

The CLASSICS



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(Be advised, reader, this is not a complete list)

TITLE	SUMMARY
Watership Down FIC ADA Adams, Richard	Chronicles the adventures of a group of rabbits searching for a safe place to establish a new warren so that they can live in peace
Little women FIC ALC Alcott, Louisa May	Chronicles the joys and sorrows of the four March sisters as they grow into young women in nineteenth-century New England. Includes illustrated notes throughout the text explaining the historical background of the story.
The Arkadians FIC ALE Alexander, Lloyd	To escape the wrath of the king and his wicked soothsayers, an honest young man joins with a poet-turned-jackass and a young girl with mystical powers on a series of epic adventures.
Emma FIC AUS Austen, Jane	A novel of Regency England that centers upon a self-assured young lady who is determined to arrange her life and the lives of those around her into a pattern dictated by her romantic fancy.
Pride and prejudice FIC AUS Austen, Jane	In early nineteenth-century England, a spirited young woman copes with the courtship of a snobbish gentleman as well as the romantic entanglements of her four sisters.
Peter Pan FIC BAR Barrie, J. M.	The adventures of Peter Pan, the boy who would not grow up.
The wizard of Oz FIC BAU Baum, Frank	After a cyclone transports her to the land of Oz, Dorothy must seek out the great wizard in order to return to Kansas
Planet of the apes FIC BOU Boulle, Pierre	A group of astronauts, surprised to find themselves on a planet very much like Earth in terms of land, climate, and air, are horrified to discover they have landed on a world where humans are slaves and apes rule

Jane Eyre FIC BRO	Bronte, Charlotte	When a penniless governess falls in love with the brooding master of Thornfield, she is unaware of the tragic events that will follow.
The secret garden FIC BUR	Burnett, Frances H.	Ten-year-old Mary comes to live in a lonely house on the Yorkshire moors and discovers an invalid cousin and the mysteries of a locked garden
Alice's adventures in Wonderland FIC CAR	Carroll, Lewis	Presents an illustrated edition of the classic tale of Alice as she falls down a rabbit hole and discovers a world of amusing, nonsensical characters.
My Antonia FIC CAT	Cather, Willa	Jim Buden reviews his boyhood in Nebraska and his friendship with the free-spirited Antonia Shimerda.
The murder of Roger Ackroyd FIC CHR	Christie, Agatha	Inspector Hercule Poirot, having retired to the small English village of King's Abbot, is drawn into the investigation of the murders of the widow Mrs. Ferrars and her suitor, local squire Roger Ackroyd.
My brother Sam is dead FIC COL	Collier, James Lincoln	Recounts the tragedy that strikes the Meeker family during the Revolution when one son joins the rebel forces while the rest of the family tries to stay neutral in a Tory town.
The last of the Mohicans FIC COO	Cooper, James Fenimore	Presents Cooper's classic novel in which Hawk-eye, a white scout raised among Native Americans, and two Mohicans Chingachgook and Uncas, attempt to save two pioneer sisters abducted by Iroquois tribesmen during the French and Indian War; and includes explanatory notes and an essay on the novel's historical contexts.
The red badge of courage FIC CRA	Crane, Stephen	During his service in the Civil War, a young Union soldier matures to manhood and finds peace of mind as he comes to grips with his conflicting emotions about the war.
The BFG FIC DAH	Dahl, Roald	Kidnapped from her orphanage by a BFG (Big Friendly Giant), who spends his life blowing happy dreams to children, Sophie concocts with him a plan to save the world from nine other man-gobbling cannibal giants.
Robinson Crusoe FIC DEF	Defoe, Daniel	During one of his several adventurous voyages in the seventeenth century, an Englishman becomes the sole survivor of a shipwreck and lives for nearly thirty years on a desert island.
Oliver Twist FIC DIC	Dickens, Charles	In nineteenth-century England, a young orphan runs away from a workhouse, is captured by a gang of thieves, and finally escapes.
A tale of two cities FIC DIC	Dickens, Charles	The classic tale of a young Englishman who gives up his life during the French Revolution to save the husband of the woman he loves.

