

AIM HIGH. WORK HARD. BE KIND.

16 before 16 Challenge

Own your story.

THE WHAT

To read 16 (challenging) books by the time you finish Year 11.

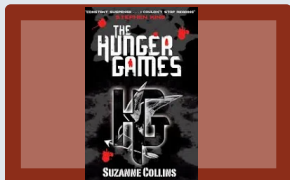
THE WHY

To encourage you to be well-read individuals who have experienced a range of literature which will change your life!

THE HOW

Borrow the books from the LRC, local library, or swap with friends. Track your progress with Mrs Williams and your English teacher.

The "16 Before 16" Reading List — Part 1

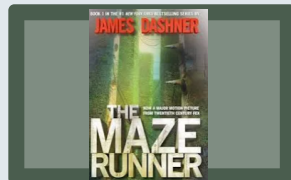


The Hunger Games

Suzanne Collins

The ultimate survival arena

Read: ____/____/20__



The Maze Runner

James Dashner

Trapped in a lethal, shifting stone maze

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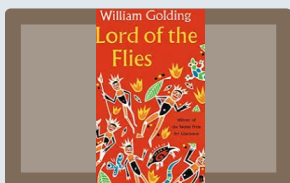


Animal Farm

George Orwell

The animals take over... but absolute power corrupts

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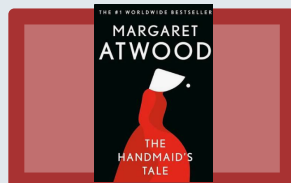


Lord of the Flies

William Golding

Schoolboys stranded on an island turn savage

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The Handmaid's Tale

Margaret Atwood

A chilling rebellion in a quiet, scary future

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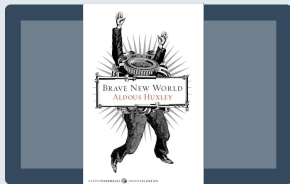


Nineteen Eighty-Four

George Orwell

Big Brother is watching. Thought is a crime.

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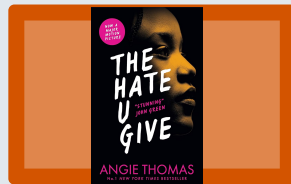


Brave New World

Aldous Huxley

A 'perfect' future where humans are designed in labs

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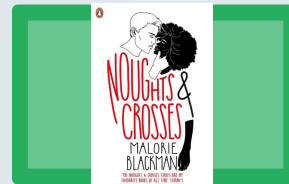


The Hate U Give

Angie Thomas

One girl's voice becomes a weapon after a tragedy

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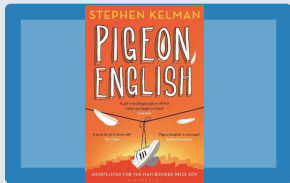


Noughts and Crosses

Malorie Blackman

Star-crossed love in a world divided by race

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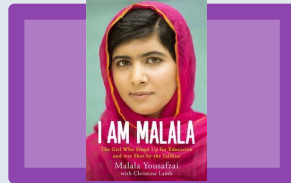


Pigeon English

Stephen Kelman

A kid plays detective on a tough London estate

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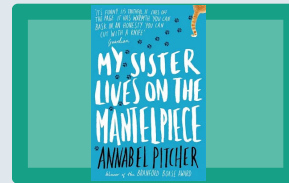


I am Malala

Malala Yousafzai

The true story of the girl who stood up to terrorism

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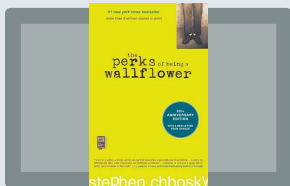


My Sister Lives on the M...

Annabel Pitcher

A family trying to heal

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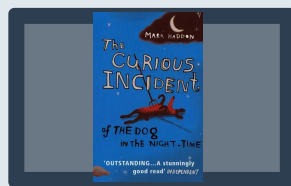


The Perks of Being a Wa...

