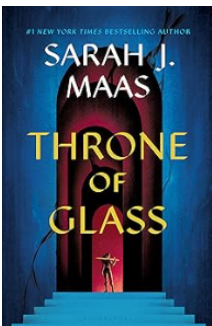
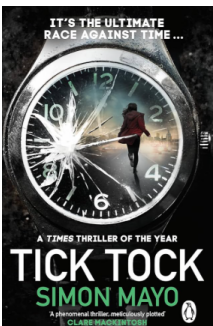
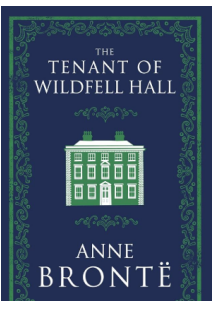
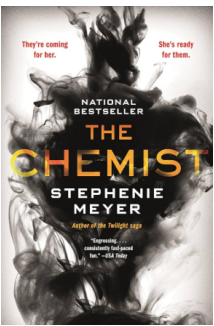
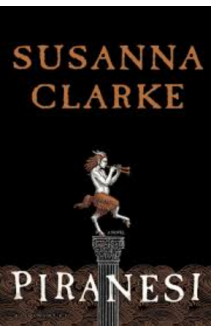
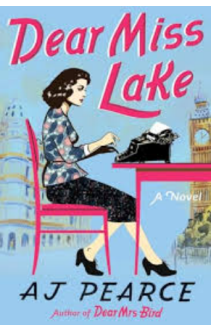
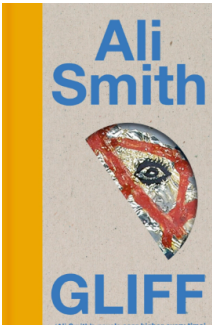
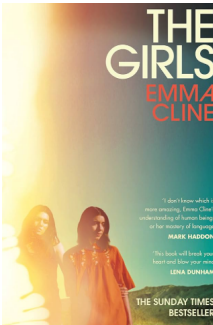
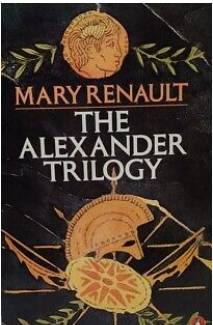
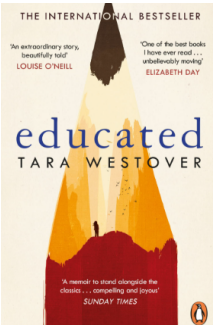
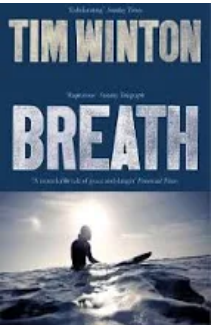
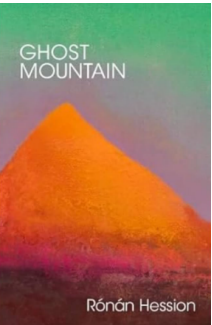
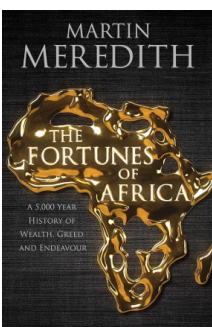
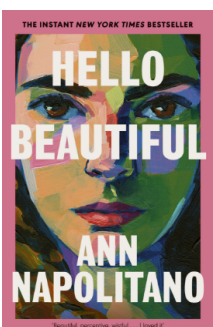
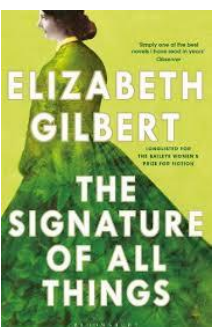
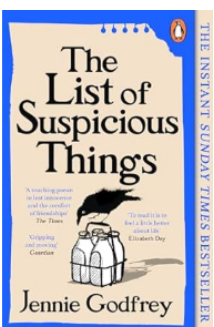
