Great Reads for Fall 2014

**Belzhar**
By Mag Weritz
Dutton Books for Young Readers

Her keen eye for issues of gender, sex and relationships makes Weritz’s “grown-up” novels marvels of social observation. That holds true for her young-adult novel that centers on a 16-year-old mourning her boyfriend’s death. Sent to a boarding school for troubled-but-bright kids, she receives an English assignment that transports her to a mysterious otherworld in which she can relive her trauma and, should she choose, become reconciled.

**The Paying Guests**
By Sarah Waters
Riverhead Books

The best-selling Welsh author of Tipping the Velvet writes mostly about lesbian relationships, historic England or dramatic old houses, and her latest novel, a suspenseful story of love and loss in 1920s South London, has all three.

**How to Build a Girl**
By Caitlin Moran
Ebury Press

When Joanna Morris embraces herself on local television, she does what anynumerous teen would do: morphs into a chain-smoking, sex-addicted rebel and goes to work for a music magazine. In this

All My Puny Sorrows
By Miriam Toews
McGraw-Wyss

The beloved Canadian author draws deeply from her own upbringing to detail the relationship between two sisters raised in a Mennonite household who, as adults, took different paths. Despite professional and familial success, Elfrieda is contemplating suicide, recalling to family and friends that hold their extended family together.

**Into the Go-Slow**
By Bridget M. Davis
The Feminist Press

Davis’s allegory-as-novel is a negotiation between moving forward and remembering the past. Four years after her older sister died in Nigeria in 1984, Arja leaves her tedious retail job in an American mall for the frenetic streets of Lagos. Retracing her sister’s final steps, she discovers her own racial, sexual and social identity.

**Comradely Greetings: The Prison Letters of Nadya and Sлавo**
By Nadezda Tolokonnikova and Sлавo Zveja
Verso

A founding member of the performance art group Pussy Riot, Nadezda Tolokonnikova served nearly two years in prison for publicly criticizing Russian President Vladimir Putin and the Russian Orthodox Church. While

*hand to mouth living in bootstrap america*

Linda Tirado
Amy Einhorn Books

"Tirado, who has described herself as "a completely average American with two kids and two jobs," exploded onto the media scene in 2013 when her Gawker post, "Why I Make Terrible Decisions, or, Poverty Thoughts," went viral. In Hand to Mouth, she uses her piercing insight, coupled with a confessional but unapologetic voice, to open a memoir and deeply unsettling window into poverty in the U.S.

**Babygate: How to Survive Pregnancy & Parenting in the Workplace**
(Claire Bakst), Phoebe Taubman and Elizabeth Gedrank
The Feminist Press

This handbook, compiled by three attorneys at A Better Balance: The Work and Family Legal Center, takes readers step by step through the legal and practical steps necessary for working women to negotiate maternity and child care benefits. Offering flowchart and a chronology of important events and milestones, it serves as a guide for women to negotiate their own benefits, and a guide for organizations to take the next step.

**A Cup of Water Under My Bed**
By Daisy Hernandez
Beacon Press

Hernandez’s memoir traces her life as a Colombian-Cuban baseball player, straightforwardly addressing the struggles of women with multiple identities and the lessons she learned about race, gender, class and love. With an emphasis on the relationships between family and identity, Hernandez uses memories to reflect and examine her changing expectations and identities.

**Books That Cook: The Making of a Literary Meal**
Edited by Jennifer Cogniat-Black and Melissa A. Goodheart
NYU Press

This delightful collection of prose, poetry and essays, all introduced by excerpts from important American cookbooks dating back to the 1700s, explores the way food reflects and creates culture. An important addition to the study of gastronomy, it features the work of such contemporary authors as Maya Angelou, Nora Ephron and Alice Waters, and is organized like a cookbook, with each section including at least one delectable recipe.
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