### Films or Shows about the ocean or water

- **All Summer Long** (2019) MOVIE ALLS
- **Coral Reef Adventure** (2003) DOC/INS CORA
- **Deadliest Catch Season 1** (2007) TELEVISION DEAD
- **Deepsea Challenge** (2014) DOC/INS JAME
- **Fisherman’s Friends** (2020) MOVIE FISH
- **Free Willy** (1993) MOVIE FREE
- **Jamaica Inn** (2015) TELEVISION JAMA
- **The Light Between Oceans** (2016) MOVIE LIGH
- **The Lightkeepers** (2010) MOVIE LIGH
- **Ocean Cities** (2018) DOC/INS OCEA
- **On Chesil Beach** (2018) MOVIE ONCH
- **Splash** (1984) MOVIE SPLA
- **Tapped** (2010) DOC/INS TAPP

### Books written over 50 years ago

#### Non-Fiction
- **The Blind African Slave or, Memoirs of Boyrereau Brinch, nicknamed Jeffrey Brace**
  - Benjamin Prentiss B BRINCH (1810)
- **Twelve Years a Slave**
  - Solomon Northup B NORTHUP (1853)
- **Walden**
  - Henry David Thoreau 818.303 THOR (1854)
- **A Moveable Feast**
  - Ernest Hemingway 818.52 HEMI (1964)
- **Below Stairs**
  - Margaret Powell B POWELL (1968)
- **All Creatures Great and Small**
  - James Herriot B HERRIOT (1972)

#### Fiction
- **Persuasion**
  - Jane Austen (1818)
- **Bleak House**
  - Charles Dickens (1853)
- **Mrs. Dalloway**
  - Virginia Woolf (1925)
- **Passing**
  - Nella Larsen (1929)
- **Brideshead Revisited**
  - Evelyn Waugh (1945)
- **Go Tell It On the Mountain**
  - James Baldwin (1953)
- **Breakfast at Tiffany’s**
  - Truman Capote (1958)
- **Wobble to Death**
  - Peter Lovesey (1970)

#### Short Books (number of pages noted)

**Fiction**
- **Where the Drowned Girls Go**
  - Seanan McGuire (150)
- **The Fell**
  - Sarah Moss (208)
- **The Cat Who Saved Books**
  - Sōsuke Natsukawa (198)
- **The Swimmers**
  - Julie Otsuka (192)
- **Poison for Breakfast**
  - Lemony Snicket (158)
- **Murder on “B” Deck**
  - Vincent Starrrett (235)
- **The Shadow of the Empire**
  - Qiu Xiaolong (180)

**Non-Fiction**
- **Notes on Grief**
  - Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie (80)
- **The Trayvon Generation**
  - Elizabeth Alexander (160)
- **The Secret to Superhuman Strength**
  - Allison Bechdel (240)
- **Hooked**
  - Sutton Foster (235)
- **The Happiest Man on Earth**
  - Eddie Jaku (208)
- **Dusk, Night, Dawn**
  - Anne Lamott (224)
- **I Guess I Haven’t Learned That Yet**
  - Shauna Niequist (240)
- **Write for Your Life**
  - Anna Quindlen (216)
- **Arrival Stories**
  - Amy Schumer (222)
- **Owls: Our Most Charming Bird**
  - Matt Sewell (128)
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**Book by BIPOC* authors**
Black, Indigenous or Person of Color

**Fiction**
- **Carolina Built** Kianna Alexander
- **Love Marriage** Monica Ali
- **Mother Ocean, Father Nation** Nishant Batsha
- **Don’t Cry for Me** Daniel Black
- **Counterfeit** Kristin Chen
- **Crooked Hallelujah** Kelli Jo Ford
- **A Ballad of Love and Glory** Reyna Grande
- **Libertie** Kaitlyn Greenidge
- **My Heart is a Chainsaw** Stephen Graham Jones
- **The Violin Conspiracy** by Brendan Slocumb
- **Black Cake** Charmaine Wilkerson

**Non-Fiction**
- **Finding Me** Viola Davis
- **Every Day is a Gift** Tammy Duckworth
- **Braiding Sweetgrass** Robin Wall Kimmerer
- **The Sun Does Shine** Anthony Ray Hinton
- **You Don’t Know Us Negroes and Other Essays** Zora Neale Hurston
- **Constructing a Nervous System** Margo Jefferson
- **You Can’t Be Serious** Kal Penn
- **Home in the World** Amartya Sen
- **Trejo** Danny Trejo
- **Crying in H Mart** Michelle Zauner

**Poetry Collections**
- **Selected Poems** Gwendolyn Brooks
- **Nightshade** Andrea Cohen
- **Nine Horses** Billy Collins
- **Playlist for the Apocalypse** Rita Dove
- **Last Train to the Missing Planet** Kim Dower
- **A Good Cry** Nikki Giovanni
- **Call Us What We Carry** Amanda Gorman
- **Seriously Funny** Barbara Hamby
- **An American Sunrise** Joy Harjo
- **Milk and Honey** Rupi Kaur
- **How to Fly** Barbara Kingsolver
- **I Had a Brother Once** Adam Mansbach
- **And We Rise** Erica Martin
- **Oceanic** Aimee Nezhukumatathil
- **American Melancholy** Joyce Carol Oates
- **Devotions** Mary Oliver
- **Ariel** Silvia Plath
- **Don’t Call Us Dead** Danez Smith
- **Goldenrod** Maggie Smith
- **Time is a Mother** Ocean Vuong

