

# Books with Beats

## Teen Read Week 2010

MS=Middle School HS=High School

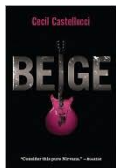
### Fiction



### ***Audrey, Wait!***

Robin Benway  
YA Benw

While trying to score a date with her cute coworker at the Scooper Dooper, sixteen-year-old Audrey gains unwanted fame and celebrity status when her ex-boyfriend, a rock musician, records a break-up song about her that soars to the top of the Billboard charts. HS



### ***Beige***

Cecil Castellucci  
YA Cast

Katy, a quiet French Canadian teenager, reluctantly leaves Montréal to spend time with her estranged father, an aging Los Angeles punk rock legend. HS



### ***Born to Rock***

Gordon Korman  
YA Korm

High school senior Leo Caraway, a conservative Republican, learns that his biological father is a punk rock legend. HS



### ***Debbie Harry Sings in French***

Meagan Brothers  
YA Brot

When Johnny completes an alcohol rehab program and his mother sends him to live with an uncle in North Carolina, he meets Maria, who seems to understand his fascination with the new wave band Blondie, and he learns about his deceased father's forays into "glam rock," which gives him perspective on himself, his past, and his current life. HS



### ***Drums, Girls, & Dangerous Pie***

Jordan Sonnenblick  
YA Sonn

Thirteen-year-old Steven has a totally normal life: he plays drums in the All-Star Jazz band, has a crush on the hottest girl in the school, and is constantly annoyed by his five-year-old brother, Jeffrey. But when Jeffrey is diagnosed with leukemia, Steven's world is turned upside down. MS



### ***Good Enough***

Paula Yoo  
YA Yoo

A Korean American teenager tries to please her parents by getting into an Ivy League college, but a new guy in school and her love of the violin tempt her in new directions. MS/HS

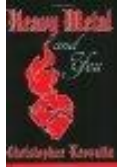


### ***Harlem Summer***

Walter Dean Myers  
YA Myer

In 1920s Harlem 16-year-old Mark Purvis, an aspiring Jazz

saxophonist, gets a summer job as an errand boy for the publishers of the ground-breaking African American magazine *The Crisis*, but soon finds himself on the enemy list of mobster Dutch Shultz. MS/HS



***Heavy Metal and You***

Christopher Krovatin  
YA Krov

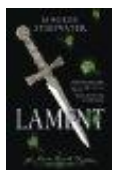
High schooler Sam begins losing himself when he falls for a preppy girl who wants him to give up getting wasted with his best friends and even his passion for heavy metal music in order to become a better person. HS



***LBD: It's a Girl Thing***

Grace Dent  
YA Dent

Three British 14-year-old best friends (Les Bambinos Dangereuses) can't get permission to go to a summer rock concert, so they decide to throw their own, featuring the best bands from their school. HS



***Lament: The faerie queen's deception***

Maggie Stiefvater  
YA Stie

On the day of an important music competition, talented but painfully introverted and nervous Deirdre is helped to perform by the compelling and enigmatic Luke, and finds herself drawn

into the mysteries and dangers of the faerie world. HS



***The New Policeman***

Kate Thompson  
YA Thom CD YA Thom

Irish teenager JJ Liddy discovers that time is leaking from his world into Tir na n'Og, the land of the fairies, and when he attempts to stop the leak he finds out a lot about his family history and the music he loves. MS/HS



***Rules to Rock By***

Josh Farrar  
J Farr

When Annabelle tries to start a rock band at her new middle school in Providence, Rhode Island, she has trouble with members of a rival band who bully her; and she develops a case of writer's block. MS



***She's Got the Beat***

Nancy Krulik  
YA Krul

When she moves to Austin, Texas, small-town girl Miranda decides to reinvent herself and, learning how to play the drums with a vengeance, joins a band and falls for the gorgeous bass player. HS



***This Lullaby***

Sarah Dessen  
YA Dess CD YA Dess

Raised by a mother who's had five husbands, 18-year-old Remy believes in short-term, no-commitment relationships until she meets Dexter, a rock-band musician. HS

### Poetry



***Becoming Billy Holiday***  
Carole Boston Weatherford  
YA Weat

Jazz vocalist Billy Holiday looks back on her early years in this fictional memoir written in verse. HS



***The Song Shoots Out of My Mouth***  
Jaime Adoff  
YA 811.6 Adof

A collection of 24 poems celebrating the power of music. MS/HS

### Non-fiction



***The Band Name Book***  
Noel Hudson  
YA 782.42166 Huds

How, when, where, and why the best-named bands got their names; with notes on band name origins, genres, the best album titles, and names-still-available. MS/HS



***Girls Rock: How to get your group together and make some noise***  
Robyn Goodmark  
YA 781.66 Good

The inside scoop on everything from choosing an instrument and finding bandmates to organizing rehearsals, recording music, and promoting your band. MS/HS



***Hip Hop World***  
Dalton Higgins  
YA 782.421649

This guide is a thorough and thoughtful examination of the roots and globalization of hip-hop. HS



***Punk Rock Etiquette: The ultimate how-to-guide for DIY, Punk, Indie, and Underground bands***  
Travis Nichols  
YA 781.66 Nich

This entertaining handbook provides sound advice about how to get through the good times and difficult times of being a successful punk rocker. MS/HS

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