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They Cage the Animals at Night. Michael Jennings Burch. Jennings Michael Burch's mother, too sick to care for him, left him at an orphanage, saying only "I'll be right back." She never returned. Shuttled through a series of bleak foster homes and institutions, he never remained in any of them long enough to make a friend. Instead, Jennings clung to a tattered stuffed animal, his sole source of warmth in a frightening world.

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Living Dead Girl. Elizabeth Scott. Alice, a fifteen-year-old, who was abducted by Ray when she was ten, lives in fear of what he is going to do to her and hopes death will save her from the nightmare.

What Happens Here. Tara Altebrando. When sixteen-year-old Chloe returns home to Las Vegas from a family vacation in Europe, she learns that her best friend Lindsey has been murdered.

Revolution by Jennifer Donnelly. Andi Alpers's younger brother died two years ago and his death has torn her family apart. She's on antidepressants and is about to flunk out of her prep school. Her mother spends all day painting portraits of her lost son and her father has all but disappeared, focusing on his Nobel Prize-winning genetics work.

A Child Called It by David Pelzer. David Pelzer, victim of one of the worst child abuse cases in the history of California, tells the story of how he survived his mother's brutality and triumphed over his past.

If I Stay by Gayle Forman. While in a coma following an automobile accident that killed her parents and younger brother, seventeen-year-old Mia, a gifted cellist, weighs whether to live with her grief or join her family in death.

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