

Foreign Authors

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<u>Babi Yar</u>	Anatoli, A.	Russia	477 (FIC ANA)

A documentary novel chronicling the Babi Yar massacre where in two days 33,771 Jewish civilians were killed in Kiev during the Holocaust.

<u>Twenty Thousand Leagues</u> Verne, Jules France 279 (FIC VER) <u>Under the Sea</u>

A ship sent to investigate a wave of mysterious sinkings encounters the Nautilus, a fantastical submarine, which is commanded by the equally complex Captain Nemo.

Zorba the Greek Kazantzakis, Nikos Greece 311 (FIC KAZ)

The tale of a young writer escapes his bookish life to find himself working in his father's mine. With the aid of the boisterous and earthy Alexis Zorba, he begins on a journey of love and self-discovery.

Kim Kipling, Rudyard UK/India 306 (FIC KIP)

Kim lives in India under British rule in the late 19th century and is often torn between his love of Indian and its customs and his own British-Irish heritage and the adventure and power it offers.

Man in the Iron Mask Dumas, Alexandre France 626 (FIC DUM)

In this action-oriented sequel to The Three Musketeers, France is in peril! Can the once-united Musketeers overcome intrigue, romantic entanglements and their difference with each other long enough to save their country?

<u>Lucy</u> Kincaid, Jamaica Antigua/USA 163 (FIC KIN)

Lucy longs to leave her past, her family, and the toxic British colonialism behind in the West Indies when she comes to America and tries to establish a new life.

<u>Darkness at Noon</u> Koestler, Arthur Hungry/Austria 216 (FIC KOE)

Rubashov, a formerly dedicated revolutionary, is tortured, imprisoned, and tried for treason against the very Soviet Union he once helped to create – a regime that he now understands used him and is willing to employ any means to keep power.

The Secret Agent Conrad, Joseph Poland/UK 247 (FIC CON)

In turn-of-the-century London, an undercover, counter-revolutionary mole provokes a radical group he has penetrated into an act of violence that goes drastically wrong.

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100 Years of Solitude

Marquez, Gabriel Garcia

Columbian

458 (FIC MAR)

The story of the rise and fall, birth and death of a mythical town of Macondo through the history of the Buendía family.

Memoirs of a Geisha

Golden, Arthur

USA/Japan

434 (FIC GOL)

This is a story about the experiences and emotions of Japan's most celebrated geisha.

Say You're One of Them

Akpan, Uwem

Nigeria

358 (FIC AKP)

This singular collection of five stories takes the reader inside Nigeria, Benin, and Ethiopia, revealing in prose the harsh consequences of life for children in Africa today.

Angela's Ashes

McCourt, Frank

Ireland/USA

364 (921 MCC)

Frank McCourt and his siblings grow up in the slums of Limerick, Ireland, with an alcoholic father and a mother who wishes she could just feed her children.

A Thousand Splendid Suns

Hosseini, Khaled

Afghanistan/USA 372 (FIC HOS)

Set against the volatile events of Afghanistan's recent history, a family engages in the struggle to survive and forge bonds of love which move transcend their often bleak lives as they attempt tp forge their own destinies.

Crime and Punishment

Dostoyevsky, Fyodor

Russian

505 (FIC DOS)

A former law student kills a pawnbroker and her sister, and is obsessed with guilt and dreams of being caught.

Annie John

Kincaid, Jamaica

Antigua/USA

148 (FIC KIN)

Annie John loves her father and idolizes her mother. When she is almost twelve, however, the idyll ends and she falls into deep disfavor with her mother. This inexplicable loss mars both lives, as each grows adept at public falsity and silent betrayal.

Bless Me, Ultima

Anaya, Rudolfo

Mexico/USA

248 (FIC ANA)

A folk healer named Ultima comes to live with young Antonio and his family. Ultima's brutal struggle against wicked magic forces Antonio to confront the tensions attached to his mixed heritage far beyond his ability to understand them.

The Power of One

Courtenay, Bryce

South Africa

518 (FIC CON)

Follows Peekay, a white British boy in South Africa during World War II, between the ages of five and eleven, as he survives an abusive boarding school and goes on to succeed in life.

