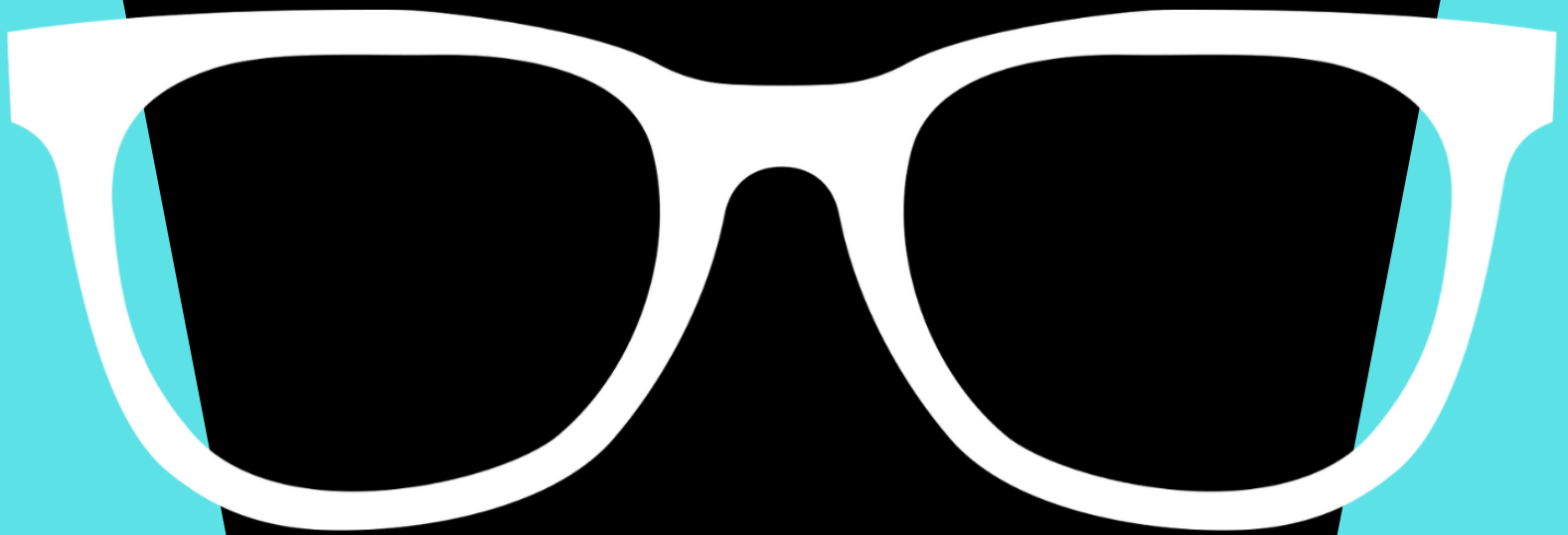


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a book from 50 of the different categories

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the books you read in each category

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- A book by a Canadian award-winning author
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- A book about a current social issue
- A book about books
- A coming-of-age story
- A book you read in high school for class
- A book with a 3-word title
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- A military fiction novel
- A book that was co-written by two or more people
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- A book about politics (fiction or non-fiction)
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- A book set in the Southern USA
- A book with an emotion in the title
- A book with a female lead character
- A book of Canadian poetry
- A book with a month in the title
- A book about royal families/dynasties
- A book whose main character has a career you wish you had
- A book about music or musicians
- A book about sports or athletes
- A book set in a country you've visited
- A book set in a small town
- A book with autumn vibes
- A book about nature
- A novel about travelling
- A book that makes you laugh
- A book with the word "girl" in the title
- A book about dreams (personal or night time)
- An anthology
- A book about or set on a train
- A Prairie fiction novel
- A book with a frosty title (has "snow" in it)
- A mythological retelling novel
- A book about artificial intelligence
- A book about an orphan
- A book that takes place over 24 hours
- A book set in a vineyard or winery
- A book about a secret society
- A book from the 500s of non-fiction
- A book set in a hotel
- A book featuring a wedding or a funeral
- A book about secret codes or codebreaking
- A book with books on the cover
- A book with pictures or illustrations
- A YA novel/crossover book
- A book with a blue cover
- A book published in 2022
- An Indigenous Voice Awards novel
- A book about magic or magicians
- A medical thriller
- An African fiction novel
- A book with over 500 pages

