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Welcome!

- Goodreads
- Novelist
- Library Catalogue
What is Goodreads?

- The world’s largest social network for readers
- Google: “Lets users track and rate books and network with other readers”
- Known for candid reviews
- Owned by Amazon
- Linked with Facebook, Twitter
- A website and an app
- Accessible through library catalog
What can I do with Goodreads?

• Keep track of what you have read, are currently reading, and want to read
• Write reviews and publish them on Goodreads as well as to Wordpress, Blogger, Facebook and Twitter
• Get recommendations
• Share all of the above with others
• Join groups (often similar to online book clubs)
• Annual Reading Challenge and Goodreads Choice Awards
Goodreads Basics

- You can create an account using an email address and/or you can link your account to a Facebook, Twitter, Google Plus or Amazon account
Warning: If you link your Goodreads account to another social media site, Goodreads will offer to post everything you do to that site, including what you want to read, are reading, and any reviews you may post or status updates you may add, so you might want to consider avoiding the link to social media.
Creating an Account

Meet your next favorite book.

Deciding what to read next?
You're in the right place. Tell us what genres or authors you've enjoyed in the past, and we'll give you surprisingly insightful recommendations.

What will you discover?

Because Deborah liked... She discovered:
- The First Days
- Feed
- Rotter's Run
- The Miseducation of Cameron Post
- Zombies, Post Apocalyptic, Dystopia, Urban Fantasy

Because Homeret liked... She discovered:
- Psychology, Animals, Science, Nature

What are your friends reading?

Chances are your friends are discussing their favorite (and least favorite) books on Goodreads. Want to learn more? Take the tour.

Creative Writing
Screenwriting & Master's Degree Online

Readers online now

Love lists?
Best for Book Clubs
3,726 books in 550 reviews
Signing In

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Welcome to the Staff...
Navigating Goodreads: Home
Navigating Goodreads: Search
The Goodreads Catalog

- Click on the title to see more information about the book if you’re not sure you want to add it
- Click on “Want to Read” to add it to your “To Read” shelf now.
The Goodreads Catalog

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Keeping Track: Status Updates

• If you shelve a book on your “currently reading” shelf, you can enter status updates to remind yourself and your friends where you are in the book, and what you think of it so far.

• To update your status, click on “Home” in the menu bar, then look for the “Currently Reading” box.

• Click on “update status” next to the title of the book.
Status Updates

• Here you can say what page you are on, or, alternatly what percentage of the book you have read (helpful if you’re listening to an audiobook).

• You can also add text.

• Remember to click “save progress”

• If you’ve finished the book, click “I’m Finished!” and Goodreads will prompt you to rate the book, them move it to your “Read” shelf
Currently Reading

Winter by Marissa Meyer
p. 300 of 824 (36%) update status
I'm on page 300 of 824. -or- I'm finished!

Save Progress Cancel

last update: On hold because I have to return it :-( Dec 04, 2015 03:07PM

Precalculus by Robert Blitzer
p. 420 of 1,255 (33%) update status

An Open Heart: Practicing Compassion in Everyday Life
p. 92 of 208 (44%) update status

show all 6 add a new book add a general update
Navigating Goodreads: My Books

- But mine looks different!
Deleting Books in Goodreads

My Books: 

All (1567) 
Read (1078) 
Currently-reading (6) 
To-read (483) 

123-s (9) 
AEC-s (8) 
Adult (405) 
Aliens (1) 
Alternate-history (31) 
Animals (53) 
Baking (5) 
Beautiful-cover-art (137) 
Beautiful-illustrations (226) 
Beautiful-prose (15) 
Biographies (37) 
Buddhism (26) 
Bugs (5)

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Adding Books to Your Read Shelf

• Go back to “Search” and search for a book you have already read
• Click the carrot next to “Want to Read” on the green “Want to Read” Button.
• A drop-down menu will appear.
• This is a list of all your Goodreads shelves. Click “Read” to add it to your “Read” shelf.
• This brings up a window that allows you to rate and review the book
The Rating System

• 1 star: Didn’t Like It 😞
• 2 stars: It Was Okay :-)
• 3 Stars: I Liked It
• 4 Stars: I Really Liked It
• 5 Stars: It Was AMAZING!
The Rating System

• Be careful! If you give a book 3 or more stars, Goodreads will assume that you liked it, and give you recommendations based on it.
• Be honest with your ratings!
Creating a Personalized Shelf

• Click on the carrot on the button that now says “read” next to the title of your book.
• On the bottom of your dropdown menu, click on “Add Shelf”
• There are many ways to add shelves, this is just one.
Creating a Personalized Shelf

• When you click on “Add a Shelf,” a box will appear directly below in which you can type the name of your shelf.

