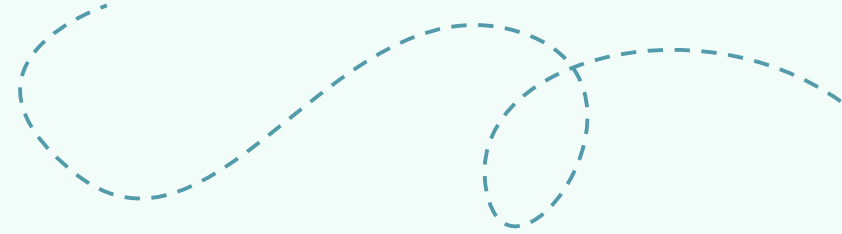




Extension Reading Project

for Year 9 & 10 Students
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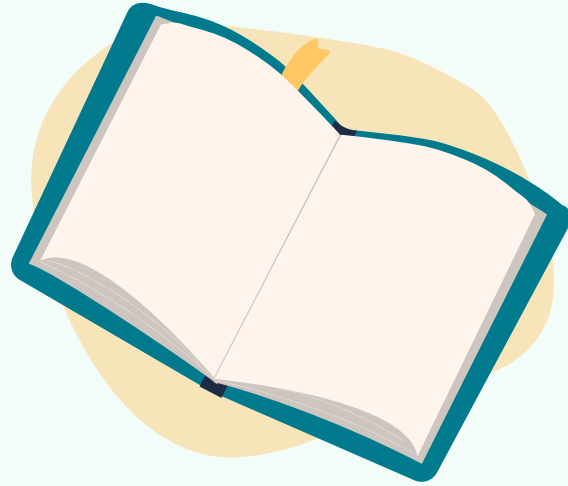


“Show me a family of readers, and I will show you the people who move the world.”



—Napoléon Bonaparte





Did you know...

If you read 20 minutes per day,
you'll read 1.8 million words a year!



Did you know...

Reading for 6 minutes per day
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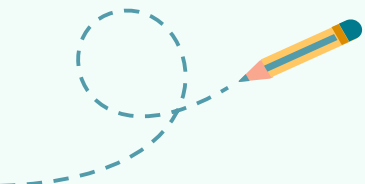




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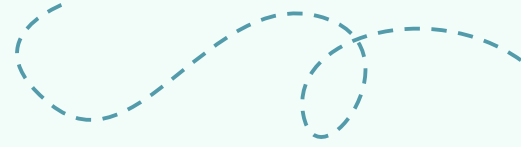
In this document, you'll find a list of novels that has been thoughtfully curated by your specialism teachers. If you enjoyed their specialism, they recommend you pick up one (or a few) of these books. Some are fact, some are fiction, and all are dearly loved by your teachers.

We hope these novels spark your curiosity and inspire you to expand your reading repertoires. We hope they engage you, challenge you, move you and, most of all, we hope they foster your love of reading. Words are, after all, 'our most inexhaustible source of magic' (Dumbledore).

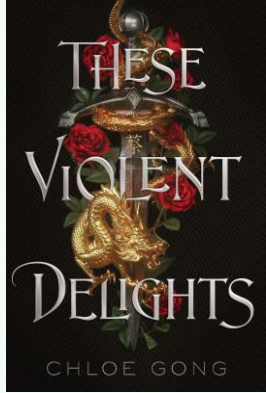




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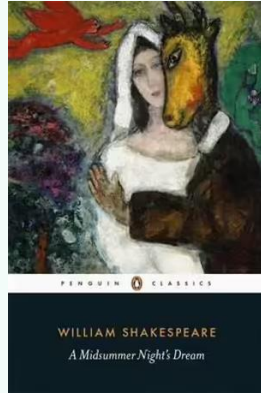


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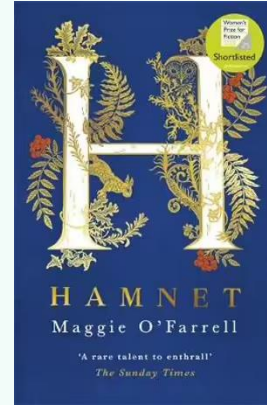
These Violent Delights Chloe Gong

This heart-stopping novel is an imaginative Romeo and Juliet retelling set in 1920s Shanghai, with rival gangs and a monster in the depths of the Huangpu River.



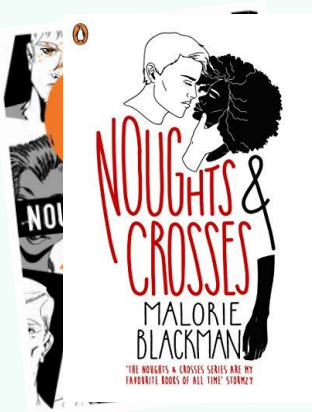
A Midsummer Night's Dream William Shakespeare

This famous comedy tells a story of order and disorder, reality and appearance, love and marriage... and features a character called Bottom who gets his head turned into that of an 'ass'.



Hamnet Maggie O'Farrell

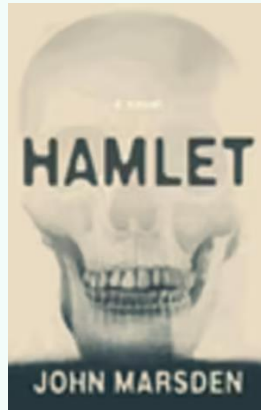
Told in Maggie O'Farrell's unique voice, Hamnet reveals for the first time in fiction the story of heartbreaking loss which inspired Shakespeare's most celebrated play.



Noughts and Crosses Malorie Blackman

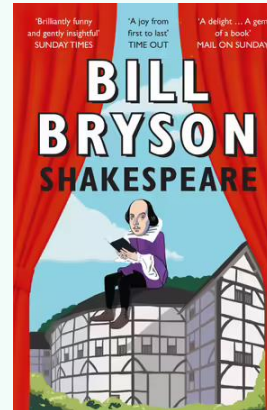
This Romeo & Juliet adaptation tells the story of two star-crossed lovers separated by privilege and power.

This is also available as a graphic novel.



Hamlet John Marsden

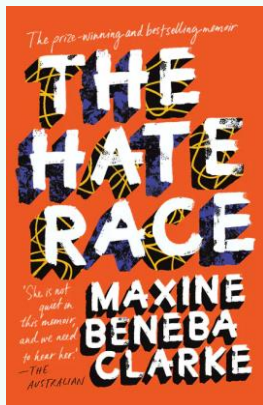
This wonderful book, by one of Australia's most loved and most read writers, takes Shakespeare's famous play and makes it into a moving and full-blooded novel.



Shakespeare Bill Bryson

Examining centuries of myths, half-truths and downright lies, Bill Bryson makes sense of the man behind the masterpieces.

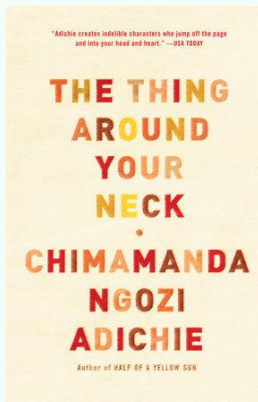
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The Hate Race Maxine Beneba Clarke

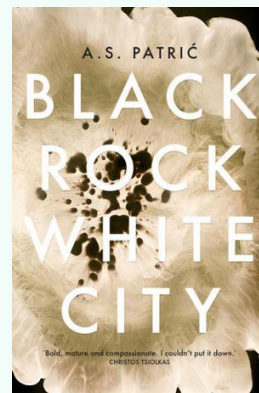
This is a powerful, funny, and at times devastating memoir about growing up black in white, middle-class Australia.

WINNER of the NSW Premier's Literary Award Multicultural NSW Award 2017



The Thing Around Your Neck Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

This is a collection of twelve stories that turn a penetrating eye on the ties that bind men and women, parents and children, and Nigeria and the West.



Black Rock White City A.S. Patric

This more challenging read is set in Melbourne and explores themes of war, PTSD, love and refugees.

WINNER of the 2016 Miles Franklin Literary Award



Growing up... in Australia

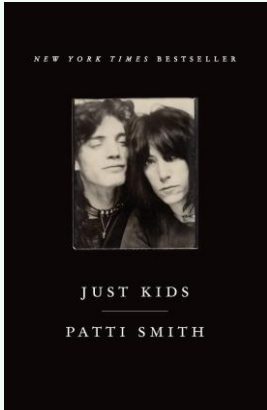
Each of these anthologies attempts to showcase as many diverse voices, experiences and stories as possible in order to answer the question, *what does it mean to be an Australian?*

If you enjoyed Don't Stop The Music, you'll love...

