Pack the House:
Recommendations for Star-Quality Book Discussions

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Do not be afraid

It’s actually okay if you’re nervous
Title Choices:

Dare to be different - it’s okay to pick something offbeat!

Go with your gut: you know your group

You won’t always pick a winner

Talk to your colleagues
Our proven winners:

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Isabel Allende
Norwegian by Night
Derek B. Miller

The Secret Wisdom of the Earth
Christopher Scotton

Behold the Dreamers
Imbolo Mbue

What We Lose Between Us
Nayomi Munaweera

Girl at War
Sara Novic

Indiscretion
Kent Haruf

Plain-song

Michelle

A Man Called Ove
Fredrik Backman

To Kill a Mockingbird
Harper Lee

The Perfume Collector
Catherine Jinks

The Death Instinct
Jeffrey Archer

The Girl on the Train
Paula Hawkins

The Woman in Cabin 10
Ruth Ware
Moderating/Facilitating/Wrangling:

- Practice makes mostly perfect.
- Prep makes it easier to wrangle.
- Don’t be discouraged.
- Go with your gut.
- Respect!

Be prepared and
Keep it fun!
Thanks for joining us!
Our proven book discussion winners:

Carol Ann Tack, Reference Librarian, Merrick Library
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The Girl From the Garden by Parnaz Foroutan
Apple Tree Yard by Louise Doughty
The Silent Wife by A.S.A Harrison
Heft by Liz Moore
The Book of Unknown Americans by Cristina Henriquez
Indiscretion by Charles Dubow
Plainsong by Kent Haruf (Plainsong Trilogy)

Janet Schneider, Adult Programming Librarian, Peninsula Public Library
Japanese Lover by Isabel Allende
Norwegian by Night by Derek B. Miller
The Secret Wisdom of Earth by Christopher Scotton
Behold the Dreamers by Imbolo Mbue
What Lies Between Us by Nayomi Munaweera
Girl at War by Sara Novic
My Brilliant Friend Trilogy by Elena Ferrante

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A Man Called Ove by Frerik Backman
To Kill A Mockingbird by Harper Lee
The Perfume Collector by Kathleen Tesaro
The Death Instinct by Jed Rubenfeld
The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins
The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware

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