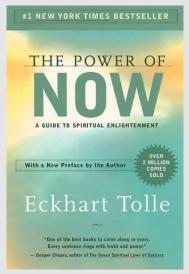
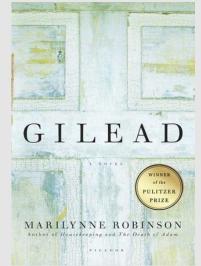
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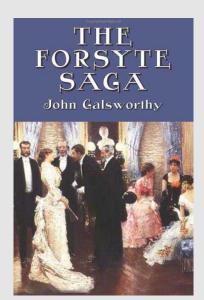
The Power of Now by Eckhart Tolle

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Gilead by Marilyn Robinson

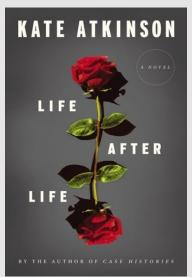
"This is the first in a trilogy, an exquisite suite of three novels. Set in conservative rural lowa in the early 1950s, the book explores race and prejudice and the obligations of religious belief in a society where social justice is not guaranteed. Perceptive, heartbreaking."



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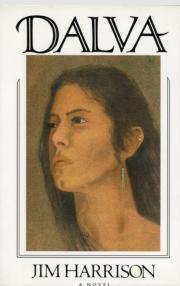
"Series of novels published in the early 1900s by a Nobel Prize-winning author. Chronicles three generations of

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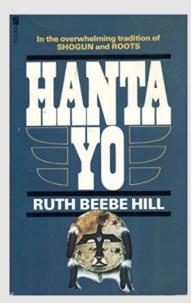
Life After Life by Kate Atkinson

"Multiple versions of a single life, that of Ursula Todd, born in 1910, Its structure repeatedly loops back in time to offer alternate lives. She lives through two world wars, and I felt that I really 'got' the trauma of living through London during the Blitz. Gorgeous writing."



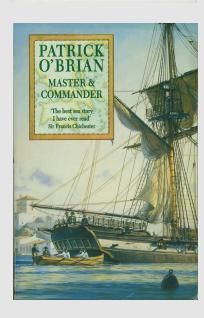
Dalva by Jim Harrison

"A remarkable portrait of three unique women. Dalva searches for her son that was given up for adoption when she was 15, tracing back to her family, her half-Sioux lover, and a pioneer ancestor whose journals recount the bloody annihilation of the Plains Indians."



Hanta Yo by Ruth Beebe Hill

"An epic tale of the end of the free Sioux in this country, the book takes you to a world few have seen or experienced. The text was translated to the Lakota language and back into English. It's sad and uplifting and highly engrossing. Reading it, I feel like I've had a past life as a Lakota Indian."



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