SET IN THE 1920s

1

Suggestions:

1. *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain
2. *The Light Between Oceans* by M.L. Stedman
3. *The Great Gatsby and Other Stories* by F. Scott Fitzgerald
4. *A Certain Age* by Beatriz Williams
5. *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

BY AN AWARD-WINNING CANADIAN AUTHOR

2

Suggestions:

1. *What Strange Paradise* by Omar El Akkad (Scotiabank Giller Prize 2021)
2. *How to Pronounce Knife* by Souvankham Thammavongsa (Scotiabank Giller Prize 2020)
3. *Tainna: The Unseen Ones* by Norma Dunning (Governor General's Award for Fiction 2021)
4. *Alfabet/Alphabet: A Memoir of a First Language* by Sadiqa de Meijer (Governor General's Award for Non-Fiction 2021)

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

A MEMOIR

3

Suggestions:

1. *In Pieces* by Sally Field
2. *Total Recall* by Arnold Schwarzenegger with Peter Petre
3. *Rebel: My Life Outside the Lines* by Nick Nolte
4. *All that is Bitter & Sweet* by Ashley Judd with Maryanne Vollers
5. *I Must Say: My Life as a Humble Comedy Legend* by Martin Short with David Kamp

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

CURRENT SOCIAL ISSUE

4

Suggestions:

1. *Plastic Legacies* edited by Trisia Farrelly, Sy Taffel, and Ian Shaw
2. *Standoff: Why Reconciliation Fails Indigenous People and How to Fix it* by Bruce McIvor
3. *What Climate Justice Means and Why We Should Care* by Elizabeth Cripps
4. *This Has Always Been a War* by Lori Fox
5. *We Can Do Better: Urgent Innovations to Improve Mental Health Access and Care* by David Goldbloom, M. D.

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

BOOK ABOUT BOOKS

5

Suggestions:

1. *Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress* by Dai Sijie
2. *The Bookshop* by Penelope Fitzgerald
3. *The Camel Bookmobile* by Masha Hamilton
4. *The Bookshop of Yesterdays* by Amy Meyerson
5. *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

COMING-OF-AGE STORY

6

Suggestions:

1. *His Whole Life* by Elizabeth Hay
2. *Black Apple* by Joan Crate
3. *The Wildling Sisters* by Eve Chase
4. *Crying for the Moon* by Mary Walsh
5. *Calling for a Blanket Dance* by Oscar Hokeah

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

HIGH SCHOOL CLASS READ

7

Suggestions:

1. *Hatchet* by Gary Paulson
2. *Catcher in the Rye* by J. D. Salinger
3. *Animal Farm* by George Orwell
4. *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury
5. *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
6. *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

3-WORD TITLE

8

Suggestions:

1. *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng
2. *Girl, Woman, Other* by Bernardine Evaristo
3. *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides
4. *Ask Again, Yes* by Mary Beth Keane
5. *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

FEATURING WOMEN DETECTIVES

9

Suggestions:

1. *Still Midnight* by Denise Mina
2. *Out of the Blues* by Trudy Nan Boyce
3. *A Clue for the Puzzle Lady* by Parnell Hall
4. *Vanishing Girls* by Fiona Barton
5. *Unsub* by Meg Gardiner

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

MILITARY FICTION

10

Suggestions:

1. *Trinity: Military War Dog* by Ronie Kendig
2. *A Country of Our Own* by David Poyer
3. *Diamondhead* by Patrick Robinson
4. *Deathlist* by Chris Ryan
5. *Pacific Glory* by P. T. Deutermann

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

CO-WRITTEN BY 2 OR MORE PEOPLE

11

Suggestions:

1. *The Glass Ocean* by Beatriz Williams, Lauren Willig & Karen White
2. *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray
3. *The Newsmakers* by Lis Wiehl with Sebastian Stuart
4. *The President's Daughter* by Bill Clinton & James Patterson
5. *Good Omens* by Terry Pratchett & Neil Gaiman

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

AUTHOR HAS A PEN NAME

12

Suggestions:

1. *Interview with the Vampire* by Anne Rice
2. *The Gilded Age* by Mark Twain
3. *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte
4. *Naked in Death* by J. D. Robb
5. *The Mill on the Floss* by George Eliot

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

DYSTOPIAN FICTION NOVEL

13

Suggestions:

