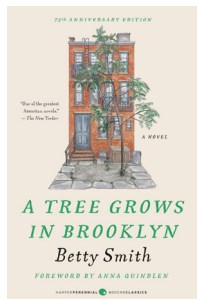


# 2021 Reading Resolutions

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## REDISCOVER A CLASSIC

### ☐ **A Tree Grows in Brooklyn** by Betty Smith



The coming-of-age story of young, sensitive, and idealistic Francie Nolan and her bittersweet formative years in the turn-of-the-century Williamsburg slums of Brooklyn. Poignant and moving, it is filled with compassion and cruelty, laughter and heartache, life and incident.

- ☐ **Wuthering Heights** by Emily Brontë
- ☐ **Rebecca** by Daphne du Maurier
- ☐ **The Call of the Wild** by Jack London
- ☐ **Moby-Dick** by Herman Melville
- ☐ **The Scarlet Pimpernel** by Baroness Emmuska Orczy
- ☐ **1984** by George Orwell
- ☐ **Catcher in the Rye** by J.D. Salinger
- ☐ **Native Son** by Richard Wright

## READ A DEBUT NOVEL

### ☐ **A Burning** by Megha Majumdar

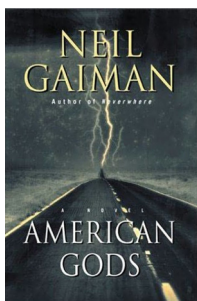


After a fiery attack on a train leaves 104 people dead, the fates of three people become inextricably entangled. A novel about fate, power, opportunity, and class; about innocence and guilt, betrayal and love, and the corrosive media cycle that manufactures falsehoods masquerading as truths. Haunting and beautiful, brutal, vibrant – impossible to forget.

- ☐ **Things Fall Apart** by Chinua Achebe
- ☐ **Go Tell It on the Mountain** by James Baldwin
- ☐ **If I Had Your Face** by Frances Cha
- ☐ **The Girl With the Louding Voice** by Abi Daré
- ☐ **An Absolutely Remarkable Thing** by Hank Green
- ☐ **A Time to Kill** by John Grisham
- ☐ **Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine** by Gail Honeyman
- ☐ **The Namesake** by Jhumpa Lahiri
- ☐ **Behold the Dreamers** by Imbolo Mbue

## READ A BOOK SET IN WISCONSIN

### ☐ **American Gods** by Neil Gaiman

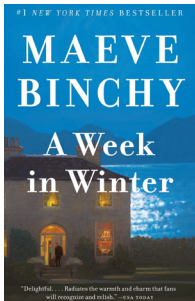


The day before his release from prison, Shadow's wife is killed in an accident. On his way home, he meets Mr. Wednesday, a trickster and rogue, who offers Shadow a job as his bodyguard. With nowhere left to go, Shadow accepts, and unknowingly joins the battle between the gods of yore and the neoteric gods of present-day America.

- ☐ **The Quiet Season: Remembering Country Winters** by Jerold Apps
- ☐ **Uncommon Grounds** by Sandra Balzo
- ☐ **Little Faith** by Nickolas Butler
- ☐ **Seventeenth Summer** by Maureen Daly
- ☐ **Whistling in the Dark** by Lesley Kagen
- ☐ **Black House** by Stephen King
- ☐ **The Optimist's Guide to Letting Go** by Amy E. Reichert
- ☐ **Death Stalks Door County** by Patricia Skalka
- ☐ **Murder Most Sweet** by Laura Jensen Walker

## READ EVERY SEASON

### A Week in Winter by Maeve Binchy

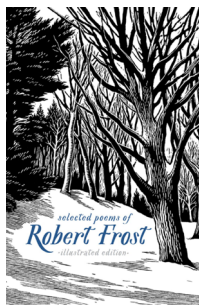


A woman named Chicky turns a coastal Ireland mansion into a holiday resort and receives an assortment of first guests. Throughout the course of a week, they share laughter and the heartache of their respective challenges.

- Winter Garden** by Kristin Hannah
- Winter Solstice** by Rosamunde Pilcher
- New Spring** by Robert Jordan
- Spring** by Ali Smith
- Summer Deal** by Jill Shalvis
- Deadly Summer** by Denise Grover Swank
- Lost Autumn** by Mary-Rose MacColl
- Wicked Autumn** by G.M. Malliet

## READ A SHORT STORY OR POETRY COLLECTION

### Selected Poems of Robert Frost

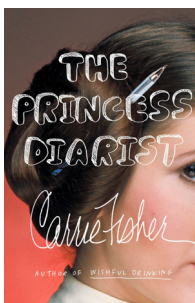


Over 100 of Frost's best-known works, featuring the full contents of his first three volumes of poetry – A Boy's Will, North of Boston, and Mountain Interval. This collection is a testament to the beauty of the master's writing.

- American Housewife** by Helen Ellis
- Dear Life** by Alice Munro
- The Complete Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe**
- The Best of Me** by David Sedaris
- If They Come for Us** by Fatimah Asghar
- 100 Best African American Poems (\*But I Cheated) edited** by Nikki Giovanni
- I Would Leave Me If I Could** by Halsey
- Milk and Honey** by Rupi Kaur

## READ A BOOK IN DEWEY CLASS 791

### The Princess Diarist by Carrie Fisher



Fisher's revealing recollection of what happened on one of the most famous film sets of all time – and what developed behind the scenes. Laugh-out-loud hilarious and endlessly quotable, it brims with the candor and introspection of a diary while offering shrewd insight into the type of stardom that few will ever experience.

- The World According to Tom Hanks** by Gavin Edwards
- Scrappy Little Nobody** by Anna Kendrick
- Stories I Only Tell My Friends** by Rob Lowe
- Greenlights** by Matthew McConaughey
- Life Beyond Measure: Letters to My Great-Granddaughter** by Sidney Poitier
- Beautiful: The Life of Hedy Lamarr** by Stephen Michael Shearer
- Dear Girls** by Ali Wong



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