

A-Level Literature Reading List



Reading to support the Great Gatsby:

- Atonement – Ian McEwan
- The Sun Also Rises – Ernest Hemmingway
- Tender is the Night - F. Scott Fitzgerald
- The Last Tycoon – F. Scott Fitzgerald
- Diamonds as big as the Ritz – F. Scott Fitzgerald
- Persuasion – Jane Austen
- Jane Eyre – Charlotte Bronte
- Wuthering Heights – Emily Bronte
- The Rotters' Club – Jonathan Coe
- Tess of the D'Urbervilles – Thomas Hardy
- A Room with A View – E.M. Forster

Reading to support A Streetcar Named Desire:

- Cat on a Hot Tin Roof - Tennessee Williams
- The Glass Menagerie - Tennessee Williams
- The Night of the Iguana – Tennessee Williams
- Miss Julie – August Strindberg
- The God of Small Things – Arundhati Roy
- The Crucible – Arthur Miller
- All my Sons – Arthur Miller
- The Yellow Wallpaper – Charlotte Perkins Gilman
- The Iceman Cometh - Eugene O'Neill

Reading to support The Handmaid's Tale:

- Nineteen Eighty-Four by George Orwell
- Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguri
- Children of Men by P.D. James
- Cat's Eye by Margaret Atwood
- Brave New World by Aldous Huxley
- Fahrenheit 451 - Ray Bradbury
- Oryx and Crake - Atwood
- The Crucible - Arthur Miller
- Property - Valerie Martin
- The Testaments by Margaret Atwood

Reading to support Feminine Gospels:

- Oranges Are Not The Only Fruit by Jeanette Winterson
- The World's Wife by Carol Ann Duffy
- The Bloody Chamber by Angela Carter
- The Republic of Motherhood by Liz Berry
- Sylvia Plath poetry
- The Bell Jar by Sylvia Plath
- Grand Union by Zadie Smith

Reading to support Othello:

- Titus Andronicus by William Shakespeare
- The Guilty Party by O. Henry
- Beloved by Toni Morrison
- Desdemona by Toni Morrison
- Dr Faustus by Christopher Marlowe
- Oroonoko by Aphra Behn
- The Duchess of Malfi by John Webster

Generally good literature:

- War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells
- Frankenstein by Mary Shelley
- Harvest by Jim Crace
- The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini
- Hard Times by Charles Dickens
- Behind the Scenes at the Museum by Kate Atkinson
- The Reluctant Fundamentalist by Mohsin Hamid
- One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest by Ken Kesey
- White Teeth by Zadie Smith
- Catch 22 by Joseph Heller
- Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad
- A Clockwork Orange by Anthony Burgess
- Engleby by Sebastian Faulks
- A Dry White Season by Andre Brink
- Atonement by Ian McEwan
- Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe
- Paradise Lost by John Milton
- The Picture of Dorian Gray by Oscar Wilde
- To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
- The Catcher in the Rye by J.D Salinger
- Their Eyes Were Watching God by Zora Neale Hurston
- Song of Solomon by Toni Morrison
- The Sun Also Rises by Ernest Hemmingway
- The Colour Purple by Alice Walker
- Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison
- The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver