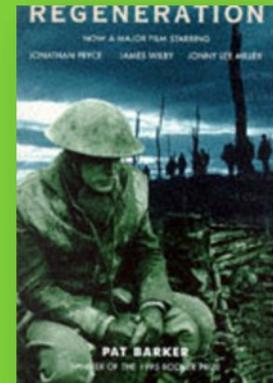


*Fiction is more than just story:
by reading books like the follow-
ing novels you will have a greater
understanding of the history you
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fore get higher grades.*

Here are just a few ideas of the great
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**Great Fiction for
Year 11
History GCSE
WW1**

Adult fiction – challenging reads

Regeneration by Pat Barker (first part of a trilogy)

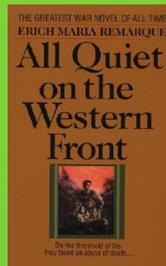
When Dr William Rivers treats a patient at a mental hospital who has spoken out against World War I, the relationship that develops between them makes them debate the logic of their respective positions. Thus the doctor questions the sanity of the war which is his duty to return his patients to.



All Quiet on the Western Front

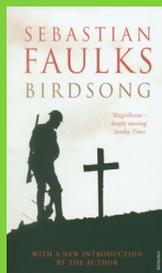
by Erich Maria Remarque

Paul Baumer enlisted with his classmates in the German army of World War I. Youthful, enthusiastic, they become soldiers. But despite what they have learned, they break into pieces under the first bombardment in the trenches. A thought provoking book.



Birdsong by Sebastian Faulks

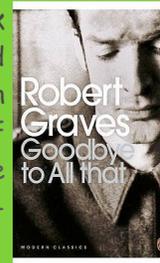
This is a stunningly realistic portrayal of a young man's experiences before and during WW1.



Goodbye to all that by Robert Graves

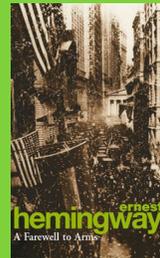
This is an autobiographical work that describes firsthand the vivid and harrowing war on the Western Front. It is a haunting evocation of the Great War's legacy and the enormous social change that followed.

A challenging, but brilliant read.



A Farewell to Arms by Ernest Hemingway

In 1918 Ernest Hemingway went to war, to the 'war to end all wars'. He volunteered for ambulance service in Italy, was wounded and twice decorated. Out of his experiences came A Farewell to Arms. Hemingway's description of war is unforgettable. He recreates the fear, the comradeship, the courage of his young American volunteer and the men and women he meets in Italy with total conviction. But *A Farewell to Arms* is not only a novel of war. In it Hemingway has also created a love story of immense drama and uncompromising passion.



Less Challenging books, but equally good

Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo

This is a deeply moving account of the horrors of the First World War by a young soldier. It's full of stunningly researched detail with an engrossing atmosphere,



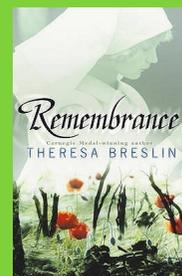
War Horse by Michael Morpurgo

Joey is a warhorse, but he wasn't always. Once, he was a farm horse and a gentle boy named Albert was his master. Then World War I came and now Joey has to drag heavy artillery, and carry wounded soldiers, not much older than Albert, off of a battlefields through the cold mud, whilst the guns are booming. A depiction of war through the eyes of a war horse.



Remembrance by Theresa Breslin

The destinies of two Scottish families, one of shopkeepers and one of wealth and power, become entwined through their involvement in World War I, social causes, and love.



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