

100 Best Novels Since 1900

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1. ***Ulysses*** by James Joyce (PR6019 .09 U45 1961)
2. ***The Great Gatsby*** by F. Scott Fitzgerald (PS3511 .I9 G7x)
3. ***A Portrait of the Artist As a Young Man*** by James Joyce (PR6019 .09 P63 1964)
4. ***Lolita*** by Vladimir Nabokov (PS3527 .A15 L65x)
5. ***Brave New World*** by Aldous Huxley (PR6015 .U9 B73x)
6. ***The Sound and The Fury*** by William Faulkner (PS3511 .A86 S68x 1956)
7. ***Catch- 22*** by Joseph Heller (PS3558 .E44x C37)
8. ***Darkness At Noon*** by Arthur Koestler (PR6021 .04 D3x)
9. ***Sons and Lovers*** by D. H. Lawrence (PR6023 .A93 S66x)
10. ***The Grapes of Wrath*** by John Steinbeck (PS3537 .T3234 G8 1939)
11. ***Under The Volcano*** by Malcolm Lowry (PR6023 .096 U53x)
12. ***The Way of All Flesh*** by Samuel Butler (PR4349 .B7 W35x)
13. ***1984*** by George Orwell (PR6029 .R8 N5x 1961)
14. ***I, Claudius*** by Robert Graves (PR6013 .R35 I24x)
15. ***To The Lighthouse*** by Virginia Woolf (PR6045 .072 T6x)
16. ***An American Tragedy*** by Theodore Dreiser (PS3507 .R55 D74)
17. ***The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter*** by Carson McCullers (PS3525 .A1772 H43x 1967)
18. ***Slaughterhouse- Five*** by Kurt Vonnegut (PS3572 .05 S55x 1969)
19. ***Invisible Man*** by Ralph Emmerson (PS3555 .L625 I59x)
20. ***Native Son*** by Richard Wright (PS3545 .R815 N37x 1978)
21. ***Henderson The Rain King*** by Saul Bellow (PS3503 .E4488 H45x)
22. ***Appointment In Samarra*** by John O'Hara (PS3529 .H29 A66x 1976)
23. ***U.S.A.*** (trilogy) by John Dos Passos (PS3507 .0743 A15)
24. ***Winesburg, Ohio*** by Sherwood Anderson (PS3501 .N4 W35 1947)
25. ***A Passage To India*** by E. M. Forster (PR6011 .058 P37x 1924)
26. ***The Wings Of The Dove*** by Henry James (PS2116 .W55x C76)
27. ***The Ambassadors*** by Henry James (PS2116 .A421)
28. ***Tender Is The Night*** by F. Scott Fitzgerald (PS3511 .I94 T4)
29. ***The Studs Lonigan Trilogy*** by James T. Farrell (PS3511 .A738 T7x)
30. ***The Good Soldier*** by Ford Madox Ford (PR6011.O53 G5 1996)
31. ***Animal Farm*** by George Orwell (PR6029 .R8 A53x 1946)
32. ***The Golden Bowl*** by Henry James (PS2116 .G6 1904)
33. ***Sister Carrie*** by Theodore Dreiser (PS3507 .R55S5 1959)
34. ***A Handful Of Dust*** by Evelyn Waugh (PR6045 .A97 H35x)
35. ***As I Lay Dying*** by William Faulkner (PS3511 .A86 A8x)
36. ***All The King's Men*** by Robert Penn Warren (PS3545 .A748 A44x)
37. ***The Bridge Of San Luis Rey*** by Thornton Wilder (PS3545 .I345 B75x 1927)
38. ***Howard's End*** by E. M. Forster (PR6011 .058 H6x)
39. ***Go Tell It On The Mountain*** by James Baldwin (PS3552 .A45 G6x)
40. ***The Heart Of The Matter*** by Graham Greene (PR6013 .R44 H4x)
41. ***Lord Of The Flies*** by William Golding (PR6013 .O33 L6 1999)
42. ***Deliverance*** by James Dickey (PS3554 .I32 D4x)
43. ***A Dance To The Music Of Time*** by Anthony Powell (PR6031 .074 A15 1962)
44. ***Point Counter Point*** by Aldous Huxley (PR6019 .36 P65 1928)
45. ***The Sun Also Rises*** by Ernest Hemingway (PS3515 .E37 S915x)

