

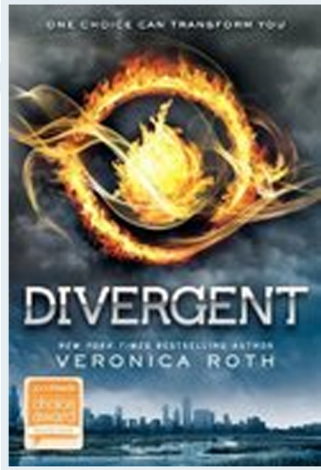
THREE TO READ:

REBELS VERSUS THE GOVERNMENT

After reading novels from three dystopian series, I found that they all include warnings that are key to the rest of the book. Each includes rebels who go against the government for different reasons. The government in each book is doing something that is causing the people to want to rebel and fight for themselves.

I was drawn to these books because I wanted to get a better look at dystopian novels and how they are similar, yet different.

Recommended by Kevin Vankham from High Tech High International



Divergent
by Veronica Roth

In *Divergent*, Beatrice "Tris" Prior turns sixteen and must take an aptitude test to determine which of the five factions she belongs in: Abnegation, the selfless; Amity, the happy and carefree; Candor, the truthful and political; Dauntless, the daring and bold; or Erudite, the knowledgeable and intelligent. On choosing day, Tris' results were inconclusive. Her test showed that she is a candidate for multiple factions, making her "Divergent." Divergence is considered dangerous, and she will soon find out that if she doesn't keep her results a secret, the fate of her and others she cares about most will come to an end. While Tris is trying to hide her divergence, Jeannine, the leader of Erudite is afraid that she will use her new knowledge of divergence and overthrow her knowing that she is afraid of people that are divergent. 487 pages

FIC ROTH



Steelheart
by Brandon Sanderson

Steelheart, by Brian Sanderson, is set in Newcago, Illinois. The protagonist, David, is the lone survivor of a mass murder from an "Epic" named Steelheart. Epics are sort of like superheroes: they are humans that have developed powers like invincibility, flight, or creating energy. Steelheart has taken over Newcago and is terrorizing the citizens that are challenging his authority. David joins the Reckoners, a rebel group that kills Epics and has a plan to take down Steelheart once and for all. David has been preparing for this moment all of his life ever since his father got killed in the murder at the bank. The Reckoners don't think that they can do it since Steelheart keeps his weakness hidden, but David is determined to find it out and stop him and his rule over Newcago for good. 416 pages

FIC SANDERSON



Mockingjay
by Suzanne Collins

In the third and final installment of the Hunger Games series, Katniss Everdeen wakes up confused and finds out that she has been taken to District 13--surprised to discover that 13 has survived. She learns from the president of District 13 that all of the districts are at war with The Capitol, and she is enraged. After talking with multiple people she cares about, she agrees to become the symbol of the rebellion. She will become the Mockingjay. Knowing that this will be a risky task, she does it to show the people of Panem that The Capitol needs to be stopped and she will do everything she can to make sure that they no longer control the Districts. 390 pages

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