

## The RCS Library List of Recommended Literature and Nonfiction for “Women”

1. The Age of Innocence – Wharton
2. Ain't I a Woman – Hooks
3. All the Light We Cannot See – Doerr
4. And Then There Were None – Christie
5. Angela's Ashes – McCourt
6. Anna Karenina – Tolstoy
7. Atonement – McEwan
8. The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman – Gaines
9. The Awakening – Chopin
10. The Bean Trees – Kingsolver
11. Behind the Beautiful Forevers – Boo
12. The Bell Jar – Plath
13. Beloved – Morrison
14. Bridget Jones's Diary – Fielding
15. The Color Purple – Walker
16. Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant – Tyler
17. The Dollmaker – Arnow
18. Drown – Díaz
19. East of Eden – Steinbeck
20. The English Patient – Ondaatje
21. Far from the Madding Crowd – Hardy
22. Follow the River – Thom
23. Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe – Flagg
24. The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo – Larsson
25. The Glass Castle – Walls
26. The God of Small Things – Roy
27. The Golden Notebook – Lessing
28. The Goldfinch – Tartt
29. Gone with the Wind – Mitchell
30. The Good Earth – Buck
31. A Good Man Is Hard to Find – O'Connor
32. The Grass Is Singing – Lessing
33. The Handmaid's Tale – Atwood
34. The Haunting of Hill House – Jackson
35. The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter – McCullers
36. Hedda Gabler – Ibsen
37. The Help – Stockett
38. The House of the Spirits – Allende
39. The House on Mango Street – Cisneros
40. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings – Angelou
41. The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks – Skloot
42. Jane Eyre – Brontë
43. The Joy Luck Club – Tan
44. The Kite Runner – Hosseini
45. The Liars' Club – Karr
46. Little Pink House – Benedict
47. Lives of Girls and Women – Munro
48. Lolita – Nabokov
49. Lots of Candles, Plenty of Cake – Quindlen
50. Love Medicine – Erdrich
51. The Lovely Bones – Sebold
52. Madame Bovary – Flaubert
53. Memoirs of a Geisha – Golden
54. Middlemarch – Eliot
55. Middlesex – Eugenides
56. Moll Flanders – Defoe
57. Mrs. Dalloway – Woolf
58. My Antonia – Cather
59. My Sister's Keeper – Picoult
60. The Night Circus – Morgenstern
61. Out of Africa – Dinesen
62. Outrageous Acts and Everyday Rebellions – Steinem
63. Persepolis – Satrapi
64. The Phantom of the Opera – Leroux
65. The Pickup – Gordimer
66. The Portrait of a Lady – James
67. Pride and Prejudice – Austen
68. The Prime of Miss Jane Brodie – Spark
69. The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio – Ryan
70. Rare Bird – Whiston-Donaldson
71. Reading Lolita in Tehran – Nafisi
72. Rebecca – Du Maurier
73. The Remains of the Day – Ishiguro
74. Room – Donohue
75. A Room of One's Own – Woolf
76. The Scarlet Letter – Hawthorne
77. The Sea, the Sea – Murdoch
78. The Second Sex – Beauvoir
79. The Second Shift – Hochschild
80. The Secret Life of Bees – Kidd
81. Shakespeare's Sonnets – West (w/ Commentary)
82. The Shipping News – Proulx
83. Sister Carrie – Dreiser
84. Slouching Towards Bethlehem – Didion
85. Sonnets from the Portuguese – Browning
86. Sophie's Choice – Styron
87. A Streetcar Named Desire – Williams
88. Tess of the D'Urbervilles – Hardy
89. Their Eyes Were Watching God – Hurston
90. Them – Oates
91. The Thorn Birds – McCullough

92. The Three Theban Plays – Sophocles
93. The Unbearable Lightness of Being – Kundera
94. Valley of the Dolls – Susann
95. Vanity Fair – Thackeray
96. Wide Sargasso Sea – Rhys
97. Wild – Strayed
98. The Woman in White – Collins
99. The Woman Warrior – Kingston
100. Women, Race & Class – Davis