Just Kids Patti Smith

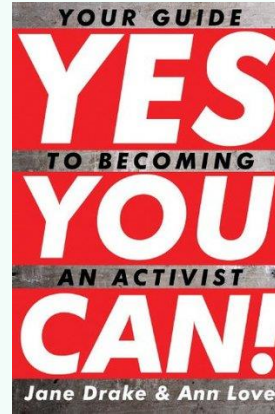
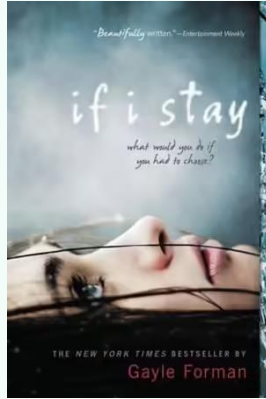
This memoir tells the story of one of the greatest artists of all time, and her relationship with Robert Mapplethorpe.

WINNER of the 2010 Non-Fiction National Book Award.



If I Stay Series Gayle Forman

In the blink of an eye everything changes. Simultaneously tragic and hopeful, this is a romantic, riveting and ultimately uplifting story about memory, music, living, dying, and loving.



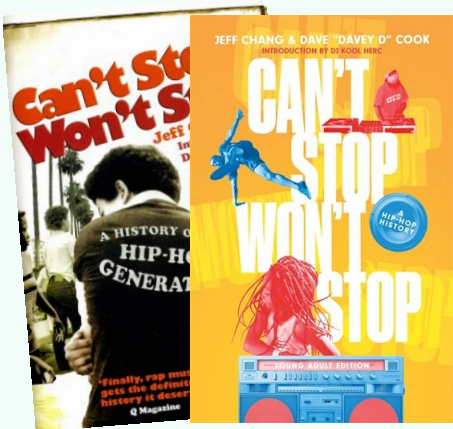
Yes You Can! Jane Drake & Anne Love

Two lifelong environmental activists present the nine steps to social change and much more. This book is great reading for every person who wants to make the world a better place.

Can't Stop Won't Stop Jeff Chang & Dave Cook

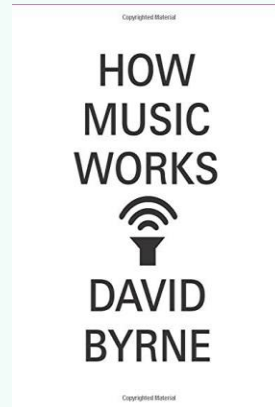
This is the story of hip-hop, a generation-defining movement and the music that transformed American politics and culture forever.

This is also available in a young-adult edition.

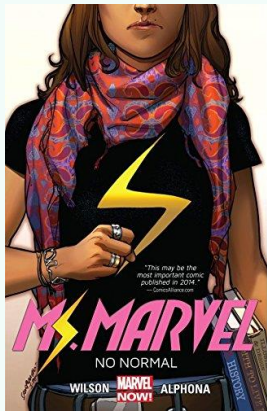


How Music Works David Byrne

David Byrne is a Rock and Roll Hall of Famer and cofounder of Talking Heads. In this book, he explores how music-making is not just the act of a lone composer in a studio, but rather liberating, life-affirming power for good.

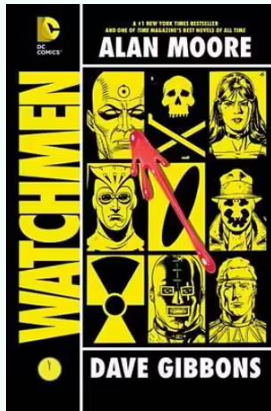


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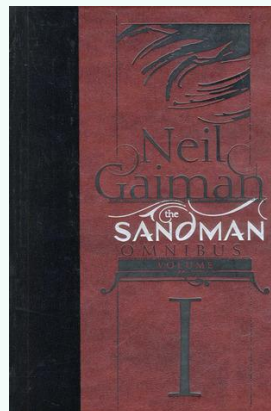
Ms Marvel G. Wilson, A. Alphone & J.Wyatt

This graphic novel features the groundbreaking heroine who has become an international sensation!



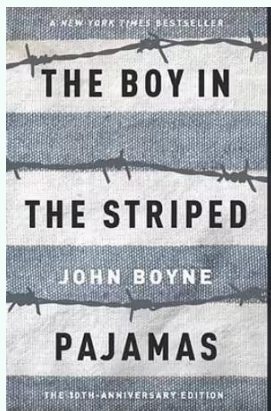
Watchmen A. Moore & D. Gibbons

In an alternate world where the mere presence of American superheroes changed history, the US won the Vietnam War, Nixon is still president, and the cold war is in full effect.



The Sandman Omnibus Neil Gaiman

The Sandman is the universally lauded masterwork following Morpheus, Lord of the Dreaming.



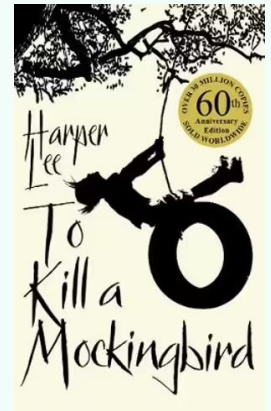
The Boy in the Striped Pajamas John Boyne

Nine year-old Bruno knows nothing of the Final Solution or the Holocaust. Then he meets Shmuel, and their friendship will take Bruno from innocence to revelation.



Paper Girls B. Vaughan, C.Chiang & J. Fletcher

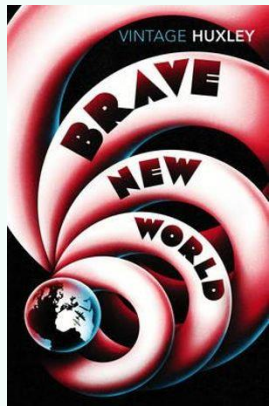
Suburban drama and otherworldly mysteries collide in this smash-hit series about nostalgia, first jobs, and the last days of childhood.



To Kill a Mockingbird Harper Lee

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If you enjoyed Greatest Novels, you'll love...

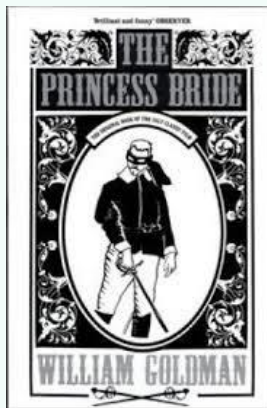


A Brave New World

Aldous Huxley

Far in the future, the World Controllers have created the ideal society. Or have they?

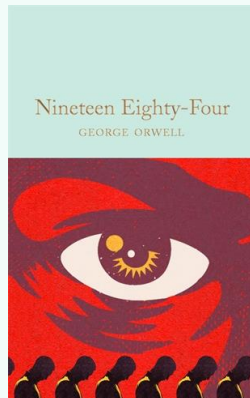
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Nineteen Eighty-Four

George Orwell

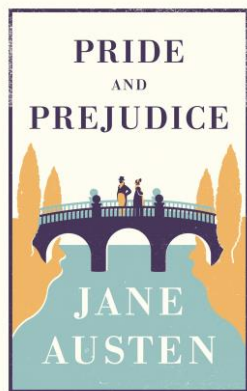
War and revolution have left the world unrecognisable. Britain is ruled by the Party, led by Big Brother. Mass surveillance is everything and The Thought Police ensure no individual thinking is allowed.



Jane Eyre

Charlotte Brontë

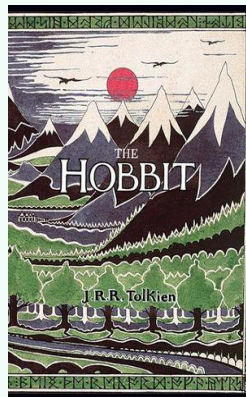
This gothic classic entrances readers with its passionate portrayal of a woman struggling to make a life for herself in a cruel and indifferent world.



Pride and Prejudice

Jane Austen

The original romantic comedy, brimful of wit and wisdom. It charts the bumpy relationship between the headstrong Lizzy Bennett and the arrogant Mr Darcy.

