

Dramatic Literature – A Sampling of Suggested Reading

Play.....Playwright	Contemp Comedy	Contemp Drama	Pre-1950 & OtherClassics	Experimental Avant Garde	Greek Comedy	Greek Tragedy	Musical	Restoration	Shakespeare
1776..... Stone and Edwards							X		
<i>Absurd Person Singular</i>Alan Ayckbourn	British								
<i>Ah, Wilderness</i>Eugene O'Neill			X						
<i>All in the Timing</i>David Ives	Absurdist Scenes								
<i>All My Sons</i>Arthur Miller			X						
<i>American Dream</i> Edward Albee				X					
<i>Angels in America</i> Tony Kushner		X		X					
<i>Antigone</i> Sophocles or Jean Anouilh					X				
<i>Arms and the Man</i> George Bernard Shaw			Social Comment						
<i>Arsenic and Old Lace</i> Kesselring			X						
<i>Barefoot in the Park</i> Neil Simon	X								
<i>Beauty Queen of Leenane</i>Martin McDonagh		X							
<i>Becket</i> Jean Anouilh				Historical					
<i>Bent</i>Martin Sherman		X							
<i>Beggar's Opera</i>John Gay			X				X		
<i>Betrayal</i>Harold Pinter		X							
<i>Beyond Therapy</i>Christopher Durang									
<i>Birds</i> Aristophanes						X			
<i>Blithe Spirit</i>Noel Coward			X						
<i>Blood Wedding</i> Federico Garcia Lorca			Lyrical						
<i>Boy's Life</i>Howard Korder		X							
<i>Boys Next Door</i>Tom Griffin	X								
<i>Brighton Beach Memoirs</i> Neil Simon	X								
<i>Bus Stop</i>William Inge		X							
<i>Butterflies Are Free</i> Leonard Gershe	X								
<i>Camelot</i> Lerner and Loewe							X		
<i>Carousel</i>Rogers and Hammerstein							X		
<i>Cat on a Hot Tin Roof</i>Tennessee Williams		X							
<i>Charley's Aunt</i> Brandon Thomas			farce						
<i>Cherry Orchard</i> Anton Chekhov			X						

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<i>Children of a Lesser God</i> Mark Medoff		X							
<i>Children's Hour</i>Lillian Hellman		X							
<i>Christmas Carol</i> Charles Dickens (adapted)			X						
<i>Close Ties</i> Diggs		X							
<i>Cloud Nine</i>Caryl Churchill				X					
<i>Colored Girls who've Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuf</i>Ntozake Shange		Choreo- Poem							
<i>Colored Museum</i>George C. Wolfe		scenes							
<i>Comedy of Errors</i>Shakespeare									X
<i>Company of Wayward Saints</i> Herman				X					
<i>Corn is Green</i> Emlyn Williams		X							
<i>Cover of Life</i>R. T. Robinson	X	X							
<i>Country Wife</i> William Wycherly								X	
<i>Crimes of the Heart</i> Beth Henley		X							
<i>Crucible</i>Arthur Miller		Historical	Social comment						
<i>Cyrano de Bergerac</i>Edmond Rostand			X						
<i>Dancing at Lughnasa</i>Michael Frayn		Historical							
<i>Danny and the Deep Blue Sea</i> . John Patrick Shanley		X							
<i>Dark of the Moon</i> Richardson and Berney		X							
<i>Death of a Salesman</i>Arthur Miller		X							
<i>Diary of Anne Frank</i> Goodrich and Hackett		Historical							
<i>Dinner with Friends</i>Donald Margulies		X							
<i>Driving Miss Daisy</i>Alfred Uhry		X							
<i>Effect of Gamma Rays on Man on the Moon in the Moon Marigolds</i>Paul Zindell		X							
<i>Elephant Man</i> Pomerance		Historical							
<i>Equus</i> Peter Shaffer		X							
<i>Fantasticks</i> Jones and Schmidt							X		
<i>Fences</i>August Wilson		X							
<i>Fiddler on the Roof</i> Stein, Bock and Harnick							X		
<i>Fifth of July</i>Lanford Wilson	X								

