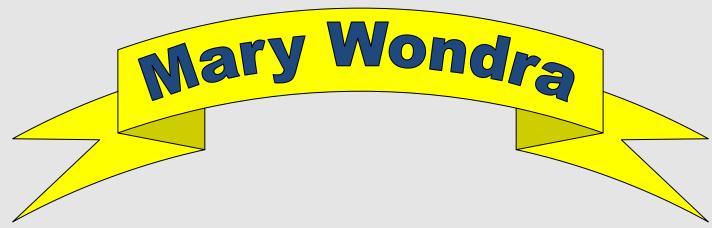
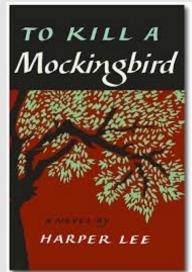
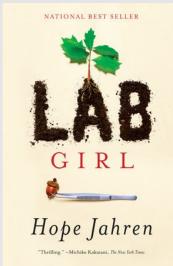
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To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee

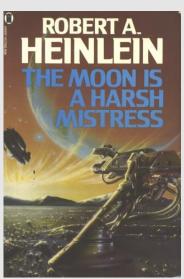
"When I read it in 1963, it was the beginning of the whole civil rights era. I was 13, and it had a profound effect on me. It's the story of Black and White in the South. There it was."



Lab Girl by Hope Jahren

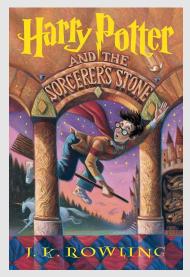
"She is a really good writer.

Between writing about her experience as a woman in academic paleo-botany, she takes subjects about plants and describes them in ways I would never have imagined. She had my jaw dropping with wonder."



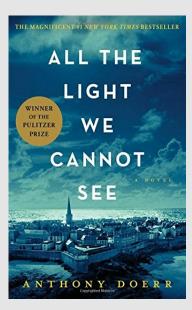
The Moon is a Harsh Mistress by Robert A. Heinlein

"This science-fiction book was written in the 50s, but the politics are extraordinarily well-expressed. The author takes the concept that 'There ain't no such thing as a free lunch' and demonstrates it beautifully."



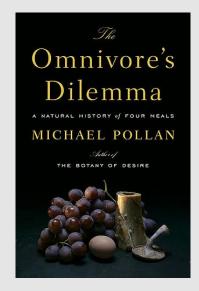
Harry Potter series by J.K. Rowling

"They're so beautifully written, and I have such wonderful images in my mind from them. They did a really good job with the movies."



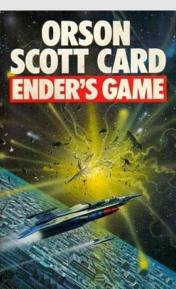
All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

"This novel has side-by-side stories about two completely different people whose paths cross in the middle of World War II. The language was so beautiful, and it was just emotional for me."



The Omnivore's Dilemma by Michael Pollan

"I found it fascinating to think about today's food politics and how food is manufactured and what is happening in agribusiness. It was a good adjunct to Barbara Kingsolver's book *Animal*, *Vegetable*, *Miracle*. They make good companion novels."



Ender's Game by Orson Scott Card

"To me, this is one of the greatest anti-war novels of all time. What we did in this book was to send our kids to fight an interstellar war without their knowledge."

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