

Books that Shaped America

A list developed by the Library of Congress.

	Title	Author	1st pub	MSL holdings
1.	Adventures of Huckleberry Finn	Mark Twain	1884	813 T969ad-h 1996
2.	Alcoholics Anonymous	anonymous	1939	362.292 A3542 1957
3.	American Cookery	Amelia Simmons	1796	
4.	The American Woman's Home	Catharine E. Beecher and Harriet Beecher Stowe	1869	640 B414a 2002
5.	And the Band Played On	Randy Shilts	1987	362.19697 S556a 1987
6.	Atlas Shrugged	Ayn Rand	1957	813 R186a 1957
7.	The Autobiography of Malcolm X	Malcolm X and Alex Haley	1965	B X1a 1992
8.	Beloved	Toni Morrison	1987	813 M882b 1987
9.	Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee	Dee Brown	1970	970.5 B877b 1970
10.	The Call of the Wild	Jack London	1903	813 L84t 1993
11.	The Cat in the Hat	Dr. Seuss	1957	OUT J372.4 S496
12.	Catch-22	Joseph Heller	1961	813 H477c 1990
13.	The Catcher in the Rye	J.D. Salinger	1951	813 S165 c.2
14.	Charlotte's Web	E.B. White	1952	MAC OUT J W
15.	Common Sense	Thomas Paine	1776	320.011 P147c 2005
16.	The Common Sense Book of Baby and Child Care	Benjamin Spock	1946	649.1 S762d 2012
17.	Cosmos	Carl Sagan	1980	520 S129c 1980 c.2
18.	A Curious Hieroglyphick Bible	anonymous	1788	
19.	The Double Helix	James D. Watson	1968	572.86 W339d 1968
20.	The Education of Henry Adams	Henry Adams	1907	B A2135a-e 2007
21.	Experiments and Observations on Electricity	Benjamin Franklin	1751	Storehouse
22.	Fahrenheit 451	Ray Bradbury	1953	813 B798f 2003
23.	Family Limitation	Margaret Sanger	1914	
24.	The Federalist	anonymous	1787	SAFE 342.734 F293.Yr 1961
25.	The Feminine Mystique	Betty Friedan	1963	305.42 F899f 2001
26.	The Fire Next Time	James Baldwin	1963	305.896 B181f 1995
27.	For Whom the Bell Tolls	Ernest Hemingway	1940	813 H48fo
28.	Gone With the Wind	Margaret Mitchell	1936	813 M682g 1993
29.	Goodnight Moon	Margaret Wise Brown	1947	MAC OUT J 398.8 B8795go
30.	A Grammatical Institute of the English Language	Noah Webster	1783	Storehouse
31.	The Grapes of Wrath	John Steinbeck	1939	Storehouse 813 S8195g 2000
32.	The Great Gatsby	F. Scott Fitzgerald	1925	813 F55g c.2
33.	Harriet, the Moses of Her People	Sarah H. Bradford	1901	