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<i>Fires in the Mirror</i>Anna Deaveare Smith				X					
<i>Food Chain</i>Nicky Silver	X								
<i>Fool for Love</i>Sam Shepard		X							
<i>For Colored Girls who've Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is ENUF</i>Ntozake Shange		Choreo- Poem							
<i>Frogs</i>Aristophanes					X				
<i>Ghosts</i>Strindberg			X	X					
<i>Glass Menagerie</i>Tennessee Williams		X							
<i>Glengarry Glen Ross</i>David Mamet		X							
<i>Godspell</i>Schwartz							X		
<i>Good Doctor</i>Neil Simon			X						
<i>Greater Tuna</i>Jaston Williams and Joe Sears	X								
<i>Hair</i>McDermot, Rado and Ragni			X				X		
<i>Hamlet</i>William Shakespeare									X
<i>Happy Birthday Wanda June</i>Kurt Vonnegut		X		X					
<i>Harvey</i>Mary Chase			X						
<i>Hedda Gabler</i>Henrik Ibsen			X						
<i>Heidi Chronicles</i>Wendy Wasserstein		X							
<i>Homecoming</i>Harold Pinter		X							
<i>Hot L Baltimore</i>Lanford Wilson	X								
<i>House of Blue Leaves</i>John Guare	X	X							
<i>How I Learned to Drive</i>Paula Vogel		X							
<i>How the Other Half Loves</i>Alan Ayckbourn	British								
<i>I Never Sang For My Father</i> Robert Anderson		X							
<i>Imaginary Invalid</i>Moliere								X	
<i>Importance of Being Earnest</i>Oscar Wilde			X						
<i>In the Boom Boom Room</i>David Rabe	X								
<i>Indians</i> Arthur Kopit				X					
<i>Inherit the Wind</i>Jerome Lawrence		X							
<i>Inspector General</i>Nikolai Gogol			X						
<i>Into the Woods</i>Lapine and Sondheim							X		

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J. B.Archibald McLeish				X					
Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat Webber and Rice							X		
Julius Caesar William Shakespeare									X
King and IRogers and Hammerstein							X		
King Lear.....Shakespeare									X
Laramie Project.....Moises Kaufman		Docu- Drama							
Laughing Wild.....Christopher Durang	X			X					
Light in the Piazza.....Lucas and Guettel									
Little Murders.....Jules Feiffer	X			X					
Long Day's Journey Into NightEugene O'Neill		X							
Look Homeward, Angel..... Thomas Wolfe		X	X						
Love! Valour! Compassion!.....Terrance McNally		X							
M Butterfly.....David Henry Hwang		X							
Macbeth..... William Shakespeare									X
Madwoman of Chaillot.....Jean Giraudoux				X					
Man for All SeasonRobert Bolt			X						
Man Who Came To Dinner..... Kaufman and Hart	X								
Matchmaker.....Thornton Wilder			X						
Medea Euripedes or Robinson Jeffers						X			
Member of the WeddingCarson McCullers		X							
Metamorphoses.....Mary Zimmerman				X					
A Midsummer Night's Dream.....William Shakespeare									X
Miracle Worker William Gibson		X							
Misanthrope.....Moliere								X	
MiserMoliere								X	
Miss Julie.....August Strindberg			Early Naturalism						
Mother Courage Bertolt Brecht				X					
Music Man..... Wilson							X		
My Fair Lady Lerner and Loewe							X		