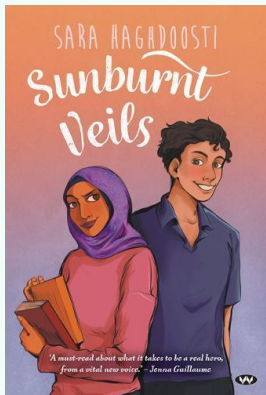


The Hobbit

J.R.R. Tolkien

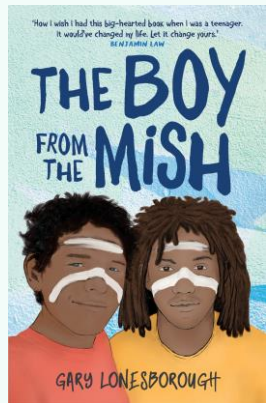
The unforgettable story of Bilbo, a peace-loving hobbit, who embarks on a strange and magical adventure.

If you enjoyed Heritage to Hip-Hop, you'll love...



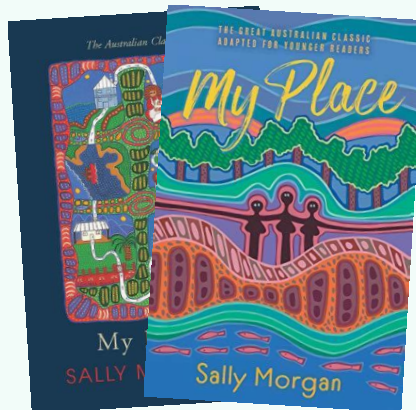
Sunburnt Veils Sara Haghdootsi

This is a smart, funny, character-based exploration of Islamophobia through the eyes of a young heroine, Tara. Girl meets boy, ghosts his text messages, then convinces him to help her run for the student union... Just your typical love story with a hijabi twist.



The Boy From The Mish Gary Lonesborough

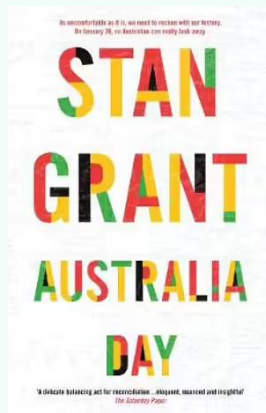
This funny and heart-warming queer Indigenous YA novel is set in a rural Australian community, and it's about seventeen-year-old Jackson finding the courage to explore who he is, even if it scares him.



My Place Sally Morgan

Sally Morgan always wondered about her family: who they were, where they came from, what they were hiding. To find answers, Sally travelled to her grandmother's birthplace. What started as a tentative search for information became an extraordinary pilgrimage that would change their lives forever.

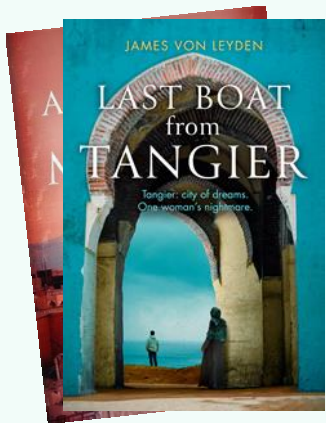
This is also available in a young-adult edition.



Australia Day Stan Grant

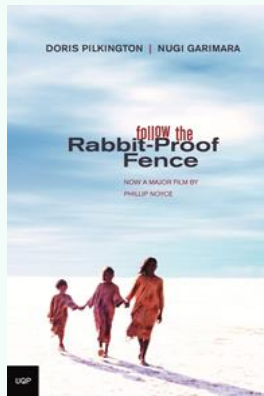
A sad, wise, beautiful, reflective and troubled book, Australia Day asks the questions that have to be asked and that no else seems to be asking. Who are we? What is our country? How do we move forward from here?

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Last Boat From Tangier James von Leyden

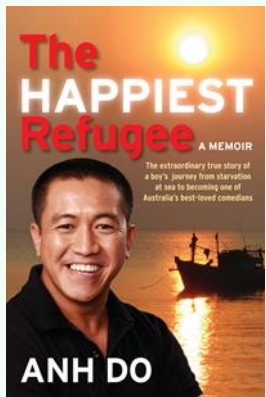
This is the second book in a thrilling new series set in Morocco, featuring 24-year-old detective Karim Belkacem. When Detective Karim's best friend and colleague, Abdou, goes missing during an investigation into an illegal cartel, Karim is sent to Tangier look for him.



Follow The Rabbit-Proof Fence

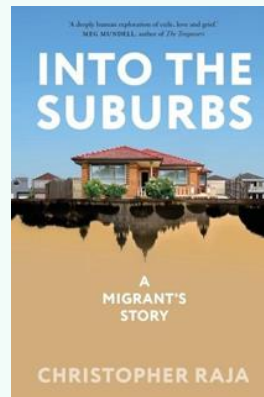
Doris Pilkington & Nugi Garimara

The film Rabbit-Proof Fence is based on this true account of Doris Pilkington's mother Molly, who as a young girl led her two sisters on an extraordinary 1,600 kilometer walk home.



The Happiest Refugee Anh Do

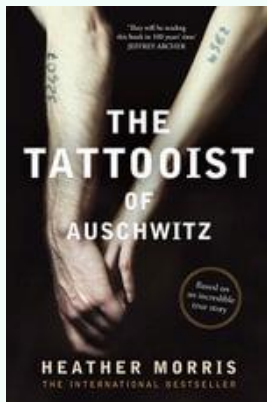
This laugh-out-loud, reach-for-your-hanky story tells the incredible life story of one of Australia's favourite personalities. Tragedy, humour, heartache and unswerving determination - a big life with big dreams. Anh's story will move and amuse all who read it.



Into The Suburbs Christopher Raja

Christopher Raja was eleven years old when his father, David, decided to move the family from Calcutta to Australia in pursuit of the idyllic lifestyle. Exploring topical issues of race, class and migration, Into the Suburbs is an affecting portrait of one family's search for home.

If you enjoyed Hopes and Horrors, you'll love...

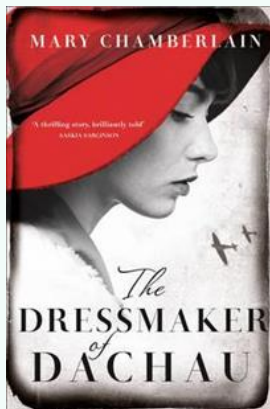


The Tattooist of Auschwitz

Heather Morris

In 1942, Lale Sokolov became a prisoner in Auschwitz-Birkenau, and was given the job of tattooing the prisoners marked for survival.

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The Dressmaker of Dachau

Mary Chamberlain

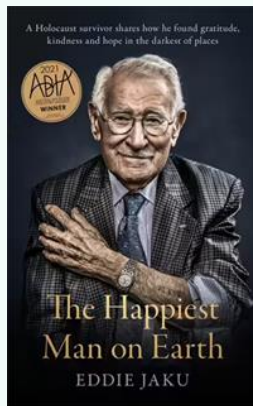
Taken prisoner by the Nazis, teenaged Ada is forced into a life of slavery and horror in Dachau concentration camp. Her skill as a seamstress is the only bargaining chip she has against the brutal SS guards.



The Diary of a Young Girl

Anne Frank

Among the most powerful accounts of the Nazi occupation, a series of diary entries chronicle the life of Anne Frank, a thirteen-year old girl fleeing her home in Amsterdam to go into hiding.



The Happiest Man on Earth

Eddie Jaku

This is a powerful, heartbreaking and hopeful memoir of how happiness can be found even in the darkest of times.

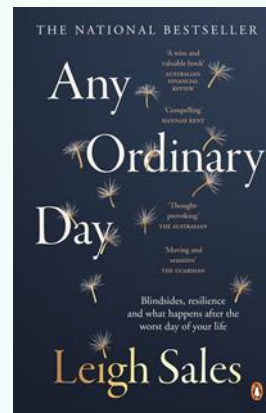
WINNER – 2021 ABIA
Biography Book of the Year



Unmasked Turia Pitt

Turia Pitt made headlines for barely surviving a bushfire in the desert. She has since become one of the most inspirational women in Australia.

