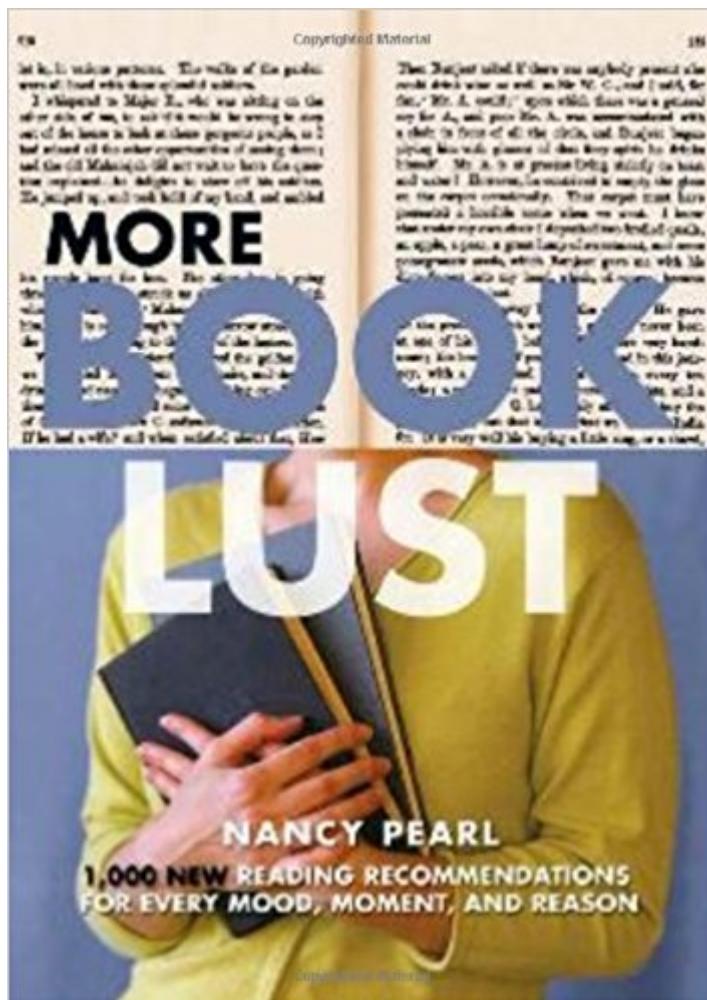


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More Book Lust: Recommended Reading For Every Mood, Moment, And Reason



Synopsis

The response to Nancy Pearl's surprise bestseller *Book Lust* was astounding: the Seattle librarian even became the model for the now-famous Librarian Action Figure. Readers everywhere welcomed Pearl's encyclopedic but discerning filter on books worth reading, and her Rule of 50 (give a book 50 pages before deciding whether to continue; but readers over 50 must read the same number of pages as their age) became a standard MO.

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Customer Reviews

Rarely does a member of that unjustly maligned species, the librarian, attract the kind of attention Pearl did when she founded the first citywide reading program in Seattle in 1998. Many readers will seek her advice in this companion volume to *Book Lust*, which offers a wealth of new reading lists. (Many of the books on them, she acknowledges, are out of print—making for a good opportunity, she suggests, to visit your library.) The upshot is that these are not all classics—they're just books she or someone else really enjoyed reading, presented in more than 100 lists covering a delightful range of topics, from the biographical or geographical (Winston Churchill, Africa) to favorite writers categorized as "too good to miss" (including classics such as P.G. Wodehouse and contemporary writers like Jonathan Weiner and Walter Mosley). More idiosyncratic recommendations for the questing reader include "All in the Family" (books by writer dynasties); "Dick Lit" (her much better term for *Lad Lit*, for which, she admits, Nick Hornby has set a high bar); and "Tricky Tricky" (books that pull a fast one on you). If you're clueless about what to

read next, you'll find something to pique your interest here. (May) Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

In this sequel to her phenomenally popular *Book Lust* (2003), Pearl, former Seattle librarian and a continuing national book-talk host, dips further into her repertoire of have-read books (both fiction and nonfiction) and offers up another batch she is only too happy to talk about. As in the previous volume, she creatively arranges her titles into unexpected but certainly tantalizing and even provocative categories, this time presenting a whole new set of categories. From "Adapting to Adoption" to "Your Tax Dollars at Work: Good Reading from the Government (Really!)," and including "Nagging Mothers, Crying Children," "Science 101," and "Gender-Bending," Pearl suggests titles relevant to each category and gives a brief annotation for each. A self-confessed "readaholic," Pearl lets us benefit from her addiction. May she never seek recovery. Brad Hooper
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A very helpful and well documented resource for those readers looking for something good to read. Divided into categories, there is something for everyone; I used it to list more than 3 dozen possible books to explore, and I return to it from time to time as my tastes change. There is always a book around the corner that you hadn't known about. All three of her recommended booklists are well worth getting.

Nancy Pearl never disappoints. I've found and loved more books than I ever could have on my own, and her brief, tantalizing description of each is usually enough to send me on a search for them. I could spend the rest of my life just ignoring the bestseller lists and having a much more varied and satisfying reading life, wandering down little-known roads than those who rely on the Top Ten lists to guide their reading.

This was a nice little follow-up to *Book Lust* and yielded a number of recommendations. Nancy Pearl is well-read in a wide range of subjects and genres and the two *Book Lust* books are great companions for any lover of reading.

This is an outstanding collection of recommendations to fit the readers taste as well as that of the author. She does a great job of packing an enormous amount of information into a necessarily limited space. A great companion for the book lover. The book is nicely organized for browsing.

I bought this book when first published and have bought more copies for friends. Nancy Pearl demonstrates a broad and deep knowledge of books and has a light enjoyable writing style that heightens her readers' desire to follow her recommendations.

I would recommend this book for booklovers of all types. It offers a wide variety of books from many different genres. My wishlist grew to large proportions because of it.

Excellent reference book.

This was an okay list. I read a lot (or at least thought I did before learning of Nancy Pearl's addiction), but "there's so much to read, and so little time", that I want absolutely page-turning books, whether they be fiction or n.f. This list was inclusive of too many "meh" books, and many of the better recommendations i've already read. Even so, I'll try the first edition of Nancy Pearl's suggestions.

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