David Copperfield FIC DIC Dickens, Charles	A young boy in nineteenth-century England runs away from an unhappy home, is adopted by his eccentric aunt and finds employment in London.
The adventures of Sherlock Holmes SC DOY Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan	A collection of Sherlock Holmes mystery adventures including "A Scandal in Bohemia," "The Red-headed League," and "The Adventure of the Speckled Band."
The three musketeers FIC DUM Dumas, Alexandre	An adventure in seventeenth-century France, when young d'Artagnan initially quarrels with, then befriends three musketeers and joins them in trying to outwit the enemies of the king and queen.
The man in the iron mask FIC DUM Dumas, Alexandre	In their final adventure, the four Musketeers plot to replace King Louis XIV of France with the mysterious, masked prisoner in the Bastille believed to be Louis' falsely imprisoned twin brother and the true king.
The Count of Monte Cristo FIC DUM Dumas, Alexandre	Sent to prison on a false accusation in 1815, Edmond Dantes escapes many years later and finds a treasure which he uses to exact his revenge.
Drums along the Mohawk FIC EDM Edmonds, Walter Dumaux	Gilbert Martin and his young wife, Lana, struggle to survive along the Mohawk Valley during the Revolutionary War.
Johnny Tremain FIC FOR Forbes, Esther	After injuring his hand, a silversmith's apprentice in Boston becomes a messenger for the Sons of Liberty in the days before the American Revolution.
A passage to India FIC FOR Forester, E.M.	A classic account of the clash of cultures in British India after the turn of the century revealing the menace lurking just under the surface of ordinary misunderstanding.
The wind in the willows FIC GRA Grahame, Kenneth	The escapades of four animal friends who live along a river in the English countryside-- Toad, Mole, Rat, and Badger.
Old Yeller FIC GIP Gipson, Fred	Set in the rough wilderness of early frontier Texas, "Old Yeller" is a timeless coming-of-age tale. Travis is left to care for the farm when his father leaves on a cattle drive. He copes with many hardships with the help of his big, yellow dog, Old Yeller.
Grimm's Fairy Tales 398.2 GRI Grimm, Jakob & Wilhelm	An illustrated collection of fifty-two traditional tales collected by the Grimm brothers
The Scarlet Letter FIC HAW Hawthorne, Nathaniel	In seventeenth century New England, Hester Prynne is condemned by Puritan law to wear a scarlet "A" as the symbol of the sin she has committed.
Rip Van Winkle & the Legend of Sleepy Hollow FIC IRV Irving, Washington	Two stories from the Catskill Mountains: one featuring a man who sleeps for twenty years, waking to a much-changed world and the other, a superstitious schoolmaster who encounters a headless horseman.

Smoky, The Cow Horse FIC JAM James, Will	Describes the experiences of Smoky, the mouse-colored horse, from his birth on the range, his capture by humans, through his work in the rodeo and on the ranch, and his eventual old age.
Prince Caspian FIC LEW Lewis, C.S.	Four children help Prince Caspian and his army of Talking Beasts to free Narnia from evil.
The Magician's Nephew FIC LEW Lewis, C.S.	When Digory and Polly try to return the wicked witch Jadis to her own world, the magic gets mixed up and they all land in Narnia where they witness Aslan blessing the animals with human speech.
The merry adventures of Robin Hood FIC PYL Pyle, Howard	Recounts the legend of Robin Hood who plundered the king's purse and poached his deer and whose generosity endeared him to the poor.
King Solomon's mines FIC HAG Haggard, H. Rider	The story of three men who trek north to the remote interior of Africa in search of a lost friend. At the end of their perilous journey, they find their friend and the spectacular diamond mines of Solomon.
The old man and the sea FIC HEM Hemingway, Ernest	An old fisherman battles the sea and sharks to bring home the giant marlin he caught.
Misty of Chincoteague FIC HEN Henry, Marguerite	Paul and his sister Maureen's determination to own a pony from the herd on Chincoteague Island, Virginia, is greatly increased when the Phantom and her colt are among the ponies rounded up for the yearly auction.
The Outsiders FIC HIN Hinton, S.E.	The struggle of three brothers to stay together after their parent's death and their quest for identity among the conflicting values of their adolescent society.
The legend of Sleepy Hollow ; and, Rip Van Winkle FIC IRV Irving, Washington	Two stories from the Catskill Mountains: one featuring a man who sleeps for twenty years, waking to a much-changed world and the other, a superstitious schoolmaster who encounters a headless horseman.
The Trumpeter of Krakow FIC KEL Kelly, Eric P,	A Polish family in the Middle Ages guards a great secret treasure and a boy's memory of an earlier trumpeter of Krakow makes it possible for him to save his father.
The jungle book FIC KIP Kipling, Rudyard	Presents the three adventures of Mowgli, a young boy raised by the animals in an Indian jungle, as well as other animal stories and songs.
Captains Courageous FIC KIP Kipling, Rudyard	Harvey Cheyne, the son of an American millionaire, is swept overboard from the deck of a liner. Rescued by a fishing boat, Harvey must work with the others at their dangerous trade to earn his keep.