**Read a book by an author born in another country**

**Fiction**
- **My Sister the Serial** Killer Oyinkan Braithwaite (Nigeria)
- **American Delirium** Benita Gonzalez (Argentina)
- **Listening Still** Anne Griffith (Ireland)
- **Exit West** Mohsin Hamid (Pakistan)
- **The Love Hypothesis** Ali Hazelwood (Italy)
- **The German House** Annette Hess (Germany)
- **Klara and the Sun** Kazuo Ishiguro (Japan)
- **Searching for Sylvie Lee** Jean Kwok (Hong Kong)
- **Behold the Dreamers** Imbolo Mbue (Cameroon)
- **His Only Wife** Peace Medie (Liberia)
- **Apples Never Fall** Liane Moriarty (Australia)
- **Our Country Friends** Gary Shteyngart (Russia)
- **A Madness of Sunshine** Nalini Singh (Fiji)
- **An Elderly Lady is Up to No Good** Helene Tursten (Sweden)
- **Honor** Thrity Umrigar (India)

**Non-Fiction**
- **The Soul of a Woman** Isabel Allende (Peru/Chile)
- **Bad Blood** Jon Carreyrou (France)
- **The Bomber Mafia** Malcolm Gladwell (UK/Canada)
- **The Distance Between Us** Reyna Grande (Mexico)
- **Sapiens** Yuval Harari (Israel)
- **The Woman They Could Not Silence** Kate Moore (England)
- **The Last Girl** Nadia Murad (Iraq)
- **Born a Crime** Trevor Noah (South Africa)
- **The Art of Resistance** Justus Rosenberg (Poland)
- **Factfulness** Hans Rosling (Sweden)
- **Off the Rails** Beppe Severgnini (Italy)
- **The Book of Joy** Desmond Tutu (South Africa) and the Dalai Lama (China)
- **American Princess** Annejet van der Zijl (Netherlands)
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Books about Books

Fiction

The Reading List Sara Nisha Adams
The Personal Librarian Marie Benedict
Blush Jamie Brenner
The People of the Book Geraldine Brooks
The Bookshop on the Corner Jenny Colgan
The Sentence Louise Erdrich
The Woman in the Library Sulari Gentill
The Midnight Library Matt Haigh
Beach Read Emily Henry
The Unkindness of Ravens M.E. Hilliard

One for the Books Jenn McKinlay
The Strange Library Haruki Murakami
The Verifiers Jane Pek
The Book Woman’s Daughter Kim Michele Richardson
The Last Chance Library Freya Sampson
The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society Marianne Shaffer
The Dictionary of Lost Words Pip Williams
The Storied Life of AJ Fikry Gabrielle Zevin

Non-Fiction

I’d Rather Be Reading Anne Bogel
The Book of Books Great American Read
Wild Things Bruce Handy
A Book of Book Lists Alex Johnson
The Library: A Catalog of Wonders Stuart Kells
The Call Me Ishmael Phone Book Stephanie Kent
The Card Catalog The Library of Congress Bibliophile Jane Mount

Overdue: Reckoning with the Public Library Amanda Oliver
The Library Book Susan Orlean
Texts From Jane Eyre Daniel Orberg
The Writer’s Library Nancy Pearl
I Will Judge You By Your Bookshelf Grant Snider
Dear Fahrenheit 451 Annie Spence

Documentaries

The Booksellers DOC/INS BOOK
Roadrunner: A Film About Anthony Bourdain DOC/INS BOUR
The Central Park Five DOC/INS CENT
Cleanin’ Up the Town: Remembering Ghostbusters DOC/INS CLEA
American Experience: Codebreaker DOC/INS CODE
Earth Emergency DOC/INS EART
Grey Gardens DOC/INS GREY
Hoop Dreams DOC/INS HOOP

Hot Coffee DOC/INS HOTC
I Am Not Your Negro DOC/INS IAMN
Lives Well Lived DOC/INS LIVE
Love, Gilda DOC/INS LOVE
March of the Penguins DOC/INS MARC
MLK/FBI DOC/INS MLKF
My Garden of a Thousand Bees DOC/INS MYGA
The Reason I Jump DOC/INS REAS
The Truffle Hunters DOC/INS TRUF
Won’t You Be My Neighbor DOC/INS WONT

Memoirs or Biographies

Go Back to Where You Came From: And Other Helpful Recommendations on How to Become American Wajahat Ali
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings Maya Angelou
Hole in the Heart: Bringing Up Beth Henny Beaumont
Chasing History: A Kid in the Newsroom Carl Bernstein
Wildcat Jon Boessenecker
Just Pursuit: A Black Prosecutor’s Fight for Fairness Laura Coates
Empty Mansions: The Mysterious Life of Huguette Clark and the Spending of a Great American Fortune Bill Dedman