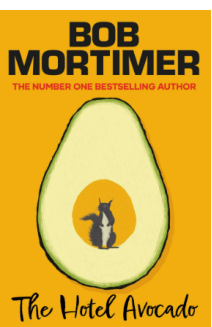
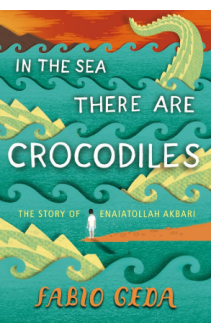
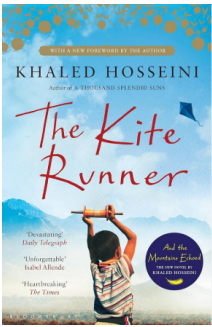
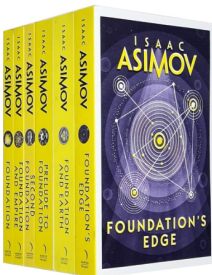
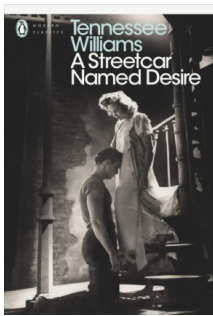
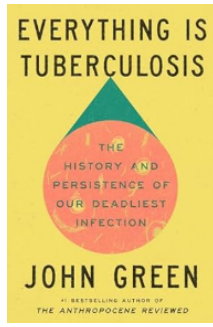
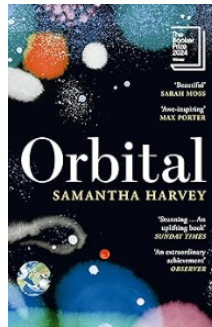
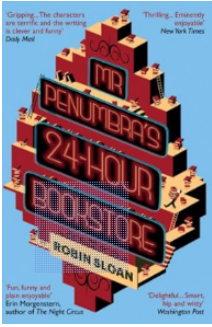
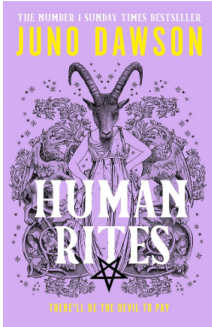
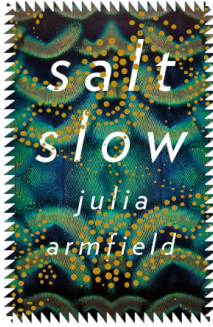
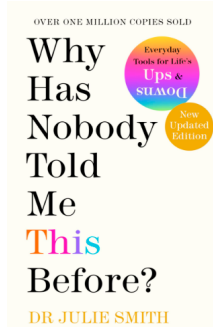
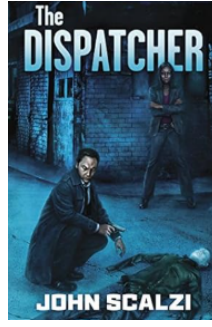
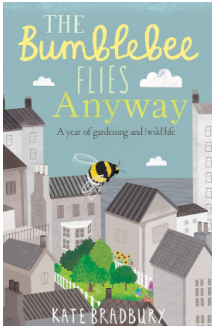
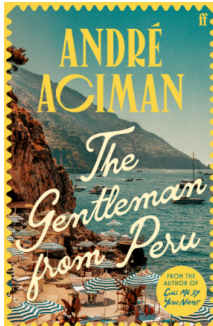
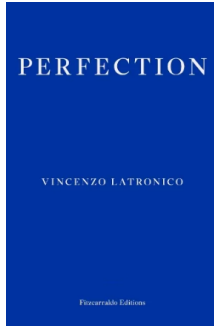
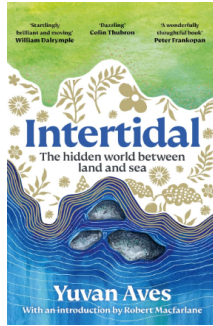


