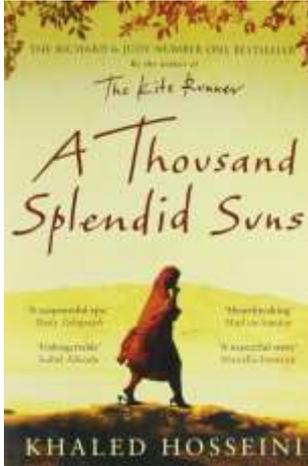


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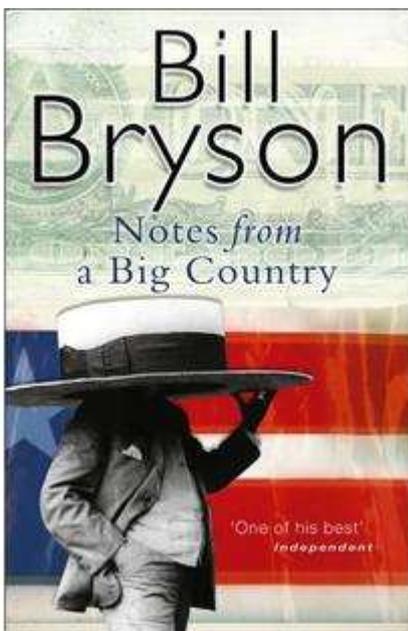
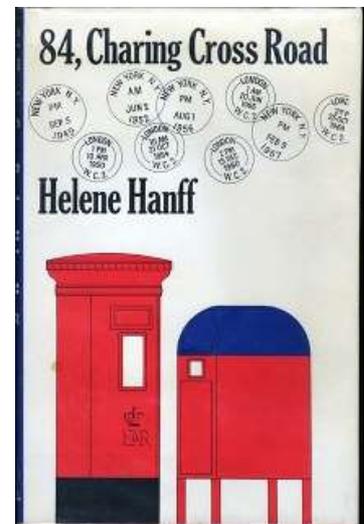


### ***A Thousand Splendid Suns*, by Khaled Hosseini.**

[\*A Thousand Splendid Suns\*](#) is a 2007 novel by Afghan author Khaled Hosseini, his second, following his bestselling 2003 debut, *The Kite Runner*. It focuses on the tumultuous lives of two Afghan women and how their lives cross each other, spanning from the 1960s to 2003. 384 pages.

### ***84, Charing Cross Road*, by Helene Hanff**

[\*84, Charing Cross Road\*](#) is a 1970 book by Helene Hanff, later made into a stage play, television play and film, about the twenty-year correspondence between her and Frank Doel, chief buyer of Marks & Co, antiquarian booksellers located in London. 240 pages.

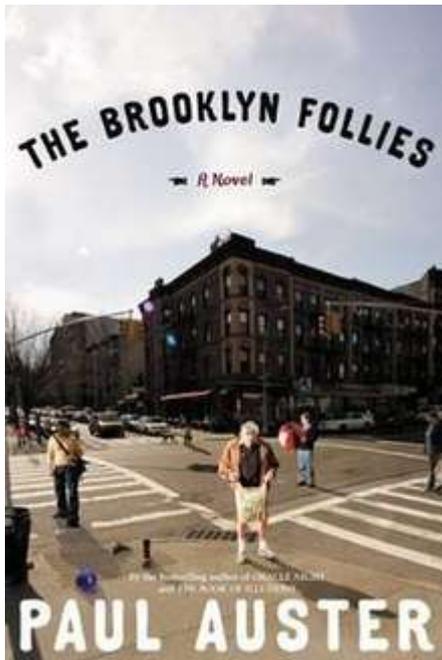
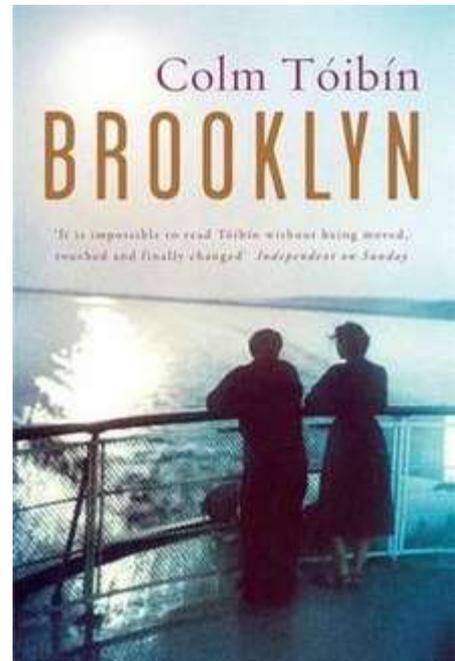


### ***Notes from a Big Country*, by Bill Bryson.**

[\*Notes from a Big Country\*](#) is a collection of articles written by Bill Bryson for *The Mail on Sunday* from 1996 to 1998. The book was published in 1998. When Bill Bryson returned to the USA he was asked to write a weekly column about what life was like in the big country. The results, combined here to make a book, are funny and insightful, making you snigger. Full of descriptions and statistics. 368 pages.

## ***Brooklyn***, by Colm Tóibín.

***Brooklyn*** is a 2009 novel by Irish author [Colm Tóibín](#). Eilis Lacey is a young woman who is unable to find work in 1950s Ireland. Because of this she emigrates to Brooklyn, New York and takes up a job in a department store while undertaking night classes in bookkeeping. Her initial experiences working in a boring job and living in a repressive boardinghouse, run by the strict Mrs Madge Kehoe, make her doubt her initial decision. Letters from Rose, her mother and her brother bring about severe homesickness. 256 pages.



## ***The Brooklyn Follies***, by Paul Auster.

***The Brooklyn Follies*** is a 2005 novel by Paul Auster. The 60-year-old Nathan Glass returns to Brooklyn after his wife has left him. He is recovering from lung cancer and is looking for "a quiet place to die". In Brooklyn he meets his nephew, Tom, whom he has not seen in several years. Tom has seemingly given up on life and has resigned himself to a string of meaningless jobs as he waits for his life to change. They develop a close friendship, entertaining each other in their misery, as they both try to avoid taking part in life. 320 pages.