

Biography/Fiction Matches Sept. 2018

The list is by no means exhaustive, but it's a good place to start!

Muhammad Ali: Trickster in the Culture of Irony

Try me with... Bryce's *The Power of One* or Tulchinsky's *The Five Books of Moses Lapinsky*

The Lovers: Afghanistan's Romeo and Juliet (Ali and Zakia); How They Defied their Families and Escaped an Honor Killing

Try me with Margaret Laurence's *A Jest of God* or Choi's *Lucky Coin Variety*

To the Scaffold: The Life of Marie Antoinette

Try me with... Foreman's *The Duchess* or Osterlund's *Aurelia*

The Pomegranate and the Rose: Katharine of Aragon

Try me with Foreman's *The Duchess* or Erickson's *The Last Wife of Henry VIII* (Catherine Parr)

Cycle of Lies: The Fall of Lance Armstrong

Try me with Abdou's *The Bone Cage*

Neil Armstrong: A Life of Flight

Try me with Clarke's *2001 a Space Odyssey*, or Weirs' *The Martian*

John Atanasoff: The Man Who Invented the Computer

Try me with Doctorow's *The Win or Little Brother*

Belle: The Slave Daughter and the Lord Chief Justice

Try me with Tulchinsky's *Five Books of Moses Lapinsky* or Edugyan's *Half-Blood Blues*

Beethoven: The Man Revealed

Try me with Michael's *Us Conductors* or Marson's *Sleeping with Schubert*

Norman Bethune by A. Clarkson

Try me with...Lam's *Bloodletting and Other Miraculous Cures*, or
Gowda's *The Golden Son*

Benazir Bhutto: Pakistani Prime Minister and Activist

Try me with...Hanif's *A Case of Exploding Mangoes* or Rushdie's
Midnight's Children

The Rise and Fall of Anne Boleyn

Try me with Hilary Mantel's *Wolf Hall*, Gregory's *The Last Tudor* or
Hawthorne's *The Scarlet Letter*

How do I Love Thee? The story of Elizabeth Barrett Browning

Try me with anything by Jane Austen

Julius Caesar

Try me with Gibbon's *Spartacus* or Harris' *Lustrum* or *Imperium*

New! Capone: The Life and World of Al Capone

Try me with deWitt's *The Sisters Brothers*

Emily Carr As I Knew Her

Try me with...Urquhart's *The Underpainter* or *The Night Stages*;
OR James Joyce's *Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*

Capote: A Biography

Try me with Malachy McCourt's *Singing My Hymn Song*, or
Fitzgerald's *The Love of the Last Tycoon*

Casanova: Actor, Lover, Priest, Spy

Try me with Park's *The Secret Book of Grazia Dei Rossi*, Slatton's
Immortal, or Dunant's *In the Company of the Courtesan* or Huston's
The Mark of the Angel

Johnny Cash: The Biography

Try me with...Doyle's *The Commitments* or Ondaatje's *Coming Through the Slaughter*

Ackroyd's Charlie Chaplin

Try me with Edugyan's *Half Blood Blues* Or Doctorow's *Pirate Cinema*

Mr. Clemens and Mark Twain: A Biography

Try me with Leacock's *Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town* or Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*

Cleopatra: A Life

Try me with... Foreman's *The Duchess*, Dusan's *In the Company of the Courtesan*, Gibbon's *Spartacus*, or Pullinger's *Mistress of Nothing*

Leonard Cohen: A Life in Art

Try me with Byatt's *Possession*, Doyle's *The Commitments* or Plath's *The Bell Jar*

Farther than any Man: The Rise And Fall of James Cook

Try me with Dugard's *The Last Voyage of Columbus* or Punke's *The Revenant*

Selkirk's Island: The True Adventures of the Real Robinson Crusoe

Try me with Defoe's *Robinson Crusoe* or Golding's *Lord of the Flies*

The Authorized Biography of Roald Dahl

Try me with Dahl's *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, Lewis' *Through the Looking Glass* or Baum's *Dorothy and the Wizard of Oz* (ebook)