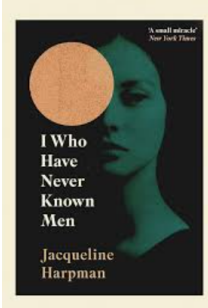
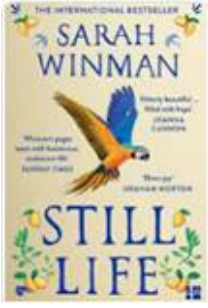
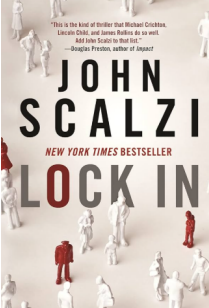
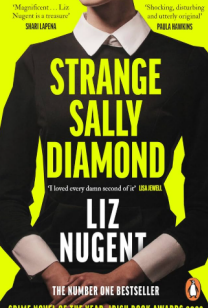
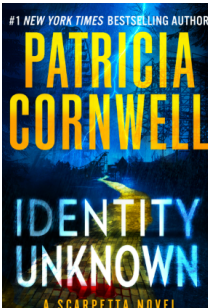
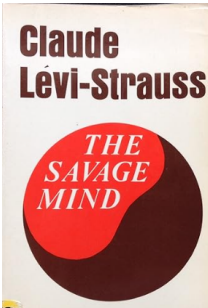
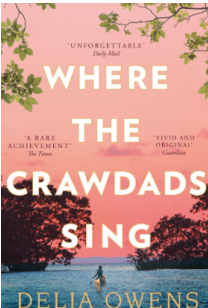
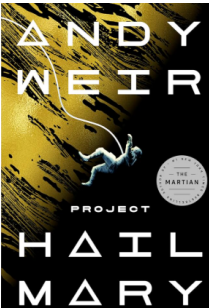
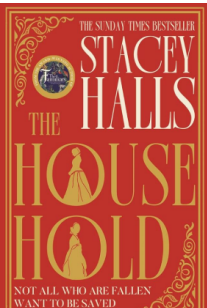
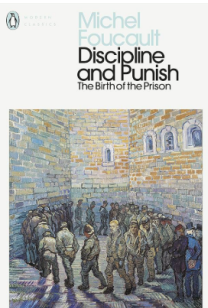
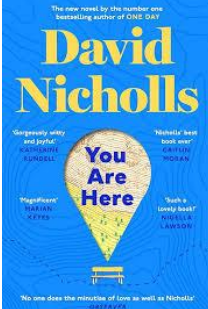
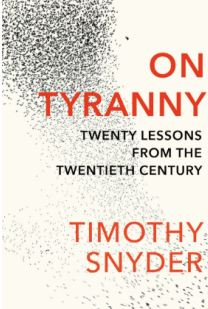
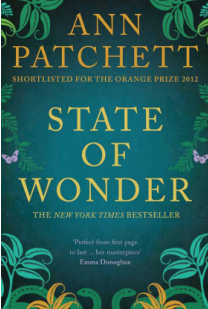
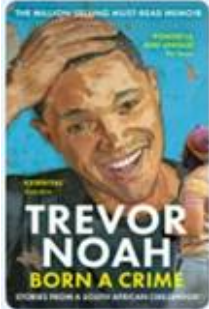
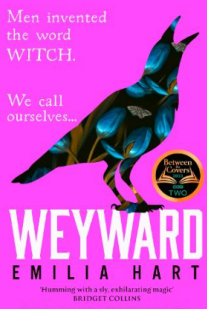
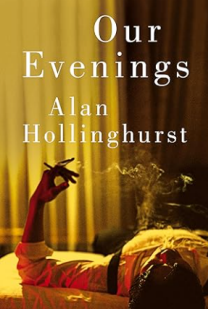
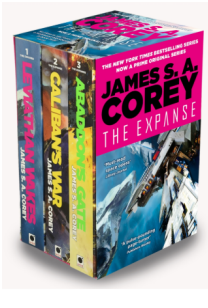
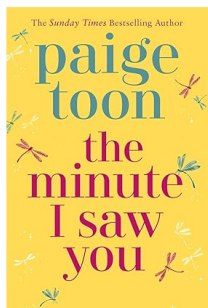
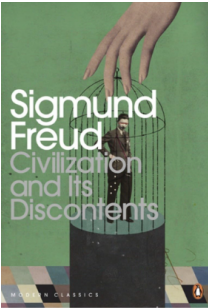
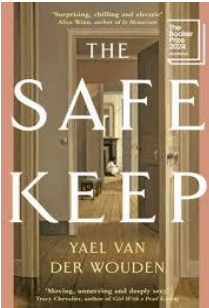
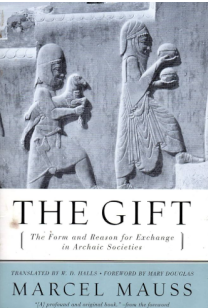
Books We Are Currently Reading and Looking Forward To Reading

