

Books Highly Rated by the Adult Summer Reading Club 2017

The Address by Fiona Davis- A tale of murder revolving around Manhattan's storied Dakota apartment building. Against All Odds by Danielle Steel- A Soho widow struggles with her grown children's plans to gamble their futures. The Alchemist by Paul Coelho- A fable featuring a dialogue between a boy and an unnamed being. The Almost Sisters by Joshilyn Jackson- A woman returns to Alabama to help her grandmother who has a dark secret. American War by Omar el Akkad- In the not too distant future the United States is again at war with itself. Beartown by Fredrik Backman- Stories of the players, the coaches, the parents and the fans in a hockey crazed town. Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate-A tale about two families, two generations apart, linked by an injustice. Behind Closed Doors by B.A. Paris-Terrible secrets lie beneath the surface of a seemingly perfect marriage. Behold the Dreamers by Imbolo Mbue- The fate of an immigrant and his family is entwined with that of his employer. The Black Book by James Patterson & David Ellis – A Chicago cop survives an attack but develops amnesia. Britt-Marie Was Here by Fredrik Backman-A fussy woman leaves her husband and finds her life turned upside-down. Calling Me Home by Julie Kibler - The story of a forbidden romance between a white girl and her maid's black son. Camino Island by John Grisham- A woman is recruited to recover priceless stolen F. Scott Fitzgerald manuscripts. The Child by Fiona Barton- A reporter investigates when a baby skeleton is unearthed at a construction site. City Mouse by Stacy Lender- A city family moves to the suburbs and find life there is not exactly what they expected. Come Sundown by Nora Roberts-A woman returns to her family's ranch after two decades of being held captive. Conviction by Julia Dahl- A reporter investigates a 22-year-old case of a Jewish man convicted for murdering a family. The Day the World Came to Town by Jim DeFede-Tells of 9/11 in a small Newfoundland town where 38 planes landed. The Destroyers by Chris Bollen- A man is swept up in a web of deception involving a violent game he played as a child. A Dog's Purpose by W. Bruce Cameron – A dog searches for meaning over the course of his multiple lives. The Dollhouse by Fiona Davis- A reporter investigates a 50-year-old murder that occurred in the famed Barbizon Hotel. Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman- A socially inept woman's life is upended after an encounter. A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles - An aristocrat starts anew when sentenced to house arrest in a Moscow hotel. Ginny Moon by Benjamin Ludwig- An autistic teen is desperate to get back to her abusive birth mother. Why? The Girl Who Wrote in Silk by Kelli Estes- An embroidered sleeve links the stories of two women from different times. The Good Earth by Pearl Buck- A Chinese peasant tries to overcome the forces of nature and human nature. Gwendy's Button Box by Stephen King - A 12-year-old is offered a sinister magic box by a strange man. The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood- Fertile women are enslaved in a future where the birth rate has declined. The Hours Count by Jillian Cantor- Based on the story of the Rosenbergs who were executed for espionage. I Found You by Lisa Jewell- Three lonely people meet when their lives are in upheaval and learn they are connected.

It's Always the Husband by Michelle Campbell- Three college roommates' lives are inextricably linked after a death. The Jane Austen Project by Kathleen Flynn- Two time travelers go back to Austen's day to obtain a lost manuscript. *Karolina's Twins* by Ronald H. Balson- A Holocaust survivor's quest to fulfill a promise to find two lost sisters. Last Days of Night by Graham Moore- Fictionalized account of Edison's and Westinghouse's rivalry over the lightbulb. *Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly – A novel based on the women prisoners in the Ravensbruck concentration camp. Lillian Boxfield Takes a Walk by Kathleen Rooney - An octogenarian takes a remarkable walk through the streets of NYC. The Lost Letter by Jillian Cantor - A divorcee investigates an unusual stamp on an old love letter from WWII. Midnight at the Bright Ideas Bookstore by Matthew Sullivan -A bookseller must revisit an old tragedy after a suicide. My Cousin Rachel by Daphne du Maurier-A man falls for his cousin's widow despite doubts about her husband's death. The Night the Lights Went Out by Karen White-Terrible secrets throw the lives of three women into turmoil. The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah - Two French sisters show remarkable courage in the German occupation during WWII. **Nutshell** by Ian McEwan- A nine-month-old fetus bears witness to a murder plot devised by his mother. **Only Time Will Tell** by Jeffrey Archer- Saga of one family across generations as they experience heartbreak and triumph. The Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline- A teen helping an elderly woman discovers that they have much in common. The Orphan's Tale by Pan Jenoff— A teen forced to give up her Nazi fathered baby takes a Jewish child from a boxcar. The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict- Fictional account of the life of Albert Einstein's first wife, Mileva Maric. The Other Typist by Suzanne Rindell- A woman working as a typist in 1923 becomes obsessed with a newcomer. **Pachinko by** Min Jin Lee- A saga of four generations of a Korean family set during the 20th century. A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline - A fictional account of the woman in Wyeth's painting "Christina's World." Saints for All Occasions by J. Courtney Sullivan - When a tragedy occurs two estranged sisters from Ireland reunite. The Secret Wife by Gill Paul- An English journalist finds a pendant that is linked to the life of a Russian Grand Duchess. **Small Great Things** by Jodi Picoult- A black nurse is charged with causing the death of a white supremacist's newborn. The Sound of Gravel by Ruth Wariner—Account of the author's coming-of-age in a polygamist Mormon Doomsday cult. The Stars Are Fire by Anita Shreve - Life changes overnight for a family in Maine when wildfires wipe out their town. The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane by Lisa See- A woman from China's Yunnan province becomes a tea entrepreneur. The Temporary Bride by Jennifer Klinec- A woman travels to Iran in search of delicious recipes and finds romance. The Velvet Hours by Alyson Richman- In 2010, an apartment in Paris is unlocked for the first time in seven decades. A Wedding in Great Neck by Yona Zeldis McDonough- A lavish Long Island wedding is put in jeopardy by family drama. The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware- A writer on a luxury cruise ship is alone in believing someone has disappeared. The Woman in the Castle by Jessica Shattuck—Three German women's lives are altered after their husbands' executions. The Zookeeper's Wife by Diane Ackerman- Documents the true story of Warsaw Zoo keepers who are resistance activists.