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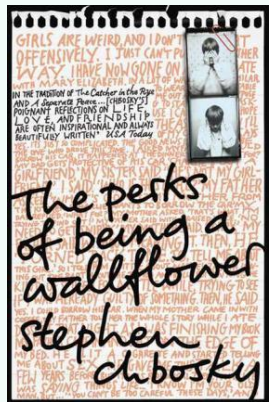


Any Ordinary Day

Leigh Sales

Blindsides, resilience and what happens after the worst day of your life.

If you enjoyed Novel Into Film, you'll love...

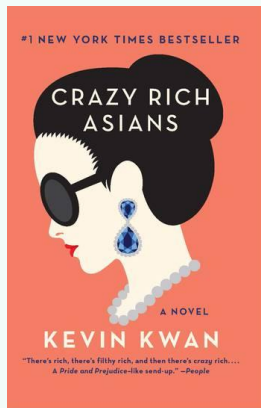


The Perks of Being a Wallflower

Stephen Chbosky

Told through a series of letters, this is a deeply affecting coming-of-age story about what it means to grow up.

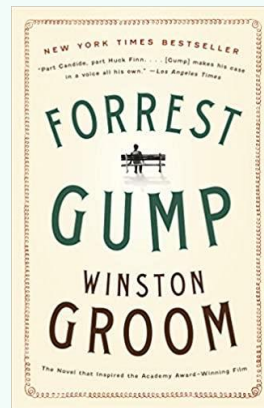
Contains adult themes.



Crazy Rich Asians

Kevin Kwan

An outrageously funny novel about three super-rich, pedigreed Chinese families and the gossip, backbiting, and scheming that occurs amongst them.



Forrest Gump

Winston Groom

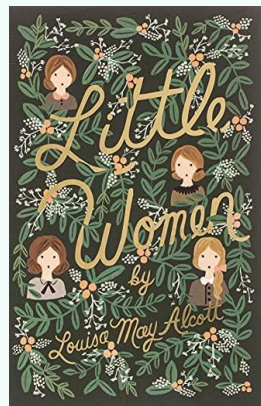
Discover the bestselling novel that inspired the Oscar-winning film. Gump views the world simply and truthfully, but despite his low IQ, he is full of wisdom.



To All The Boys I've Loved Before

Jenny Han

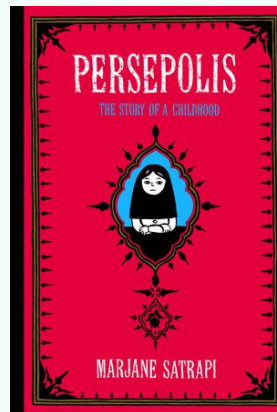
Lara Jean keeps her love letters in a hatbox; one for every boy she's ever loved. The letters are for her eyes only until they're mailed, and suddenly Lara Jean's love life goes from imaginary to out of control.



Little Women

Louisa May Alcott

This beloved classic is about the March sisters—Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy—and their childhood and teenage years in Massachusetts during the Civil War.

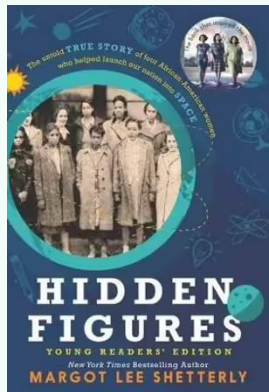


Persepolis

Marjane Satrapi

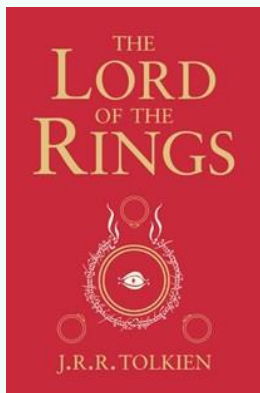
Told through comic book images, this is a memoir about growing up in Iran during the Islamic Revolution.

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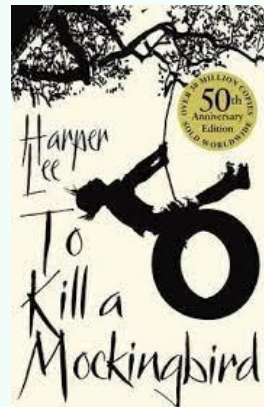
Hidden Figures Margot Lee Shetterly

This is the amazing true story of four African-American female mathematicians at NASA who helped achieve some of the greatest moments in space exploration.



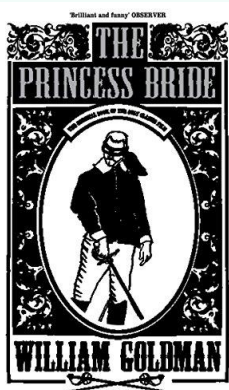
Lord of The Rings J.R.R. Tolkien

This is the classic, epic high-fantasy story that spans three volumes. It follows the perilous journey of Frodo Baggins and his hobbit friends as they attempt to destroy the One Ring.



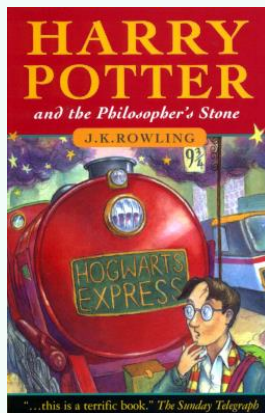
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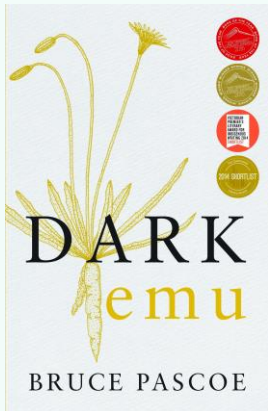
This cult book also became a famous cult film. It tells the story of Buttercup and Wesley, and their journey with pirates, evil princes, beasts, lies, revenge, giants, poison, sorcerers, and of course, true love.



Harry Potter Series J.K. Rowling

This is the series which turned an entire generation into readers. The seven novels follow Harry Potter's journey as a young wizard who is the last remaining hope of destroying Lord Voldemort forever. Even if you've seen the films, we recommend reading the books because they're filled with so much more magic!

If you enjoyed Walk The Talk, you'll love...

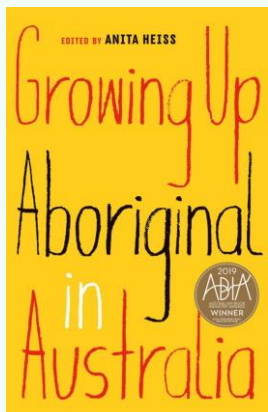


Dark Emu Bruce Pascoe

Dark Emu puts forward an argument for a reconsideration of the hunter-gatherer tag for pre-colonial Aboriginal Australians.

WINNER of Book of the Year in the 2016 NSW Premier's Literary Awards

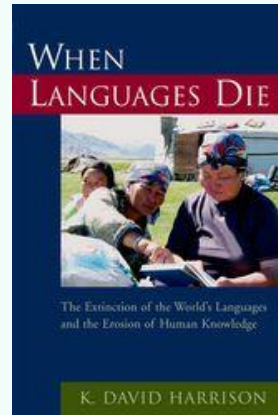
WINNER of Indigenous Writer's Prize in the 2016 NSW Premier's Literary Awards



Growing Up Aboriginal in Australia Anita Heiss (Ed)

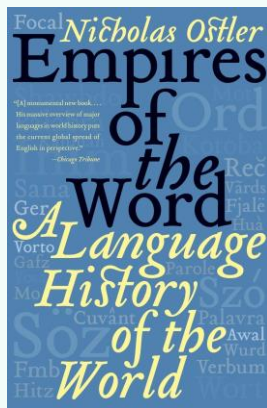
This groundbreaking anthology aims to enlighten, inspire and educate about the lives of Aboriginal people in Australia today.

WINNER - 2019 ABIA Small Publisher Adult Book of the Year



When Languages Die K. David Harrison

It is commonly agreed by linguists and anthropologists that most languages spoken today will disappear within our lifetime. What is lost when a language dies? What forms of knowledge are embedded in a language's structure and vocabulary? And how harmful is it to humanity that such knowledge is lost forever?



Empires of the Word Nicholas Ostler

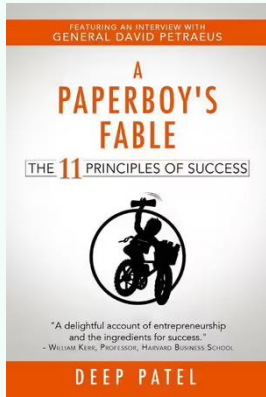
This the first history of the world's great languages. It gloriously celebrates the wonder of words that binds communities together, and makes possible both the living of a common history and the telling of it.



Innovate Recommendations

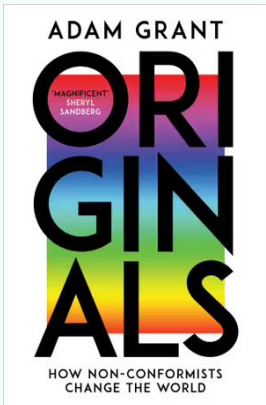


If you enjoyed Innovate, you'll love...



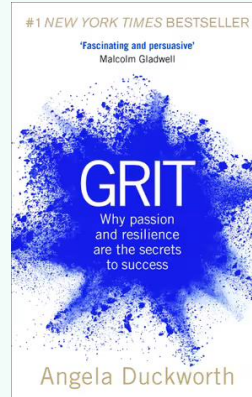
A Paperboy's Fable Deep Patel

A young man learns that there is more to being successful than the bottom line. Told as a fable, this book offers valuable lessons to those pursuing entrepreneurship.



Originals Adam Grant

Using surprising studies and stories spanning business, politics, sports, and entertainment, Grant explores how to recognise a good idea and improve the world by championing novel ideas and values.



Grit Angela Duckworth

This book is about what goes through your head when you fall down, and how that - not talent or luck - makes all the difference.



Paper Planes Steve Worland

Twelve-year-old Dylan Webber lives in outback Western Australia in a small country town. When he discovers he has a talent for folding and flying paper planes, Dylan begins a journey to reach the World Junior Paper Plane Championships in Japan.



BEST **Recommendations**



If you enjoyed BEST, you'll love...

"Samin Nosrat has managed to summarize the huge and complex subject of how we should be cooking in just four words." —LOUISE OTTOLENGHI



SALT, FAT, ACID, HEAT
Mastering the Elements of Good Cooking

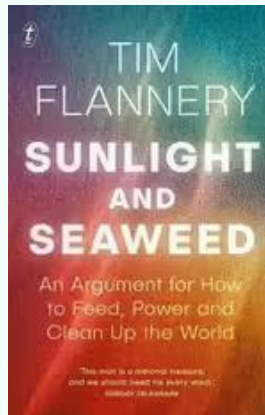


Foreword by Michael Pollan
Art by Wendy MacNaughton
Samin Nosrat

Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat

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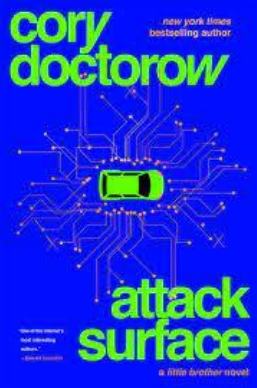
Fans of *Cooking with Chemistry* will love this beautifully illustrated and visionary new masterclass in cooking. It distills decades of professional experience into just four simple elements. By explaining the hows and whys of good cooking, this book will teach you how to make better decisions in the kitchen and cook delicious meals with any ingredients, anywhere, at any time.



Sunlight and Seaweed

Tim Flannery

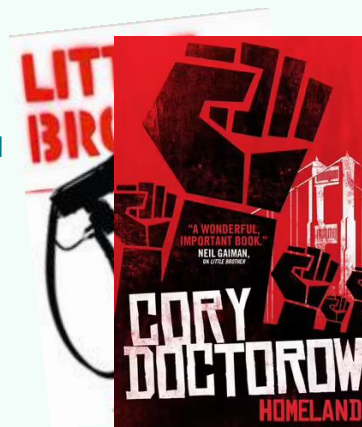
Drive the Future students will love this one! Acclaimed scientist Tim Flannery investigates exciting new technologies currently being developed to address our most pressing environmental threats. This book presents a positive future for us and our planet. If you enjoyed the documentary 2040, you'll love this.



Attack Surface

Cory Doctorow

Students who loved *Drive the future* will love this novel set in the world of New York Times bestsellers *Little Brother* and *Homeland*. Masha Maximow is a counterterrorism wizard for an transnational cybersecurity firm, and she makes the hacks that allow repressive regimes to spy on, and manipulate, dissidents.

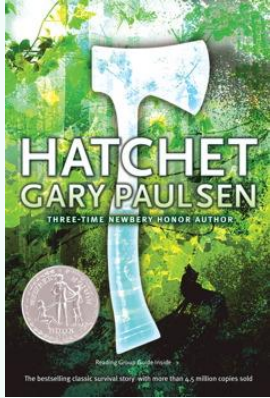


Little Brother & Homeland

Cory Doctorow

These are set in the same world as *Attack Surface*. They're both New York Times bestselling novels of youthful rebellion against the torture-and-surveillance state. *Homeland* was also made into a popular TV series.

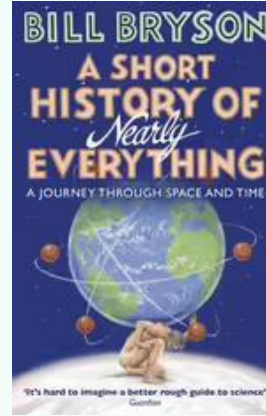
If you enjoyed BEST, you'll love...



Hatchet

Gary Paulsen

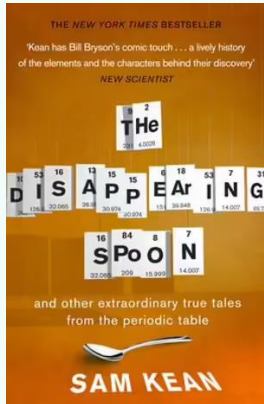
Fans of Survival Skills will love this novel about thirteen-year-old Brian Robeson who is the sole survivor of a plane crash in the Canadian wilderness. Armed with only his clothing, a tattered windbreaker, and the hatchet his mother had given him as a present, he must learn survival skills and resilience in order to survive.



A Short history of Nearly Everything

Bill Bryson

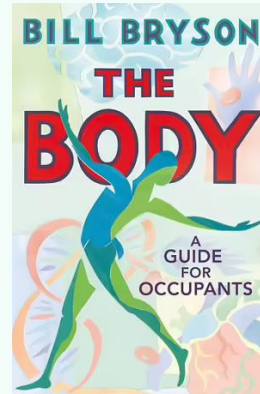
This book is Bill's quest to understand everything that has happened from the Big Bang to the rise of civilization - how we got from there, being nothing at all, to here, being us. He takes us with him on the ultimate eye-opening journey through space and time to reveal the world in a way most of us have never seen it before. If you enjoyed the Big Bang, you'll love this!



The Disappearing Spoon

Sam Kean

If you enjoyed Eye of the Atom, you'll love the fascinating tales in this book. They follow carbon, neon, silicon, gold and every single element on the table as they play out their parts in human history, finance, mythology, conflict, the arts, medicine and the lives of the (frequently) mad scientists who discovered them.

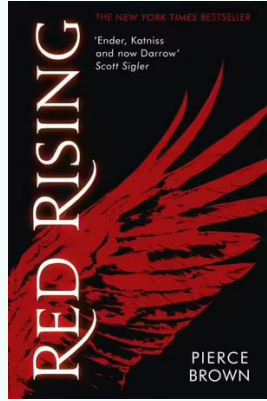


The Body

Bill Bryson

Full of extraordinary facts and astonishing stories, this book explores the human body, how it functions and its remarkable ability to heal itself.

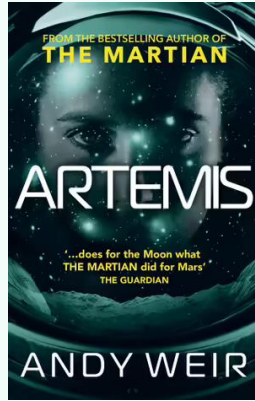
Science Fiction your BEST teachers recommend...



Red Rising Trilogy

Pierce Brown

The Earth is dying. Darrow is a Red, a miner in the interior of Mars. His mission is to extract enough precious elements to one day tame the surface of the planet and allow humans to live on it.



Artemis

Jazz Bashara is a criminal living on the moon. She lives in a poor area of Artemis and subsidises her work as a porter with smuggling contraband onto the moon. But it's not enough...