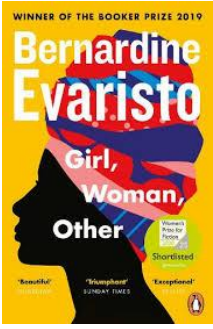
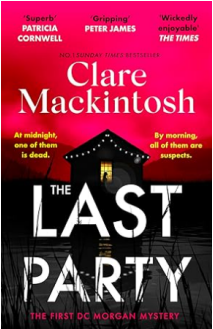
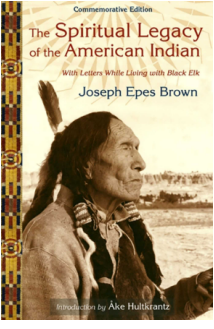
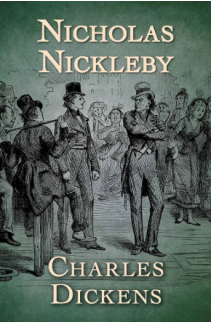
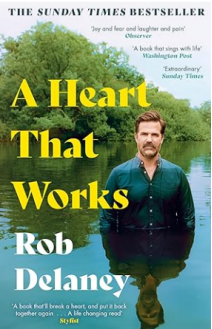
The Chicago Sun-Times has recently been criticized for publishing a Summer Reading List, created by AI and including titles that the AI software "hallucinated", that is fake book titles accredited to real authors. You can read more about this on [The Guardian website](https://www.theguardian.com/books/2024/jun/14/chicago-sun-times-ai-hallucinated-books). We also, as ever, provide our own recommendation list, with input from Bohunt staff. We can't wait to hear what you read over the summer!

