

A few books that have been made into WORTHWHILE films...

Drama:

- McCarthy, Cormac. *No Country for Old Men*.
- Conroy, Pat. *The Great Santini*.
- Guest, Judith. *Ordinary People*.
- Brin, David. *The Postman*.
- Hyde, Catherine Ryan. *Pay It Forward*.
- Prejean, Helen. *Dead Man Walking*.
- Evans, Nicholas. *The Horse Whisperer*.
- Harris, Joanne. *Chocolat*.
- Irving, John. *Cider House Rules*.
- Conroy, Pat. *The Prince of Tides*.
- Cunningham, Michael. *The Hours*.
- Mitchard, Jacquelyn. *The Deep End of the Ocean*.

Issues of race and religion:

- Malcolm X. *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*.
- Walker, Alice. *The Color Purple*.
- Tan, Amy. *The Joy Luck Club*.
- Potok, Chaim. *The Chosen*.
- Wright, Richard. *Native Son*.
- Blinn, William. *Brian's Song*.
- Styron, William. *Sophie's Choice*.
- Naylor, Gloria. *The Women of Brewster Place*.
- Parks, Gordon. *The Learning Tree*.

Romance:

- McEwan, Ian. *Atonement*
- Mitchell, Margaret. *Gone with the Wind*.
- Austen, Jane. *Emma*. Movie: "Clueless"
- Hugo, Victor. *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*.
- Bronte, Charlotte. *Jane Eyre*.
- Cather, Willa. *My Antonia*.
- Austen, Jane. *Pride and Prejudice*.
- Austen, Jane. *Sense and Sensibility*.
- Esquivel, Laura. *Like Water for Chocolate*.
- Wharton, Edith. *The Age of Innocence*.

Psychological explorations:

- Kesey, Ken. *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*.
- Kaysen, Susanna. *Girl, Interrupted*.
- Keyes, Daniel. *Flowers for Algernon*. Movie: "Charlie".

- Hedges, Peter. *What's Eating Gilbert Grape*.

Adventure:

- Krakauer, Johnathan. *Into the Wild*.
- Dumas, Alexander. *The Count of Monte Cristo*.
- Cooper, James Fenimore. *The Last of the Mohicans*.
- Simpson, Joe. *Touching the Void*.
- Adams, Richard. *Watership Down*.
- Junger, Sebastian. *The Perfect Storm*.
- Mowat, Farley. *Never Cry Wolf*.
- Twain, Mark. *The Prince and the Pauper*.
- McCarthy, Cormac. *All the Pretty Horses*.
- Dumas, Alexander. *Three Musketeers*.

Gothic/ horror:

- Shelley, Mary. *Frankenstein*.
- Stoker, Bram. *Dracula*.

Fantasy/ science fiction:

- Matheson, Richard. *I Am Legend*.
- Asimov, Isaac. *I Am Robot*.
- Tolkien, J.R.R. *Lord of the Rings*.
- Crichton, Michael. *Jurassic Park*.
- Goldman, William. *The Princess Bride*.
- Adams, Douglas. *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*.
- Wells, H.G. *The Time Machine*.
- Verne, Jules. *20,000 Leagues Under the Sea*.

Coming of age/ Teen interest:

- Kleinbaum, N.H. *Dead Poet's Society*.
- Alcott, Louisa May. *Little Women*.
- Chbosky, Stephen. *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*.
- Collins, Max Allen. *Road to Perdition*.
- Wolff, Tobias. *This Boy's Life: A Memoir*. Movie: "This Boy's Life: A True Story"
- Letts, Billie. *Where the Heart Is*.
- Perrotta, Tom. *Election: a Novel*.
- Chevalier, Tracy. *Girl with a Pearl Earring*.
- Anderson, Laurie Halse. *Speak*.
- Smith, Betty. *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*.
- Kaufman, Bel. *Up the Down Staircase*.
- Golden, Arthur. *Memoirs of a Geisha*.
- Holland, Isabelle. *A Man without a Face*.
- Gibbons, Kaye. *Ellen Foster*.

- Goldberg, Myla. *Bee Season: A Novel*.

War:

- Frazier, Charles. *Cold Mountain*. (also romance)
- Brickhill, Paul. *Great Escape*.
- Bernieres, Louis de. *Corelli's Mandolin*. (also romance)
- Remarque, Erich Marie. *All Quiet on the Western Front*.
- Ondaatje, Michael. *The English Patient*. (also romance)

Sports:

- Kinsella, W.P. *Shoeless Joe*. Movie: "Field of Dreams"
- Hirsch, James S. *Hurricane: The Miraculous Journey of Rubin Carter*.
Movie: "Hurricane"
- Bissinger. *Friday Night Lights*.

Mystery/ suspense:

- Grisham, John. *The Firm*.
- Du Maurier, Daphne. *Rebecca*.