

15s Reading List

Contemporary Fiction

ACTION/ADVENTURE

Burgess, M – Bloodtide series
Child, L – Jack Reacher series
Fleming, I – The Spy Who Loved Me
Hayes, T – I am Pilgrim
King, S – The Shining
Ludlum, R – The Bourne Identity
McNab, A – Boy Soldier series
Masterton, G – White Bones
Moshfegh, O - Eileen
Reichs, K – Temperance Brennan series
Ryan, A – Blood Song series
Ryan, C – Blackout / The Increment
Takami, K – Battle Royale
Whyman, M – Inside the Cage

MYSTERY

Aaronovich, B – Rivers of London series
Brown, D – Da Vinci Code + others
Finn, AJ - Woman in the Window
Flint, S– Inspector Singh Investigates series
Galbraith, R – Cuckoo’s Calling
Grisham, J – Street Lawyer & others
Highsmith, P – The Talented Mr Ripley
Horowitz, A – The Magpie Murders
Jackson, H – A Good Girl’s Guide to Murder
James, PD – Inspector Dalgliesh series
Le Carre, J – Tinker, Tailor, Solider, Spy + others
Smith, Z – White Teeth
Suskind, P – Perfume

HISTORICAL

Barker, P – The Regeneration trilogy
Burnet, G – His Bloody Project
Burton, J - The Muse
Chang, C – Wild Swans
Doerr, A – All the Light We Cannot See
De Bernieres, L – Captain Corelli’s Mandolin
Doyle, R – The Commitments
Golden, A – Memoirs of a Geisha
Goodwin, D – Last Duchess / Fortune Hunter
Harris, R – Fatherland + others
Hosseini, K – Kite Runner / Thousand Splendid Suns
Keneally, T – Schindler’s Ark
Lefteri, C The Beekeeper of Aleppo
Maalouf, A – Leo the African
Morris, H – The Tattooist of Auschwitz
Towles, A – A Gentleman in Moscow

REAL LIFE/ RELATIONSHIPS

Achebe, C – Things Fall Apart
Adichie, CN – Americanah
Alderton, D – Everything I Know About Love
Ammaniti, N – I’m not Scared
Carty-Williams, C - Queenie
Cleave, C – The Other Hand
De Vigan, D – No and Me
Faulks, S – Birdsong
Green, J – Turtles All the Way Down
Gruen, S – Water for Elephants
McCarthy, C – The Road
Niffenegger, A – Her Fearful Symmetry
Peet, M – Life : An Exploded Diagram
Shamsie, K - Home Fire
Shriver, L - We Need to Talk About Kevin
Thomas, A – The Hate U Give
Walker, A – The Color Purple
Welsh, I – Trainspotting

SCI FI / FANTASY

Asimov, I – I, Robot / Foundation series
Atwood, M – The Handmaid’s Tale
Banks, IM – Consider Phlebas
Card, OS – Ender’s Game
Dick, PK – Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep + others
Gaiman, N – American Gods
Harrison, H – Stainless Steel Rat
Heinlein, R – The Moon is a Harsh Mistress
Le Guin, U – The Dispossessed
Martin, GRR – Game of Thrones series
Miller, M - Circe
Morgenstern, E – The Night Circus
O’Neill, L – Only Ever Yours
Pratchett, T – Equal Rites + others

HUMOROUS

Adams, D – Hitch Hiker’s Guide to the Galaxy
Backman, F – A Man Called Ove
Braithwaite, O - My Sister the Serial Killer
Fforde, J – The Eyre Affair
Honeyman, E – Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine
Simsion, G – Rosie Project series

15s Reading List

Oldies but Goodies

ADVENTURE / MYSTERY

Buchan, J – 39 Steps
Chandler, R – The Big Sleep
Christie, A – Any book
Collins, W – The Moonstone
Conan Doyle, A – Sherlock Holmes books
Defoe, D – Robinson Crusoe
Dumas, A – Count of Monte Cristo
Hammett, D – The Maltese Falcon
Kipling, R – Kim
Leroux, G – The Mystery of the Yellow Room
Poe, EA – Fall of the House of Usher
Stevenson, RL – Treasure Island
Wilde, O – Picture of Dorian Gray

HISTORICAL

Anderson, LH – Fever 1793
Ballard, JC – Empire of the Sun
Charriere, H – Papillon
Frank, A – Diary of a Young Girl
Paton, A – Cry, the Beloved Country
Solzenhitzyn, A – One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich
Vonnegut, K – Slaughterhouse 5

FANTASY

Burgess, A – A Clockwork Orange
Dick, PK – Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?
Huxley, A – Brave New World
Le Guin, U – The Left Hand of Darkness
Shelley, M – Frankenstein
Stoker, B – Dracula
Stevenson, RL – Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde
Tolkien, JRR – The Hobbit/Lord of the Rings
Verne, J – Journey to the Centre of the Earth
Wells, HG – War of the Worlds / Time Machine
Wyndham, J – Day of the Triffids / The Chrysalids

HUMOROUS

Gibbons, S – Cold Comfort Farm
Grossmith, G – The Diary of a Nobody
Heller, J – Catch 22
Jerome, JK – Three Men in a Boat
Spark, M – The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie
Wilde, O – Importance of Being Earnest
Wodehouse, PG – Jeeves, Leave it to Psmith

REAL LIFE/ RELATIONSHIPS

Austen, J – Pride and Prejudice + others
Bronte, C – Jane Eyre
Bronte, E – Wuthering Heights
Dickens, C – Great Expectations
Du Maurier, D – Rebecca
Eliot, G – Mill on the Floss
Fitzgerald, S – The Great Gatsby
Godden, R – The Greengage Summer
Golding, W – Lord of the Flies
Hardy, T – Tess / Mayor of Casterbridge
Hartley, LP – The Go-Between
Hines, B – A Kestrel for a Knave
Hemingway, E – Old Man and the Sea
Kerouac, J – On the Road
Kesey, K – One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
Lee, H – To Kill a Mockingbird
McEwan, I – Atonement
Orwell, G – 1984
Plath, S – The Bell Jar
Rees, J – Wide Sargasso Sea
Salinger, D – Catcher in the Rye
Smith, D – I Capture the Castle
Steinbeck, J – Of Mice and Men / Grapes of Wrath
Tolstoy, L – Anna Karenina

NON-FICTION

Bellos, A – Alex Through the Looking Glass
Bryson, B – The Body: A Guide for Occupants
Capote, T – In Cold Blood
Frankopan, P – The New Silk Roads
Gladwell, M – The Tipping Point
Harari, YN – Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind
Kahneman, D – Thinking Fast and Slow
Kay, A – This is Going to Hurt
MacDonald, H – H is for Hawk
Miodownik, M – Stuff Matters
Morgan, N – The Teenage Guide to Stress
Mukherjee, S – The Laws of Medicine
Palin, M – Erebus: The Story of a Ship
Petranek, S – How We'll Live on Mars
Plomin, R – Blueprint: How DNA Makes Us Who We Are
Potroski, H – Invention by Design
Pollan, M – The Omnivore's Dilemma
Secret Barrister – Stories of the Law and How it's Broken
Wax, R – Sane New World
Wiseman, R – 59 Seconds