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FICTION BOOKS

all students should read before leaving secondary school, as voted for by teachers



1 Nineteen Eighty-Four by George Orwell

A diligent worker operates under a menacing and all-seeing regime – surely there is a hint of self-reflection in teachers' choice for the top spot? Orwell's book is as relevant today as when it was written, if not more so. And with the next generation likely to be under closer observation than ever before, *Nineteen Eighty-Four* must count as essential reading for any young person.

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| 2 To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee | 3 Animal Farm by George Orwell | 4 Lord of the Flies by William Golding | 5 Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck | 6 The Harry Potter series by JK Rowling | 7 A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens |
| 8 The Catcher in the Rye by JD Salinger | 9 Great Expectations by Charles Dickens | 10 Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen | 11 The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon | 12 The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by John Boyne | 13 Jane Eyre by Charlotte Brontë |
| 15 Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë | 16 Frankenstein by Mary Shelley | 17 Birdsong by Sebastian Faulks | 18 A Kestrel for a Knave by Barry Hines | 19 The Lord of the Rings trilogy by JRR Tolkien | 20 Danny, the Champion of the World by Roald Dahl |
| | | | 21 The Great Gatsby by F Scott Fitzgerald | | |

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| 22 The Book Thief by Markus Zusak | 23 The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini | 24 A Clockwork Orange by Anthony Burgess | 25 A Passage to India by EM Forster | 26 Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo | 27 The Hobbit by JRR Tolkien |
| 28 A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness | 29 Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain | 30 Holes by Louis Sachar | 31 Catch-22 by Joseph Heller | 32 The Noughts and Crosses series by Malorie Blackman | 33 Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde by Robert Louis Stevenson |
| 34 War Horse by Michael Morpurgo | 35 Atonement by Ian McEwan | 36 The Hunger Games trilogy by Suzanne Collins | 37 His Dark Materials trilogy by Philip Pullman | | |
| 38 Dracula by Bram Stoker | 39 Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury | 40= A Room with a View by EM Forster | 40= Beloved by Toni Morrison | 42 Wonder by RJ Palacio | 43 Emma by Jane Austen |
| 44 Gulliver's Travels by Jonathan Swift | 45= Half of a Yellow Sun by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie | 45= The Color Purple by Alice Walker | 47 Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens | 48 The Sherlock Holmes series by Arthur Conan Doyle | 49 Cider with Rosie by Laurie Lee |
| 50 One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest by Ken Kesey | 51 Anita and Me by Meera Syal | 52 The Discworld series by Terry Pratchett | 53 Around the World in Eighty Days by Jules Verne | | |
| 54 Skellig by David Almond | 55 Life of Pi by Yann Martel | 56 Tess of the d'Urbervilles by Thomas Hardy | 57 The Artemis Fowl series by Eoin Colfer | 58 A Modest Proposal by Jonathan Swift | 59 My Family and Other Animals by Gerald Durrell |
| 60 Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe | 61 Brighton Rock by Graham Greene | 62 Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro | 63 The Fault in Our Stars by John Green | 64 Dubliners by James Joyce | 65 Face by Benjamin Zephaniah |
| 66 When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr | 67 White Teeth by Zadie Smith | 68 Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson | 69= Cry, the Beloved Country by Alan Paton | | |
| 69= Little Women by Louisa May Alcott | 71= Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep? by Philip K Dick | 71= I am David by Anne Holm | 73= The Bell Jar by Sylvia Plath | 73= The Picture of Dorian Gray by Oscar Wilde | 73= V for Vendetta by Alan Moore and David Lloyd |
| 76 The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck | 77 A Song of Ice and Fire series by George RR Martin | 78 The Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway | 79= Angus, Thongs and Full-Frontal Snogging by Louise Rennison | 79= Empire of the Sun by JG Ballard | 79= On the Road by Jack Kerouac |
| 82 The Mayor of Casterbridge by Thomas Hardy | 83= A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce | 83= Billy Liar by Keith Waterhouse | 83= The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain | | |
| 86= A Gathering Light by Jennifer Donnelly | 86= Heroes by Robert Cormier | 88 Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah | 89= One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn | 89= Schindler's Ark by Thomas Keneally | 91 Forever Judy Blume by Judy Blume |
| 92= Coram Boy by Jamila Gavin | 92= Stone Cold by Robert Swindells | 94 A Time to Dance by Bernard MacLaverty | 95= Cat's Eye by Margaret Atwood | 95= Cloud Atlas by David Mitchell | 97= The War of the Worlds by HG Wells |
| 97= The Tracy Beaker series by Jacqueline Wilson | 99= Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson | 99= Kidnapped by Robert Louis Stevenson | 99= The Time Machine by HG Wells | | |