1. *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel
2. *Watershed* by Doreen Vanderstoop
3. *They* by Kay Dick
4. *The Blizzard* by Vladimir Sorokin
5. *Riot Baby* by Tochi Onyebuchi

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

"QUEEN" "KING" "PRINCE" "PRINCESS" IN TITLE

14

Suggestions:

1. *The Lost Queen* by Signe Pike
2. *The Ice Queen* by Alice Hoffman
3. *King Leary* by Paul Quarrington
4. *King John of Canada* by Scott Gardiner
5. *A Hologram for the King* by Dave Eggers

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

ABOUT POLITICS (FICTION/NON-FICTION)

15

Suggestions:

1. *What's Happened to Politics* by Bob Rae
2. *Métis Politics and Governance in Canada* by Kelly Saunders and Janique Dubois
3. *The President is Missing: A Novel* by Bill Clinton & James Patterson
4. *Rodham: A Novel* by Curtis Sittenfeld
5. *Governing Canada: A Guide to The Tradecraft of Politics* by Michael Wernick

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

WITH A COLOUR IN THE TITLE

16

Suggestions:

1. *The Red Tent* by Anita Diamant
2. *The Woman in the White Kimono* by Ana Johns
3. *Half of a Yellow Sun* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
4. *Raven Black* by Ann Cleeves
5. *On Green Dolphin Street* by Sebastian Faulks

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

SET IN THE SOUTHERN USA

17

Suggestions:

1. *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
2. *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* by John Berendt
3. *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd
4. *The Little Friend* by Donna Tartt
5. *The Watermelon King* by Daniel Wallace

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

WITH AN EMOTION IN THE TITLE

18

Suggestions:

1. *The Joy Luck Club* by Amy Tan
2. *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley
3. *Furiously Happy* by Jenny Lawson
4. *The House of Mirth* by Edith Wharton
5. *The Heart is a Lonely Hunter* by Carson McCullers

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

FEMALE LEAD CHARACTER

19

Suggestions:

1. *Lola* by Melissa Scrivner Love
2. *Into the Water* by Paula Hawkins
3. *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman
4. *Saints For All Occasions* by J. Courtney Sullivan
5. *The After Party* by Anton DiSclafani
6. *The Shark Club* by Ann Kidd Taylor

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

CANADIAN POETRY

20

Suggestions:

1. *The Best of the Best Canadian Poetry in English* edited by Molly Peacock and Anita Lahey
2. *Injun* by Jordan Abel
3. *Wordwarrior: Poems* by Dennis Saddleman
4. *To Hope and Beyond: Tales and Poems of British Columbia* written & compiled by Penny Smith and Yasmin John-Thorpe
5. *The Cinnamon Peeler* by Michael Ondaatje

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

WITH A MONTH IN THE TITLE

21

Suggestions:

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| 1. <i>Bloody January</i> by Alan Parks | 7. <i>Snow in July</i> by Heather Barbieri |
| 2. <i>February</i> by Lisa Moore | 8. <i>The Girls of August</i> by William Faulkner |
| 3. <i>March</i> by Geraldine Brooks | 9. <i>The September Girls</i> by Maureen Lee |
| 4. <i>The Ides of April</i> by Lindsey Davis | 10. <i>The Hunt for Red October</i> by Tom Clancy |
| 5. <i>Cats in May</i> by Doreen Tovey | 11. <i>Butterflies in November</i> by Auður Ava Ólafsdóttir |
| 6. <i>Seven Days in June</i> by Tia Williams | 12. <i>Tenth of December</i> by George Saunders |

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

ABOUT ROYAL FAMILIES/DYNASTIES

22

Suggestions:

1. *The Royal Nanny* by Karen Harper
2. *The Gown* by Jennifer Robson
3. *On a Night of a Thousand Stars* by Andrea Yaryura Clark
4. *Dynasty* by Robert Elegant (ebook)
5. *The Map of Salt and Stars* by Jennifer Zeynab Joukhadar
6. *Queen Camilla* by Sue Townsend

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

MAIN CHARACTER HAS YOUR DREAM CAREER

23

Suggestions:

1. *The Lincoln Lawyer* by Michael Connelly
2. *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith
3. *Things You Save in a Fire* by Katherine Center
4. *Necessary Lies* by Diane Chamberlain
5. *Lost Innocence* by Jannine Gallant

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

MUSIC OR MUSICIANS

24

Suggestions:

