## **Book Challenge: Classic Literature**

Robinson Crusoe (1719)	Daniel Defoe
Gulliver's Travels (1726)	Jonathan Swift
Mansfield Park (1814)	Jane Austen
Rob Roy (1817)	Walter Scott
Jane Eyre (1847)	Charlotte Bronte
Wuthering Heights (1847)	Emily Bronte
Great Expectations (1861)	Charles Dickens
Three Men in a Boat (1889)	Jerome K Jerome
The Time Machine (1895)	HG Wells
Dracula (1897)	Bram Stoker
Dubliners (1915)	James Joyce
A Room of One's Own (1929)	Virginia Woolf
Vile Bodies (1930)	Evelyn Waugh
A Brave New World (1932)	Aldous Huxley
Cold Comfort Farm (1932)	Stella Gibbons
1984 (1949)	George Orwell
The Lord of the Flies (1954)	William Golding

## **American & Canadian Literature**

The Scarlett Letter (1850)	Nathaniel Hawthorn
Little Women (1868)	Louisa May Alcott
The Call of the Wild (1903)	Jack London
The Great Gatsby (1925)	F. Scott Fitzgerald
The Sound and the Fury (1929)	William Faulkner
The Big Sleep (1939)	Raymond Chandler
The Catcher in the Rye (1951)	J.D. Salinger
Invisible Man (1952)	Ralph Ellison

Read a classic over the holidays.

- 1) Improve your vocabulary
- 2) Increase your knowledge
- 3) Read something of value
- 4) Understand history and cultural context
- 5) Enrich your own life
- 6) Challenge your brain
- 7) Knowledge is power
- 8) Share in the human experience

Keep an open mind. Read some reviews first. Go to the library, read the opening few pages. Find a niche; if you really enjoy a certain type of literature go for it!

Try to read something different every now and then.