Ender's Game

Ender is Battle School's latest recruit. His teachers reckon he could become the great leader they need. A vast alien force is headed for earth, it's mission: the annihilation of all human life. Ender could be humanity's only hope.

This is also available in a young-adult edition.



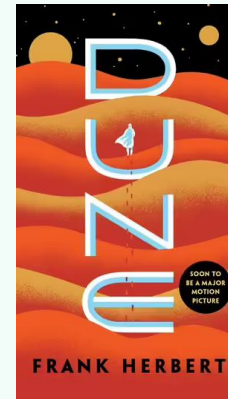
Ready Player One

It's the year 2044, and the real world has become an ugly place. Wade Watts escapes this depressing reality by spending his days jacked into the OASIS, a sprawling virtual utopia. Wade chases clues in the OASIS to win the ultimate prize.



An Absolutely Remarkable Thing

If you came across an absolutely remarkable thing at 3 a.m. in New York City, would you walk away... or do the one thing that would change your life forever?



Dune

A stunning blend of adventure and mysticism, environmentalism and politics, Dune formed the basis of what is undoubtedly the grandest epic in science fiction.



Our World Recommendations



If you enjoyed Children of The Revolution, you'll love...



Clockwork Angel Cassandra Clare

This is the first book in the Infernal Devices trilogy. It is set in 1878 where Tessa Gray descends into London's dark supernatural underworld in search of her missing brother. Fans of the Mortal Instruments series will love this prequel journey.



Dracula Bram Stoker

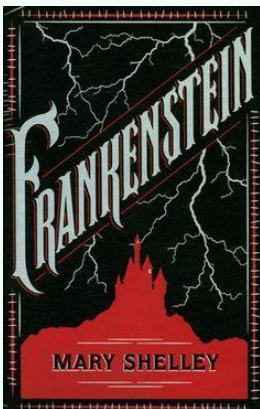
When Jonathan Harker visits Transylvania to help Count Dracula purchase a London house, he makes horrifying discoveries about his client and his castle.

Contains adult themes



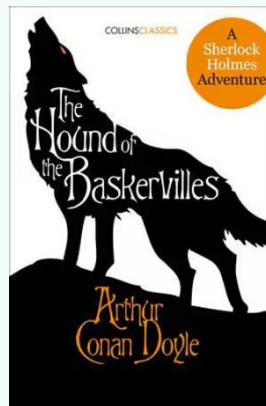
The Time Machine H.G. Wells

The protagonist of this novel is the original Time Traveller who finds himself on an adventure of epic proportions in the year 802,701.



Frankenstein Mary Shelley

This chilling gothic tale remains the world's most famous work of horror fiction. Frankenstein brings a monster to life by stitching together and electrocuting body parts from cadavers... but who is the real monster here?

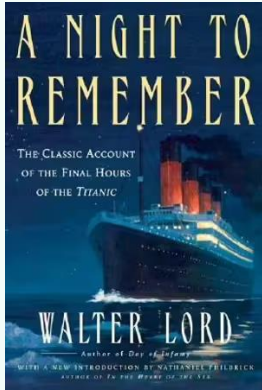


The Hound of the Baskervilles Arthur Doyle

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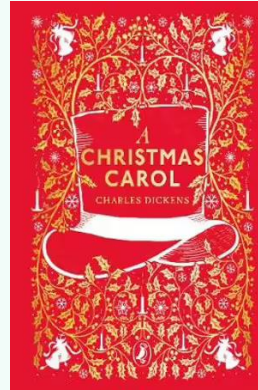
When the body of Sir Charles Baskerville is found on the misty and desolate Devon moors, Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson decide to investigate.

If you enjoyed Children of The Revolution, you'll love...



A Night to Remember **Walter Lord**

This novel is a riveting minute-by-minute account of the sinking of the Titanic. Some sacrificed their lives, while others fought like animals for their own survival.



A Christmas Carol **Charles Dickens**

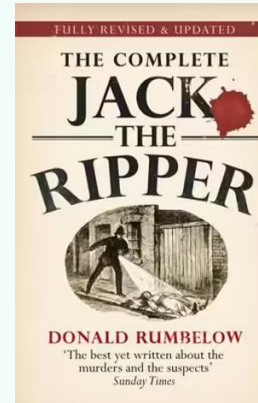
Ebenezer Scrooge is a mean, miserable, bitter old man with no friends. One cold Christmas Eve, three ghosts take him on a scary journey to show him the error of his nasty ways. By visiting his past, present and future, Scrooge learns to love Christmas and the people all around him.

This one is a classic for a reason, and it's the perfect holiday read.



Jane Eyre **Charlotte Bronte**

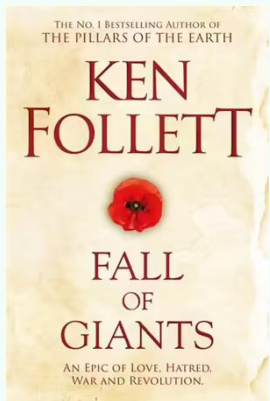
This gothic classic entrances readers with its passionate portrayal of a woman struggling to make a life for herself in a cruel and indifferent world. This book features gripping plot twists and surprises at every turn.



The Complete Jack the Ripper **Donald Rumbelow**

This classic work is the ultimate examination of the facts, theories, fictions and fascinations surrounding the greatest whodunit in history. Who was Jack and why was he never caught?

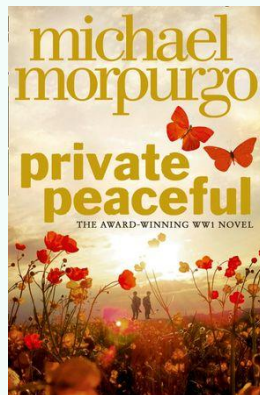
If you enjoyed Events That Changed the World, you'll love...



Fall of Giants

Ken Follett

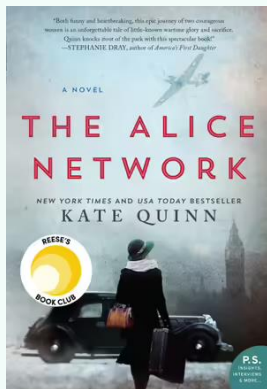
The first in Ken Follett's bestselling Century Trilogy, this is a huge novel that follows five families through the world-shaking dramas of the First World War, the Russian Revolution, and the struggle for votes for women.



Private Peaceful

Michael Morpurgo

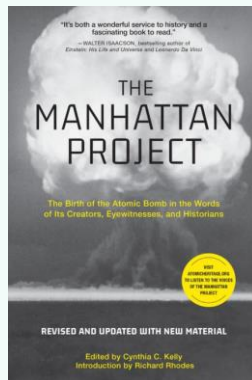
This is about a soldier who is looking back on his life from the trenches of WW1 in France. Full of vivid detail and engrossing atmosphere, this is both a compelling love story and a deeply moving account of the First World War.



The Alice Network

Mary Chamberlain

In this enthralling historical novel, two women—a female spy recruited to the real-life Alice Network in France during World War I and an unconventional American socialite searching for her cousin in 1947—are brought together in a mesmerizing story of courage and redemption.



The Manhattan Project

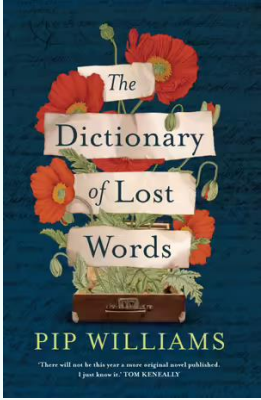
Cynthia Kelly (Ed)

The creation of the atomic bomb during World War II, codenamed the Manhattan Project, was one of the most significant scientific undertakings of the 20th century. In this book, discover new reflections on the project from President Barack Obama, hibakusha (survivors), and the modern-day mayors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

If you enjoyed Herstory, you'll love...

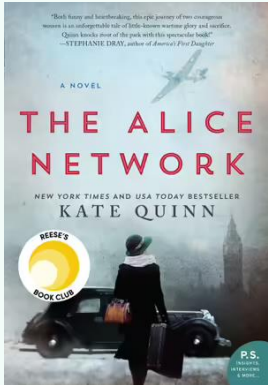
Dictionary of Lost Words Pip Williams

In 1901, the word 'Bondmaid' was discovered missing from the Oxford English Dictionary. This is the story of the girl who stole it. Set when the women's suffrage movement was at its height and the Great War loomed, this novel reveals a lost narrative, hidden between the lines of a history written by men. It's a delightful, lyrical and deeply thought-provoking celebration of words, and the power of language to shape the world and our experience of it.