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'Night Mother.....Marsha Norman									
Night Thoreau Spent in Jail Jerome Lawrence		X							
Noises Off!.....Michael Frayn	British farce								
Odd Couple Neil Simon	X								
Oedipus RexSophocles						X			
Of Mice and Men.....John Steinbeck		X							
Oklahoma!Rogers and Hammerstein							X		
Oleanna.....David Mamet									
Oliver Bart							X		
Our Town Thornton Wilder		X							
Peer GyntHenrik Ibsen				X					
Piano Lesson.....August Wilson		X							
PicnicWilliam Inge		X							
Pillowman.....Martin McDonagh	X	X		X					
Pippin..... Hirson and Schwartz							X		
Prelude to a Kiss.....Craig Lucas	X								
Proof.....David Auburn		X							
Pygmalion George Bernard Shaw			Social Comment						
Ragtime.....Ahrens, Flaherty and McNally		Historical					X		
Rainmaker N. Richard Nash		X							
Raised in Captivity.....Nicky Silver	X								
Raisin In The SunLorraine Hansberry		X							
Real Thing.....Tom Stoppard									
Reckless.....Craig Lucas	X	X							
Rent.....Jonathan Larson							X		
Rhinoceros.....Eugene Ionesco			X	X					
Richard IIIShakespeare									X
RivalsRichard Brinsley Sheridan								X	
Romeo and JulietWilliam Shakespeare									X
Rosencrantz & Guildenstern are Dead Stoppard				X					

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<i>Saint Joan</i>George Bernard Shaw			Historical Social Comment						
<i>Scapino</i>Moliere/Dunlop and Dale			X						
<i>School for Scandal</i>Richard Brinsley Sheridan								X	
<i>School for Wives</i>Moliere									
<i>Seagull</i>Anton Chekhov			X						
<i>Shadow Box</i>Cristofer	X								
<i>She Stoops to Conquer</i>Oliver Goldsmith								X	
<i>ShockHeaded Peter</i>Martin and Jacques							X		
<i>Showboat</i>Rogers and Hammerstein							X		
<i>Six Degrees of Separation</i>John Guare	X								
<i>Skin of Our Teeth</i>Thornton Wilder				X					
<i>Sound of Music</i>Rogers and Hammerstein							X		
<i>South Pacific</i>Rogers and Hammerstein							X		
<i>Spoon River Anthology</i>Edgar Lee Masters			X						
<i>Spring Awakening</i>Frank Wedekind							X		
<i>Stand and Deliver!</i>Menendez and Musca		X							
<i>Star Spangled Girl</i>Neil Simon	X								
<i>Steel Magnolias</i>Robert Harling	X								
<i>Streamers</i>David Rabe		X							
<i>Streetcar Named Desire</i>Tennessee Williams		X							
<i>Strider</i>Rozovsky							X		
<i>Summer and Smoke</i>Tennessee Williams		X							
<i>Sunday in the Park with George</i> .. Lapine & Sondheim							X		
<i>Talking With</i>Jane Martin	monologues	monologues							
<i>Taming of the Shrew</i>William Shakespeare									X
<i>Tartuffe</i>Moliere								X	
<i>Three Penny Opera</i>Brecht and Weill							X		
<i>Three Sisters</i>Anton Chekhov			X						
<i>Three Tall Women</i>Edward Albee		X							
<i>To be Young, Gifted, and Black</i>Nemiroff									

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<i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> Lee/Sergel		X							
<i>Tom Jones</i> Henry Fielding/Rogers			X						
<i>Trip to Bountiful</i>Horton Foote		X							
<i>Trojan Women</i>Euripedes						X			
<i>Top Dog/Underdog</i>Suzan Lori-Parks				X					
<i>True West</i>Sam Shepard		X							
<i>Twelfth Night</i>Shakespeare									X
<i>Uncle Tom's Cabin</i> Harriet Beecher Stowe			X						
<i>Waiting for Godot</i>Samuel Beckett				X					
<i>Way of the World</i> William Congreve								X	
<i>West Side Story</i> Laurents and Leonard Bernstein							X		
<i>Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?</i>Edward Albee		X							
<i>Wild Duck</i>Henrik Ibsen			X						
<i>Wit</i>Margaret Edson		X							
<i>Wiz</i>Brown and Smalls							X		
<i>Wizard of Oz</i> Baum							X		
<i>Wool Gatherer</i>Mastrosimone		X							
<i>Working</i> Turkel and Schwartz							X		
<i>Woyzeck</i>Georg Buchner			X	X					
<i>You Can't Take It With You</i> Kaufman and Hart	X								
<i>You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown</i> Gesner								X	
<i>Zoo Story</i> Edward Albee				X					