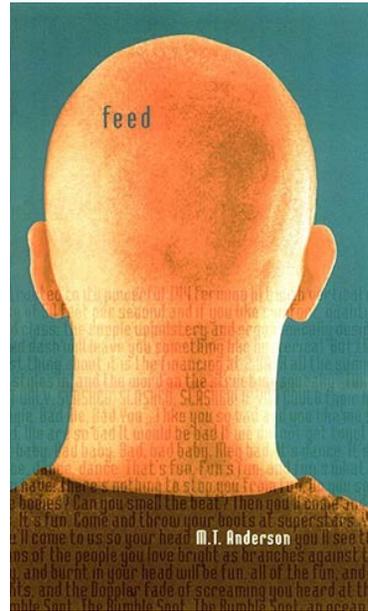


[Click Here \(To Find Out How I Survived Seventh Grade\)](#). Denise Vega. Seventh grader Erin Swift writes about her friends and classmates in her private blog. When her blog gets posted accidentally on the school Intranet site, she learns some important lessons about friendship.

**Be More Chill.** Ned Vizzini. Badly in need of self-confidence and a change of image, high school nerd, Jeremy Heere swallows a pill-sized super computer that is supposed to help him get whatever he wants.



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**Feed** by M.T. Anderson. This brilliantly ironic satire is set in a future world where television and computers are connected directly into people's brains when they are babies. The result is a chillingly recognizable consumer society where empty-headed kids are driven by fashion and shopping and the avid pursuit of silly entertainment and by constant customized murmurs in their brains of encouragement to buy, buy, buy. It's thought provoking and a little disturbing.

**Ender's Game** by Orson Scott Card. In a world decimated by alien attacks, the government trains young geniuses like Ender Wiggin in military strategy with increasingly complex computer games.

**Epic** by Conor Kostick. Where fantasy and video games meet, there is Epic. In a society where violence is banned, people must settle their disputes in Epic, at the same time they are trying to stay alive in order to accumulate wealth and status in both the game world and in reality.

**Saga** by Conor Kostick. The virtual-reality computer game featured in **Epic** has been infected by a hostile force bent on enslaving its human players.

**TTYL**. Lauren Myracle. IM-ing about the highs and lows of high school.

**The Last Book in the Universe**. W.R. Philbrick. A thousand years in the future, an earthquake destroys much of the planet, and an epileptic teenager nicknamed Spaz begins the heroic fight to bring human intelligence back to Earth.

**www:Wake** by Robert Sawyer. Caitlin, a math genius who is blind follows the pathways of the Internet in her mind, and when she receives an implant to restore her sight, she visualizes the World Wide Web all around her and realizes that a new intelligence lurks in the background.

**Daylight Runner** by Oisín McGann. Wheat lives in an apocalyptic future in which global warming has brought on an ice age that few survived. His dome city of Ash Harbor is powered by "The Machine" and each citizen's life is arranged to keep it functioning.

**Softwire Virus on Orbis 1** by P. J. Haarsma. After being orphaned on the seed ship "Renaissance", thirteen-year-old Johnny Turnbull and his sister, Ketheria, are forced to work on the Rings of Orbis, where Johnny learns he is the first human Softwire, with a gift to enter any computer via his mind.

**Bunker 10** by Jan Henderson. Several genius teenagers are held at a high-security army base where they are charged with creating devices used to advance national security. A surprising, fast-paced techno-thriller.

**Gem X** by Nicky Singer. Maxo Strang, the most perfect human ever made, suddenly discovers a "crack" in his face, which leads him to expose his community's dark underworld of secret scientific research and the city's corrupt supreme leader.

**Dusk** by Susan Gates. Sharing both human and hawk genes, a young girl escapes from her cage at a top secret laboratory where she was conceived by military scientists in a botched experiment designed to create stronger soldiers.

**Fever Crumb** by Philip Reeve. In post-apocalyptic London, founding Fever Crumb lives in a bleak world where archeologists dig up ancient technology and engineers work to interpret their finds. She has lived most of her fourteen years with the group of rational engineers (think Mr. Spock) in a colossal sculpted head (think Statue of Liberty) built years ago to honor the last of the Scriven overlords.