



Heartstopper-Alice Oseman

Even if you're not a fan of graphic novels, Oseman's series might catch you.

In the cutest of meets, Charlie and Nick meet in class and immediately become friends. Charlie begins to have stronger feelings, but keeps it secret from Nick, who he believes does not feel the same way.

Unbeknownst to Charlie, Nick is struggling with his identity, and the two embark on the sweetest of adventures together, facing rugby, bullies, and girlfriends, while simultaneously falling for each other.

This is a series of graphic novels that numbers 4, so far, and even has a time-stamp novella called Nick and Charlie. If that wasn't enough to convince you, check out the Netflix series of the same name. It was an immediate commercial and critical success, racking up an impressive list of views (24 million hours in its first week alone) and acclaim (100% on Rotten Tomatoes). To quote Oseman in Vanity Fair magazine, people enjoy it "because it feels quite real, although it is very sort of rose-tinted and focuses on love and joy and happiness. It makes the positive parts feel real, and it shows that they *can* be real."

And since the series completely mirrors the events and the tone of the novels, both are a must. Seriously, check these out!