					
Bethany Turner	Rob McGough	Sarah Lewis	Joanna Farrington	Natalie Holmes	Bronwen Scales
					
Lucy Hunter	Fran Fry	Mel Legg	Maria Watson	Jo Colby	Clare Hodgson
					
Sam Hall	Ellie Brown	Deb White	Clare Hodgson	Rob McGough and Sarah Revell	Bethany Turner

					
Natalie Woodhouse	Lee Carpenter	Nicky Duchesne	Jo Colby	Rob Hall	Mel Legg And Clare Hodgson
					
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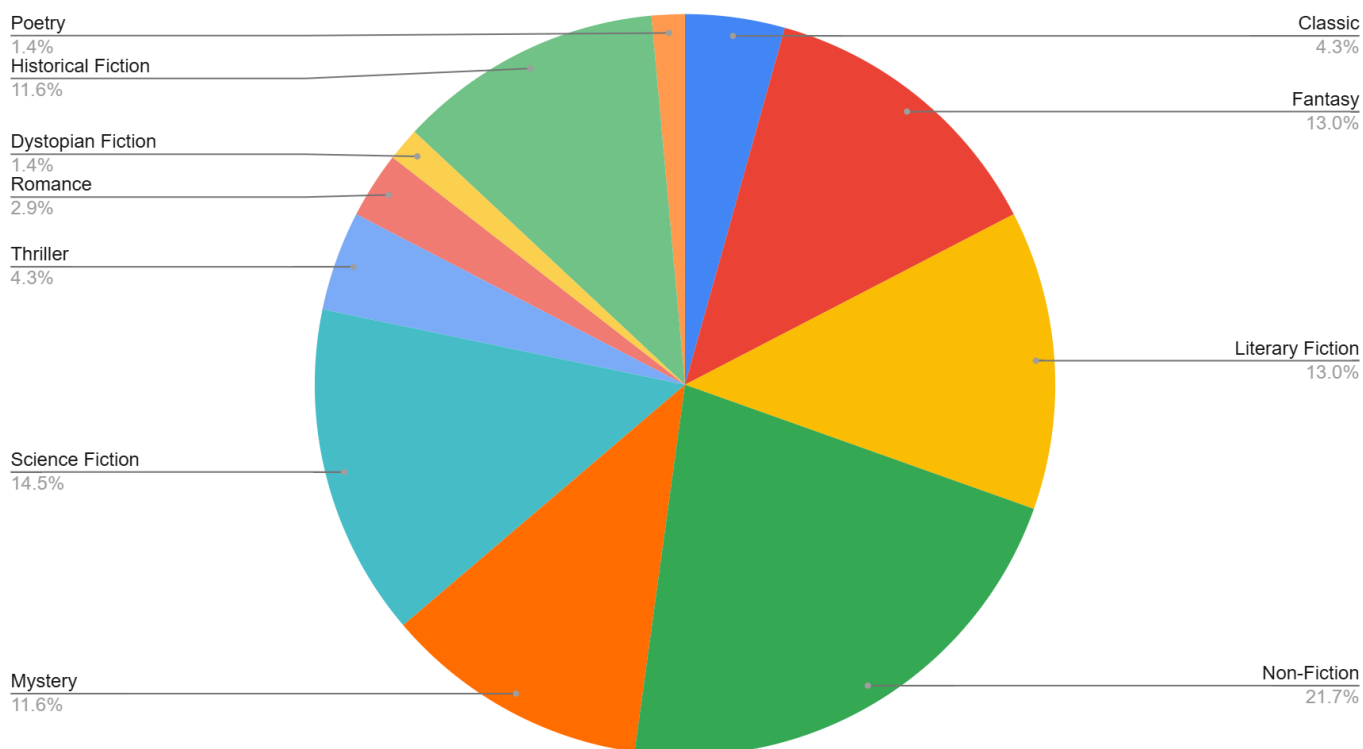
Books We Have Read and Loved

					
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Joanna Farrington	Sam Hall	Fran Fry	Lee Carpenter	Natalie Woodhouse	Sam Hall
					
Deb White	Louise Brazier	Nicky Duchesne	Rebecca Jones	Bronwen Scales	Jo Colby
					
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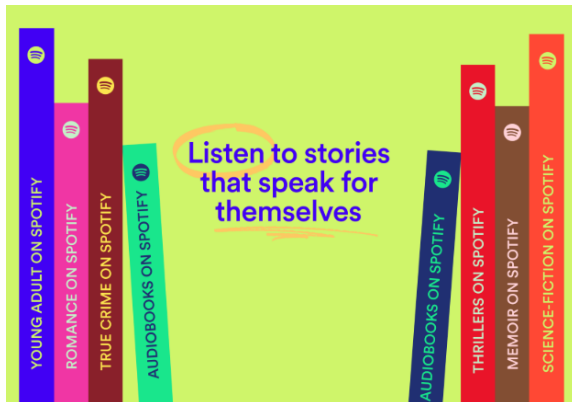
In case you were interested in the genre breakdown of these recommendations, I've included a pie chart below...

Staff Reading Genre Breakdown



Reading for Pleasure

Though we have over 2000 resources in our 6th Form Library, it's not always easy to pick up a book and start reading, especially not just for fun. Reading for pleasure and without the pressure of deadlines is so important though, so we want to highlight some digital resources, both free and paid, that could help you find the time to dive into a book.



PAID RESOURCE

Spotify Premium is not just for music, though some of their lo-fi, high-concentration playlists are great for studying. A selection of audiobooks are available as a part of your premium subscription.

FREE RESOURCE

[Project Gutenberg](#) is a brilliant free online resource, with over 75,000 free e-books available online. There is a focus on older texts for which the U.S. copyright has expired. I found this site particularly useful when studying for my degree - being able to use the ctrl+F feature to find specific quotations from texts I was studying.



