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The Summer Before Boys

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Julia and Eliza are best friends, but the girls' transition out of childhood introduces many changes and new emotions ... and boys. Julia becomes interested in boys before Eliza does, which strains the girls' friendship, and in the span of a summer, Julia and Eliza discover how a first crush can come between best friends.

This poignant coming-of-age story illustrates the importance of hanging on to your time as a child before rushing to grow up.



Best for ages 10–14