Stephen Chbosky

Finding yourself in the chaos of high school

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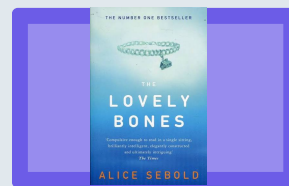


The Curious Incident of ...

Mark Haddon

A unique mind solves a local mystery

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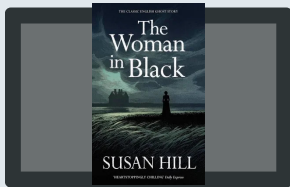


The Lovely Bones

Alice Sebold

A murder mystery told from a very unique perspective

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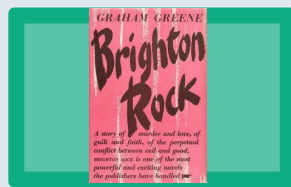


The Woman in Black

Susan Hill

The ultimate classic, spine-chilling ghost story

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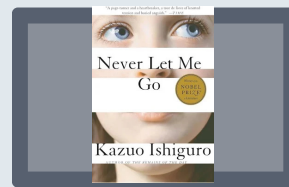


Brighton Rock

Graham Greene

A gritty, dark gangster thriller on the British seaside

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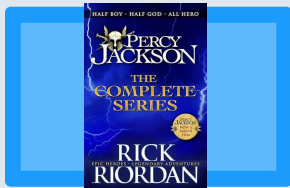


Never Let Me Go

Kazuo Ishiguro

A dark secret behind a perfect boarding school

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Percy Jackson (Series)

Rick Riordan

Sarcastic modern demigods battle Greek monsters

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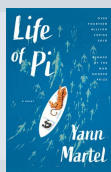
The Book Thief

Markus Zusak

A girl steals books in Nazi Germany—narrated by Death

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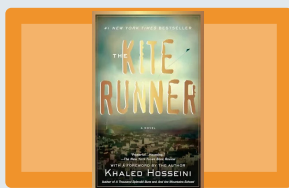


Life of Pi

Yann Martel

A shipwrecked boy and a Bengal tiger stuck on a lifeboat

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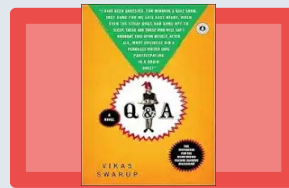


The Kite Runner

Khaled Hosseini

An unforgettable story of friendship and redemption

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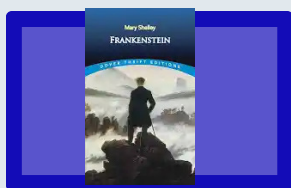


Q&A (Slumdog Millionaire)

Vikas Swarup

How a street kid wins the biggest game show in history

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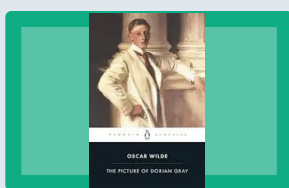


Frankenstein

Mary Shelley

The OG sci-fi horror. Who is the real monster?

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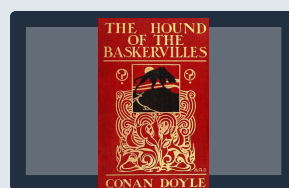


The Picture of Dorian Gray

Oscar Wilde

He stays young, while his portrait rots

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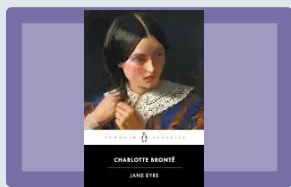


The Hound of the Baske...