The Scarlet Letter FIC HAW Hawthorne, Nathaniel	Hester Prynne, a young woman in seventeenth century Massachusetts, is condemned by Puritan law to wear a scarlet "A" as the symbol of the sin she committed.
Tales from Shakespeare 822.3 LAM Lamb, Charles	Retellings of twenty of Shakespeare's best known plays, using the playwright's own words when possible.
Around the world in 80 days FIC VER Verne, Jules	Phileas Fogg, an English gentleman, bets 20,000 pounds that he can travel around the world in only eighty days.
The call of the wild FIC LON London, Jack	The adventures of an unusual dog, part St. Bernard, part Scotch shepherd, that is forcibly taken to the Klondike goldfields where he eventually becomes the leader of a wolf pack.
White Fang FIC LON London, Jack	Relates the adventures in the northern wilderness of a dog who is part wolf and how he comes to make his peace with man.
Typee : a peep at Polynesian life FIC MEL Melville, Herman	A semi-autobiographical account of the author's experiences in the Valley of the Typees on the island of Nuku Hiva, told through the character of Tommo, a sailor who jumps ship and lives for months among the valley's happy people.
The Scarlet Pimpernel FIC ORC Orczy, Emmuska Orczy Baroness	Sir Percy Blakeney defies the French revolutionaries in order to save innocent men and women from being put to death in the guillotine.
The gold bug, and other tales and poems SC POE Poe, Edgar Allan	Eight of the author's poems are interspersed with nine of his short stories which include "The Man That Was Used Up," "The Balloon-Hoax," and "The Purloined Letter." Includes a brief biography of the author.
The raven and other poems and stories FIC POE Poe, Edgar Allan	Collects twenty-six of nineteenth-century American author Edgar Allan Poe's poems, including "Annabel Lee," "The Bells," and "The Conqueror Worm," and five of his most famous stories, including "The Tell-Tale Heart" and "The Fall of the House of Usher."
The light in the forest FIC RIC Richter, Conrad	John Cameron Butler, kidnapped by the Lenne Indians when he was only four years old, is returned to his white family eleven years later and struggles to fit in to the unfamiliar culture.
The Little Prince FIC SAI Saint-Exupery, Antoine de	An aviator whose plane is forced down in the Sahara Desert encounters a little prince from a small planet who relates his adventures in seeking the secret of what is important in life.

Frankenstein FIC SHELLEY	Shelley, Mary	Obsessed university student Victor Frankenstein creates a being by reanimating the dead, but when it opens its eyes he flees, leaving behind a being that craves affection and acceptance, but is reviled instead. The creature, vowing revenge, pursues Victor to the ends of the earth.
Ivanhoe FIC SCO	Scott, Sir Walter	Relates the adventures of the Saxon knight Ivanhoe in 1192, the year of Richard the Lion-Hearted's return from his Crusade.
Call it courage FIC SPE	Sperry, Armstrong	Relates how Mafatu, a young Polynesian boy whose name means Stout Heart, overcomes his terrible fear of the sea and proves his courage to himself and his people.
The red pony FIC STE	Steinbeck, John	Ten-year-old Jody learns about life and death through her ownership of a beautiful red pony.
Gulliver's Travels FIC SWI	Swift, Jonathan	The voyages of an Englishman carry him to a land of people six inches high, a land of giants, an island of sorcerers, and a land where horses are masters of human-like creatures.
Captivity of the Oatman girls : being an interesting narrative of life among the Apache and Mohave Indians 920 STR	Stratton, R.B.	Recounts the capture of Olive Oatman and her sister by the Apaches, and her 5-year captivity among the Indians.
The hobbit, or, There and back again FIC TOL	Tolkien, J. R. R.	Bilbo Baggins, a respectable, well-to-do hobbit, lives comfortably in his hobbit-hole until the day the wandering wizard Gandalf chooses him to take part in an adventure from which he may never return.
Mary Poppins FIC TRA	Travers, P.L.	Here are related the remarkable things that transpired during the time Mary Poppins served as nursemaid for the Banks family.
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer FIC TWA	Twain, Mark	The adventures of a mischievous young boy and his friends growing up in a Mississippi River town in the nineteenth century.
The war of the worlds FIC WEL	Wells, H.G.	The classic H.G. Wells story in which Earth is invaded by hostile aliens from Mars. Includes brief biographical information about the author.
The Invisible man FIC WEL	Wells, H.G.	The tale of a scientist who discovers how to make his body become invisible, but, when he can't make himself visible again, becomes violently insane
The Swiss family Robinson FIC WYS	Wyss, Johann D.	Relates the fortunes of a shipwrecked family as they adapt to life on an island with abundant animal and plant life. Includes review questions.

<p>Stuart Little, FIC WHI</p>	<p>White E.B.</p> <p>After being adopted by a human family, a tiny mouse sets out to win over his resentful new brother and the family feline while fending off a gang of cats who want him out of the house.</p>
<p>The picture of Dorian Gray FIC WIL</p>	<p>Wilde, Oscar</p> <p>A remarkably handsome youth, Dorian Gray, meets Lord Henry Wotton and is corrupted into a life of terrible evil.</p>