

Blood Is Thicker Bluford Series 8 **Anglerore**

When a frightening ordeal turns her life upside down, Darcy reaches out to her friends for help, but discovers that one of them has an even bigger secret.

After his little brother is shot and killed, Martin Luna struggles between staying out of trouble and avenging his brother.

A riveting and powerful story of a runaway girl lured into prostitution in New York City, perfect for fans of Ellen Hopkins and Patricia McCormick. What do you do if you're in trouble? When Michelle runs away from her drug-addicted mother, she has just enough money to make it to New York City, where she hopes to move in with a friend. But once she arrives at the bustling Port Authority, she is confronted with the terrifying truth: She is alone and out of options. Then she meets Devon, a good-looking, well-dressed guy who emerges from the crowd armed with a kind smile, a place for her to stay, and eyes that seem to understand exactly how she feels. But Devon is not who he seems to be, and soon Michelle finds herself engulfed in the world of child prostitution, where he becomes her "Daddy" and she is his "Little Peach." It is a world of impossible choices, where the line between love and abuse, captor and savior, is blurred beyond recognition.

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This hauntingly vivid story illustrates the human spirit's indomitable search for home and one girl's struggle to survive.

When Cindy Gibson starts dating Bobby Wallace, he appears to be everything that Cindy is looking for, until he starts behaving strangely and Cindy finds herself in the worst trouble of her life.

“Kathryn Casey is one of the best true crime writers today.” —Ann Rule With true crime classics like *Descent into Hell* and *Die My Love*, author Kathryn Casey has peered into the darkest corners of the Lone Star State, shedding a fascinating, chilling light on a series of notorious Texas murders. In *Shattered*, she explores in riveting detail an infamous Houston area crime: the brutal slaying of a young mother and her unborn child by the person closest to them. Bestselling author Carlton Stowers numbers Kathryn Casey “among the elite of true crime writers,” and *Shattered*—a shocking true story of blood, rage, and betrayal—will only enhance her reputation as one of the best of the best.

While dealing with tensions at work, school, and home, Jayd must learn to keep the drama under control, especially when she discovers a connection between her enemy, Misty, and her neighbor, a deadly conjurer from Louisiana.

Martin Luna struggles to rebuild his life after the death of his little brother and finds himself getting in trouble in school and at home.

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After being publically humiliated in school by Darrell Mercer, Tyray Hobbs seeks revenge to gain back respect.

Teenager Darcy Wills must deal with painful secrets from her past in order to save her family and her friendships. Set in contemporary urban America, fifteen young adult novels focus on the lives of a group of high school students and their families.

Ismael decides not to sign a petition against a teacher and weighs a clean conscience against peer pressure. Contains writing skills handouts and activities to use with 5 novels in the Bluford series. The novels focus on the lives of a group of urban high school students and their families.

Written for young adults, the Urban Underground series confronts issues that are of great importance to teens, such as friendship, loyalty, drugs, gangs, abuse, urban blight, bullies, and self-esteem to name a few. More than entertainment, these books can be a powerful learning and coping tool when a struggling reader connects with credible characters and a compelling storyline. The highly readable style and mature topics will appeal to young adult readers of both sexes and encourage them to finish each eBook. Harriet Tubman HS Series - Kevin Walker will be a loner at Tubman High- he doesn't want anyone asking too many questions about his move from Texas. His terrible secret could destroy any chance of remaining anonymous. Running like the wind helps him forget his troubles, but his star turn on the track team brings a lot of attention.

No one likes Tyray Hobbs. Once a feared bully, he's

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become an outcast. At Bluford High, his peers taunt him for how he treated them. At home, his parents punish him for the trouble he's caused. Unable to escape his reputation or his past, Tyray is desperate. And when an unlikely friendship develops, he clings to it like a lifeline. Now that connection is threatened, and Tyray faces his toughest decision yet. Will his next move lead him to ruin or redemption—or both?

Ben McKee, a new student at Bluford High School, tries to hide the bruises covering his body from his teachers and his new friends.

Melody Logan was as alone as a solitary gull, with only the wild Atlantic wind to lift her spirits.... When Melody Logan's mother died in a car accident, Melody lost the last shred of family she had ever known. She was practically a stranger to the Logans, her wealthy relatives on Cape Cod, where she now drifted on a sea of dark secrets. In the eyes of gentle Aunt Sara, Melody was a replacement for her dead daughter, while for Uncle Jacob she was a reminder of the family's shameful past. Only good-hearted Cary seemed to care, and since it was revealed that she and Cary weren't truly cousins, the affection that had always surged between them now crested in thrilling waves. But Melody knew she could never truly echo Cary's loving promises until she discovered her own buried identity. Despite Grandma Olivia's daggerlike threats, Melody sought out Belinda, a mysterious, half-crazy woman who was her real grandmother. Belinda gave Melody hope -- and a glimmer of the pearls of truth she knew were hidden in the shifting Cape Cod sands. Somehow, someday, the story of her past would be her hard-won treasure, to be savored in a world of sunshine and happiness...where she truly belonged.

"Tarah Carson has hidden the secret for years. No one--not

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her mother, her friends at Bluford High, or even her boyfriend, Cooper Hodden--knows what her uncle did to her years ago. Tarah hoped to keep it that way. But an upcoming reunion is forcing Tarah's past into the present."--Back cover.

The second novel in the Bluford Series.

After Darrell Mercer and his mother move from Philadelphia to California in the middle of the school year, the ninth-grader quickly becomes a target for the freshman class bully, Tyray Hobbs.