The Alice Network Kate Quinn

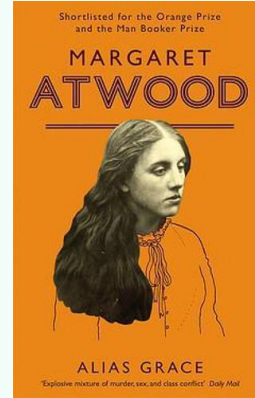
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Alias Grace Margaret Atwood

'Sometimes I whisper it over to myself: Murderess. Murderess. It rustles, like a taffeta skirt along the floor.' Grace Marks... Female fiend? Femme fatale? Or weak and unwilling victim? This historical fiction explores the 'true' story of one of the most enigmatic and notorious women of the 1840s.

Now a major Netflix series.



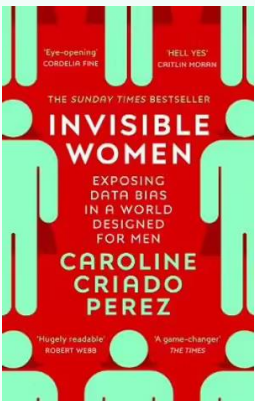
The Huntress Kate Quinn

In post-war Boston, seventeen-year-old Jordan McBride is increasingly disquieted by the soft-spoken German widow who becomes her new stepmother. Delving into her past, Jordan slowly realizes that a Nazi killer may be hiding in plain sight.



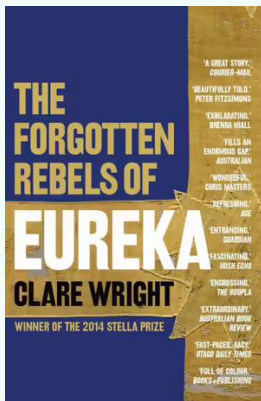


If you enjoyed Herstory, you'll love...



Invisible Women Caroline Criado Perez

Imagine a world where your phone is too big for your hand, your doctor prescribes a drug that is wrong for your body, and in a car accident you are 47% more likely to be injured. If any of that sounds familiar, chances are you're a woman.



The Forgotten Rebels of Eureka Clare Wright

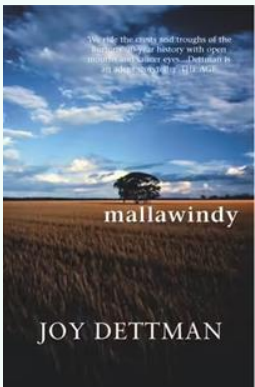
The Eureka Stockade. The story is one of Australia's foundation legends, but until now it has been told as though only half the participants were there.

WINNER of the Stella Prize



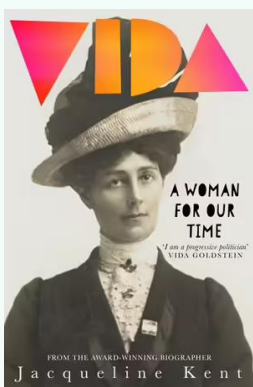
The Red Tent Anita Diamant

In this modern classic interpretation of the biblical story of Dinah, Anita Diamant imagines the traditions and turmoils of ancient womanhood.



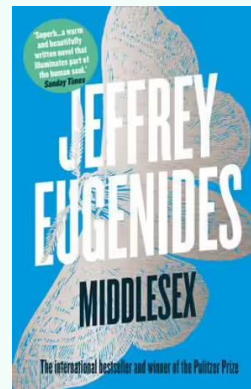
Mallawindy Joy Dettman

Ann Burton was born on a river bank the night her father tried to burn their house down. Six years later her sister Liza disappears while they are staying at their uncle's property. What Ann sees that day robs her of her memory and her speech.



Vida Jacqueline Kent

Vida Goldstein was an advocate for women's rights, a campaigner for peace and distribution of wealth, and a trail-blazer who provided leadership and inspiration to innumerable people.

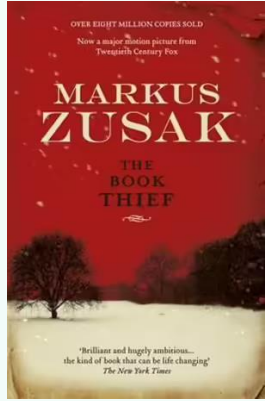


Middlesex Jeffrey Eugenides

To understand why Calliope is not like other girls, she has to uncover a guilty family secret and an astonishing genetic history that turns Callie into Cal, one of the most audacious and wondrous narrators in contemporary fiction.

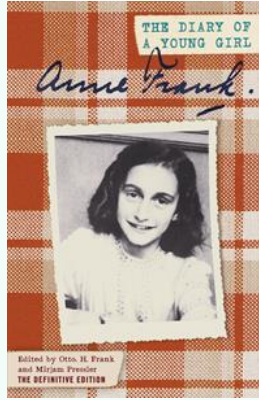


If you enjoyed Horrible Histories, you'll love...



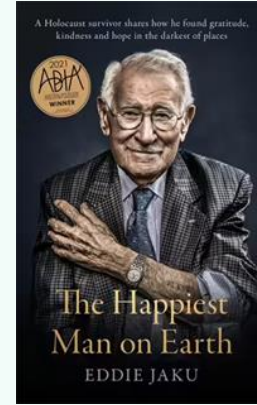
The Book Thief Marcus Zusak

This incredible text is set in Nazi Germany and is narrated by the Grim Reaper (Death). It follows the life of Liesel as she steals books, grows up and helps her family harbour a Jew.



The Diary of a Young Girl Anne Frank

Among the most powerful accounts of the Nazi occupation, a series of diary entries chronicle the life of Anne Frank, a thirteen-year old girl fleeing her home in Amsterdam to go into hiding.



The Happiest Man on Earth Eddie Jaku

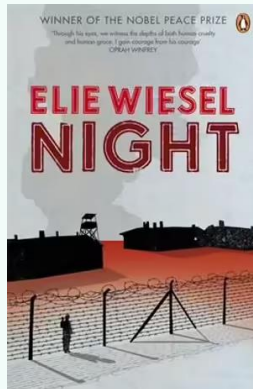
This is a powerful, heartbreaking and ultimately hopeful memoir of how happiness can be found even in the darkest of times.

WINNER - 2021 ABIA Biography Book of the Year



The Complete Maus Art Spiegelman

This graphic novel tells the story of Vladek Spiegelman, a Jewish survivor of Hitler's Europe, and his son, a cartoonist, coming to terms with his father's story.



Night Elie Wiesel

Elie Wiesel was a teenager when he and his family were taken to Auschwitz concentration camp, and then to Buchenwald. Night is the terrifying record of Elie Wiesel's memories.

WINNER - Nobel Peace Prize



Man's Search for Meaning Viktor Frankl

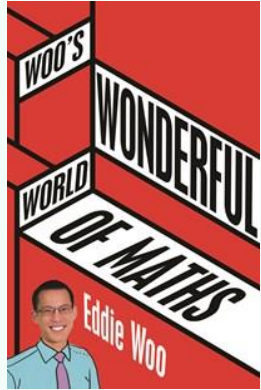
Viktor was a psychiatrist before being a concentration camp prisoner, and in this book, he explores what it is that helps people survive in dire conditions.



Mathematics Recommendations



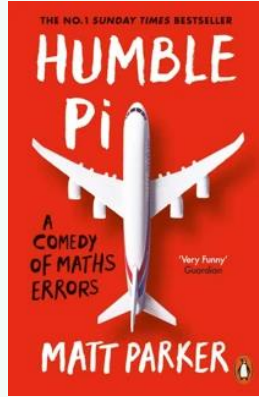
If you enjoyed Mathematics, you'll love...



Woo's Wonderful World of Maths

Eddie Woo

Why is a rainbow curved? Why aren't left-handers extinct? With humour and heart, Eddie shows how card tricks, conspiracy theories, killer butterflies, music, lightning and so much more illuminate the spellbinding world of maths.



Humble Pi

Matt Parker

In this book, stand-up comedian and general maths whizz Matt Parker digs out his calculator to work out why so many disasters can arise from simple mistakes – often with deadly consequences.



