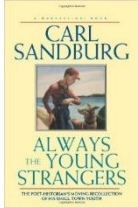


Galesburg Public Library Book Club Kits

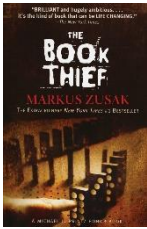
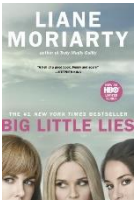
Book club kits contain 5 to 20 copies of a book and a set of discussion questions. One member of a private book club can check out the kit, distribute books to the club members, collect the books after discussion, and return the kit to the library. This is an easy way for a book club to find enough copies of a book for everyone in the club. The kits check out for six weeks.

If you have a book club kit title to suggest, please speak to a Reference librarian.



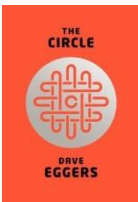
Always the Young Strangers by Carl Sandburg. Sandburg’s touching memoir about growing up in Galesburg. Related DVD: *Boyhood on the Prairie* or *A Visit with Carl Sandburg*.

→*NEW* **Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty.** This brilliant take on ex-husbands and second wives, mothers and daughters, schoolyard scandal, and the dangerous little lies we tell ourselves just to survive follows three mothers, each at a crossroads. Now an HBO series!



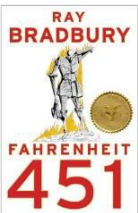
The Book Thief by Markus Zusak. A foster child in Nazi Germany shares her stolen books with her neighbors, her foster parents, and the Jew hidden in their basement. Related DVD: *The Book Thief*.

The Circle by Dave Eggers. A woman hired by a powerful internet company is pulled ever deeper into social media in this suspenseful thriller. Movie version comes out in 2017.



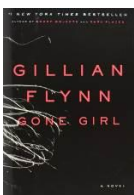
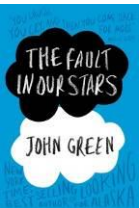
Divergent by Veronica Roth. In a dystopian Chicago, society is divided into five factions. But Tris Prior doesn’t belong in just one faction – she’s divergent, and a threat to society. Related DVD: *Divergent*.

Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close by Jonathan Safran Foer. Nine-year-old Oskar embarks on a mission to find the lock that matches a mysterious key that belonged to his father, who died in the World Trade Center on 9/11. Related DVD: *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close*.



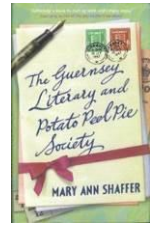
Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury. Dystopian novel set in a future American society where books are outlawed and firemen burn any house that contains them. Related DVD: *Fahrenheit 451*.

The Fault in Our Stars by John Green. Despite a medical miracle that bought her a few years, Hazel has never been anything but terminal. But when Augustus Waters appears at Cancer Kid Support Group, Hazel’s story is about to be rewritten. Related DVD: *The Fault in Our Stars*.



Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn. On a summer morning in Missouri, Nick Dunne’s clever and beautiful wife Amy disappears. Under mounting pressure from the police and the media, the town golden boy parades an endless series of lies, deceptions, and inappropriate behavior. Nick is oddly evasive, and he’s definitely bitter—but is he really a killer? Related DVD: *Gone Girl*.

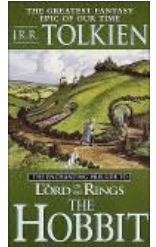
***The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer.** Juliet Ashton receives a letter from a stranger, a member of the Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society. So begins a remarkable tale of Guernsey during the German occupation.



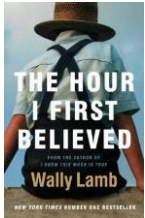
→*NEW* ***Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly .** The phenomenal true story of the black female mathematicians at NASA whose calculations helped fuel some of America’s greatest achievements in space. A 2016 movie.



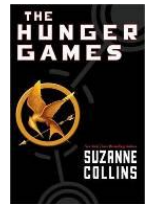
***The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien.** Fantasy about a hobbit who leaves his comfortable home to go on an adventure with 13 dwarves and a wizard. Related DVD: *The Hobbit, Parts 1-3*.



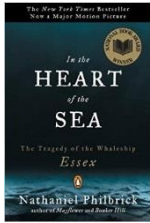
***The Hour I First Believed* by Wally Lamb.** Fiction about a school nurse trapped in the Columbine library during the shootings, how she copes, and her husband’s quest for meaning and faith. Related DVD: *Bowling for Columbine*, Michael Moore’s documentary about gun control.



