Books Group 1 Report 2026

This reading group was started in 2006 and is still going strong. It has 10 current members: one who was present at its very first meeting and another who joined Caterham u3a only a few weeks ago. We mostly discuss recently-published novels borrowed in bulk from Surrey Libraries, though some members prefer to obtain and listen to audio versions when available. We sometimes explore earlier classics, when the texts of out-of-copyright novels can be downloaded from the internet - see https://www.gutenberg.org/. And occasionally we have a "DIY" session where individual members give brief accounts of their recent reading.

Our group web page lists the books read over the last six years, and shows what is coming up next. Following is the full list of subjects for our meetings in 2026.

Jan "DIY" session
Feb "The Dispossessed" by Ursula Le Guin
Mar "The Exhibitionist" by Charlotte Mendelson
Apr "A Gentleman in Moscow" by Amor Towels
May "England, England" by Julian Barnes
Jun "A Bird in Winter" by Louise Doughty
Jul "The Perfect Golden Circle" by Benjamin Myers
Aug "Moon Tiger" by Penelope Lively
Sep "Anna of the Five Towns" and "The Old Wives Tale" by Arnold Bennet
Oct "Mrs Dalloway" and "To the Lighthouse" by Virginia Woolf
Nov "The Paris Express" by Emma Donoghue
Dec "The House of Doors" by Tan Twan Eng

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