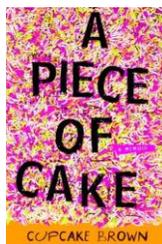


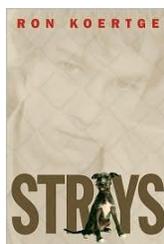
Books on the Foster System (Ages 13-18)



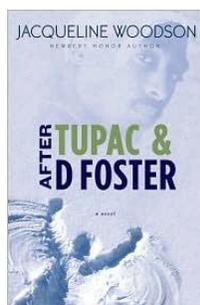
A Piece of Cake
By Cupcake Brown
Orphaned, placed into a nightmare in the foster care system and then exposed to a world of sex, drugs, and alcohol- this is Cupcake's memoir.



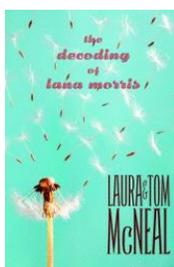
Born Blue
By Han Nolan
Leshaya, the child of a heroin addict, has seen it all in her childhood of foster homes. Now she dreams of doing the only thing that makes her feel whole-singing.



Strays
By Ron Koertge
Sixteen year-old Ted's parents just died in a car crash leaving him with a foster family and life at an inner city school. Could things get any worse?



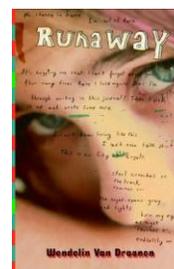
After Tupac and D Foster
By Jacqueline Woodson
D comes from a world vastly different from Neeka and her friends' safe Queens neighborhood, and through D, the girls see another side of life that includes loss, foster families and freedom.



The Decoding of Lana Morris
By Laura and Tom McNeal
Lana is unhappy in her life with her foster family, and wishes she could change things. Then she finds a book that makes wishes come true...



Three Little Words
By Ashley Rhodes Courter
In this memoir, Ashley talks about her experience watching her mother spiral out of control as she spent 14 years in the foster care system.



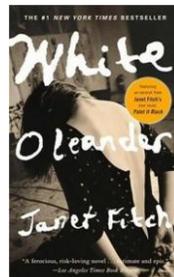
Runaway
By Wendelin Van Draanen
Holly runs away from an abusive foster care home, but life on the streets is tougher than she remembers and it'll take all her courage to survive.



Returnable Girl
By Pamela A. Lovell
Veronica has lived in a string of foster homes since her mother left 2 years ago. But a new foster mother might be the fresh start she's been looking for.



Gossamer
By Lois Lowry
Littlest One is a dreamgiver who works against the Sinisteeds who give only nightmares. She soon finds herself fighting against them to protect John, a foster boy, from nightmares of his troubled past.



White Oleander
By Janet Fitch
After Astrid's brilliant but obsessed poet mother goes to jail, she finds herself traveling through a series of foster homes and trying to find a place for herself in the world.