# **RTC LIBRARY E-NEWSLETTER**

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#### Welcome to the May 2022 issue of RTC LIBRARY E-NEWSLETTER

In this issue: Recommended Reads: Fahrenheit 451, You Let Me In, The Tibetan Book of Living and Dying.

## Recommended Reads from the RTC community

### Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury.

Genre: Dystopian fiction and Political fiction

Theme: Knowledge vs Ignorance, Political rights, the future of technology, and censorship.

Imagine a library without books, staring at blank pages with the thoughts you cannot share.

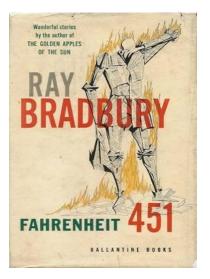
Fahrenheit 451 tells a story of a fireman in a dystopian future who transforms from a book-burning fanatic to a book- reading revolutionary. Guy Montag lives in an authoritarian society that strives to eradicate all sources of ambiguity, contradiction, and confusion in order to provide simple happiness to all of its residents. However, Montag discovers over the course of the novel that people in that small town are despondent and hollow. Radio ads and frivolous entertainments are continuously bombarding people in this world, leaving them no time to think for themselves or evaluate their own emotional expressions. As a result, people are becoming more selfish, pleasure-seeking, detached, and empty as a society. Montag, after his memorable encounter with the free-spirited Clarisse McClellan grows more conscious about the problems present in the society. This encounter leads to a series of climacteric events to unfold.

This book explores laborious themes associated with knowledge, ignorance, and censorship in a society of people that are told what to do, how to behave, and especially what to think. Nevertheless, it was most enjoyable as the author leaves the series of metaphors and symbols used open for interpretation for every

successive generation. The powerful allegories, imagery, and metaphors drive the whole novel and we are able to see the beautifully written work of Bradbury.

Moreover, this creepy classic brings a ground-breaking truth to the surface of the modern world and gives the readers plenty of ideas to ponder regarding our direction as a society.

Thank you Pema Yeshey BSc Environmental Management.



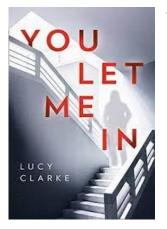
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### You Let Me In by Lucy Clarke.

Genre: Thriller/Mystery Language: English

You let me in was a great thriller read. It was really spine-chilling and I couldn't keep it down since I started reading it.

It is a story about Elle Fielding who an author is trying to publish her second book after the first one becomes a great hit. After she moves to Cornwell, things go downward and something makes her uneasy and paranoid.



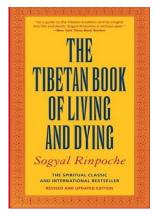
This book was a slow burn and the emotions and narrative evolved slowly provoking every sense of fear and anticipation. This twisted psychological thriller is a must read! I bet you will enjoy as much as I did.

Thank you Dechen Yeshi Lhamo BA Development Economics.

#### Tibetan Book of Living and Dying by Sogyal Rinpoche.

I don't know whether I'll be able to properly summarize this great book. I wonder whether I'll be able to disseminate the message the book intends to. I also doubt myself whether I can provide justice to my understanding after three rounds of reading was done. "Tibetan Book of Living and Dying" by Sogyal Rinpoche is one of the most popular books in our time, throughout the globe.

The book takes us closer to the glimpses of our lives. It talks about the daily task that we are engaged in.



It narrates about how ignorantly we destroy ourselves and others too. We create our own web of suffering. First we embrace and rejoice the fancy things that are around us. Then, we begin to get fed up and slowly when we realize this, it becomes too late for us. Too late to let it go and to do away the clinging. This completely breaks our hearts. However, in this book we can also find the

measures to adjust our way of living. There are lots of true anecdotes narrated (collected from around the world) to validate the events and circumstances.

Our quest of knowing unknown things drag us further into the pages of this book. Suddenly, we reach a point where we can't withstand ourselves against unforeseen things. Exhaustion envelops us, frustrations settle, and we become hopeless and helpless. We can't hold things for long and we weep regretfully. Eventually, we meet our tragic end, which we were never prepared of. This becomes our last page of life. But the book provides solutions. It assists us from drowning. It places a hope in our hearts in accepting the weird things. We tend to revive, have solace and then, respond to the final call happily.

Every day, we search for the true purpose in life and see if you can find one in this valuable book.

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## Wanted! Book reviews from Faculty, Staff, and Students

If you have read a good book and would like to contribute a review to the Library Newsletter, we would love to receive one from you. Tell us a little about the book and why you liked it in 250-500 words. If interested, send your review to gyanupradhan@rtc.bt or come by the library and see the library staff.

Thanks!!

YOU MUST TELL YOURSELF, "NO MATTER HOW HARD IT IS, OR HOW HARD IT GETS, I AM GOING TO MAKE IT...'-Les Brown.