Charles Darwin and The Evolution Revolution

Try me with Nino Ricci's *The Origin of Species* or Ian Bank's *Consider Phlebas*

Dickens: A Biography

Try me with Byatt's *The Children's Book* or Pearl's *The Last Dickens*, Holeman's *Search of the Moon King's Daughter*, or Rackham's *The Rag And Bone Shop*

Desert Dawn (Somalian model and UN ambassador Waris Dirie)

Try me with Allan Stratton's *Chanda's Secret*, Bowden's *Black Hawk Down*, or Kamara's *The Bite of the Mango*

Walt Disney: An American Original

Try me with Diaz' *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao* or Chabon's *The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay*

Amelia Earhart: The Thrill of It or Amelia Earhart: The Turbulent Life of An American Icon

Try me with Texier's *Victorine* or Anne Tyler's *The Accidental Tourist*

My Secret Sister (Helen Edwards)

Try me with Kingsolver's *The Bean Trees* Or Roy's *The God of Small Things*

Hold the Oxo! A Teenage Soldier Writes Home (Jim Fargey)

Try me with Remarque's *All Quiet on the Western Front*, Koestler's *Darkness at Noon* Or Findley's *The Wars*

Always Looking Up: The Adventures of an Incurable Optimist (Michael J. Fox)

Try me with... Dalai Lama's *How to Practise the Way to a Meaningful* (non-fiction so ask your teacher) or Lewis' *The Screwtape Letters*

Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl

Try me with Donoghue's *Room*, Zusak's *The Book Thief*, or De'Rosnay's *Sarah's Key*

Galileo: The Genius Who Faced The Inquisition

Try me with Robinson's *Galileo's Dream*

Gandhi: Fighter Without a Soul

Try me with Rushdie's *Midnight's Children*, Forster's *A Passage to India*, or Mistry's *Such a Long Journey*

Glenn Gould: A Life and Variations or Glenn Gould by Mark Kingwell

Try me with Kleinbaum's *Dead Poets' Society* or Ondaatje's *Coming Through Slaughter*

Wilderness Man: The Strange Story of Grey Owl

Try me with...Defoe's *Robinson Crusoe* or Abignale's *Catch Me If You Can*, or Glover's *Elle*

Hannibal: One Man Against Rome

Try me with Gibbon's *Spartacus* or Harris' *Imperium* or Haldman's *The Forever War*

Old Man Henson, from Slavery to Freedom

Try me with Martin's *Property* or Jones' *The Known War*

Jim Henson: The Biography (muppets creator)

Try me with Selznick's *The Invention of Hugo Cabret*

The Secret Life of Houdini

Try me with Davies' *The Deptford Trilogy* or Gruen's *Water for Elephants*

Stephen Hawking: An Unfettered Mind

Try me with Arthur C. Clarke's *2001: A Space Odyssey* or Robinson's *Galileo's Dream*

North of Unknown: Mina Hubbard's Extraordinary Expedition into the Labrador Wilderness

Try me with Punke's *The Revenant* or Dugard's *The Last Voyage of Columbus*

Clara Hughes: Open Heart, Open Minds

Try me with Plath's *The Bell Jar* or Toew's *The Flying Troutmans*

Mick: The Wild Life and Mad Genius of Mick Jagger

Try me with Roddy Doyle's *The Commitments* or Delillo's *Great Jones Street*

Florence Foster Jenkins: The Inspiring True Story of the World's Worst Singer

Try me with Murphy's *Dumplin'*, or Leroux's *Phantom of the Opera*

Joan of Arc: A Military Leader or Joan of Arc, A Spiritual Biography

Try me with Follett's *The Pillars of the Earth* or Erickson's *The Last Wife of Henry VIII* or Martel's *The Life of Pi*

