



Book People

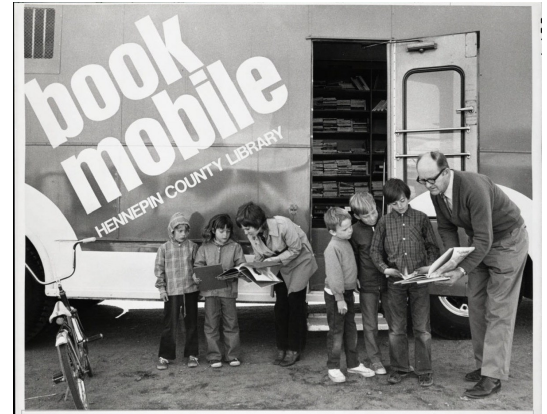
Fill in the blanks:

1. Ulysses by James _____
2. Don _____ by Miguel de Cervantes
3. The Great _____ by F. Scott Fitzgerald
4. One Hundred _____ of Solitude by Gabriel Garcia Marquez
5. Moby _____ by Herman Melville
6. War and _____ by Leo Tolstoy
7. Lolita by _____ Nabokov
8. _____ of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain
9. Alice's _____ in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll
10. Pride and Prejudice by _____ Austen
11. Wuthering _____ by Emily Bronte
12. _____ 22 by Joseph Heller
13. The Sound and the _____ by William Faulkner
14. 1984 by _____ Orwell
15. _____ Karenina by Leo Tolstoy
16. Iliad by _____
17. _____ by Homer
18. _____ of Darkness by Joseph Conrad
19. Grapes of _____ by John Steinbeck
20. To Kill a _____ by Harper Lee
21. _____ Expectations by Charles Dickens
22. The Sun _____ Rises by Ernest Hemingway
23. Leaves of _____ by Walt Whitman
24. Hamlet by _____ Shakespeare
25. The _____ Karamazov by Fyodor Dostoyevsky

These books are on every list of 50 best books ever written. You studied some of them in school.

For discussion:

- What are your favorite books and why?
- Have you ever read a book set in or about another country and you were inspired to travel there?
- Have you ever read a book that changed your life? Are there any books written in the last 20 years that you think will become classic?



- Did you ever check out a book from a Bookmobile?
- Was there a library in the town where you grew up?
- Did you know that you can access hundreds of free courses at the Brazoria County Library System website?

The National Institute for Literacy estimates that 32 million American adults are unable to read, which can contribute to chronic unemployment, low self-esteem, and a lower quality of available work.

The United States government rarely publishes an overall literacy rate; numbers are periodically released of the percentage of adults who cannot read a newspaper or complete an ordinary job application (about 19 percent, according to one publication).
Wikipedia

Book Trivia

1. The three most read books in the world are the *Bible*, *Quotations from Chairman Mao*, and *Harry Potter*.
2. The most expensive book ever sold was the *Codex* by Leonardo Da Vinci. Bill Gates bought it for \$30.8 million.
3. The first book ever written on a typewriter was *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain.
4. Icelanders read more books than citizens of any other country.
5. President Theodore Roosevelt read one book a day.
6. The average number of books read every year by US citizens is 12. However, the *mean average* is between 4 and 5.
7. As of 2010, there were 129,864,880 different books published.