

## Reading Selections in the Great Books Adult Series and Great Conversations Series

### Great Books Series I:

**Rothschild's Fiddle\*** Anton Chekhov; **On Happiness** Aristotle; **The Apology\*** Plato; **Heart of Darkness\*** Joseph Conrad; **Conscience** Immanuel Kant; **Alienated Labour** Karl Marx; **Genesis** Bible; **Civilization and Its Discontents** Sigmund Freud; **The Social Contract** Jean-Jacques Rousseau; **The Moral Sense of Man and the Lower Animals** Charles Darwin; **Othello\*** William Shakespeare; **Of Justice and Injustice** David Hume; **The Power of the Majority** Alexis de Tocqueville; **Individual Freedom** Georg Simmel; **Antigone\*** Sophocles

### Series 2

**The Crito\*** Plato; **The Virtues** John Dewey; **Iphigeneia at Aulis\*** Euripides; **Politics** Aristotle; **Notes from the Underground\*** Fyodor Dostoevsky; **Exodus** Bible; **Origin of Government** Thomas Hobbes; **Billy Budd, Sailor\*** Herman Melville; **Wealth of Nations** Adam Smith; **Antony and Cleopatra\*** William Shakespeare; **The Knight of Faith** Søren Kierkegaard; **The Persian Wars** Herodotus; **Of Civil Government** John Locke; **Gulliver's Travels** Jonathon Swift; **Civil Disobedience\*** Henry David Thoreau

### Series 3

**Habits and Will** John Dewey; **On Liberty** John Stuart Mill; **Hamlet\*** William Shakespeare; **The Gospel of Mark** Bible; **History of the Peloponnesian War** Thucydides; **What Is War?** Karl von Clausewitz; **Uncle Vanya\*** Anton Chekhov; **On Evil** Moses Maimonides; **The Iliad** Homer; **Principles of Government** Charles-Louis de Secondat de Montesquieu; **The Canterbury Tales** Geoffrey Chaucer; **Agamemnon\*** Aeschylus; **The Beast in the Jungle\*** Henry James; **The Prince** Niccolò Machiavelli; **The Death of Ivan Ilych\*** Leo Tolstoy

### Series 4

**The Indestructibility of Our Inner Nature** Schopenhauer; **Medea\*** Euripides; **The Spirit of Capitalism** Weber; **The Misanthrope\*** Molière; **The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire** Gibbon; **Job** Bible; **Utilitarianism** Mill; **Caesar and Cleopatra\*** Shaw; **The City of God** St. Augustine; **Symposium** Plato; **Of Experience\*** Montaigne; **Rameau's Nephew** Diderot; **The Tempest\*** Shakespeare; **The Federalist** Hamilton, Jay, Madison; **The Overcoat\*** Gogol;

### Series 5

**Ecclesiastes** Bible; **Oedipus the King\*** Sophocles; **On Dreams** Freud; **The Metamorphosis\*** Kafka; **Faust, Part One\*** Goethe; **First Principles of Morals** Kant; **A Simple Heart\*** Flaubert; **Of Personal Identity** Hume; **Thus Spoke Zarathustra** Nietzsche; **The Inferno** Dante; **Reflections on the Revolution in France** Burke; **The Education of Henry Adams** Adams; **King Lear\*** Shakespeare; **On Tragedy** Aristotle; **The Republic** Plato

### Great Conversations I

**The Epic of Gilgamesh**; **Prometheus Bound** Aeschylus; **Of Friendship and Of Solitude** Michel de Montaigne; **Pensées\*** Blaise Pascal; **Self-Reliance** Ralph Waldo Emerson; **Out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking** Walt Whitman; **Democracy in America\*** Alexis de Tocqueville; **An Enemy of the People** Henrik Ibsen; **The Value of Science\*** Henri Poincaré; **Thoughts for the**

**Times on War and Death** Sigmund Freud; **The Secret Sharer** Joseph Conrad; **The Theory of the Leisure Class\*** Thorstein Veblen; **The Stages of Life** Carl Jung; **Tell Me a Riddle** Tillie Olsen; **Boys and Girls** Alice Munro

\*Indicates a complete work. All other selections are taken from longer works.