

## Adult Fiction Books for Summer 2025

### Level Up at Your Library!



#### The Hike by Drew Magary - F MAG Sci-Fi & Fantasy

When Ben takes a business trip to Pennsylvania, he sets out in the woods to find that the path he chose can not be easily given up. With no choice but to move forward, Ben finds himself falling deeper into a world of man-eating, bizarre demons, and colossal insects.

#### The Never Game by Jeffery Deaver - F DEA, CD V DEA, e-audiobook

A private investigator named Colter Shaw was hired by the father of a young woman who has gone missing in Silicon Valley. But what seems a simple investigation quickly thrusts him into the dark heart of America's tech hub and the cutthroat billion-dollar video-gaming industry.

#### Hot Shot by Fern Michaels - e-book, e-audiobook

The male allies of a sisterhood group have formed a top-secret organization in which they will assist the lawyer Lizzie Fox in finding out who murdered her husband Cosmo. As head of Nevada's Gaming Commission, Cosmo has powerful enemies. Yet the shooting seems to be related to one of his private projects.

#### The Candy House by Jennifer Egan - F EGA, e-book, BOOKCLUB F EGA

The brilliant Bix Bouton has a company named Mandala in which he is considered a tech demigod. Desperate for a new idea he stumbles into a conversation with a group of Columbia professors who delve into experimenting with externalizing memory.

#### Arena by Holly Jennings - F JEN Sci-Fi & Fantasy, e-book

Every week Kali Ling fights to death on national Tv. Competing in the virtual gaming league's elite competition where the best gamers in the world play in a no holds barred fight to the digital death. She's died hundreds of times. And it never gets easier...

#### Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin - F ZEV, e-book, e-audiobook BOOKCLUB F ZEV

Two friends, often in love, but never lovers come together as creative partners in the world of video game design, where success brings them fame, joy, tragedy, duplicity, and, ultimately, a kind of immortality.

The Three-Body Problem by Cixin Liu - F LIU Sci-Fi & Fantasy, e-book, e-audiobook

Set against the backdrop of China's Cultural Revolution, a secret military project sends signals into space to establish contact with aliens. An alien civilization on the brink of destruction captures the signal and plans to invade Earth.

Otaku by Chris Kluwe - F KLU, e-audiobook

Ditchtown. A dumping ground for strays, runaways, and malcontents. Within these towering monoliths, Ashley Akachi is a young woman trying her best to cope with a brother who's slipping away, a mother who's already gone, and angry young men who want to put her in her place.

Chrysalis by Lincoln Child - F CHI

Centered on a dominant tech company-Chrysalis-whose groundbreaking virtual reality technology is redefining the way we live and possibly introducing a catastrophic danger to the world. Jeremy Logan, an investigator of unexplained things has grown to rely on his incredible new tech device.

Donnerjack by Roger Zelazny - F ZEL Sci-Fi & Fantasy

In our world, called the Verite, he is a Scottish laird, an engineer, and a master of virtual reality design. Scientist and poet with a warrior's soul, Donnerjack strides like a giant across the virtual landscape he helped to shape. And now he has bargained with Death himself for the return of love.

Ready Player One by Ernest Cline - F CLI Sci-Fi & Fantasy, e-book, e-audiobook

The only time Wade Watts really feels alive is when he's jacked into the OASIS, a vast virtual world where most of humanity spends their days. When the creator of the OASIS dies, he leaves behind a series of fiendish puzzles, based on his obsession with the pop culture of decades past. Whoever is first to solve them will inherit his vast fortune--and control of the OASIS itself.

Ready Player Two by Ernest Cline - F CLI Sci-Fi & Fantasy, e-book, e-audiobook

Days after winning OASIS founder James Halliday's contest, Wade Watts made a discovery that changes everything. Hidden within Halliday's vaults, waiting for his heir to find, lies a technological advancement that will once again change the world and make the OASIS a thousand times more wondrous and addictive than even Wade dreamed possible.

Reamde by Neal Stephenson - F STE Sci-Fi & fantasy

The breathtaking tale of a wealthy tech entrepreneur caught in the very real crossfire of his own online fantasy war game, Reamde is a new high and a new world for the remarkable Neal Stephenson.