1. *Utopia Avenue* by David Mitchell
2. *Taduno's Song* by Odafe Atogun
3. *Lonesome Lies Before Us* by Don Lee
4. *A Visit from the Goon Squad* by Jennifer Egan
5. *The Violin Conspiracy* by Brendan Slocumb

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

SPORTS OR ATHLETES

25

Suggestions:

1. *Shoeless Joe* by W. P. Kinsella
2. *Bleachers* by John Grisham
3. *When the Men Were Gone* by Marjorie Herrera Lewis
4. *Beartown* by Fredrik Backman
5. *The Swimmers* by Julie Otsuka

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

SET IN A COUNTRY YOU'VE VISITED

26

Suggestions:

1. *A Long Way From Home* by Peter Carey (Australia)
2. *The Devotion of Suspect X* by Keigo Higashino (Japan)
3. *You Have to be Careful in the Land of the Free* by James Kelman (Scotland)
4. *Flowers Over the Inferno* by Ilaria Tuti (Italy)
5. *The Enigma of Room 622* by Joel Dicker (Switzerland)
6. *The Boy in the Suitcase* by Lene Kaaberbol and Agnete Friss (Denmark)

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

SET IN A SMALL TOWN

27

Suggestions:

1. *Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle-Stop Cafe* by Fannie Flagg
2. *Main Street* by Sinclair Lewis
3. *Trace of Evil* by Alice Blanchard
4. *The Wise and Foolish Virgins* by Don Hannah
5. *Strangers and Cousins* by Leah Hager Cohen

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

WITH AUTUMN VIBES

28

Suggestions:

1. *The Thousand Autumns of Jacob de Zeot* by David Mitchell
2. *Death by Hot Apple Cider* by Alex Erickson
3. *Autumn Blue* by Karen Harter
4. *Close to Hugh* by Marina Endicott
5. *Autumn* by Ali Smith
6. *When Autumn Leaves* by Amy S. Foster

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

ABOUT NATURE

29

Suggestions:

1. *The Bumper Book of Nature* by Stephen Moss
2. *The Nature Fix* by Florence Williams
3. *The Secret Wisdom of Nature* by Peter Wohlleben
4. *The Nature of Canada* edited by Colin M. Coates & Graeme Wynn
5. *The Once and Future World* by J. B. MacKinnon

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

ABOUT TRAVELLING

30

Suggestions:

1. *A Walk in the Woods* by Bill Bryson
2. *A Year in Provence* by Peter Mayle
3. *Under the Tuscan Sun* by Frances Mayes
4. *Travels with Charley in Search of America* by John Steinbeck
5. *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail* by Cheryl Strayed

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

MAKES YOU LAUGH

31

Suggestions:

1. *Bridget Jones's Diary* by Helen Fielding
2. *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams
3. *Crazy Rich Asians* by Kevin Kwan
4. *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman
5. *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman
6. *The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules* by Catharina Ingelman-Sundberg

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

"GIRL" IN THE TITLE

32

Suggestions:

1. *The Girl, the Gold Watch & Everything* by John. D. MacDonald
2. *The Girl in the Flammable Skirt* by Aimee Bender
3. *The Girl at the Edge of Sky* by Lilian Nattel
4. *The Girl Who Saved the King of Sweden* by Jonas Jonasson
5. *Girl Meets Boy* by Ali Smith
6. *The Lake and the Lost Girl* by Jacquelyn Vincenta

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

ABOUT DREAMS

33

Suggestions:

1. *The Sunday List of Dreams* by Kris Radish
2. *Dreamwalker* by C. S. Friedman
3. *The Dreamers* by Karen Thompson Walker
4. *Falling Awake* by Jayne Ann Krentz
5. *About Grace* by Anthony Doerr

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

AN ANTHOLOGY

34

Suggestions:

1. *An Anthology of Canadian Native Literature in English*
2. *The Penguin Anthology of Canadian Humor*
3. *Midnight Hour: A Chilling Anthology of Crime Fiction from 20 Authors of Colour*
4. *The Idler's Companion: An Anthology of Lazy Literature*
5. *Hope Beneath Our Feet: Restoring Our Place in the Natural World*

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

ABOUT OR SET ON A TRAIN

35

Suggestions:

1. *Bullet Train* by Kotaro Isaka
2. *The Night Train to Lisbon* by Pascal Mercier
3. *The Christmas Train* by David Baldacci
4. *A Passage North* by Anuk Arudpragasam
5. *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