FREE RESOURCE (with library membership)

PressReader gives you access to over 7,000 of the world's top publications. From trending headlines to niche topics, you can access digital content that spans just about every interest, language, and region. This is a digital resource offered for free when you [sign up to Hampshire libraries.](#)

FREE RESOURCE (with library membership)

BorrowBox is another resource, free when you [sign up to Hampshire libraries](#).

BorrowBox allows you to borrow, or reserve, up to 5 audio books and 5 e-books at a time. It is accessed via an app. There is also access to hundreds of e-magazines.



PAID RESOURCE

For £7.99 per month Audible offer you one token with which you can choose an audiobook of your choice, and keep it forever (even after you choose to end your paid subscription).

Next year in the library

National Year of Reading 2026

The government has declared the year of 2026 to be [The National Year of Reading](#). Stay tuned to find out how we'll be celebrating!

Book club will be relaunching in the autumn term - look out for further details in September. This will be a time to come together and chat about books we are reading.

AccessIt

Is our new library catalogue and web page which you will all have access to from the autumn term. It's a web based system and all staff and students will be able to sign in using their Bohunt credentials. You will be able to search for and reserve books, view curated reading lists and access subject specific resources.

Don't forget we have a [Sixth Form Library page](#) on google classroom. To join, [use code r7fklzn](#). It has details of competitions, study skills and recommended reading (amongst other things).

Online access

Remember that we have access to some **online subscriptions**. Access details are below.

Publication	Username	Password
JSTOR https://www.jstor.org/	Ask Deb	
Newspapers for Schools https://newslibrary.newspapersforschools.co.uk/#/home	Ask Deb	
Emagazine https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/e-magazine/emag-login/	Ask Deb	
Babel magazine https://babelzine.co.uk/	Ask Deb	
Media Magazine https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/media-magazine/	Ask Deb	

You should definitely sign up for membership of Hampshire Libraries. They offer excellent online resources, all completely free of charge since you study in Hampshire. You can even now join the library online, and download the app BorrowBox to borrow up to 5 each of ebooks and audiobooks.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/librariesandarchives/library>



Enhance Your Studies

There are a number of academic competitions that have deadlines during the summer holidays and into the Autumn term. You can view which ones [here](#). These are the top competitions that we recommend looking into to keep your brain muscles flexing!

[Trinity College, Cambridge](#) are hosting a number of competitions all with a deadline of the **1st of August**.

Subject matter ranges from English Language, English Literature, Modern Foreign Languages, Politics and History.



**Royal
Geographical
Society**
with IBG

[The Royal Geographical Society](#) are hosting two competitions, both with deadlines at the **beginning of October**. The [Young Geographer of the Year](#) competition asks you to create a poster

on 'understanding islands' and the [School Essay Competition](#) asks for a 1000 word essay on the implications of international trade policy.

[Politika](#) asks students to draft a policy proposal on an area of policy you find significant. They suggest that "from the two-child benefit cap to free school meals to the abolition of the Erasmus scheme, there is no group more impacted by policy, yet so constrained from political action, than young people."

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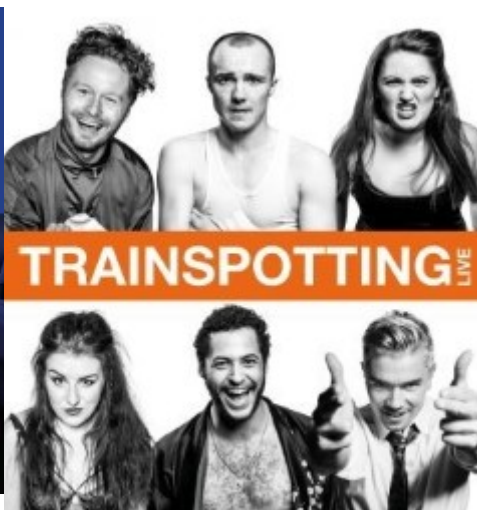
Fancy a trip?

