



Readers *are* Leaders



Nancy's Answers

AUDIO BOOKS SUGGESTIONS (Andrea's question)

- **Belgravia**, Julian Fellowes
- **The Cold, Cold Ground** (The Sean Duffy mystery series), Adrian McKinty (read/listen to series in order).
- Historical romances by Georgette Heyer, **The Grand Sophy, Sylvester, Frederica, Arabella**.
- Fantasy by Terry Pratchett. **Discworld** books, especially the ones set in Ankh-Morpork and featuring character Sam Vimes.

SUCCESSFUL BOOK CLUB TIPS (Breann's question)

- Look for books that stimulate questions/so much you want to know/so many questions.
- Ask everyone to come to the meeting with one question they would like discussed.
- Why is a book called what it is?
- Why did the author make or choose the decisions they did in writing the book?
- A great book club book is **The Sweet Hereafter**, by Russell Banks
 - 4 different narrators. why? What happened if he narrowed it down to one or two?
- Last question of the evening: What do you think about this book, now?

SOURCES FOR NEW BOOKS TO READ (Melissa's question)

- When reading reviews look for hints to kind of book it is, character driven or well written
- Ron Charles/Washington Post
 - <https://www.washingtonpost.com/people/ron-charles/>
 - has a book synopsis video series: <https://www.totallyhipvideobookreview.com/>
- Michael Dirda, Washington Post, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/people/michael-dirda/>

FIRST BOOK THAT MADE NANCY CRY (Ruth's question)

- Movie based on a book: *My Friend Flicka*, by Mary O'Hara
- Book: *Black Beauty*, by Anna Sewell
- *Beautiful Joe*, by Marshall Saunders

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