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<u>Shogun</u>	Clavell, James	USA/Japan	1152 (FIC CLA)

Epic action, passion, adventure as warrior over-lords struggle for power in feudal Japan.

<u>The Count of Monte Cristo</u> **Dumas, Alexandre** France 1130 (FIC DUM)

Edmund Dantes, unjustly accused and imprisoned for conspiring with Napoleon Bonaparte, eventually escapes from his unbearable captivity, uncovers a treasure and begins his long repressed vengeance against those who betrayed him.

The Sorrow of Young Werther Goethe, Johann German 144 (FIC GOE)

A loosely autobiographical novel in which a young man in 16th century Germany visits a pastoral village, learns the virtues of its people and falls tragically into unrequited love leading him to tragic, yet romantic, choices.

The Sound of Waves Mishima, Yukio Japan 182 (FIC MIS)

A young fisherman in a small village in Japan falls in love with the daughter of the wealthiest man in the village.

Before We Were Free Alvarez, Julia Dominican 167 (FIC ALA)
Republic/USA

In the early 1960s in the Dominican Republic, twelve-year-old Anita learns that her family is involved in the underground movement to end the bloody rule of the dictator, General Trujillo.

<u>Dracula</u> Stoker, Bram Ireland 382 (FIC STO)

Chronicles a vampire's journey from Transylvania to the nighttime streets of London. There, he searches for the blood of strong men and beautiful women while his enemies plot to rid the world of his frightful power.

<u>The Kite Runner</u> Hosseini, Khaled Afghanistan 371 (FIC HOS)

In this book reviews have called "brutally beautiful," Amir and Hassan are childhood friends despite great social differences. After a brutal act shatters their friendship, Amir returns 30 years later during the US invasion to ask forgiveness.

<u>All Quiet on the Western</u> **Remarque, Erich Maria** German 295 (FIC REM) <u>Front</u>

Bewildered German soldiers fight and suffer through a conflict they barely comprehend (WW I). The novel is unflinching in portraying both the often senseless brutality war and the growing detachment soldiers feel between themselves and civilian life.

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Candide Voltaire French 144 (FIC VOL)

In this sarcastic novel, a learned young man is schooled to believe "all is for the best in the best of all possible worlds." His power of positive thinking often clashes with rest of the extremely flawed world

<u>Dr. Zhivago</u> Pasternak, Boris Russian 558 (FIC PAS)

Dr. Yuri Zhivago, a sensitive and perceptive soul, battles for his sense of faith and love amidst the brutality and chaos of the Russia Revolution – often while trying to seek out the love of his life, Lara.

20 Years After Dumas, Alexandre French 845 (FIC DUM)

Sequel to: The three musketeers.

Heart of Darkness Conrad, Joseph Poland/UK 168 (SC CON)

An Englishman who takes a foreign assignment in Africa. His assignment and subsequent journey down an unnamed river acts as a dark metaphor for the evils of colonization.

House of Spirits Allende, Isabel Chile 433 (FIC ALL)

The poetic and often magical saga of a proud and passionate family and the century of turbulent times of revolution and new-found freedom through which they suffer and triumph.

The Good Earth Buck, Pearl S. USA/China 379 (FIC BUC)

The life story of a peasant farmer in China who is caught up in the social upheavals of the early 20th century – changes which ultimately undermine his connections to his family and the land.

<u>Lord Jim</u> Conrad, Joseph Poland/UK 317 (FIC CON)

An early and primary event is Jim's abandonment of a ship in distress on which he is serving as a mate. He is publicly censured for this action and the novel follows his later attempts at coming to terms with his past.

<u>From Earth to the Moon</u> **Verne, Jules** France 185 (FIC VER)

Bored members of an elite gun club proposes that they build a gun big enough to launch a rocket to the moon. When an adversary places a huge wager that the project will fail, one man's dream turns into an international space race.

Anna Karenina Tolstoy, Leo Russian 807 (FIC TOL)

Considered by many critics to be the first "modern" novel and one of the greatest portrayals of romance ever written, this epic story of love, loss and family misery is set in Russia around the turn of the 20th century.

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Pere Goriot Balzac, Honre` France 248 (FIC BAL)

The tragic story of a father whose obsessive love for his two daughters leads to his financial and personal ruin is set against the background of a whole society driven by social ambition and lust for money.

