

Year 12-13 Reading Recommendations –

Note to parents/carers: books from this list may will increasingly contain adult themes and many have been written for adults. By sixth form, we would increasingly expect our young people to be ready to engage with this but parents know their children best; if you have queries about suitability, please check online reviews or ask Mr Smith (school librarian).

Year 12-13 Reading Recommendations	Author
Kite Runner	Khaled Hosseini
Star of the Sea	Joseph O'Connor
Where the Crawdads Sing	Delia Owens
Little Coffee Shop of Kabul	Deborah Rodriguez
Brick Lane	Monica Ali
Amphibian Man	Alexander Belyaev
The Mother	Maxim Gorky
The Poet X	Elizabeth Acevedo
1984	George Orwell
Girl, Woman, Other	Bernadine Evaristo
Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglas, An Amedrican Slave	Frederick Douglas
No One is too Small to Make a Difference	Greta Thunberg
Black Ships Before Troy: The Story of the Illiad	Rosemary Sutcliffe
The Wanderings of Odysseus	Rosemary Sutcliffe
Robinson Crusoe	Robert Louis Stevenson
The Tell Tale Heart	Edgar Allan Poe
A Little History of the World	E.H Grombrich
The Alchemist	Poalo Cohello
Hamnet	Maggie O'Farrell
VOX	Christina Dalcher
Freakonomics	Steven D Levitt
High Windows	Philip Larkin
Things Fall Apart	Chinua Achebe
Gone Girl	Gillian Flynn
Catcher in Rye	J D Salinger
Regeneration	Pat Barker
Blink	Malcolm Gladwell
Americanah	Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
The Autobiography of Malcolm	Malcolm X

The Great Gatsby	F Scott Fitzgerald
Never Let Me Go	Kazuo Ishiguro
A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man	James Joyce
Mrs Dalloway	Virginia Woolf
The Three Sisters	Anton Chekhov
1984	George Orwell
White Teeth	Zadie Smith
100 Years of Solitude	Gabriel Garcia Marquez
A Little Life	Hanya Yanagihara
Nights at the Circus	Angela Carter
Small Island	Andrea Levy
Girl, Woman, Other	Bernadine Evaristo
A Brief History of Seven Killings	Marlon James
The Color Purple	Alice Walker
Half a Yellow Sun	Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
Waiting For Godot	Samuel Beckett
The Portrait of a Lady	Henry James
Slaughterhouse Five	Kurt Vonnegut
Normal People	Sally Rooney
Oranges	John McPhee
Blank Slate	Steven Pinker
The Bell Jar	Sylvia Plath
Beloved	Toni Morrison