Kaffir Boy: The True Story of a Black Youth's Coming of Age in Apartheid South Africa

Try me with Courtenay's *The Power of One* or Hill's *The Illegal*

Photographing Greatness: The Life of Yousuf Karsh

Try me with Wiggins' *Shadow Catcher* or Govier's *Angel Walk*

Helen Keller: The Story of My Life

Try me with Saramago's *Blindness*, Le Guin's *Gifts* or Doer's *All the Light We Cannot See*

The Mockingbird Next Door: Harper Lee

Try me with any fiction dealing with Southern U.S. and racism

John Lennon: The Life

Try me with.....Roddy Doyle's *The Commitments* or Edugyan's *Half Blood Blues*

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks

Try me with Alkemade's *Orphan #8*

The Man Who Left Too Soon: The Biography of Stieg Larsson

Try me with Alice Sebold's *The Lovely Bones* or Hardy's *Tess of the d'Ubervilles*

Stephen Leacock

Try me with Leacock's *Sunshine Sketches*, Davies' *The Papers of Samuel Marchbanks* or Twain's *The Complete Short Stories*

C.S. Lewis: The Boy Who Chronicled Narnia

Try me with Pullman's *The Golden Compass* or Carroll's *Alice's Adventures In Wonderland*

The Essential Lewis and Clark

Try me with Dugard's *Voyage of Columbus* or Punke's *The Revenant*

David Livingstone

Try me with Conrad's *Heart of Darkness* or Forrester's *The African Queen*

Nelson Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom

Try me with Paton's *Cry the Beloved Country*) or Lessing's *The Grass is Singing*, or Dumas' *Count of Monte Cristo* (theme: imprisonment)

Malachy McCourt: A Monk Swimming

Try me with Thomas' *Man Gone Down* or Richards' *Nights Below Station Street*

Frank McCourt: Angela's Ashes

Try me with Toibin's *Brooklyn* or Behren's *The Law of Dreams*

Malcolm X: By Any Means

Try me with Ellison's *The Invisible Man* or Stratton's *Borderline*

***New!* Marconi: The Man Who Networked the World**

Try me with Doerr's *All the Light We Cannot See*

The True History of the Elephant Man: Biography of John Merrick

Try me with S. Maugham's *Of Human Bondage*, Keyes' *Flowers for Algernon* or Hugo's *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*

Michelangelo

Try me with Essex's *Leonardo's Swan*, Urquhart's *The Underpainter* or Slatton's *Immortal*

L. M. Montgomery

Try me with Woolf's *To the Lighthouse* or Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*; or compare her life to the life of Susannah Moodie (this one is non-fiction, so check with teacher)

(William Morton) *The Battle for Oblivion: The Discovery of Anaesthesia*

Try me with Sinclair Ross' *Sawbones Memorial* or Lam's *Bloodletting and Miraculous Cures*

Mozart: A Cultural Biography

Try me with Slatton's *Immortal* or Marson's *Sleeping with Schubert*

***New!* Elon Musk: Tesla, Space Ex, and the Quest for a Fantastic Future**

Try me with Crichton's *Micro*, or Asimov's *I Robot*

A Beautiful Mind: The Life of Mathematical Genius and Nobel Laureate John Nash

Try me with Keyes' *Flowers for Algernon*, Plath's *The Bell Jar* or Foer's *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close*

***New!* Trevor Noah: Born a Crime**

Try me with Brink's *A Dry White Season* or Paton's *Cry the Beloved Country*

Georgia O'Keeffe: The Life of an American Legend

Try me with... Chevalier's *Girl with a Pearl Earring* Or Atwood's *Cat's Eye*

Arise Sir James Oliver: The Biography

Try me with Bauermeister's *The School of Essential Ingredients*,
Morais' *The Hundred- Foot Journey* or McHenry's *The Kitchen Daughter*

