Following is a list of popular authors, the genre(s) of books which they write, and suggestions for books to start with for each author.*

**Historical Fiction**

Bernard Cornwell – *British & American History*
Sharpe’s Tiger

Michael Crichton – *Science Fiction, Suspense, Techno-Thrillers*
Jurassic Park

Ken Follett – *Suspense*
Eye of the Needle

C. S. Forester – *Adventure Stories, Sea Stories*
Mr. Midshipman Hornblower

John Jakes – *Family Sagas*
The Bastard

James Michener
Tales of the South Pacific

Jeff Shaara – *War Stories*
Rise to Rebellion

**Horror**

Clive Barker – *Fantasy Fiction*
Imajica

Neil Gaiman – *Fantasy Fiction, Graphic Novels, The Sandman*

Stephen King – *Fantasy*
The Shining

Dean Koontz – *Suspense*
Watchers

George R. R. Martin – *Fantasy Fiction, Science Fiction*
A Game of Thrones

**Mystery**

M. C. Beaton – *Cozy Mystery*
Death of a Gossip

C. J. Box
Open Season

Michael Connelly – *Police Procedurals*
The Black Echo

Steve Hamilton -- *Thrillers*
A Cold Day in Paradise

Ed McBain – *Police Procedurals*
Cop Hater

Robert B. Parker – *Detective*
Early Autumn

**Science Fiction/Fantasy**

Douglas Adams – *Humorous*
The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy

Isaac Asimov
Foundation’s Edge

Orson Scott Card
Ender’s Game

Michael Crichton – *Historical Fiction, Suspense, Techno-Thrillers*
Jurassic Park

Neil Gaiman – *Graphic Novels, Horror Stories*
The Sandman
Terry Goodkind – Epic Fiction
    The Wizard’s First Rule

Robert Heinlein – Military
    The Moon is a harsh Mistress

Frank Herbert
    Dune

Robert Jordan
    The Eye of the World

Stephen King – Horror
    The Shining

George R. R. Martin – Horror Stories
    A Game of Thrones

R. A. Salvatore – Epic Fiction
    Streams of Silver

J.R.R. Tolkien
    The Hobbit

**Suspense/Thrillers**

David Baldacci
    Last Man Standing

Dan Brown
    Angels and Demons

Lee Child
    Killing Floor

Clive Cussler - Adventure
    Atlantis Found

Vince Flynn – Political Thrillers, Spy Fiction,
    The Transfer of Power

John Grisham – Legal Thrillers
    The Appeal

Jack Higgins – Spy Fiction
    The Eagle Has Landed

Robert Ludlum – Spy Fiction
    Prometheus Deception

James Patterson
    Along Came a Spider

Douglas Preston – Occult Fiction
    Tyrannosaur Crayon

Scott Turow – Legal Thrillers
    Reversible Errors

Stuart Woods
    Under the Lake

**Other**

Michael Chabon – Adventure Comic Books,
    Humorous Stories
    Wonderboys

Pat Conroy – Southern Fiction, Family Sagas
    Prince of Tides

C. S. Forester – Adventure Stories, Historical Fiction,
    Sea Stories
    Mr. Midshipman Hornblower

Neil Gaiman – Fantasy Fiction, Graphic Novels, Horror Stories
    The Sandman

William Johnstone – Westerns, Apocalyptic Fiction
    Sidewinders

Louis L’Amour – Westerns
    Hondo

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