

Books, websites, podcasts

OVERVIEW

When you begin to apply for apprenticeships, jobs and university courses, you will be competing for attention with a huge range of candidates.

Many of these will have similar qualifications to you. In order to make yourself stand out from the crowd, there are many things you can do, starting with improving your general knowledge and experience.

Here are some suggestions for websites, books and podcasts that can make you a better student, help distinguish you from others and increase your skills and abilities.



Don't forget, a 1% improvement every day builds to a 100% improvement over time.

GENERAL RESOURCES



 Free podcasts, video lectures, reading recommendations

 A whole range of resources from leading universities (Oxford, Yale)

https://itunes.apple.com/gb/genre/itunes-u/id40000000?mt=10



A website put together by University College, Oxford (our link

college at the University of Oxford). Contains interviews and book reviews from current students.

www.staircase12.org



An excellent range of archive material.

Recommended:

Week In

Westminster | Thinking Allowed | A History of the World | In Our Time

www.bbc.co.uk/radio4



Watch talks from experts in a variety of different fields.

www.ted.com



Read newspapers!

Some newspaper versions are free to read online.

Read more than one to develop your critical skill.



YouTube has its own educational channel featuring videos from a wide

variety of sources.

www.youtube.com/EDU



The Conversation has a wide range of articles on every subject.

www.theconversation.com

MOOCs Massive Open Online Courses

These online courses provide videos, reading lists and activities, you often don't need to formally complete the course.

FutureLearn

www.futurelearn.com

EdX

www.edx.org

Coursera

www.coursera.org

Websites of Professional Organisations

Royal Society of Chemistry

www.rsc.org

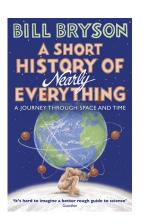
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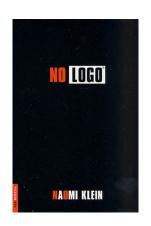
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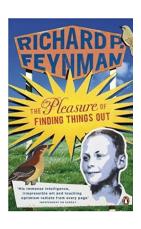


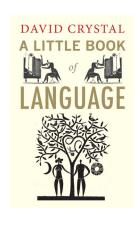
As you might expect, there are books on every subject, so here are just a few suggestions as a starting point. Not all of these are free, but check out local libraries while some are available as audio books.

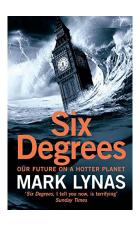
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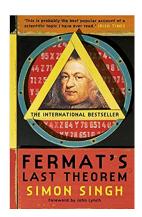


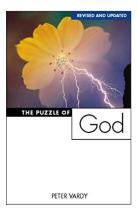


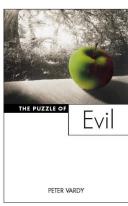


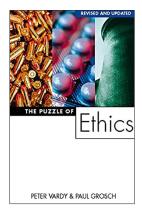


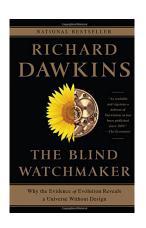


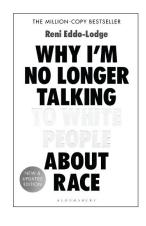






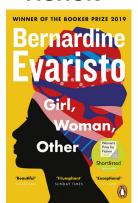




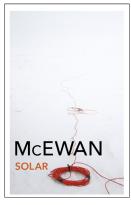


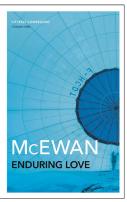


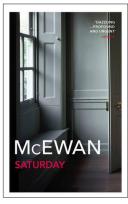
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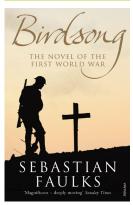




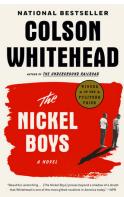


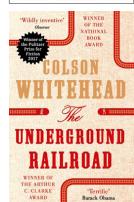








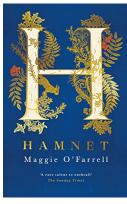


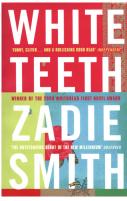


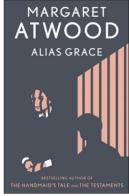
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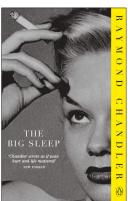
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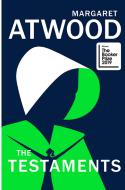
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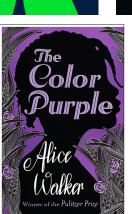








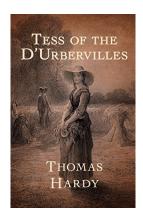


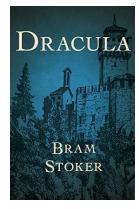


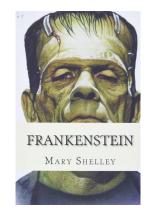


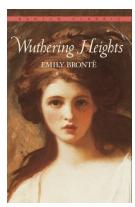


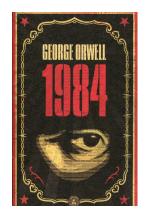
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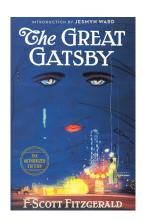


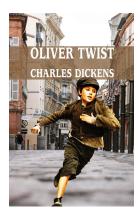




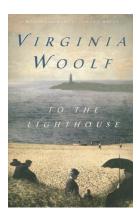


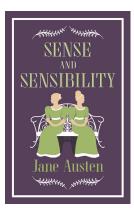


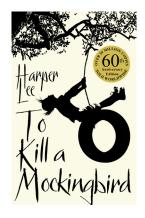


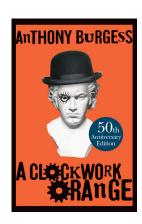








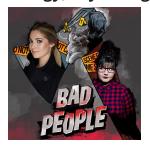






There are thousands of podcasts available for free on a huge range of subjects. Here are some suggested titles, available via Apple Podcasts, BBC Sounds, Google Play and Spotify.

Sociology, Psychology, History, Politics, Business























Sciences











Sport









Lifestyle, Mindfulness, General















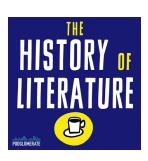


Arts









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