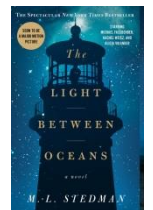
***The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins.** In a ravaged future North America, teenagers are forced to fight to death on a televised show. Related DVD: *The Hunger Games*.



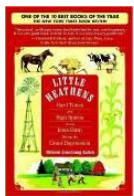
***In the Heart of the Sea* by Nathaniel Philbrick.** The true story that inspired Herman Melville’s *Moby-Dick*. Related DVD: *In the Heart of the Sea*.



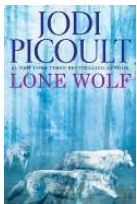
***The Light Between Oceans* by M.L. Stedman.** An Australian lighthouse keeper and his wife find a boat bearing a dead man and a living baby and decide to keep the baby despite the husband’s misgivings. Related DVD: *The Light Between Oceans*.



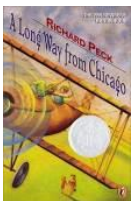
***Little Heathens* by Mildred Armstrong Kalish.** One woman’s memories of growing up in Iowa during the Great Depression. Related DVD: *The People in the Pictures: Stories from the Wettach Farm Photos*.



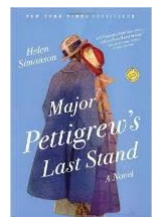
***Lone Wolf* by Jodi Picoult.** A novel that looks at the intersection between medical science and moral choices, as siblings disagree over whether to keep their comatose father on life support.



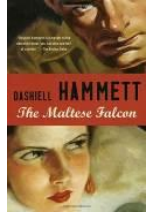
***A Long Way from Chicago* by Richard Peck.** Warm, humorous fiction about two young siblings from Chicago spending summers from 1929-1942 with their unforgettable grandmother in central Illinois.



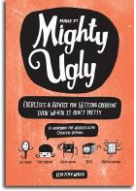
***Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson.** Major Ernest Pettigrew, honor-bound Englishman and widower, falls for Mrs. Jasmina Ali, the Pakistani shopkeeper in their village.



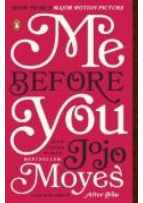
***The Maltese Falcon* by Dashiell Hammett.** A treasure worth killing for. Sam Spade, a private eye with his own solitary code of ethics. Brigid O'Shaughnessy, a beautiful and treacherous woman whose loyalties shift at the drop of a dime. These are the ingredients of this coolly glittering gem of detective fiction, a novel that has haunted three generations of readers. Related DVD: *The Maltese Falcon*.



***Make It Mighty Ugly: Exercises & Advice for Getting Creative Even When It Ain't Pretty* by Kim Piper Werker.** In a creative rut? Use this book to give it a boost. Plan a fun group night around it, using cast-off items to create ugly creatures.



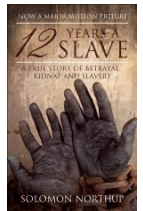
***Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes.** A girl with an ordinary life is hired as the caretaker for a thrill-seeking former executive now paralyzed after an accident. Related DVD: *Me Before You*.



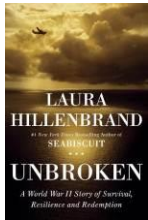
***Reservation Blues* by Sherman Alexie.** Fiction about a bluesman's gift of a guitar to a Native American on a reservation. Related DVD: *Chiefs*.



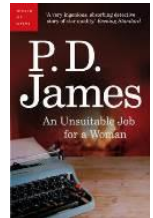
***Twelve Years a Slave* by Solomon Northup.** Memoir of a black man who was born free in New York State but was kidnapped, sold into slavery and kept in bondage for 12 years in Louisiana. Related DVD: *Twelve Years a Slave*.



***Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand.** In boyhood, Louis Zamperini was a delinquent. As a teenager, he channeled his defiance into running, discovering a talent that carried him to the Berlin Olympics. But when World War II began, the athlete became an airman, embarking on a journey that led to a doomed flight and life as a Japanese POW. An unforgettable testament to the resilience of the human mind, body, and spirit. Related DVD: *Unbroken*.



***An Unsuitable Job for a Woman* by P.D. James.** 1972 English mystery featuring private detective Cordelia Gray. Related DVD: *Mystery: An Unsuitable Job for a Woman*.



***The Vow* by Kim and Krickitt Carpenter.** Tells the true story of a couple in a car accident that left the wife with no memory of their marriage. Related DVD: *The Vow*.