• Click “Add” to both add the shelf, and add the book to that new shelf.
Finding Your Shelves

- Click on “My Books”

![Image of Goodreads website with shelves section highlighted]

Shelves this book is currently on

Your Shelves
Navigating Goodreads: Groups

Groups

Find Groups by Title or Description

My Groups

What's The Name of That Book??
- Can't remember the title of a book... more
- 215 members, last active 8 hours ago

Addicted to YA
- One must always be careful of D... more
- 18,269 members, last active 10 minutes ago

Great Middle Grade Reads
- OMG brings together parents... more
- 1,795 members, last active 9 minutes ago

The YA Book Club
- This is a book club for all... more
- 9,764 members, last active 40 minutes ago

Sci-fi and Heroic Fantasy
- A place for those who like... more
- 4,354 members, last active an hour ago

Children's Books
- Focus picture books to... more
- 2,207 members, last active an hour ago

Recently Active Groups

Fifty Shades Support Group
- Support Group for fans of Fifty Shades Trilogy: How many times have you read Fifty Shades of... more
- 5,638 members, last active 2 minutes ago

C.D. Canaries
- Submission of the Body: Dominance of the
- 51 members, last active 8 hours ago

Dead Good Crime Book Group
- Dead Good is the home for killer crime books, drama and film. We love reading crime and thrillers... more
- 1,457 members, last active an hour ago

David Estes Fans and YA Book Lovers Unite!
- A Group for all things YA and David Estes
- 3,088 members, last active 17 minutes ago

Inkahares Writers
- space for writers to promote, share advice, request feedback, and discuss Inkahares projects.
- 61 members, last active 7 minutes ago

Love & Social Change
- We offer love, compassion & kindness to create a better world. We read books by & about people... more
- 2,044 members, last active 12 hours ago

Groups Reading My To-Read Books

Writing Historical Fiction
- I had trouble locating a group dedicated solely to those of us who love writing historical fiction... more
- 491 members, last active 8 hours ago

There Is No Frigate Like A Book
- This group is for committed, dedicated people to read classics together and participate in discussions... more
- 2 members, last active 7 months ago

Books, Randoms and Books

Create a Group

Instant Grammar Checker
- Trusted by over 4 million students, faculty, and professionals worldwide.

Browse By Tag

bookclub (6542) rubber (596)
fantasy (448) writing (596)
fiction (2580) role-play (596)
science fiction (390) reading (596)
YA (175) adventure (658)
books (1578) city (596)
book club (299) history (488)
tp (115) paranormal-romance (488)
y (468) paranormal (86)
mystery (81) romance (488)
science fiction (115) supernatural (488)
literature (973) thriller (359)

Official Groups

Goodreads Feedback
- 18,915 members

Recommended Groups

- 50 groups
What the Name of That Book?

- Goodreads has a group you can join called “What’s the Name of That Book?”
- It is a forum, made up of both professional library staff and the public, who help each other with this process
- Often get results within a few minutes
Recommendations

• Goodreads generates recommendations for in two ways.
• The first is based on your shelves.
• Click “Recommendations” to see these books
Navigating Goodreads: Recommendations

Here are some books we think you'll love. How to improve your recommendations...

Based on Your Read Shelf

Based on Your Teen Ya Shelf

Based on Your Childrens Shelf
Recommendations

- Goodreads also gives recommendations based on the book you are currently looking up.
Help Us Improve Your Recommendations

- **Rate more books.** The more you rate, the better your recommendations will be.
- **Get specific about your favorite genres.** The more accurate you get, the better.
- **Create custom shelves** such as “Science” or “Summer Reading” for your books. We will make recommendations based on each shelf.
- **Click 'Not interested'** for recommendations that you don't like. We'll be less likely to show you similar books in the future.
Navigating Goodreads: Explore

Explore Books

These books have been racing to the top of our popularity charts!

- **UNDER MAJOR NO MINOR**
- **BLACK MAN IN A WHITE COAT**
- **TIDES AND FURIES**
- **STRAINS WITHIN**
- **SIX CROWS**

Giveaways

**Sacred Blood**
by Alix Machado

*Giveaway ends in: 6:38 PM*

*Availability: 5 copies available, 360 people requesting*

*Giveaway dates: Aug 21 - Sep 9, 2015*

*Countries available: US, CA, and GB*

Top Reviews This Week

More giveaways...

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- Comics
- Fantasy
- Fiction
- Science Fiction
- Young Adult

Genres

- Art
- Biography
- Business
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- Children's
- Christian
- Classics
- Comics
- Contemporary
- Crime
- Cookbooks
- Romance
- Ebooks
- Fantasy
- Fiction
- Gay and Lesbian
- Graphic Novels
- Historical Fiction
- History
- Horror
- Humor
- Humor and Comedy
- Travel
- Young Adult
Navigating Goodreads: Profile

Click the carrot to edit your profile and to sign out.
Ebooks on Goodreads

James Potter and the Hall of Elders' Crossing
(James Potter #1)
by G. Norman Lippert (Goodreads Author), Johnny Atomic (Illustrator)

What's it like to be the son of the most famous wizard of all time?

