college and she's still in high school and has to sneak out to perform. This is a funny and insightful look at a girl trying to find her strengths and where she belongs.

Kenwood, Nina. **It Sounded Better in My Head**, 2020. KENWOOD It TEEN

Natalie's world and her plans to live with her parents while going to college are turned upside down when her parents tell her, over Christmas dinner no less, that they are separating. Not only that, but Natalie has always been physically and socially awkward. Will things take a turn for the better when she meets an exciting new person at a party? Fans of Louise Rennison will enjoy Kenwood's look at the frequently funny and awkward moments of being a teen girl.

McCreary, Michael. **Funny, You Don't Look Autistic**, 2019. TEENNF 616.8588 M132f

Like many others on the autism spectrum, 20-something stand-up comic Michael McCreary has been told by more than a few well-meaning folks that he doesn't "look" autistic. This unique and hilarious #OwnVoices memoir breaks down what it's like to live with autism for readers on and off the spectrum.

Philippe, Ben. **The Field Guide to the North American Teenager**, 2019. PHILIPPE Field TEEN

Norris Kaplan is a black French Canadian who is moving to Austin, Texas. He has seen enough American sitcoms to know that having these 3 traits isn't best for living in Texas. He finds himself not wanting to try to fit in so he creates a "field guide" of all of the people he meets, jocks, cheerleaders and loners. He finds this amusing until he gets to know people and sees that they aren't as different from him as he thinks.

Smyth, Ciara. **Not My Problem**, 2021. SMYTH Not TEEN

Got a problem? Get Aideen. Solving problems is her specialty. It begins when Aideen meets her school nemesis, Meabh, who is having a meltdown over her overwhelming homework, sports and extracurricular activities. Aideen volunteers to help by pushing her down the stairs, and the resulting sprained ankle gives Meabh an excuse to get out of everything for a while. Soon other students are asking Aideen for help with their problems, but Aideen wishes she could solve her own.

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