

RANK	TITLE	AUTHOR
79	<i>A Room with a View</i>	E.M. Forster
80	<i>Brideshead Revisited</i>	Evelyn Waugh
81	<i>The Adventures of Augie March</i>	Saul Bellow
82	<i>Angle of Repose</i>	Wallace Stegner
83	<i>A Bend in the River</i>	V.S. Naipul
84	<i>The Death of the Heart</i>	Elizabeth Bowen (NOT AVAILABLE)
85	<i>Lord Jim</i>	Joseph Conrad
86	<i>Ragtime</i>	E.L. Doctorow
87	<i>The Old Wives' Tale</i>	Arnold Bennett (NOT AVAILABLE)
88		Jack London
89	<i>Loving</i>	Henry Green (NOT AVAILABLE)
90	<i>Midnight's Children</i>	Salman Rushdie
91		Erskine Caldwell
92	<i>Ironweed</i>	William Kennedy
93	<i>The Magus</i>	John Fowles
94	<i>Wide Sargasso Sea</i>	Jean Rhys
95	<i>Under the Net</i>	Iris Murdoch (NOT AVAILABLE)
96		William Styron
97	<i>The Sheltering Sky</i>	Paul Bowles
98	<i>The Postman Always Rings Twice</i>	James M. Cain
99		J.P. Donleavy
100	<i>The Magnificent Ambersons</i>	Booth Tarkington

To nominate your own favorites, visit the interactive "100 Best" Readers' Poll on the Random House Website on the Internet at [www.randomhouse.com/modernlibrary/](http://www.randomhouse.com/modernlibrary/). For more information about the selected titles, go to the *New York Times* online edition at [www.nytimes.com/library/books/](http://www.nytimes.com/library/books/), where you will find hypertext links to original Times reviews or later articles about many of the books.

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# BEST BOOKS:

## Which ones have you read?



Recently the editorial board of The Modern Library released its list of the 100 best English-language novels of the 20th century. Since its publication, there has been a storm of controversy in the literary world about the choices. Everyone seems to have a favorite that didn't make the final cut, but the list still gives readers a handy sampling of noteworthy novels that can form the basis of a fulfilling lifetime reading plan. Unless otherwise noted below, copies of all these titles may be found in the Fiction Room of the Ridgefield Library. Audiotape versions of many of these books are also available.

RANK	TITLE	AUTHOR
1		James Joyce
2		F. Scott Fitzgerald
3	A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man	James Joyce
4		Vladimir Nabokov
5		Aldous Huxley
6	The Sound and the Fury	William Faulkner
7		Joseph Heller
8	Darkness at Noon	Arthur Koestler
9		D.H. Lawrence
10		John Steinbeck
11	Under the Volcano	Malcolm Lowry
12	The Way of All Flesh	Samuel Butler
13		George Orwell
14		Robert Graves
15	To the Lighthouse	Virginia Woolf
16		Theodore Dreiser
17	The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter	Carson McCullers
18		Kurt Vonnegut
19		Ralph Ellison
20		Richard Wright
21	Henderson the Rain King	Saul Bellow
22		John O'Hara
23	U.S.A. (trilogy)	John Dos Passos
24	Winesburg, Ohio	Sherwood Anderson
25	A Passage to India	E.M. Forster
26	The Wings of the Dove	Henry James
27	The Ambassadors	Henry James
28	Tender Is the Night	F. Scott Fitzgerald
29		James T. Farrell
30	The Good Soldier	Ford Madox Ford
31		George Orwell
32	The Golden Bowl	Henry James
33		Theodore Dreiser
34	A Handful of Dust	Evelyn Waugh
35		William Faulkner
36		Robert Penn Warren
37	The Bridge of San Luis Rey	Thornton Wilder
38	Howards End	E.M. Forster
39		James Baldwin
40	The Heart of the Matter	Graham Greene
41		William Golding
42		James Dickey
43	A Dance to the Music of Time (series)	Anthony Powell

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44		Aldous Huxley
45		Ernest Hemingway
46	The Secret Agent	Joseph Conrad
47	Nostromo	Joseph Conrad
48		D.H. Lawrence
49		D.H. Lawrence
50		Henry Miller
51		Norman Mailer
52		Philip Roth
53	Pale Fire	Vladimir Nabokov
54	Light in August	William Faulkner
55	On the Road	Jack Kerouac
56	The Maltese Falcon	Dashiell Hammett (MYSTERY)
57	Parade's End	Ford Madox Ford
58		Edith Wharton
59	Zuleika Dobson	Max Beerbohm (NOT AVAILABLE)
60	The Moviegoer	Walker Percy
61	Death Comes for the Archbishop	Willa Cather
62		James Jones
63	The Wapshot Chronicles	John Cheever
64		J.D. Salinger
65		Anthony Burgess
66	Of Human Bondage	W. Somerset Maugham
67	Heart of Darkness	Joseph Conrad
68	Main Street	Sinclair Lewis
69	The House of Mirth	Edith Wharton
70	The Alexandria Quartet	Lawrence Durrell
71	A High Wind in Jamaica	Richard Hughes
72	A House for Mr. Biswas	V.S. Naipul
73	The Day of the Locust	Nathaniel West
74		Ernest Hemingway
75	Scoop	Evelyn Waugh (NOT AVAILABLE)
76	The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie	Muriel Spark
77	Finnegan's Wake	James Joyce
78	Kim	Rudyard Kipling