46. ***The Secret Agent*** by Joseph Conrad (PR6005 .O4 S43x)
47. ***Nostramo*** by Joseph Conrad (PR6005 .O4 N65x)
48. ***The Rainbow*** by D. H. Lawrence (PR6023 .A93 R25 1915)
49. ***Women In Love*** by D. H. Lawrence (PR6023 .A93 W65x)
50. ***Tropic Of Cancer*** by Henry Miller (PS3525 .I544 T7 1961)
51. ***The Naked And The Dead*** by Norman Mailer (PS325 .A27x N3)
52. ***Portnoy's Complaint*** by Philip Roth (PS3568 .O85 P6x)
53. ***Pale Fire*** by Vladimir Nabokov (PS3527 A15 P35x)
54. ***Light In August*** by William Faulkner (PS3511 .A86 L54x)
55. ***On The Road*** by Jack Kerouac (PS3521 .E73 O58x)
56. ***The Maltese Falcon*** by Dashiell Hammett (PS3515 .A4347)
57. ***Parade's End*** by Ford Madox Ford (823 F71 P)
58. ***The Age Of Innocence*** by Edith Wharton (PS3545 .H16 A35x)
59. ***Zuleika Dobson*** by Max Beerbohm (PR6003 E4 Z45 1926)
60. ***The Moviegoer*** by Walker Percy (PS3531 .E7x M69)
61. ***Death Comes For The Archbishop*** by Willa Cather (PS30 .A87 O432x)
62. ***From Here To Eternity*** by James Jones (PS360 .O49 F76x)
63. ***The Wapshot Chronicles*** by John Cheever (PS3505 .H6428 W36x 1957)
64. ***The Catcher In The Rye*** by J. D. Salinger (PS337 .A426 C37x)
65. ***A Clockwork Orange*** by Anthony Burgess (PR6052 .U638 C56x)
66. ***Of Human Bondage*** by W. Somerset Maugham (PR6025 .A86 O4 1936b)
67. ***Heart Of Darkness*** by Joseph Conrad (PR6005 .O4 H43x)
68. ***Main Street*** by Sinclair Lewis (PS3523 .E94 M35x)
69. ***The House Of Mirth*** by Edith Wharton (PS3545 .H16H68x)
70. ***The Alexandria Quartet*** by Lawrence Durrell (PR6007 .U76 A4x)
71. ***A High Wind In Jamaica*** by Richard Hughes (PR6015 .U35 I55)
72. ***A House For Mr. Biswas*** by V. S. Naipaul (PR9272 .9 N32 H6 1983)
73. ***The Day Of The Locust*** by Nathanael West (PS3545 .E8334 1939)
74. ***A Farewell To Arms*** by Ernest Hemingway (PS3515 .E37 F37x)
75. ***Scoop*** by Evelyn Waugh (PR6045 .A97 S2x)
76. ***The Prime Of Miss Jean Brodie*** by Muriel Spark (PR6037 .P29 P75x)
77. ***Finnegan's Wake*** by James Joyce (PR6019 .O9 F58x)
78. ***Kim*** by Rudyard Kipling (PR4854 .K55x 1920)
79. ***A Room With A View*** by E. M. Forster (PR6011 .O8 R66 1923)
80. ***Brideshead Revisited*** by Evelyn Waugh (PR6045 .A97 B7 1945a)
81. ***The Adventures Of Augie March*** by Saul Bellow (PS3503 .E4488 A39x)
82. ***Angle Of Repose*** by Wallace Stegner (PS3537 .T316 A8)
83. ***A Bend In The River*** by V. S. Naipaul (PR9272.9 N32 B4 1997)
84. ***The Death Of The Heart*** by Elizabeth Bowen (PR6003 .O6757 D4 1939)
85. ***Lord Jim*** by Joseph Conrad (PR 6005 .O4L67x 1958)
86. ***Ragtime*** by E. L. Doctorow (PS3554 .O3 R35x)
87. ***The Old Wives' Tale*** by Arnold Bennett (PR6003 .E604 1911a)
88. ***The Call Of The Wild*** by Jack London (PR3523 .O46 C35x 1907)
89. ***Loving*** by Henry Green (PR6013 .R43x L6)
90. ***Midnight's Children*** by Salman Rushdie
91. ***Tobacco Road*** by Erskine Caldwell (813 C127t)
92. ***Ironweed*** by William Kennedy (PS3516 .E42817 1983)
93. ***The Magus*** by John Fowles (PR6056 .O85 M34x)
94. ***Wide Sargasso Sea*** by Jean Rhys (PR6035 .H96 W53x 1982)
95. ***Under The Net*** by Iris Murdoch (PR6063 .U7 U5 1982)
96. ***Sophie's Choice*** by William Styron (PS3569 .T9 S66x)
97. ***The Sheltering Sky*** by Paul Bowles (PS3552 .O57x S5)
98. ***The Postman Always Rings Twice*** by James M. Cain (PS3505 .A3113 P67x)
99. ***The Ginger Man*** by J. P. Donleavy (PS3507 .O686 G56 1988)
100. ***The Magnificent Ambersons*** by Booth Tarkington (PS2972 .M25 M34)

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