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This Chair Rocks: A Manifesto Against Ageism by Ashton Applewhite

We're barraged by messages that it's sad to be old. Author and activist Ashton Applewhite exposes ageism in modern society and suggests ways to combat antiaging attitudes and rhetoric.

Wish You Happy Forever: What China's Orphans Taught Me About Moving Mountains by Jenny Bowen

After adopting a daughter from China, Bowen starts an organization to improve conditions in the government run orphanages.

The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics by Daniel James Brown

A heartwarming story of Joe Rantz and his crew growing up in the Great Depression.

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates

Coates attempts to answer the questions of how to live with the idea of race in America. A bold and personal investigation.

The Power of Habit by Charles Duhigg

A fascinating account of why habits exist and how they can be changed. Duhigg takes us from the boardrooms of Procter & Gamble to sidelines of the NFL to the front lines of the civil rights movement.

The Worst Hard Time by Timothy Egan

Egan chronicles half a dozen families and their communities through the rise and fall of America's High Plains dust storm years, during the Great Depression of the 1930s.

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Broad Influence: How Women are Changing the Way America Works by Jay Newton-Small

Looks at the corridors of Washington D.C., and everywhere else conversations and deals are happening, to demonstrate how women are reaching across the aisles, coalescing, and affecting lasting change.

NEW

The Killers of the Flower Moon: the Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI by David Grann

Grann revisits a shocking series of crimes in which dozens of people were murdered in cold blood. Each step in the investigation reveals a series of sinister secrets and reversals. It is a searing indictment of the callousness and prejudice toward American Indians that allowed the murderers to operate with impunity for so long.

NEW

84 Charing Cross Road by Helene Hanff

The charming correspondence between Hanff and a used book dealer in London based on their common love for books. A quick read.

Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide by Nicholas D. Kristof & Sheryl WuDunn

True stories of women and girls living under some of the most difficult circumstances imaginable, and fighting to change them.

The River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt's Darkest Journey by Candice Millard

A stirring narrative of Theodore Roosevelt's 1914 expedition to explore the heart of the Amazon basin.

City of Thorns by Ben Rawlence

Rawlence follows nine people, including a former child soldier, a schoolgirl, and a youth leader, who live in the largest refugee camp in the world: Dadaab.

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The End of Your Life Book Club by Will Schwalbe

The inspiring story of a son and his dying mother, who form a book club that brings them together as her life comes to a close.

Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly

An account of the previously unheralded but pivotal contributions of NASA's African-American women mathematicians to America's space program.

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot

Henrietta Lacks was a poor tobacco farmer who worked the same land as her slave ancestors. Her cells—taken without her knowledge—became one of the most important tools in medicine.

Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption by Bryan Stevenson

Stevenson's stories of defending those most in need: the poor, the wrongly condemned, and women and children trapped in the criminal justice system.

Jack and Rochelle: A Holocaust Story of Love and Resistance by Jack and Rochelle Sutin

Jack and Rochelle escape Jewish ghettos during the Holocaust. They join partisan resistance efforts against the Nazis while trying to survive in the woods of Poland.

The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration by Isabel Wilkerson

Wilkerson chronicles the decades long migration of black citizens, from 1915 to 1970, who fled the South for northern and western cities in search of a better life.



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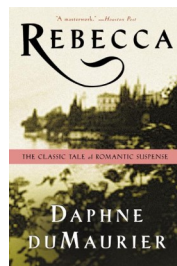
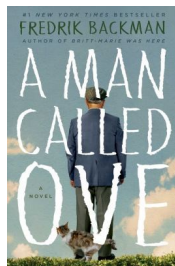
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Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

A young woman from Nigeria leaves behind her home and her first love to start a new life in America, only to find her dreams are not all she expected.

Britt-Marie Was Here by Fredrik Backman

Britt-Marie is a socially awkward, fussy busybody. She gets a job as caretaker of a dilapidated recreation center and is woefully unprepared for the changes.

A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman

A curmudgeon hides personal loss beneath a cranky and short-tempered exterior while clashing with new neighbors, whose chattiness lead to unexpected friendship.

The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum

This classic adventure story of Dorothy trying to return home is good for all-ages discussion.