Michael Ondaatje: Express Yourself Beautifully

Try me with McCourt's *Angela's Ashes* or Ondaatje's *Cat's Table*

George Orwell

Try me with Huxley's *Brave New World*, Bradbury's *Fahrenheit 451*

Rosa Parks: A Life

Try me with anything by Toni Morrison, Hurston's *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, Or Stockett's *The Help*

Parrado's Miracle in the Andes: or 72 Days on the Mountain

Try me with Martel's *The Life of Pi*,and Golding's *Lord of the Flies*, or Punke's *My Long Trek Home*

The Revenant A Mighty Heart: The Brave Life

Try me with Kanon's *The Good German*

Oscar Peterson: The Man and His Music

Try me with Doyle's *Oh, Play that Thing* or Ondaatje's *Coming Through Slaughter*

Mary Pickford: Canada's Silent Siren, America's Sweetheart

Try me with Berg's *The Dream Lover*

Bitter Fame: A Life of Sylvia Plath

Try me with McCullers' *The Heart is a Lonely Hunter* or Woolf's *To The Lighthouse*, or Roy's *The God of Small Things*

Beatrix Potter: The Extraordinary Life of a Victorian Genius

Try me with Vreeland's *The Forest Lover*, Joyce's *Portrait of the Artist As A Young Man*

City of Thorns: Nine Lives in the World's Largest Refugee Camp

Try me with Hill's *The Illegal*, Corea's *The German Girl*, or Lee's *The Surrendered*

Renoir: His Life, Art, and Letters

Try me with Dan Brown's *Inferno* or Urquhart's *The Underpainter* or *Night Stages*

Kate Rice, Prospector

Try me with London's *Call of the Wild*, or Hannah's *The Great Alone*

The Last Honest Man: Mordecai* or *Richler: An Oral Biography

Try me with Richler's *Barney's Version* or *The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz*

Radio Wizard: Edward Rogers and The Revolution of Communication

Try me with Doer's *All the Light We Cannot See*

J.K. Rowling: The Wizard Behind Harry Potter

Try me with a C.S. Lewis novel or Stewart's *The Hollow Hills*

Gabriel Roy, A Passion for Writing

Try me with Woolf's *A Room of One's Own*, Blais' *A Season in the Life of Emmanuel*

Splendid Solution: Jonas Salk

Try me with Lam's *Bloodletting and Miraculous Cures* or Gowda's *The Golden Son*

Margaret Sanger: Pioneer of Birth Control

Try me with McKay's *The Birth House* or Irving's *The Cider House Rules*

(Schultz) Foxcatcher: The True Story Of My Brother's Murder, John du Pont's Madness and the Quest for Olympic Gold

Try me with Sandra Brown's *Low Pressure*, Shriver's *We Need to Talk About Kevin*, or Toten's *Beware That Girl*

Mary Shelley: Daughter of Earth and Water

Try me with Shelley's *Frankenstein*, Stoker's *Dracula*, or anything by Edgar Allan Poe

Dr. Seuss and Mr. Geisel: A Biography

Try me with non-fiction books on encouraging reading such as *Reading Is Seeing*

John Steinbeck

Try me with Steinbeck's *The Grapes of Wrath*, or S. Ross' *As For Me and My House* or Ting-xing Ye's *Mountain Girl, River Girl* (female migrant workers in China),

John Snow and the Mystery of Cholera

Try me with Matthew Kneale's *Sweet Thames* or Keith Oatley's *A Natural History*

The Father of Forensics-The Ground Breaking Cases of Sir Bernard Spilsbury and the Beginnings of Modern CSI

Try me with Kelman's *Pigeon English* or anything by Kathy Reichs

Sully: My Search for What Really Matters

Try me with Groom's *Forrest Gump* or Weir's *The Martian*

David Suzuki

Try me with one of Atwood's *MaddAddam* trilogy Or Gruen's *Ape House*

Caitlin: Life with Dylan Thomas

Try me with Fitzgerald's *Tender is the Night*, Trollope's *The Best of Friends*, Shield's *Larry's Party*, or anything by Dylan Thomas