The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time

Mark Haddon

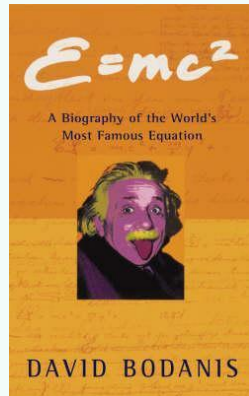
When science and math-obsessed Christopher discovers a dead dog on a neighbour's lawn, he decides to solve the mystery and write a detective thriller about it.



An Abundance of Katherines

John Green

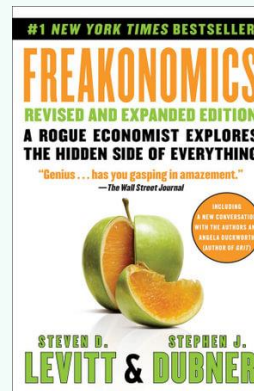
Colin is on a mission to prove The Theorem of Underlying Katherine Predictability, which he hopes will predict the future of any relationships, avenge Dumpees everywhere, and finally win him the girl.



E=MC2

David Bodanis

This tells the story of one of the greatest scientific discoveries in history. Bodanis plots the course of the equation through history, shows how our lives have been revolutionized by its applications, and looks far ahead to the future.



Freakonomics

Steven Levitt & Stephen Dubner

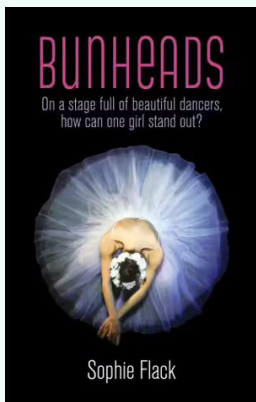
This book is great one for statistics fans and economy lovers.



Create Recommendations

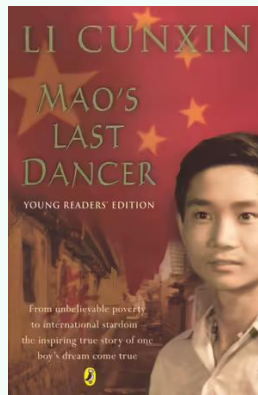


If you enjoyed Dance, you'll love...



Bunheads Sophie Flack

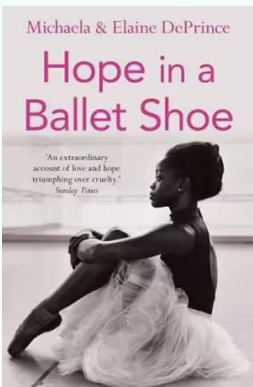
As a dancer with the Manhattan Ballet Company, nineteen-year-old Hannah Ward is living her childhood dream. But devoting her whole life to ballet leaves very little time for anything else: friends, family, school have all fallen by the wayside. Hannah doesn't mind, until a chance encounter in a restaurant brings Jacob into her life.



Mao's Last Dancer Li Cunxin

After growing up in a small, desperately poor village in north-east China, a young peasant boy becomes a star: Mao's last dancer, and the darling of the West. This is the true story of how that one moment in time, by the thinnest thread of a chance, changed the course of a small boy's life.

This is also available in a young-adult edition.



Hope in a Ballet Shoe Michaela & Elaine DePrince

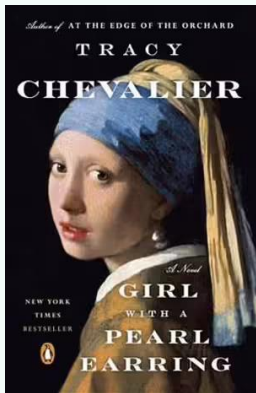
From war-torn Sierra Leone to the US, to dancing for the Dutch National Ballet, this is a heartwrenching, life-affirming true story of a young girl orphaned by war and saved by ballet.



Tiny Pretty Things Sona Charaipotra & Dhonielle Clayton

Black Swan meets Pretty Little Liars in this drama-packed debut about three perfect girls who will do anything to be the prima ballerina at their elite New York ballet school. This has also been made into a popular television series on Netflix.

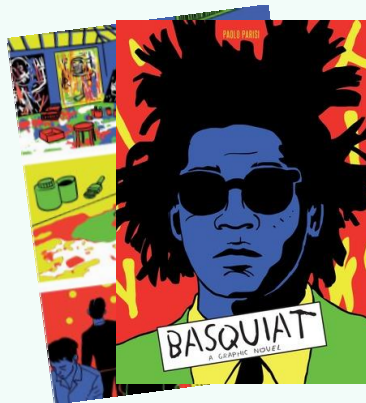
If you enjoyed Visual Arts, you'll love...



Girl with a Pearl Earring Tracy Chevalier

This novel tells the story of young of sixteen-year-old Griet who inspired one of Vermeer's most celebrated paintings. Her life is transformed by her brief encounter with genius . . . even as she herself is immortalized in canvas and oil.

Contains adult themes



Basquiat Paolo Parisi

Cool, talented, and transgressive, Jean-Michel Basquiat's life is just as fascinating as the work he produced. Delve into 1980s New York as this vivid graphic novel takes you on Basquiat's journey from street-art legend SAMO to international art-scene darling, up until his sudden death.



Grot Pat Grant

If everyone you know is trying to get rich at everyone else's expense, then who can you trust? In *The Grot*, the world is in the wake of an unnamed environmental catastrophe, technology and society have been reduced to simple mechanics, and everyone is rushing to Felter City to make their fortunes.



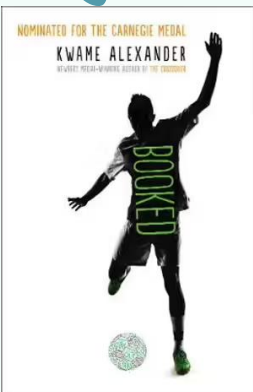
Healthy Lifestyles Recommendations



If you enjoyed Healthy Lifestyles, you'll love...

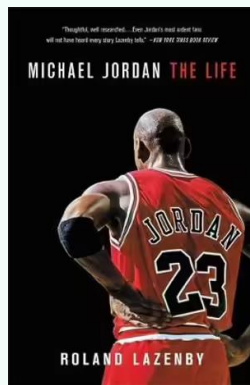
Booked Kwame Alexander

Nick is a football-mad boy who absolutely hates books. This energetic novel-in-verse by the poet Kwame Alexander captures all the thrills and setbacks, the action and emotion of a World Cup match.



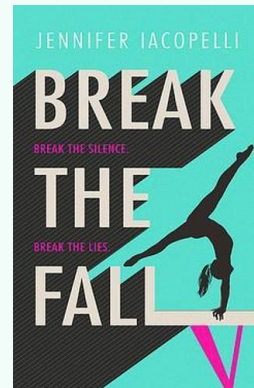
Michael Jordan Roland Lazenby

The definitive biography of the most legendary basketball player of all time. When most people think of Michael Jordan, they think of the beautiful shots hitting nothing but net, but who is the man behind the athlete?



Break The Fall Jennifer Jacopelli

A fiercely told survivorship novel about one girl's determination to push her body to win gold at the Olympics, and the power of uniting as women to speak out against injustice.



The F Team Rawah Arja

Tariq Nader, leader of 'The Wolf Pack' at Punchbowl High, is asked by the new principal to join an AFL competition with his mates to rehabilitate the public image of their school. The only problem is that half of the team is made up of white boys from Cronulla, aka enemy territory.



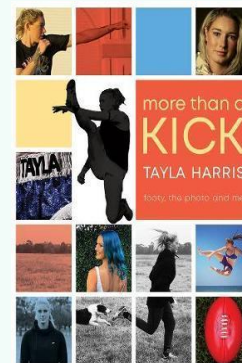
Shoe Dog Phil Knight

In 1962, Phil Knight borrowed \$50 from his father and created a company with a simple mission: import high-quality, low-cost shoes from Japan. Today, Nike's annual sales top \$30 billion. Now, for the first time, the man behind the swoosh tells his story.



More Than a Kick Roland Lazenby

AFLW player Tayla Harris was at work on the footy field when she kicked her iconic goal. This is the inspiring story of Tayla's stellar sporting career so far, and her hard-earned advice to young people navigating the ups and downs of social media.





Thank you

If you have any novels you'd like to add to this list, please contact Ms Shattock or Ms McPhelimy.

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