PRAIRIE FICTION

36

Suggestions:

1. *Cool Water* by Dianne Warren
2. *A Complicated Kindness* by Miriam Toews
3. *Street of Riches* by Gabrielle Roy
4. *The Stone Angel* by Margaret Laurence
5. *The Break* by Katherena Vermette

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

FROSTY TITLE ("SNOW" IN THE TITLE)

37

Suggestions:

1. *Snow* by Orhan Pamuk
2. *Snow Falling on Cedars* by David Guterson
3. *The Snow Garden* by Christopher Rice
4. *Snow Angel Cove* by Raeanne Thayne
5. *Boy, Snow, Bird* by Helen Oyeyemi
6. *The Snow Globe* by Sheila Roberts

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

MYTHOLOGICAL RETELLING

38

Suggestions:

1. *Circe: A Novel* by Madeline Miller
2. *A Thousand Ships* by Natalie Haynes
3. *The Penelopiad* by Margaret Atwood
4. *Gods Behaving Badly* by Marie Phillips
5. *The Immortals* by Jordanna Max Brodsky

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

39

Suggestions:

1. *All Systems Red* by Martha Wells (novella ebook)
2. *Robopocalypse* by Daniel H. Wilson
3. *The Fear Index* by Robert Harris
4. *Anthropocene Rag* by Alex Irvine
5. *The Road to Mars: A Post-Modern Novel* by Eric Idle

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

40

ABOUT AN ORPHAN

Suggestions:

1. *The Secret Orphan* by Glynis Peters
2. *The Attic Child* by Lola Jaye
3. *Table for Five* by Susan Wiggs
4. *The Price of an Orphan* by Patricia Carlon
5. *The Girl With All The Gifts* by M. R. Carey

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

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TAKES PLACE OVER 24 HOURS

Suggestions:

1. *When All is Said* by Anne Griffin
2. *Ordinary Hazards* by Anna Bruno
3. *Survive the Night* by Riley Sager
4. *Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk* by Kathleen Rooney
5. *The Paris Hours* by Alex George

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

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SET IN A VINEYARD OR WINERY

Suggestions:

1. *The Vineyard* by Maria Duenas
2. *The Vineyard at Painted Moon* by Susan Mallery
3. *Summer in Napa* by Marina Adair
4. *Eight Hundred Grapes* by Laura Dave
5. *The Lost Vintage* by Ann Mah
6. *The Champagne Queen* by Petra Durst-Benning

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

ABOUT A SECRET SOCIETY

43

Suggestions:

1. *The Rook* by Daniel O'Malley
2. *Ninth House* by Leigh Bardugo
3. *The Camel Club* by David Baldacci
4. *All These Beautiful Strangers* by Elizabeth Klehfoth
5. *The Regional Office is Under Attack!* by Manuel Gonzales

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

FROM THE 500s OF NON-FICTION

44

Suggestions:

1. *A Bee in a Cathedral* by Joel Levy (500 L39 Natural Sciences)
2. *The Code Breaker* by Walter Isaacson (576.5 I53 2021 Genetics and Evolution)
3. *This is Your Mind on Plants* by Michael Pollan (581.6 P65 2021 Plants)
4. *Atlantic* by Simon Winchester (551.4613 W55 Geology, Hydrology, Meteorology)
5. *Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly (510.920973 S44 2016 Mathematics)
6. *Life's Edge* by Carl Zimmer (570 Z56 2021 Biology)

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

SET IN A HOTEL (OR INN)

45

Suggestions:

1. *At Bertram's Hotel* by Agatha Christie
2. *The Hotel Nantucket* by Elin Hilderbrand
3. *Heartbreak Hotel* by Jill Marie Landis
4. *Red Clover Inn* by Carla Neggers
5. *Mermaid Inn* by Jenny Holiday
6. *Lucy Checks In* by Dee Ernst

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

FEATURING A WEDDING OR FUNERAL

46

Suggestions

1. *Doesn't She Look Natural?* by Angela Hunt
2. *The Wedding on Sunshine Corner* by Phoebe Mills
3. *An Island Wedding* by Jenny Colgan
4. *So Happy for You* by Celia Laskey
5. *Husband Material* by Alexis Hall
6. *The Gatecrasher* by Madeleine Wickham

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

SECRET CODES OR CODEBREAKING

47

Suggestions:

1. *The Da Vinci Code* by Dan Brown
2. *Speakeasy* by Alisa Smith
3. *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn
4. *The Fall of Man in Wilmslow* by David Lagercrantz

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

WITH BOOKS ON THE COVER

48

Suggestions:

1. *The Thirteenth Tale* by Diane Setterfield
2. *Book Lovers* by Emily Henry
3. *Midnight at the Bright Ideas Bookstore* by Matthew Sullivan
4. *The Overdue Life of Amy Byler* by Kelly Harms
5. *The Bookshop on the Corner* by Jenny Coglán

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

WITH PICTURES OR ILLUSTRATIONS

49

Suggestions:

1. *Secret Path* by Gord Downie & Jeff Lemire
2. *The Tea Dragon Society* by Katie O'Neill
3. *Winnie* by Sally M. Walker illustrated by Jonathan D. Voss
4. *The Odyssey: A Graphic Novel* by Gareth Hinds
5. *Footnotes in Gaza* by Joe Sacco

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

YA BOOK OR CROSSOVER NOVEL

50

Suggestions:

1. *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro
2. *Darius the Great is Not Okay* by Adib Khorram
3. *A Boy and His Dog at the End of the World* by C. A. Fletcher
4. *The Other Black Girl* by Zakiya Dalila Harris
5. *Last Night at the Telegraph Club* by Malinda Lo
6. *Followers* by Megan Angelo

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

WITH A BLUE COVER

51

Suggestions:

- Make sure the cover is mostly blue!
- It can be any shade of blue, but try to find a book that is *mostly blue*.

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

PUBLISHED IN 2022

52

Suggestions:

1. *With Love from London* by Sara Jio
2. *The Dickens Boy* by Thomas Keneally
3. *The Prepper's Guide to Surviving Pandemics, Bioterrorism and Infectious Disease* by William M. Forgey
4. *Seasonal Work: Stories* by Laura Lippman
5. *The Violence* by Delilah S. Dawson

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

INDIGENOUS VOICES AWARDS NOVEL

53

Suggestions:

1. *All The Quiet Places* by Brian Thomas Isaac
2. *Creeland* by Dallas Hunt
3. *From the Ashes: My Story of Being Métis, Homeless, and Finding my Way* by Jesse Thistle
4. *Injichaag: My Soul in Story* by Rene Meshake with Kim Anderson
5. *Split Tooth* by Tanya Tagaq

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

MAGIC OR MAGICIANS

54

Suggestions:

1. *Magic Lessons* by Alice Hoffman
2. *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern
3. *Storm Glass* by Maria V. Snyder
4. *The Magic of Saida* by M. G. Vassanji
5. *The Confabulist* by Steven Galloway

Title Read: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Thoughts: _____

MEDICAL THRILLER

55

Suggestions:

1. *Host* by Robin Cook
2. *The Darkness in the Light* by Daniel Kalla
3. *Saving Meghan* by D. J. Palmer
4. *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides
5. *Gravity* by Tess Gerritsen
6. *Unnatural Causes* by Dawn Eastman

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AFRICAN FICTION

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Suggestions:

1. *Half of a Yellow Sun* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
2. *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi
3. *My Sister, the Serial Killer* by Oyinkan Braithwaite
4. *We Need New Names* by NoViolet Bulawayo
5. *The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith
6. *Under the Udala Trees* by Chinelo Okparanta

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OVER 500 PAGES

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Suggestions:

Since you can't search by page number in the catalogue, we suggest looking for big books on the shelves!

1. *Cloud Atlas* by David Mitchell
2. *The Last Chairlift* by John Irving
3. *The Witch Elm* by Tana French
4. *Wolf Hall* by Hilary Mantel