Unmasked: My Life Solving America’s Cold Cases Paul Holes
Greenlights Matthew McConaughey
Smile: The Story of a Face Sarah Ruhl
Lost & Found Kathryn Schultz
Hello Molly! Molly Shannon
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks Rebecca Skloot
The Fire Never Goes Out Noelle Stephenson
Love that Story Observations from a Gorgeously Queer Life Jonathan Van Ness
Still Just a Geek Will Wheaton
Funny Farm: My Unexpected Life with 600 Rescue Animals Laurie Zeleski
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**Books Adapted to Films or Shows**

- *Persuasion* Jane Austen
- *The Bad Guys* Aaron Blabey
- *Nomadland* Jessica Bruder
- *Death on the Nile* Agatha Christie
- *Matilda* Roald Dahl
- *The Wonder* Emma Donoghue
- *The Princess Bride* William Goldman
- *Turtles all the Way Down* John Green
- * Luckiest Girl* Alive Jessica Knoll
- *Under the Banner of Heaven* Jon Krakauer
- *To Kill a Mockingbird* Harper Lee
- *From Scratch* Tembi Locke
- *Monster* Walter Dean Myers
- *Where the Crawdads Sing* Delia Owens
- *Still Life* Louise Penny
- *Good Omens* Terry Pratchett & Neil Gaiman
- *The Viscount Who Loved Me* Julia Quinn
- *Just Mercy* Bryan Stevenson
- *The Mysterious Benedict Society* Trenton Lee Stewart
- *Anatomy of a Scandal* Sarah Vaughan

**Books Relating to the Ocean or Water**

**Fiction**

- *Sunrise by the Sea* Jennie Colgan
- *Death at High Tide* Hannah Dennison
- *Tides* Sara Freeman
- *The Floating Fieldmans* Elyssa Friedland
- *The House in the Cerulean Sea* TJ Klune
- *The Bright and Breaking Sea* Chloe Neill
- *Danger on the Atlantic* Erica Neubauer
- *The Unsinkable Greta James* Jennifer Smith
- *The Deep* Rivers Solomon
- *Remarkably Bright Creatures* Shelby Van Pelt

**Non-Fiction**

- *Alone* Brett Archibald
- *The Sound of the Sea* Cynthia Barnett
- *Orca* Jason Colby
- *Underwater Wild* Craig Foster
- *A Pearl in the Storm* Tori Murden McClure
- *Sea Stories* William H. Mcraven
- *Deep* James Nestor
- *Conquering the Pacific* Andrés Reséndez
- *Madhouse at the End of the Earth* Julian Sanction
- *Below the Edge of Darkness* Edith Widder

**Local Author**

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- *High Yella* Steve Majors B MAJORS
- *The Prison Guard’s Daughter* Deanne Quinn Miller B MILLER
- *Nightmare in Rochester* Michael Benson 364.1523 BENS
- *Nocturne for Evangeline* Laurinda Wallace 364.1523 WALL
- *House to House* David Bellavia 956.7044 BELL
- *The Beloved Wild* Melissa Ostrom YA OSTR
- *Grendel* John Gardner FIC GARD
- *Blissful and Other Stories* Steven Huff FIC HUFF
- *Then You Dance* George William Walker FIC WALK

**Set in New York State**

- *The Storm King* Brendan Duffy (Fiction)
- *A Catalog of Birds* Laura Harrington (Fiction)
- *The Falls* Joyce Carol Oates (Fiction)
- *The Hidden Light of Northern Fires* Darren Wang (Fiction)
- *Deadly Summer Nights* Vicki Delany (Mystery)
- *The Murder Book* Lissa Marie Redmond (Mystery)
- *Speak, Okinawa* Elizabeth Miki Brina B BRINA
- *The Agitators* Dorothy Wickenden 974.768 WICK

**Funny or Uplifting Books**

**Fiction**

- *The Stranger in the Lifeboat* Mitch Albom
- *Lessons in Chemistry* Bonnie Garmus
- *Sweet Sweet Revenge* LTD Jonas Jonassen
- *Razzmatazz* Christopher Moore
- *The Flatshare* Beth O’Leary
- *Iona Iverson’s Rules for Commuting* Claire Pooley
- *Big Time: Stories* Jen Spyra
- *French Braid* Anne Tyler
- *Nothing to See Here* Kevin Wilson

**Non-Fiction**

- *Well, This is Exhausting* Sophia Benoit
- *The Comfort Book* Matt Haigh
- *Eating Salad Drunk: Haikus for the Burnout* Leslie Jordan
- *How Y’All Doing?* Gabe Henry
- *Conquer the Day* Josh Mecouch
- *We Had a Little Real Estate Problem* Kliph Nesteroff
- *Where the Deer and the Antelope Play* Nick Offerman
- *Fuzz* Mary Roach
- *Please Don’t Sit On My Bed In Your Outside Clothes* Phoebe Robinson