

# Rise to the Challenge Reading Program:

## Read a book that takes place in the decade you were born

Below are recommendations for books set in various decades. Find one from the decade you were born and check it out!

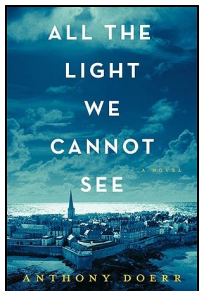


### ***A Hundred Summers***

by Beatriz Williams

**Decade:** 1930s

**Descriptors:** Fiction; Best Friends; Betrayal; Romantic; Hurricanes; Rhode Island

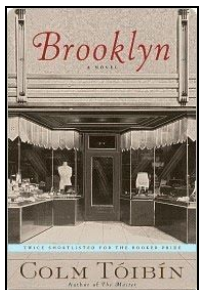


### ***All the Light We Cannot See***

by Anthony Doerr

**Decade:** 1940s

**Descriptors:** France; Germany; WWII; Family Relationships; Literary Fiction

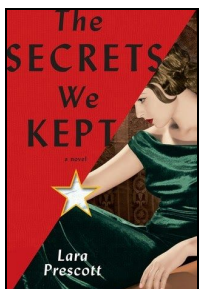


### ***Brooklyn***

by Colm Tóibín

**Decade:** 1950s

**Descriptors:** Fiction; Immigrant Experiences; Ireland; New York



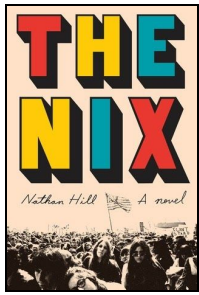
### ***The Secrets We Kept***

by Lara Prescott

**Decade:** 1950s

**Descriptors:** Historical Fiction; Cold War; Women Spies; International Intrigue



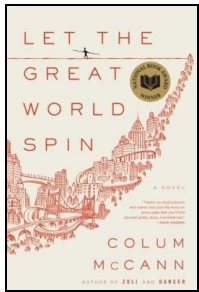


***The Nix***

by Nathan Hill

**Decade:** 1960s

**Descriptors:** Fiction; Family Secrets; Mothers and Sons; Multiple Perspectives

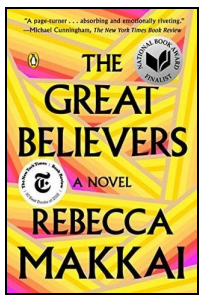


***Let the Great World Spin***

by Colum McCann

**Decade:** 1970s

**Descriptors:** Fiction; New York City; Multiple Perspectives; Gritty; Moving

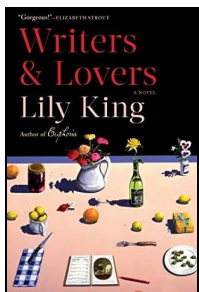


***The Great Believers***

by Rebecca Makkai

**Decade:** 1980s

**Descriptors:** LGBTQ; Fiction; Chicago; AIDS Epidemic; Family Relationships; Compelling

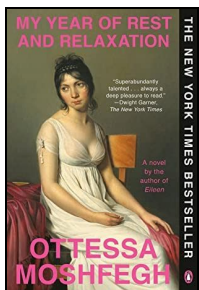


***Writers & Lovers***

by Lily King

**Decade:** 1990s

**Descriptors:** Coming of Age; Literary Fiction; Love Stories; Grief



***My Year of Rest and Relaxation***

by Ottessa Moshfegh

**Decade:** 2000s

**Descriptors:** Psychological Fiction; Drugs; Young Women; New York City; Darkly Humorous

