

## [To Kill a Mockingbird](#)

*by Lee, Harper*

A gripping, heart-wrenching, and wholly remarkable tale of coming-of-age of a young girl in the South poisoned by virulent prejudice, it views a world of great beauty and savage inequities, as her father --a crusading local lawyer--risks everything to defend a black man unjustly accused of a terrible crime.

[Movie: 1962 Gregory Peck, Mary Badham](#)

## [The Green Mile](#)

*by King, Stephen*

Welcome to Cold Mountain Penitentiary, home to the Green Mile," the lime-colored linoleum corridor leading to the electric chair. Prison guard Paul Edgecombe has seen his share of oddities over the years working the Mile, but he's never seen anything like John Coffey--a man with the body of a giant and the mind of a child. Edgecombe is about to discover the truth about John Coffey--a truth that will challenge his most cherished beliefs...

[Movie: 1999 Tom Hanks](#)

## [Crazy Rich Asians](#)

*by Kwan, Kevin*

A native New Yorker Rachel Chu accompanies her longtime boyfriend, Nick Young, to his best friend's wedding in Singapore. Excited about visiting Asia for the first time but nervous about meeting Nick's family, Rachel is unprepared to learn

that Nick has neglected to mention a few key details about his life. It turns out that he is not only the scion of one of the country's wealthiest families but also one of its most sought-after bachelors.

[Movie: 2018 Constance Wu, Henry Golding, Awkwafina](#)

## [The Hobbit, or, There and Back Again](#)

*by Tolkien, J. R. R.*

Bilbo Baggins is a hobbit who enjoys a comfortable, unambitious life, rarely traveling any farther than his pantry or cellar. But his contentment is disturbed when the wizard Gandalf and a company of dwarves arrive on his doorstep one day to whisk him away on an adventure. They have launched a plot to raid the treasure hoard guarded by Smaug the Magnificent, a large and very dangerous dragon. Bilbo reluctantly joins their quest, unaware that on his journey to the Lonely Mountain he will encounter both a magic ring and a frightening creature known as Gollum.

**Movie: Trilogy from 2012-2015 Martin Freeman, Ian McKellen**

[An Unexpected Journey](#)

[The Desolation of Smaug](#)

[The Battle of the Five Armies](#)



# If you like books... and movies

## [True Grit](#)

*by Portis, Charles*

The story of Mattie Ross, who is just fourteen when the coward Tom Chaney shoots her father down in Fort Smith, Arkansas, and robs him of his life, his horse, and \$150 cash. Filled with an unwavering urge to avenge her father's blood, Mattie finds and enlists one-eyed Rooster Cogburn, the meanest available U.S. Marshal, and A Texas Ranger as her partners, and they head off into Indian Territory after the killer.

[Movie 1: 1969 John Wayne, Kim Darby, Glen Campbell](#)

[Movie 2: 2010 Jeff Bridges, Hailee Steinfeld, Matt Damon](#)

## [Where'd You Go, Bernadette](#)

*by Semple, Maria*

Bernadette Fox, a loving mom, becomes compelled to reconnect with her creative passions after years of sacrificing herself for her family. Bernadette's leap of faith takes her on an epic adventure that jump-starts her life and leads to her triumphant rediscovery.

[Movie: 2019 Cate Blanchett](#)

## [Emma](#)

*by Austen, Jane*

Beautiful, clever, rich - and single - Emma Woodhouse is perfectly content with her life and sees no need for either love or

marriage. Nothing, however, delights her more than interfering in the romantic lives of others. Her carefully laid plans soon unravel and have consequences that she never expected.

[Movie 1: 1996 Gweneth Paltrow, Jeremy Northam](#)

[Movie 2: 2020 Anya Taylor Joy, Johnny Flynn](#)

## [Gone with the Wind](#)

*by Mitchell, Margaret*

Margaret Mitchell's epic novel is a love story set in the deep South during the Civil War. Scarlett O'Hara and Rhett Butler try to reshape their lives in the aftermath of battle.

[Movie: 1939 Clark Gable, Vivien Leigh](#)

## [The Secret Life of Bees](#)

*by Kidd, Sue Monk*

Set in a small southern town in 1964, fourteen-year-old Lily, haunted by the death of her mother, leaves home to escape her cruel father to live with their African American housekeeper and the Boatwright sisters.

[Movie: 2008 Dakota Fanning, Jennifer Hudson, Queen Latifah](#)

## [Austenland : a novel](#)

*by Hale, Shannon*

Jane Hayes's adoration of all things Jane Austen is complicating her love life. Determined to be the heroine of her own story, Jane spends her life savings on a trip to Austenland, an eccentric Austen-inspired resort, where she meets two very different

gentlemen...but has a difficult time determining where fantasy ends and real life, and maybe even love, begins.

[Movie: 2013 Keri Russell, Jennifer Coolidge, JJ Field](#)

## [Hidden Figures](#)

*by Shetterly, Margot Lee*

As the United States raced against Russia to put a man in space, NASA found untapped talent in a group of African-American female mathematicians that served as the brains behind one of the greatest operations in US history. True American heroes

[Movie: 2016 Taraji P. Henson, Octavia Spencer, Janelle Monae, Kevin Costner](#)

## [The Princess Bride](#)

*by Goldman, William*

Buttercup loves Westley, but when he is captured by pirates and assumed dead, she is chosen by the evil Prince Humperdinck to be his bride, beginning a series of fantastic efforts to free her.

[Movie: 1987 Cary Elwes, Robin Wright, Billy Crystal, Andre the Giant](#)