

"I'll read my books and I'll drink coffee and I'll listen to music, and I'll bolt the door."

—J.D. Salinger—



MAN BOOKER PRIZE 2016 SHORTLIST



Paul Beatty (US) - [The Sellout](#)
Deborah Levy (UK) - [Hot Milk](#)
Graeme Macrae Burnet (UK) - [His Bloody Project](#)
Ottessa Moshfegh (US) - [Eileen](#)
David Szalay (Canada-UK) - [All That Man Is](#)
Madeleine Thien (Canada) - [Do Not Say We Have Nothing](#)



The 2016 panel is:

Amanda Foreman (Chair), award-winning historian and internationally bestselling author of *Georgiana, Duchess of Devonshire*; **Jon Day**, Critic and Lecturer in English at King's College London, specialising in modernist fiction; **Abdulrazak Gurnah**, Booker Prize-shortlisted novelist and Professor of English and Postcolonial Literatures at the University of Kent; **David Harsent**, poet and Professor of Creative Writing at the University of Roehampton, winner of 2014 T.S. Eliot prize; **Olivia Williams**, actor, currently starring in a National Theatre's production of *Harley Granville-Barker's Waste*.

OH, BY THE WAY...

1. Joseph O'Neill's latest novel, *The Dog*, is based in Dubai and has to do with ex-pats in the banking business. It was selected for the longlist - the self-styled "Booker Dozen" of the Man Booker Prize committee for 2016. Obviously a good read and with Dubai as the background, it is sure to be a big seller here in the Emirates.

2. Our list of recommended books from our quiztakers of #51. Anything you want to recommend to us? Simply list yours on question #11 of our quiz, or drop us a line and we will include it. We often have a copy of the recommended books, but we can't promise.

Many thanks for our contributors' input.

TITLE / AUTHOR

[The Greatest Knight](#)/Thomas Abridge
[Pride and Prejudice and Zombies](#)/Seth Grahame-Smith
[A Court of Thorns and Roses](#)/Sarah J. Maas
[The City of Falling Angels](#)/John Berendt
[The Girl in the Spider's Web](#)/David Lagercrantz
[Wordstruck](#)/Robert MacNeil
[The Aziz Bey Incident](#)/Ayfer Tunç
[The Little Paris Bookshop](#)/Nina George
[The Jury](#)/Steve Martini
[Dragon's Lair](#)/Chantal Fernando
[The Simple Truth](#)/David Baldacci
[The Fireman](#)/Joe Hill
[Glimpses of World History](#)/Jawaharlal Nehru
[The Secret Life of Bees](#)/Sue Monk Kidd
[A Month in the Country](#)/J.L. Carr

QUIZ RESULTS - TRAINS AND BOATS AND PLANES

The quiz #51 winners were **Stephen, Robin, Naureen, Nikita and Shelagh**.
Congratulations!

Another enjoyable quiz with all questions set within a certain theme. This time it was modes of transport. the turnout of quiz-takers has increased considerably with our new 'mobile friendly' website. Now you can take the quiz by phone or by computer. So no more excuses. All our quizzes are designed for you to learn something – so that can't be a bad thing! Please join in the competition.

The following are the correct answers:

1. A C.S. Forester novel, and a boat and movie of the same name. This famous movie starred Katherine Hepburn and Humphrey Bogart/[C. African Queen](#)
2. A Night to Remember by Walter Lord. A 1955 non-fiction book of a great boating disaster in naval history happening on April 14, 1912: also the movie box-office success of 1997/[B. Titanic](#)
3. Charles 'Lucky' Lindbergh wrote his autobiography in 1953 about his famous solo crossing of the Atlantic Ocean in 1927. The name of the book is the same name as the plane/[A. Spirit of St. Louis](#)
4. Wilbert Awdrey is the author of a series of books about a steam locomotive and his friends Percy and Toby, first written in 1946/[B. Thomas the Tank Engine](#)
5. PT 109 was the name of a WW II patrol boat made famous in the historical biography of:/[D. John F. Kennedy](#)
6. The Spruce Goose airplane was made famous in the biography of which famous aviator?/[C. Howard Hughes](#)
7. Paul Theroux wrote a book about his travels by train through China, and the name of the train?/[C. Iron Rooster](#)
8. Thor Heyerdahl wrote of his adventures to the Polynesian Islands in 1947 on which boat?/[A. Kon-Tiki](#)
9. A luxury train service in Europe started in 1883 and made famous by Agatha Christie/[D. Orient Express](#)
10. In Herman Melville's famous book Moby Dick, what was the name of his

ship?/[B. Pequod](#)

And now for quiz #52 **ROYAL SUBJECTS**. The quiz this time features royalty and the various members of a royal family. Countless novels employ royalty in their titles and this quiz has ten of them. Good luck to all.

You will see what we mean when you go to the quiz. Submit your answers and don't forget question #11 - a title of one of your favourite books to add to our inventory of good reads. Good luck, you know the routine - a prize of A) bundle book, or B) cup of coffee, or C) free bookbag - to the first 5 winners. Go to [our website](#) and click on 'The Quiz', **REMEMBER, OUR WEBSITE IS NOW MOBILE FRIENDLY!!** Fill in your name and address. Many thanks for your participation.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER LIST 18/09/16

1. [A GREAT RECKONING](#), by Louise Penny. An instructor at the police academy is found murdered, perhaps by one of the cadets favored by Armand Gamache, the retired homicide chief of the Sûreté du Québec.
2. **THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN**, by Paula Hawkins. A psychological thriller set in the environs of London is full of complications and betrayals. [Read Review](#)
3. [THE LIGHT BETWEEN OCEANS](#), by M. L. Stedman. An Australian lighthouse keeper and his wife decide to keep a baby who has washed ashore.
4. [RUSHING WATERS](#), by Danielle Steel. Six people cope with a hurricane in New York City.
5. **THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD**, by Colson Whitehead. A teenage girl heads north on the network that helped slaves escape to freedom, envisioned in this novel as a secret system of actual tracks and tunnels. [Read Review](#)
6. [A MAN CALLED OVE](#), by Fredrik Backman. A curmudgeon's gruff exterior masks a generosity of spirit. Originally published in Sweden in 2014.
7. [ALWAYS A COWBOY](#), by Linda Lael Miller. A rancher and an animal researcher soon realize they have more in common than wrangling stallions.
8. [STING](#), by Sandra Brown. A hired killer and a woman he kidnapped join forces to elude the F.B.I. agents and others who are searching for her corrupt brother.
9. [FAST AND LOOSE](#), by Fern Michaels. With the Sisterhood on assignment, their significant others look into a Vegas casino with leaky security.
10. [TRULY MADLY GUILTY](#), by Liane Moriarty. Tense turning points for three couples at a backyard barbecue gone wrong.

Click [here](#) for the complete list

Our winner for Newsletter #52

The subscriber who wins a free bundle book this time is **Lamia Ben Salah**. Congratulations Lamia, please drop us a note to say where and when you want to choose your bundle book.

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