THE 2024 LITERARY LIFE PODCAST READING CHALLENGE

BOOKS OF CENTURIES



The Ancients

A work written during or about ancient times. Can include Greek Drama, Homeric Epics, books on ancient languages, historical books, etc.



A tale or collection of mythology including, but not limited to, Greek, Roman, Egyptian, Norse, Native American, African, Asian, etc.



Biblical Times

A book from The Bible, a Bible story, or any book about biblical times.





The Early Middle Ages

A work written about or during the period of history from the end of the ancient world through the 13th century. Examples include *Beowulf*, stories of King Arthur, etc.



The 15th Century

Two works set in or about the 15th century. Some examples are *The Imitation of Christ*, Everyman Plays, *The Mabinogion*, books on The War of the Roses.



The 17th Century

Any two works regarding the 17th century. Writers of this time include Webster, Jonson, Milton, and Bunyan in England, Blaise Pascal, Jean Racine, and Jean de la Fontaine in France, and Miguel de Cervantes in Spain.



The 19th Century

Pick two 19th century works from writers such as Austen, Dickens, Eliot, The Brontës, Twain, Hugo, Verne, Hardy, etc.



The 21st Century

A work of fiction or non-fiction written in the 21st century. Travel books, new books on old subjects, or even guilty pleasures are just a few examples.

The 14th Century

Choose two works set in or about the 14th century. Can include Dante, *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*, Chaucer.



The 16th Century

Two works concerning or written in the 16th century. This could include Shakespeare, Marlowe, Sidney, Spenser, and also any writer of the Reformation period, such as Erasmus, Luther, or Thomas More.

The 18th Century

Any two written works composed during or regarding the 18th century. Can include authors like Boswell, Swift, Burney, Radcliffe, or even books on the French or American Revolutions.

The 20th Century

Two works written during or about the 20th century. Read anything from Golden Age Detective Stories to literary criticism.







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