



## 'A' Level English Literature Recommended Reading List

This is a list of recommended novels, plays and poems for reading at 'A' Level. The list is not exhaustive and we do not expect you to read all of these books. It is merely a list of suggestions but with any luck, you will find books that you love amongst these.

Chinua Achebe	<i>Things Fall Apart</i>
Kingsley Amis	<i>Lucky Jim</i>
Margaret Atwood	<i>The Handmaid's Tale, The Blind Assassin</i>
Jane Austen	<i>Pride and Prejudice, Emma, Persuasion</i>
Charlotte Bronte	<i>Jane Eyre</i>
Emily Bronte	<i>Wuthering Heights</i>
Anthony Burgess	<i>A Clockwork Orange</i>
Angela Carter	<i>The Bloody Chamber</i>
Joseph Conrad	<i>Heart of Darkness, The Secret Agent</i>
Charles Dickens	<i>Bleak House, Great Expectations</i>
T.S. Eliot	<i>The Waste Land</i>
George Elliot	<i>Middlemarch</i>
Sebastian Faulks	<i>Birdsong</i>
F. Scott Fitzgerald	<i>The Great Gatsby, Tender is the Night</i>
John Fowles	<i>The French Lieutenant's Woman</i>
Graham Greene	<i>Brighton Rock</i>
Thomas Hardy	<i>Tess of the D'Urbervilles</i>
Ernest Hemingway	<i>For Whom the Bell Tolls, Farewell to Arms</i>
Khaled Hosseini	<i>The Kite Runner</i>

Kazuo Ishiguro	<i>The Remains of the Day</i>
Henry James	<i>The Turn of the Screw, The Portrait of a Lady</i>
James Joyce	<i>A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man</i>
Philip Larkin	<i>Collected Poems</i>
Harper Lee	<i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i>
Doris Lessing	<i>The Grass is Singing, The Golden Notebook</i>
Toni Morrison	<i>Beloved</i>
George Orwell	<i>Animal Farm, 1984</i>
Sylvia Plath	<i>The Bell Jar</i>
Jean Rhys	<i>Wide Sargasso Sea</i>
John Steinbeck	<i>East of Eden, The Grapes of Wrath</i>
Bram Stoker	<i>Dracula</i>
William Makepeace Thackeray	<i>Vanity Fair</i>
Arthur Miller	<i>A View from the Bridge, The Crucible, Death of a Salesman</i>
Philip Roth	<i>American Pastoral, The Human Stain</i>
Donna Tartt	<i>The Goldfinch, The Secret History</i>
Leo Tolstoy	<i>Anna Karenina</i>
Evelyn Waugh	<i>A Handful of Dust, Brideshead Revisited</i>
Edith Wharton	<i>The House of Mirth, The Age of Innocence</i>
Tennessee Williams	<i>Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, The Glass Menagerie</i>
Oscar Wilde	<i>The Picture of Dorian Gray</i>
Virginia Woolf	<i>Mrs Dalloway</i>
W.B. Yeats	<i>Collected Poems</i>