<u>Don Quixote</u> Cervantes, Miguel Spain 548 (FIC CER)

Adventures of an idealistic country gentleman and his shrewd Squire who set out, like knights of old, to search for adventure and to right wrongs.

Something to Declare Alvarez, Julia Dominican 300 (814.54 Republic/USA ALV)

A collection of essays that discusses the major issues that the author, a refugee from the domican Republic, has had to face in her life.

The Boy and the Samurai Haugaard, Erik Denmark/US/Jap 221 (FIC HAU)

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Saru seeks to help a samurai rescue his wife from imprisonment by a warlord so they can all flee to a more peaceful life amidst civil war in 16th century Japan.

<u>A Portrait of the Artist as a</u> **Joyce, James** Ireland 256 (FIC JOY) <u>Young Man</u>

A semi-autobiographical novel which describes the formative years of the life of Stephen Dedalus who questions his Irish-catholic upbringing and leaves the country to pursue his goal of becoming an artist.

The Stranger Camus, Albert Algeria/France 123 (FIC CAM)

An aimless young Algerian ends up killing a man. His trial devolves into a absurd judgment of his life.

<u>Shizuko's Daughter</u> **Mori, Kyoto** Japan 214 (FIC MOR)

After her mother's suicide, 12-year old Yuki spends years living with her distant father and his resentful new wife, cut off from her mother's family, and relying on her own inner strength to cope with the tragedy.

Chronicle of a Death Foretold Marquez, Gabriel Garcia Columbia 143 (FIC MAR)

The non-linear story begins with the morning of rancher Santiago Nasar's murder and then chronicles the character-driven story of how the event came to be.

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<u>Steppenwolf</u> Hesse, Hermann Switzerland 288 (FIC HES)

Harry Haller is a reclusive intellectual for whom life holds no joy, but much fear of himself and the world. His life changes dramatically when he meets a woman who is his opposite and their meeting culminates in the surreal Magic Theater.

One Day in the Life of Ivan Solzhenitsyn, Alexandre Russian 142 (FIC SOL)

Denisovich

A brutal depiction of life in a Stalinist camp and a moving tribute to man's triumph of will over relentless dehumanization. This is Solzhenitsyn's first novel to win international acclaim.

<u>The Metamorphosis</u> Kafka, Franz German 218 (SC KAF)

A collection of short stories dealing with themes of madness, the disturbing and the absurd which contains the classic story of a man who one day wakes up as a giant cockroach-like insect.

Around the World in 80 Days Verne, Jules France 163 (FIC VER)

A bumbling detective pursues a mysterious Englishman who took a bet to tour the world in eighty days.

<u>The Guest</u> Camus, Albert Algeria/France 32 (FIC CAM)

An Algerian schoolteacher develops a strange alliance with the Arab prisoner temporarily left in his charge, giving him the chance to select his own destiny.

Gulliver's Travels Swift, Jonathan Ireland/UK 390 (FIC SWI)

Gulliver travels to fantastic lands to discover very different cultures and their peculiarities in this satirical novel dealing with literal small-mindedness.

<u>Cry, the Beloved Country</u> Paton, Alan South Africa 316 (FIC PAT)

A black Anglican priest from a rural town is searching for his son Absalom in the city of Johannesburg during the height of apartheid and confronts the toll that racist policies and city living have wrought on his family.

<u>The Brothers Karamazov</u> **Dostoyevsky, Fyodor** Russia 936 (FIC DOS)

A murder mystery, a courtroom drama, and an exploration of rivalry in a series of triangular love affairs involving the wicked and sentimental (among other ethical debates) is set against a Russian backdrop of rapid industrialization.

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<u>The Three Musketeers</u> **Dumas, Alexandre**

France

545 (FIC DUM)

In seventeenth-century France, young D'Artagnan initially quarrels with, then befriends, three musketeers and joins them in trying to outwit the enemies of the king and queen.

Alburquerque Anaya, Rudolfo

Mexico/USA

293 (FIC ANA)

A young boxer, Abran Gonzales, is shattered by the revelation that his parents adopted him. After meeting his dying mother, he then sets out on a quest for his Mexican father and ends up embroiled in several quests for power around him.