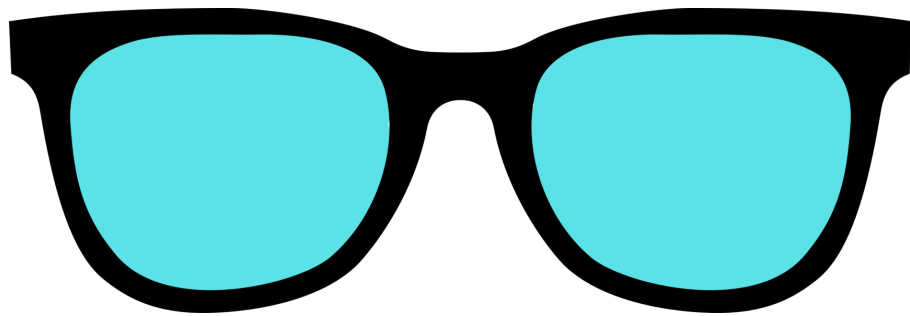
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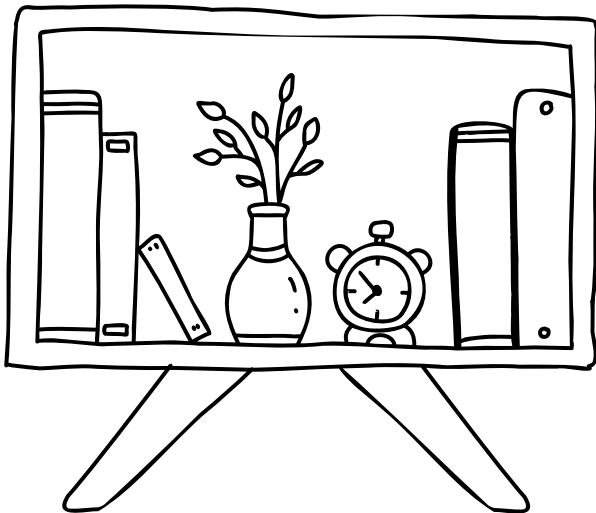
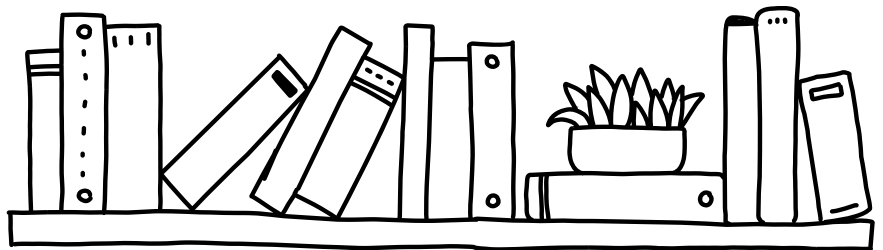
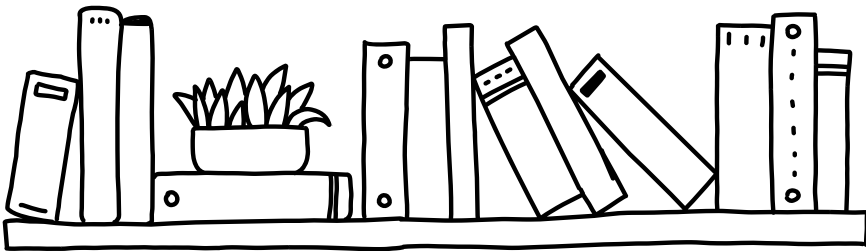
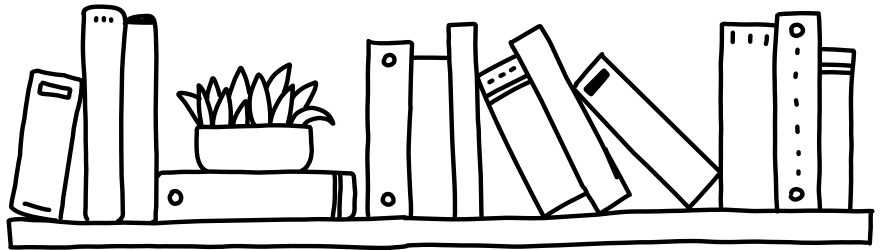
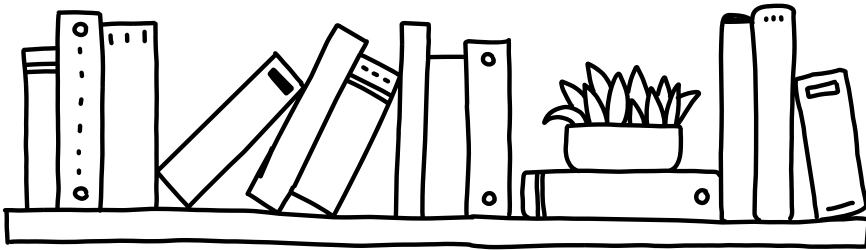
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Colour in a book for each entry you complete, or decorate the bookshelf however you would like!



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