Arthur Conan Doyle

Sherlock Holmes hunts a demonic beast

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Jane Eyre

Charlotte Brontë

An independent orphan discovers a dark secret in a lonely mansion

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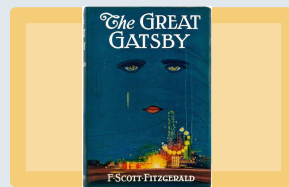


Wuthering Heights

Emily Brontë

A stormy, haunting love story on the wild Yorkshire moors

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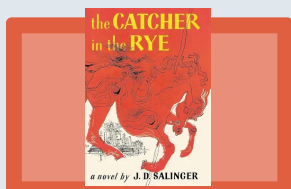


The Great Gatsby

F. Scott Fitzgerald

Glitz, glamour, wild parties, and obsession

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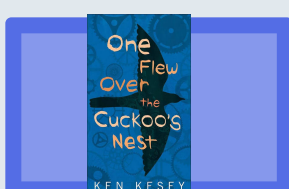


The Catcher in the Rye

J.D. Salinger

The ultimate teenage rebel navigating a fake world

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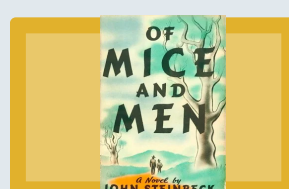


One Flew Over the Cuck...

Ken Kesey

A rebel takes on a tyrannical institution

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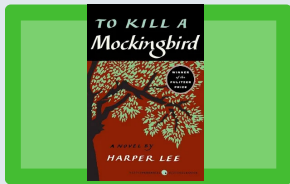


Of Mice and Men

John Steinbeck

A short, powerful tragedy of friendship and dreams

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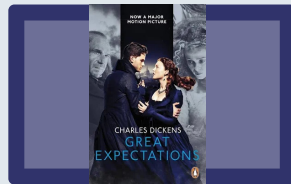


To Kill a Mockingbird

Harper Lee

Standing up for justice when the world is against you

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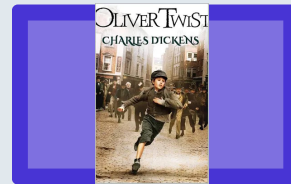


Great Expectations

Charles Dickens

From poor orphan to wealthy gentleman—but at what cost?

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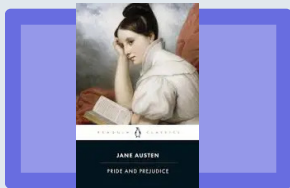


Oliver Twist

Charles Dickens

The dangerous underworld of Victorian street gangs

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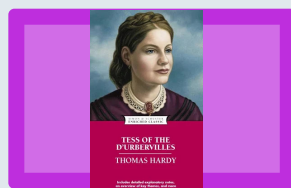


Pride and Prejudice

Jane Austen

The ultimate enemies-to-lovers story

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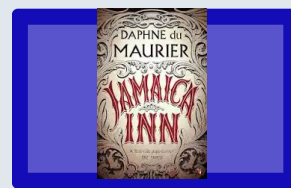


Tess of the D'Urbervilles

Thomas Hardy

A beautiful, tragic story of a girl fighting fate

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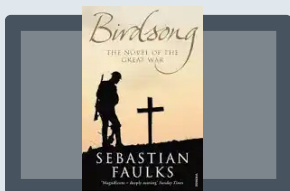


Jamaica Inn

Daphne Du Maurier

Smugglers and dark secrets on the windy Cornish coast

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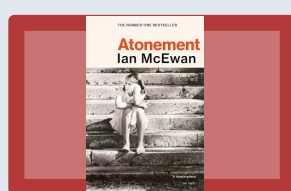


Birdsong

Sebastian Faulks

An intense, moving journey through the trenches of WWI

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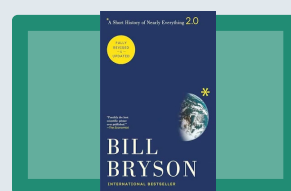


Atonement

Ian McEwan

A childhood lie ruins lives, leading to a lifetime of regret

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A Short History of Nearly Everything

Bill Bryson

The funny, mind-blowing story of our universe

Read: ____/____/20__