James Potter thinks he knows, but as he begins his own adventure at Hogwarts, he discovers just how much of a challenge it really is to live up to the legend of the great Harry Potter. As if it wasn't enough dealing with the delegates from the American wizarding school and figuring out the mysteriously poll...more

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Genres
- Fantasy
- Young Adult
- Fiction
- Fantasy > Magic
- Fan Fiction
- Adventure
- Childrens
- Paranormal > Witches
- Fantasy > Paranormal
- Science Fiction > Fantasy
Series in Goodreads

- Click on the series title to see a list of the books in that series, in order.
When Should I Use Goodreads?

- Easy to use
- You can make lists of what you want to read, as well as rate and review what you have read
- Creates recommendations personally tailored to your tastes
- Allows you to share what you are reading with others and join online reading groups
What is Novelist

- Novelist is a database accessible through the library’s website for your use anywhere you have internet access.
- All you need is a library card!
When Should I Use Novelist?

- When you are looking for read-alikes
- Novelist creates excellent lists of read-alikes, whereas Goodreads offers better summaries and offers access to helpful reader reviews.
- When you want to search by appeal term (ex. cozy mystery)
- Thus, it is often helpful to find the read-alike list in Novelist, then look the book up in Goodreads.
Getting to Novelist

- Go to www.poudrelibraries.org
- Click the green “research” tab
- Click on “N” or scroll down to “Novelist Plus”
- Click on Novelist Plus
- Enter your library card number if you are not using a library computer
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**Adult**  Teen  Ages 9-12  Ages 0-8

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Read-Alikes in Novelist

- Read-Alikes are books that should be a similar read to other books. They may share setting, writing style, character types, genre, mood, and other attributes.
- Novelist’s best feature is its ability to create read-alike lists based on a title, author, or series.
• Enter the title, author, or series name of a book you have enjoyed.
• Click on the title, author, or series you are looking for.
Read-Alikes in Novelist

• Novelist generates a list of series that will be similar reads to the series you chose.

• For each title, they give reasons for the recommendation

Read-alikes for Kinsey Millhone mysteries

Find more read-alikes in NoveList Plus.

Kinsey Millhone mysteries
By: Grafton, Sue
Hard-boiled private investigator Kinsey Millhone investigates murders and searches for missing persons, often taking on cold cases. Sassy and practical, she is an orphan and a loner, and she does not hesitate to confront vicious criminals who will stop at nothing to get away.

Read-alikes

1. Kate Brannigan mysteries
   McDermid, Val
   Reason: Kinsey Millhone and Kate Brannigan are tough yet funny detectives who are the protagonists in fast-paced mysteries with snappy dialogue and relatable characters. The difference is that Kinsey lives in the U.S. and Kate in Great Britain. — Rebecca Sigmon

2. Under suspicion (Mary Higgins Clark)
   Clark, Mary Higgins
   Reason: Starring intelligent, capable female protagonists -- a crime show producer in Under Suspicion and a professional private detective in the Kinsey Millhone mysteries -- these California-based mysteries all share a fast pace, nail-biting suspense, and intricate, plot-based puzzles. — Mike Nilsson

3. Rachel Alexander and Dash mysteries
   Benjamin, Carol Lea
   Reason: Kinsey Millhone and Rachel Alexander are tough but witty female detectives featured in fast-paced mysteries set in California and New York, respectively. The
Series Lists in Novelist

- Ever need to know what book belongs to what series?
- Ever need to know the in order in which books come in a series?
- You can find this out in our library catalog!
- You can find this out in Goodreads!
- AND you can find this out in Novelist.
Series Lists in Novelist

• Search for a title in the series
• Search by author to generate a list of that author’s series and the books in those series, in order.
• Search by series to generate a list of the books, in order, in that series
Browsing by Genre in Novelist

New and Popular in...

Arts, Entertainment, and Sports
Let us entertain you...

- Earnhardt Nation: The Full-Throttle Saga of NASCAR's First Family by Jay Busbee
- What Happened Miss Simone?: A Biography by Alan Light
- Fast into the Night: A Woman, Her Dogs, and Their Journey North on the Iditarod Trail by Debbie Clarke Modelow
- Leonard: My Fifty-Year Friendship with a Remarkable Man by William Shatner with David Fisher
Browsing by Appeal Term in Novelist

• Appeal terms are factors that help a reader decide if a book fits their style or mood. –Novelist

• https://www.ebscohost.com/novelist/our-products/novelist-appeals

• Examples include “cozy mystery,” which means a clean, not-to-gory mystery (think Agatha Christie) or “chaste romance” which means a romance with no sexual content.
Browsing by Appeal Terms in Novelist

- Click “Browse By” and “Appeal”
• Use the “How Do I?” tab to learn how to use Novelist like a pro!
Thank You!

Please take the time to fill out a brief online survey about your experience in class tonight. You can reach the survey by following the link below. Your feedback is crucial to keeping our classes useful and relevant to you!

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