

GREAT BOOKS READING LIST

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The Classical Tradition

Aesop's Fables
Augustine, *The City of God*
The Book of Job
Dante, *The Divine Comedy*
Homer, *The Iliad*
Homer, *The Odyssey*

Malory, Sir Thomas, *Morte D'Arthur*
The Norse Myths
Ovid, *The Metamorphoses*
Plato, *The Republic*
Sophocles, *Oedipus Rex*
Virgil, *The Aeneid*

The English Literary Tradition

Beowulf
Austen, *Pride and Prejudice*
Beckett, *Waiting for Godot*
Bronte, C., *Jane Eyre*
Bunyan, *The Pilgrim's Progress*
Burton, *Tales From the Arabian Nights*
Chaucer, *The Canterbury Tales*
Conrad, *Heart of Darkness*
Dickens, *David Copperfield*
Eliot, G., *Middelmarch*
Eliot, T.S., *The Wasteland*, *The Four Quartets*, *Murder in the Cathedral*
Fielding, *Tom Jones*
Hardy, *Tess of the d'Urbervilles*
Hopkins, G.M., *Poems*
Joyce, *Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*
Keats, *Odes*

Lawrence, *Sons and Lovers*
Lewis, *Mere Christianity*, *Problem of Pain*
Marlowe, *Dr. Faustus*
Milton, *Paradise Lost*
Pope, *The Rape of the Lock*
Scott, *Ivanhoe*
Shakespeare, *Hamlet*, *Othello*,
Macbeth, *King Lear*,
The Tempest
Shelley, P.B., *Adonais*
Shelley, M., *Frankenstein*
Spenser, *The Faerie Queene*
Tennyson, *In Memoriam*
Thackeray, *Vanity Fair*
Tolkien, *The Lord of the Rings*
Woolf, *To the Lighthouse*
Wordsworth, *The Prelude*

Canadian Literature

Atwood, *The Handmaid's Tale*
Birdsell, *The Russlander*
Callaghan, *The Loved and the Lost*
Davies, *Fifth Business*
Findley, *The Wars*
King, *Green Grass, Running Water*
Kogawa, *Obasan*
Laurence, *The Diviners*
Leacock, *Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town*

MacLennan, *The Watch That Ends the Night*
Munro, *Lives of Girls and Women*
Ondaatje, *The English Patient*
Richler, *Solomon Gursky Was Here*
Ross, *As For Me and My House*
Vanderhaeghe, *My Present Age*
Wiebe, *Sweeter Than All the World*

American Literature

Faulkner, *The Sound and the Fury*
Hawthorne, *The Scarlet Letter*
Hemingway, *A Farewell to Arms*,
For Whom the Bell Tolls
Irving, *A Prayer for Owen Meany*
James, *The Portrait of a Lady*

Melville, *Moby Dick*
Steinbeck, *The Grapes of Wrath*,
Of Mice and Men
Styron, *Sophie's Choice*
Thoreau, *Walden*
Twain, *Huckleberry Finn*

World Literature

Balzac, *Père Goriot*
Boccaccio, *Decameron*
Cervantes, *Don Quixote*
Dostoevsky, *The Brothers Karamazov*,
Crime and Punishment, *The Possessed*
Flaubert, *Madame Bovary*
Goethe, *Faust*

Hesse, *Glass Bead Game*
Hugo, *Les Miserables*
Ibsen, *A Doll's House*, *Peer Gynt*
Kafka, *The Trial*, *Metamorphoses*
Marquez, *One Hundred Years of Solitude*
Tolstoy, *Anna Karenina*, *War and Peace*
Voltaire, *Candide*