The third novel in the Bluford Series.

Now in a newly revised edition, *Bullying in Schools* is a powerful and practical resource for students, parents, and educators. Respectful and empathetic, the book examines the problem of bullying and works to combat it. New material includes a timely essay about cyberbullying and an enhanced section focusing on internet safety. Suited to a wide range of instructional approaches, *Bullying in Schools* can serve as a class text or as a guidebook for individual students.

After sixteen-year-old Raina learns that she is a perfect match for donating bone marrow to a leukemia patient in Virginia, she discovers that the young woman is the sister she never knew she had. "Cooper, I'm sorry," Darcy said quickly, trying to control the damage. "I didn't mean that. This has nothing to do with you or this party. I just--" Girl, you better leave or things are gonna get ugly in here real quick," Tarah warned. Cooper stepped in between the girls then. "Tarah, you don't wanna do this. Please..." Darcy Wills feels the pressure. Her best friend, Tarah Carson has grown distant and hostile since the start of the school year. And a medical

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crisis in Darcy's family has stress boiling over at home. When surprising news forces Darcy to look at the future beyond Bluford High, she realizes huge decisions are looming. Unsure what to do but unable to avoid what's coming, Darcy has no easy options. Her choices will cut both ways. Some doors will open, but others may close forever.

"An exciting new anthology of short fiction chosen by thirty-five of this country's most distinguished and popular fiction writers, *You've Got to Read This* offers readers an unusually intimate glimpse into how accomplished writers experience literature."

"Here are stories that inspired today's leading novelists and short-story writers to embark on their own writing careers, stories that took their breath away and changed them, or the way they responded to literature, forever. Oscar Hijuelos confesses his debt to the great Argentine writer Jorge Luis Borges, whose brilliant story "The Aleph" inspired him to become a writer himself. Mary Gordon stands in awe of what James Joyce wrought in "The Dead," and wonders how writers who come after him can equal it. Robert Coover writes movingly of Angela Carter and her mysterious story "Reflections," while Kenneth A. McClane says that "Sonny's Blues" by James Baldwin literally saved his life." "Some of the stories presented here are classics, like Anton Chekhov's "Gooseberries," introduced by Eudora Welty, or Flannery O'Connor's "A Good Man Is Hard

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to Find," selected by Sue Miller. Some are less well known, like Lars Gustafsson's "Greatness Strikes Where It Pleases," introduced by Charles Baxter, or John Updike's "Packed Dirt, Churchgoing, a Dying Cat, a Traded Car," whose beauty stunned Lorrie Moore." "All were critically important to some of our finest contemporary writers - among them Annie Dillard, John Irving, Amy Tan, Louise Erdrich, Russell Banks, Jane Smiley, Bobbie Ann Mason, Tobias Wolff - and their comments about the selections offer fascinating entrances into the stories. For lovers of fiction, You've Got to Read This is a treasure trove, a dazzling collection of stories passionately and imaginatively chosen."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved

Angel McAllister's worst nightmare has come true. Her best friend, Sharice Bell, has discovered her most intimate secret. And a new enemy, LaDonna Burns, is on the warpath. Gossip and rumors are spreading through school like wildfire, and Angel's classmates are turning on her. Can she bury the secret and put out the flames? Or will Angel face the truth--and it's life-changing consequences? With low grades and bad advice from friends and family, Lionel Shepard has a hard time achieving his dream of playing basketball for Bluford High. When Jamee Wills stands up for a shy new girl at Bluford High, she becomes the bullies target.

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This story continues the tale of the Wills family. Darcy learns that Hakeem, her first boyfriend, is moving out of the state. Then her grandmother's health declines and a mysterious new person comes into her life.

With her family problems mounting, people pressuring her to tell them what is bothering her, Vicky Fallon knows something is about to snap.

After a mysterious stranger starts following her and a threatening note is left on her desk at Bluford High School, Darcy Wills must race against time to save her missing sister. Hakeem has a hard time adjusting when, due to his father's sickness, Hakeem and his family must move in with his uncle in distant Detroit, especially when he has to share his room with his moody cousin Savon.

Three boys struggle to come to terms with the death of a friend in a drunk-driving auto accident in which all four were involved, in a story told through newspaper stories, diary entries, school announcements, telephone conversations, and classroom assignments.

There's an allure to vampire tales that have seduced readers for generations. From Bram Stoker to Stephanie Meyer and beyond, vampire stories are here to stay. For those fresh-blooded fans of paranormal romance or for those whose hunt and hunger never dies, these stories have what readers want!

This collection of original tales comes from some of the hottest, most popular, and best-selling YA writers, including: Holly Black (*The Spiderwick Chronicles*, *Tithe*), Libba Bray (*A Great and Terrible Beauty*), Melissa De La Cruz (*Blue Blood*), Cassandra Clare (*City of Bones*), Rachel Caine (*Morganville Vampires*), Nancy Holder and Debbie Viguie (*Wicked*), Cecil Castellucci (*Boy Proof*, *Queen of Cool*), Kelley Armstrong (*Women of Otherworld*), Maria V. Snyder, Sarah Rees

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Brennan, Lili St. Crow, Karen Mahoney and Dina James....They will make everyone a sucker for eternal kisses. After ignoring the changes in her body over the last few weeks, Bluford High student Liselle Mason realizes she can't forget her brief relationship with Oscar Price and struggles to cope with her increasing panic after her brother notices her growing belly.

With the government cracking down on border crossers, Heidi must secretly move to West Berlin with her family--a perilous journey that forces her to overcome her greatest fear.

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