

Reading Marathon Booklet



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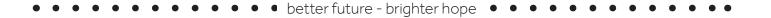


Architecture	A History of Architecture in 100 Buildings (Cruikshank) The Future of Architecture in 100 buildings (Kushner)
Classics	SPQR (Mary Beard) Rubicon (Tom Holland) The Histories (Tacitus) The 12 Caesars (Suetonius) Greek plays of: Sophocles, Euripides, Aeschylus and Aristophanes Virgil's Aeneid (the translation of Book VI by Seamus Heaney is particularly fine) and Lucretius De Rerum Natura
Economics	Freakonomics (Levitt and Dubner) The Lexus and The Olive Tree – A Study of Globalisation (Friedman) Grave New World – The End of Globalisation. (King) Hard Times (Clark and Heath) Winner Takes All (Moyo) The Ascent of Money (Ferguson) The Price of Inequality and The Great Divide (Stiglitz) End This Depression Now (Krugman) How the West Was Lost (Mayo) 22 Things They Didn't tell You About Capitalism (Chang) The Undercover Economist (Harford) The End of Poverty (Sachs) What Money Can't Buy; The Moral Limits of the Market. (Sandel) The Very Short Introduction to Marx is a good study and look at the ideas of current leading thinkers in economics such as: Amartya Sen (his theories on foreign aid creating dependency) and of presenters such as Robert Peston (see his book WTF) and Stephanie Flanders
Humanities - History	The Time Traveller's Guide to Medieval England (Mortimer) The Winter King – Henry VII (Penn) Silk Roads (Peter Frankopan) The Celts (Alice Roberts) The Romanovs (Montefiore) The 'Very Short Introduction to series' is very good (Machiavelli, Marx, Mill)
Humanities - Geography	Earth, An Intimate History (Fortey) Globalism and Regionalism and Capitalism as if the Earth mattered (Porritt) Future Shock (Tofler) A Blueprint for Survival (The Ecologist and Penguin books) Population Geography (Jones) The Skeptical Environmentalist (Lomberg – indeed anything by him) Jungle: A Harrowing True Story of Survival (Ghinsberg) Surviving Extremes (Middleton – he teaches Geog. at Oxford) Earth From Space (Johnston) Belching Out the Devil: Global Adventures with Coca-Cola (Thomas) Anything by James Lovelock on Gaia and for the human and cultural side Tribe (Bruce Parry) Anything by the Prof. of Geog. at UCLA Jared Diamond Caesar's Last Breath – the epic story of the air around us (Kean) Reading Rocks (Maddox)

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Law The Justice Game (Robertson) Getting into Law (ed. Lygo) The Search for Justice (Rozenburg) Understanding Law (Adams and Brownsword) Law and Modern Society (Atiyah) On Evidence (Murphy – just dip into this) The Rule of Law (Bingham) Bonfire of the Liberties: New Labour, Human Rights (Ewing) The Very Short Introduction To... series, e.g. ...to Human Rights (Clapham), ... to the Philosophy of Law (Wacks)to the New Penguin Guide to the Law **Mathematics** Fermat's Last Theorem (Singh) Does God Play Dice and Nature's Numbers (Stewart) Easy as Pi (Ivanov) The Music of the Primes (du Sautoy) Just Six Numbers (Rees) In Code (Flannery) Numbers, Sets and Axioms (Hamilton) The Universe and the Teacup – the Maths of Truth and Beauty (K.C. Cole) Algebra and Geometry (Beardon) Hidden Connections, Double Meanings (Wells) Elastic Fishponds. The Maths that governs our World (Elwes) The Norm Chronicles (Blastland and Spitgethaltes), Our Mathematical Universe (Te.g.mark) Updates for 2018 are Beyond Infinity (Cheng) Weapons of Math Destruction (O'Neill) Ian Stewart's 17 equations that changed the world and Thinking in Numbers (Temmet) Medicine Do No Harm (Marsh) When Breath Becomes Air (Kalanithi) Fall Down Seven times, Get Up Eight (Higashida) Hippocratic Oaths (Tallis) A very short introduction to Medical Ethics (Short intro' series) The Rise and Fall of Modern Medicine (Le Fanu) NHS Plc – the privatisation of health care (Pollock) Betraying the NHS (Mandelstram) NHS SOS (Davis and Tullis), The Political Economy of Health Care (Tudor Hart) Being Mortal (Gawande) Causing Death and Saving Lives (Glover) How doctors think (Groopman) Diagnosis; Dispatches from the Frontlines of Medical Mysteries (Sanders) Bad Pharma (Goldacre) So you want to be a Doctor (Dev and Metcalfe) A Very Short Introduction to the Eye (Lund)





The Eye Book (Grierson)
The Ophthobook (Tim Root)

Politics/PPE The Origins of Political Order (Fukuyama) The Spectre At the Feast (Gamble) The Establishment and how they get away with it (Owen Jones) British Politics (Madgwick) Mind The Gap (Mount) The Politics Book (Kelly) After Europe (Krastev) Gorgias (Plato) What is Good? (A.C. Grayling) How to outwit Aristotle (Peter Cave) Do you think what you think you think? (Julian Baggini) The Philosophical Life (Miller) What do we really know? (Blackburn) Science -The Chemistry of Life (Steven Rose) Anything by the geneticist Steve Jones (note particularly Language of the Genes, Almost Like **Biology** a Whale and Y:The Ascent of Man) Genome (Matt Ridley) The Wisdom of the Genes (Wills) Life on the Edge: Quantum Biology (Al-Khalili and MacFadden) The Selfish Gene and The Extended Phenotype (Dawkins) Junk DNA (Carey) Life Ascending (Nick Lane) The Revenge of Gaia (Lovelock) 50 Genetic Ideas You Really Need To Know (Henderson) Zoobiquity (Horowitz and Bowers) Creation: The Origin of Life (Rutherford) The Sixth Extermination (Kolbert) Great Myths of the Brain (Jarrett) The Gene – an Intimate History (Mukherjee) How We Live and Why We Die (Wolpert) Honeybee Democracy (Seeley). Science -The Chemistry of Life (Steven Rose) Chemistry Chemistry (Brock) Principles of Biochemistry (White, Handler and Smith) Chemistry for Changing Times (Hill, McCreary and Kolb) Materials Science (Ramsden) The Periodic Kingdom (Atkins) Mendeleyev's Dream – the search for the elements (Strathern) Periodic Tables – The Curious Life of the Elements (Aldersty and Williams) The Disappearing Spoon (Kean) 50 Ideas you really need to know about Chemistry (Birch)

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The Periodic Table – a field guide to the elements (Parsons and Dixon)



Science -	The Physics of the Impossible and Parallel Worlds (Kaku)
Physics	Hyperspace (Khan)
	Smashing Physics: inside the world's biggest experiment (Butterworth)
	Seven brief lessons on Physics (Rovelli)
	Chaos (Gleich)
	Quantum (Kumar)
	How to teach Quantum Physics to your Dog (Orzel)
	50 Physics Ideas You Really Need To Know (Baker)
	The Ele.g.ant Universe (Greene)
	Just Six Numbers (Rees)
	About Time (Frank)
	The Wonders of the Solar System (Brian Cox - anything by him is good)
	An Astronaut's Guide to Life on Earth (Hadfield)
	A Space Traveller's Guide to the Solar System (Thompson)
	Ripples in Spacetime (Schilling)
	Calculating the Cosmos (Stewart)
	The Ascent of Gravity (Chown).
Sociology	Homo Deus (Harari)
	Anything by:
	Gladwell
	Pinker
	Jared Diamond

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