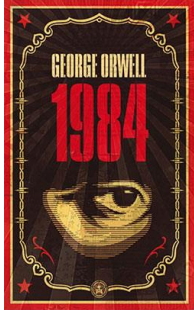


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Famous opening lines

See which grab your attention, create intrigue and make you want to read on.

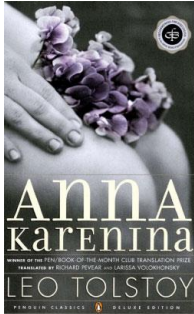
1984, George Orwell



It was a bright cold day in April, and the clocks were striking thirteen.

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Anna Karenina, Leo Tolstoy



All happy families are alike; each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way.

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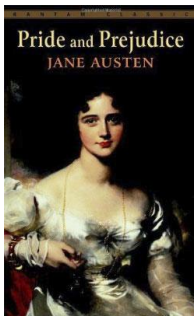
The Crow Road, Iain Banks



It was the day my grandmother exploded.

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Pride and Prejudice, Jane Austen

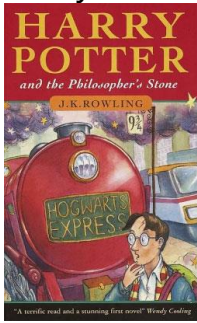


It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man in possession of a good fortune, must be in want of a wife.

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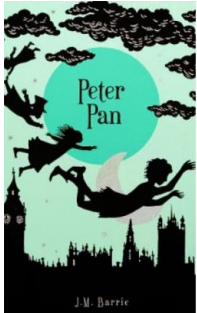
Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone, J.K. Rowling



Mr. and Mrs. Dursley of number four, Privet Drive, were proud to say that they were perfectly normal, thank you very much.

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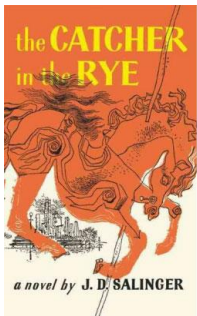
Peter Pan, J.M. Barrie



All children, except one, grow up.

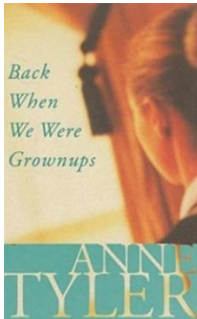
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The Catcher In The Rye, J.D. Salinger



If you really want to hear about it, the first thing you'll probably want to know is where I was born, and what my lousy childhood was like, and how my parents were occupied and all before they had me, and all that David Copperfield kind of crap, but I don't feel like going into it, if you want to know the truth.

Back When We Were Grownups, Anne Tyler



Once upon a time, there was a woman who discovered she had turned into the wrong person.

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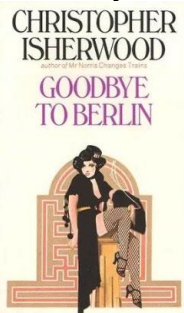
One Hundred Years of Solitude, Gabriel García Márquez



Many years later, as he faced the firing squad, Colonel Aureliano Buendía was to remember that distant afternoon when his father took him to discover ice.

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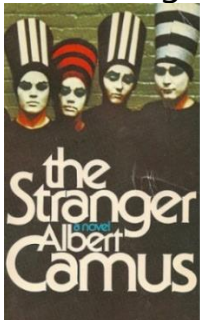
Goodbye to Berlin, Christopher Isherwood



I am a camera with its shutter open, quite passive, recording, not thinking.

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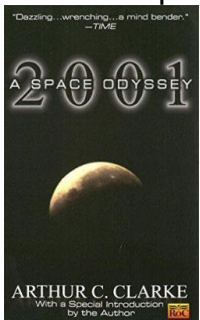
The Stranger, Albert Camus



Mother died today.

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2001: A Space Odyssey, Arthur C. Clarke



The drought had lasted now for ten million years, and the reign of the terrible lizards had long since ended.

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