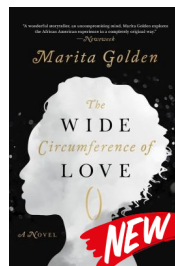
Rebecca by Daphne du Maurier

The new bride of Manderley on the Cornish coast is haunted by the mysterious death of the previous Mrs. de Winter of Manderley, the beautiful Rebecca.

My Brilliant Friend by Elena Ferrante

A rich and generous-hearted story about two friends, Elena and Lila, growing up in the 1950s, in a poor but vibrant neighborhood on the outskirts of Naples.

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The Ensemble by Aja Gabel

Gabel follows the musicians of a quartet from conservatory to middle age as they grow and stretch in their professional and personal lives.

The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George

Prescribing books that offer therapeutic benefits to his customers, a literary apothecary struggles with private heartbreak and healing.

The Wide Circumference of Love by Marita Golden

Powerful story of a prominent African American family living in Washington D.C. and dealing with the father's early-onset Alzheimer's.

The Fault in Our Stars by John Green

16 year old Hazel, a thyroid cancer patient, has accepted her terminal diagnosis until a chance meeting with a boy at cancer support group forces her to reexamine her perspective on love, loss, and life.

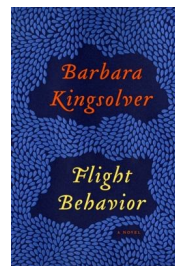
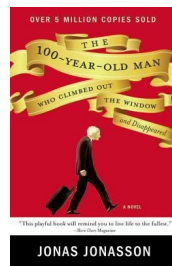
The Kitchen House by Kathleen Grissom

7 year old Lavinia is a white servant living with the kitchen house slaves until she is accepted into the big house. She struggles to find her place in plantation society.

The Secret Diary of Hendrik Groen, 83 1/4 Years Old by Hendrik Groen

In this humorous novel, Groen documents a year in the life of the Amsterdam Nursing home he lives in and his efforts through the Old But Not Dead Club to keep life interesting.

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Wool by Hugh Howey

In a toxic landscape, a community exists in a giant silo underground. They live with regulations meant to protect them. But what happens when someone goes outside?

The 100-Year-Old Man who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared by Jonas Jonasson

Confined to a nursing home, Allan Karlsson, who has a larger-than-life back story as an explosives expert, climbs out of the window in his slippers and embarks on an unforgettable adventure involving thugs, a murderous elephant and a very friendly hot dog stand operator.

Flight Behavior by Barbara Kingsolver

Bored housewife Dellarobia stumbles upon the monarch migration on her family's mountainside that ignites a media and religious firestorm that changes her life.

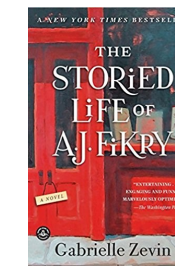
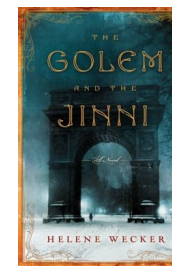
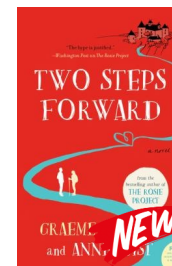
Me Before You by Jojo Moyes

Louisa takes a job as a caregiver to former extreme sports enthusiast Will, now a quadriplegic. She struggles to deal with her employer's acerbic moods and show him that life is still worth living.

A Tale for the Time Being by Ruth Ozeki

16 year old Nao's diary washes up in Canada years later and is discovered by a writer named Ruth, connecting the two across the years.

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Two Steps Forward by Graeme Simsion and Anne Buist

Two middle aged people (Martin from the UK and Zoe from the US) walk the Camino de Santiago from southern France through Spain. Many people walk the trail as a pilgrimage. Martin and Zoe have been through recent relationship changes and they're looking for what's next.

The Light Between Oceans by M. L. Stedman

Moving his young bride to an isolated Australian lighthouse where she suffers miscarriages, Tom allows his wife to claim an infant that has washed up alive on the shore.

The Golem and the Jinni by Helene Wecker

Chava, a golem brought to life by a disgraced rabbi, and Ahmad, a jinni made of fire, form an unlikely friendship on the streets of 1899 New York until a fateful choice changes everything.

The Martian by Andy Weir

Stranded on Mars, astronaut Mark Watney struggles to survive in spite of minimal supplies and harsh environmental challenges.

The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin

When a toddler is abandoned in his store, bookstore owner A.J. Fikry must remake his life. A heartwarming story for book lovers.