34.	The History of Standard Oil	Ida Tarbell	1904	338.8 T179h 1904 v.1 2 vols
35.	History of the Expedition Under the Command of the Captains Lewis and Clark	Meriwether Lewis	1814	SAFE 917.8042 L673 2003
36.	How the Other Half Lives	Jacob Riis	1890	305.56 R572h 1957
37.	How to Win Friends and Influence People	Dale Carnegie	1936	158.1 C289h 1998
38.	Howl	Allen Ginsberg	1956	811 G493h 1959
39.	The Iceman Cometh	Eugene O'Neill	1946	812 O58i 1999
40.	Idaho: A Guide in Word and Pictures	Federal Writers' Project	1937	
41.	In Cold Blood	Truman Capote	1966	345.025 C246i 1966
42.	Invisible Man	Ralph Ellison	1952	813 E47i 2002
43.	Joy of Cooking	Irma Rombauer	1931	641.5 R76j 1997
44.	The Jungle	Upton Sinclair	1906	813 S616j 1984
45.	Leaves of Grass	Walt Whitman	1855	SAFE 811 W61L c.2
46.	The Legend of Sleepy Hollow	Washington Irving	1820	813 I727c 1998
47.	Little Women, or Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy	Louisa May Alcott	1868	813 A355L-wo 2005
48.	Mark, the Match Boy	Horatio Alger Jr.	1869	
49.	McGuffey's Newly Revised Eclectic Primer	William Holmes McGuffey	1836	Storehouse
50.	Moby-Dick; or The Whale	Herman Melville	1851	813 M53m 2001
51.	The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass	Frederick Douglass	1845	Storehouse 326 D737n 1968
52.	Native Son	Richard Wright	1940	813 W952n 1957
53.	New England Primer	anonymous	1803	Storehouse
54.	New Hampshire	Robert Frost	1923	811 F9397n 1923
55.	On the Road	Jack Kerouac	1957	813 K39o 1991
56.	Our Bodies, Ourselves	Boston Women's Health Book Collective	1971	613.04244 093 2011
57.	Our Town: A Play	Thornton Wilder	1938	812 W67o 1938
58.	Peter Parley's Universal History	Samuel Goodrich	1837	
59.	Poems	Emily Dickinson	1890	811 D553c 1960
60.	Poor Richard Improved and The Way to Wealth	Benjamin Franklin	1758	818 F83 1976
61.	Pragmatism	William James	1907	144 J29p
62.	The Private Life of the Late Benjamin Franklin, LL.D.	Benjamin Franklin	1793	B F8312f-be 1945
63.	The Red Badge of Courage	Stephen Crane	1895	813 C891r-r 1982
64.	Red Harvest	Dashiell Hammett	1929	813 H224n 1965
65.	Riders of the Purple Sage	Zane Grey	1912	OUT G
66.	The Scarlet Letter	Nathaniel Hawthorne	1850	813 H39s 1959
67.	Sexual Behavior in the Human Male	Alfred C. Kinsey	1948	305.3 K56s 1948
68.	Silent Spring	Rachel Carson	1962	363.7384 C321s 1962 MAC
69.	The Snowy Day	Ezra Jack Keats	1962	OUT 398.8 K
70.	The Souls of Black Folk	W.E.B. Du Bois	1903	973.0496 D816s 2001 audio
71.	The Sound and the Fury	William Faulkner	1929	813 F26sou c.2

72.	Spring and All	William Carlos Williams	1923	
73.	Stranger in a Strange Land	Robert E. Heinlein	1961	OUT H
74.	A Street in Bronzeville	Gwendolyn Brooks	1945	
75.	A Streetcar Named Desire	Tennessee Williams	1947	812 W727s & audio
76.	A Survey of the Roads of the United States of America	Christopher Colles	1789	
77.	Tarzan of the Apes	Edgar Rice Burroughs	1914	
78.	Their Eyes Were Watching God	Zora Neale Hurston	1937	813 H966t 1991
79.	To Kill a Mockingbird	Harper Lee	1960	813 L478t 1995
80.	A Treasury of American Folklore	Benjamin A. Botkin	1944	Storehouse
81.	A Tree Grows in Brooklyn	Betty Smith	1943	813 S643t 1943
82.	Uncle Tom's Cabin	Harriet Beecher Stowe	1852	813 S89u 2007 & MAC
83.	Unsafe at Any Speed	Ralph Nader	1965	629.28 N135u 1972
84.	Walden; or Life in the Woods	Henry David Thoreau	1854	818 T48w 1951 & SAfe
85.	The Weary Blues	Langston Hughes	1925	811 H893c 1994
86.	Where the Wild Things Are	Maurice Sendak	1963	OUT 398.8 S
87.	The Wonderful Wizard of Oz	L. Frank Baum	1900	
88.	The Words of Cesar Chavez	Cesar Chavez	2002	