Kick off your summer with [Petersfield Shakespeare Festival](#) who are this year performing A Midsummer Night's Dream. Take a blanket, a picnic and your friends and enjoy a sunny Shakespearean evening to start off the summer holidays. Concession prices available.



The **Edinburgh Fringe** is well known as one of the biggest and best celebrations of culture and the arts, taking place during the English summer holidays (although the later you go in the festival, the stranger it becomes as Scottish schools return after their summer holidays and the festival is dotted with young people in their uniforms). Though one of the wonders of the Fringe is meandering the Edinburgh hills and happening upon ground-breaking unknown acts, an element of planning never ruined anything and you can find the full programme [here](#).

Below we've highlighted some of the most highly anticipated events at the Fringe (that you may need to book for fear of limited ticketing).



Margolyes and Dickens: More Best Bits

"Having sold every ticket in 2024, Miriam Margolyes returns with more – more characters, more Dickens, and more fascinating stories about the man behind the classics. At 84, Miriam's energy and passion are undimmed and her performance as electric as ever."

Trainspotting Live

"Acclaimed immersive adaptation of Irvine Welsh's classic novel, staged in a bespoke venue unique to the show. The audience are literally part of the action, including the notorious 'worst toilet in Scotland' scene."

Made of Magic – Poetry of Rage and (Be)longing

"(Gender)queer disabled storyteller, visual artist and Mr Gay GB 2025 finalist Jude FireSong revives his show about intersections of identity, transcendent love, found family and surviving a decade-long breakdown through creative practice (and sheer stubbornness)."

Books in the News

Recently Announced Book Awards



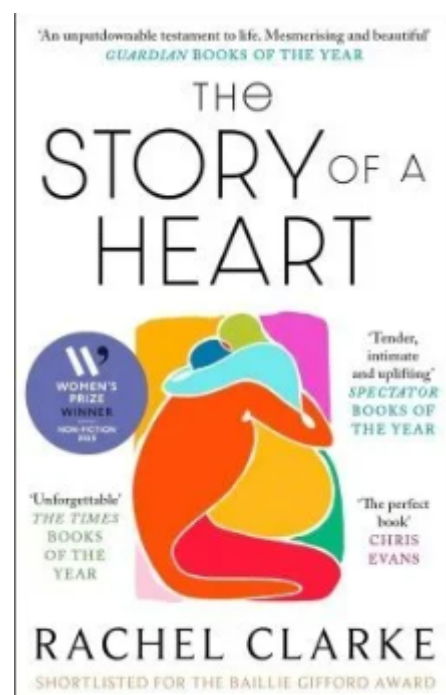
"an exquisitely atmospheric psychological thriller set in early-60s rural Netherlands ... revolving around the escalating tension between controlling Isabel and her brother's graceless new girlfriend."

Women's Prize for Fiction



"a painfully acute dissection of resentment and betrayal, as two couples find themselves cut off from the rest of the world during the devastating winter of 1962"

Walter Scott Prize for Historical Fiction



"eye-opening and incredibly poignant, this tenderly written work ... tracks the process of a heart transplant through the intertwined stories of two extraordinary children."

Women's Prize for Non-Fiction

The Seedling by Paul Laurence Dunbar

As a quiet little seedling
Lay within its darksome bed,
To itself it fell a-talking,
And this is what it said:

"I am not so very robust,
But I'll do the best I can,"
And the seedling from that moment
Its work of life began.

So it pushed a little leaflet
Up into the light of day,
To examine the surroundings
And show the rest the way.

The leaflet liked the prospect,
So it called its brother, Stem;
Then two other leaflets heard it,
And quickly followed them.

To be sure, the haste and hurry
Made the seedling sweat and pant;
But almost before it knew it
It found itself a plant.

The sunshine poured upon it,
And the clouds they gave a shower;
And the little plant kept growing
Till it found itself a flower.

Little folks, be like the seedling,
Always do the best you can;
Every child must share life's labor
Just as well as every man.

And the sun and showers will help you
Through the lonesome, struggling hours,
Till you raise to light and beauty
Virtue's fair, unfading flowers.