

## Young Adult Reluctant Readers: New Millennium

The following books were chosen between 1999 and 2005 by the American Library Association or other creditable groups as books that might stimulate young adults who are reluctant readers. Listed are both fiction and nonfiction, including poetry. Some include a multitude of photographs. No one is claiming they are all the highest caliber of literature, but they can be a start.

- Alphabetical Hookup List A-J*—Phoebe McPhee  
*Anime Mania: How to Draw Characters for Japanese Animation*—Christopher Hart  
*The Amazing "True" Story of a Teenage Single Mom*—Katherine Arnoldi  
*Among the Hidden*—Margaret Petersen Haddix  
*Angus, Thongs, and Full-Frontal Snogging: Confessions of Georgia Nicolson*—Louise Rennison  
*The Art of Optical Illusions*—Al Seckel  
*The Autobiography of DMX*—Smokey D. Fontaine  
*Between Boardslides and Burnout: My Notes from the Road*—Tony Hawk  
*Beyond Beauty*—Jane Pratt  
*Boards: The Art and Design of the Skateboard*—MTV  
*This Book Is About Sex*—Tucker Shaw and Fiona Gibb  
*The Boxes*—William Sleator  
*The Brimstone Journals*—Ron Koertge  
*The Concrete Wave (The History of Skateboarding)*—Michael Brooke  
*Cut*—Patricia McCormick  
*Darkness Before Dawn*—Sharon Draper  
*Dead Girls Don't Write Letters*—Gail Giles  
*Deal with It: A Whole New Approach to Your Body, Brain and Life as a Girl*—Esther Drill, Heather McDonald, and Rebecca Olds  
*Dropping in with Andy Mac: Life of a Pro Skateboarder*—Andy McDonald and Theresa Foy DiGeronimo  
*The Fairies: Photographic Evidence of the Existence of Another World*—Suza Scalora  
*The First Part Last*—Angela Johnson  
*Foolish/Unfoolish: Reflections on Love*—Chait Ashanti  
*Gingerbread*—Rachel Cohn  
*The Girls*—Amy Goldman Koss  
*Gossip Girl*—Cecily Von Ziegesar  
*Hip Hop Divas*—Vibe Books  
*Jesse James: The Man and His Machines*—Mike Seate  
*The Killer's Cousin*—Nancy Werlin  
*Kissing Doorknobs*—Terry Spencer Hesser  
*Life Is Funny*—E. R. Frank

*The MAD Gross Book*—Nick Meglin (Ed.)  
*Man Eating Bugs: The Art and Science of Eating Bugs*—David West Reynolds  
*Manga Mania: How to Draw Japanese Comics*—Christopher Hart  
*'N SYNC: The Official Book*—K. M. Squires  
*Odd Jobs: Portraits of Unusual Occupations*—Nancy Rica Schiff  
*Oh, My Goddess! Wrong Number*—Kosuke Fujishima  
*Only the Strong Survive: The Odyssey of Allen Iverson*—Allen Iverson  
*Point Blank: An Alex Rider Adventure*—Anthony Horowitz  
*The Princess Diaries*—Meg Cabot  
*Rats*—Paul Zindel  
*Rewind*—William Sleator  
*The Rose That Grew from Concrete*—Tupac Shakur  
*Sasquatch*—Roland Smith  
*Seen and Heard: Teenagers Talk About Their Lives*—Mary Motley Kalergis  
*Skeleton Key: An Alex Rider Adventure*—Anthony Horowitz  
*Son of the Mob*—Gordon Korman  
*Special Effects in Film and Television*—Jake Hamilton  
*Spiders in the Hairdo: Modern Urban Legends*—David Holt and Bill Mooney  
*Star Wars: Incredible Cross-Sections*—David West Reynolds  
*Star Wars: The Visual Dictionary*—David West Reynolds  
*Stop Pretending: What Happened When My Sister Went Crazy*—Sonya Sones  
*Sweep Series (Book of Shadows; The Coven; Blood Witch; Dark Magick; Awakening)*—Cate Tiernan  
*Thrasher: Insane Terrain*—Thrasher magazine staff  
*Vatos*—Jose Galvez  
*What My Mother Doesn't Know*—Sonya Sones  
*The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook*—Joshua Piven and David Borgenicht  
*You Hear Me? Poems and Writings by Teenage Boys*—Betsy Franco