J.R.R. Tolkien: A Biography

Try me with C.Lewis' *Narnia*, Tolkien's *The Hobbit*, L'Engle's *A Wrinkle in Time* or Stewart's *The Hollow Hills*

***New!* Donald J. Trump: A President Like No Other (by Conrad Black)**

Try me with Richler's *The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz*, Adiga's *The White Tiger* or Hardy's *The Mayor of Casterbridge*

Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad

Try me with Valer's *Property*, Jones' *The Known World* or Hannah's *The Nightingale*

Alan Turing: The Enigma

Try me with Kearsley's *A Desperate Fortune*

***New!* Hidden Figures (the story of "computers" Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson, and Christine Darden)**

Try me with Stockett's *The Help* or Morrison's *Sula*

Victoria: A Woman on the Throne

Try me with Byatt's *The Children's Book* or Miles Isolde's *Queen of the Western Isle*

Andy Warhol

Try me with Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* or Vreeland's *The Forest Lover*

H.G. Wells: *First Citizen of the Future*

Try me with Kay's *Ysabel* or any of Gabaldon's novels

E.B. White: *Beyond Charlotte's Web*

Try me with Adams' *Watership Down* or Dahl's *James and the Giant Peach*

Oscar Wilde: *A Biography*

Try me with Richler's *Joshua Then and Now*, Hollinghurst's *The Line of*

Beauty or anything by Tennessee Williams

New!* Robin Williams: *A Biography

Try me with Chabon's *The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay*, Vizzini's *It's Kind of a Funny Story*, or Kleinbaum's *Dead Poets Society*

(Ray Wiss) *FOB: A Doctor on the Front Lines in Afghanistan*

Try me with Hosseini's *The Kite Runner*, Lam's *Bloodletting and Miraculous Cures* or Gowda's *The Golden Son*

Virginia Woolf: *An Inner Life*

Try me with McCuller's *The Heart is a Lonely Hunter*, Plath's *The Bell Jar* or Lamb's *I Know This Much is True*

Shakey: *Neil Young's Biography*

Try me with Roddy Doyle's *The Commitments* or A.S. Byatt's *Still Life*

Autobiographies

The Collected Autobiographies of Maya Angelou

Try me with Hill's *The Book of Negroes*, Hurston's *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, Stockett's *The Help*, Kidd's *The Invention of Wings*, or anything by Toni Morrison

Gandhi An Autobiography: The Story of My Experiments with Truth

Try me with *Atlas Shrugged* or Wiebe's *Peace Shall Destroy Many*

American Sniper: The Autobiography of the Most Lethal Sniper in American History by Chris Kyle

Try me with Steven Galloway's *The Cellist of Sarajevo*

Mary Jane Goodall: In the Shadow of Man

Try me with Gruen's *Ape House* or Opper's *Half Brother*

An Astronaut's Guide to Life on Earth (Chris Hadfield)

Try me with Clarke's *2001: A Space Odyssey* or Weir's *The Martian*

The Autobiography of Martin Luther King

Try me with Grisham's *A Time to Kill*, Hill's *Any Known Blood*, Jones' *The Known World*, or Kidd's *The Invention of Wings*

I am Malala (Yousafzai)

Try me with Golden's *Memoirs of a Geisha* or Ondaatje's *Anil's Ghost*, or Atwood's *The Handmaid's Tale*

Nelson Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom

Try me with Paton's *Cry the Beloved Country*, Lessing's *The Grass is Singing*, or Dumas' *Count of Monte Cristo* or Keith's *The Dutch Wife*

Vujcic, Nick. Life Without Limits: Inspiration for a Ridiculously Good Life

Try me with Foer's *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* or Joyce's *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*