Daughter of Fortune

Allende, Isabel

Chile

399 (FIC ALL)

This historical novel follows young, vivacious Eliza Sommers, who was raised in Chili by a Victorian spinster and her rigid brother. Eliza follows her lover to California during the Gold Rush of 1849.

The Samurai's Tale

Haugaard, Erik

Denmark/US/Jap 234 (FIC HAU)

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In 16th Japan, the orphaned Taro grows up to become a samurai fighting for the enemies of his dead family.

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The Dubliners

Joyce, James

Ireland

316 (SC JOY)

A collection of 15 short stories meant to be a naturalistic depiction of the Irish middle class life in and around Dublin in the early years of the 20th century.

Swiss Family Robinson

Wyss, Johann

Switzerland

388 (FIC WYS)

A shipwrecked family learns to live off the natural vegetation on their island and refuses to leave when a ship arrives to take them home.

<u>Journey to the Center of the</u>

Verne, Jules

France

392 (FIC VER)

<u>Earth</u>

A team of explorers makes an expedition into a crater in Iceland, which leads to the center of the earth and to incredible and horrifying discoveries.

War and Peace

Tolstoy, Leo

Russia

696 (FIC TOL)

This epic novel encompasses, in graphic detail, the events leading up to Napoleon's invasion of Russia. The impact of the Napoleonic era on Tsarist society is seen through the eyes of five fictional Russian aristocratic families.

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The Tin Drum Grass, Gunter Germany 591 (FIC GRA)

With sarcasm and his skewed perceptions, Oskar willfully stays child-size while he lives through the rise of the Nazi party and during his current stay in a mental institution.

The Plague Camus, Albert Algeria/France 287 (FIC CAM)

Set in Algiers, in northern Africa, this is a study of human life and its meaning in the face of a deadly virus that sweeps through the city.

Snow Country Kawabata, Yasunari Japan 175 (FIC KAW)

The stark tale of a love affair between a young, wealthy loner from Tokyo and a professional entertainer/companion for men (geshia) which takes place in a remote and somewhat isolated town is contrasted with the isolated tourist economy surrounding them.

<u>Demian, the Story of Emil</u> **Hesse, Hermann** German 171 (FIC HES) <u>Sinclair's Youth</u>

Emil's entire existence can be summarized as a struggle between two worlds. One is comfortable and socially respectable, but shallow. The other world is one of spiritual truth, which will cost him everything he's ever known.

The Death of Ivan Ilych Tolstoy, Leo Russia 134 (FIC TOL)

Ivan Ilych, a peaceful public official in the Russian provinces, has his life permanently changed by a serious illness which no doctor can accurately diagnose.

Musashi Yoshikawa, Eiji Japan 970 (FIC YOS)

A fictionalized account of the life of Miyamoto Musashi, author of The Book of Five Rings arguably the most renowned Japanese swordsman who ever lived.

Ah, but Your Land is Paton, Alan South African 271 (FIC PAT)

Beautiful

In this anti-apartheid novel, Paton writes a fictional account of he and his fellow activists' lives across multiple storylines all taking place in the 1950's as they fight the racist government of the country they love.

Narcissus and Goldmund Hesse, Hermann German 312 (FIC HES)

Goldmund wanders throughout Medieval Germany in search of meaning for his life with his friend Narcissus' support.

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<i>In the Time of Butterflies</i>	Alvarez, Julia	Dominican Republic/USA	325 (FIC ALA)

The story of three sisters murdered in the Dominican Republic in the 1960s because of their religious and political beliefs.

<u>Labyrinths</u> Borges, Jorge Argentina 260 (FIC BOR)

A collection of short stories and essays dealing with themes of imagination and the magic in mundane things.

Siddhartha Hesse, Hermann Germany 122 (FIC HES)

Siddhartha, a member of India's upper class, seeks enlightenment. He waivers between living a very full, but worldly, life and living a life which rejects the world and involves intense study. But which brings the wisdom he seeks?

Burn My Heart South Africa 209 (FIC NAI)

Two boys, one white, one black, share a friendship in Kenya in the 1950s during a period of polical uprising.