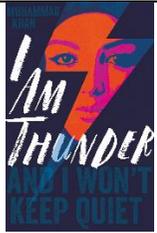
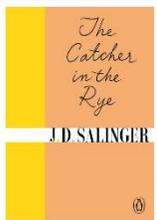
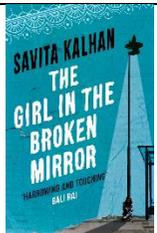
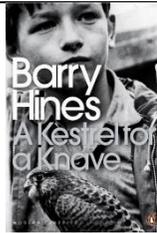
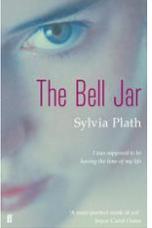
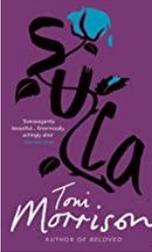
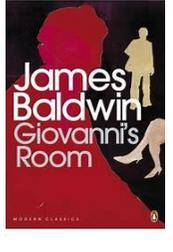
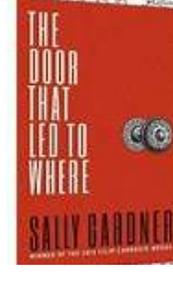


Orchard School Bristol – Reading and Registration

At Orchard, all students from Years 7 to Year 10 read every morning. The books have been chosen by staff from across the school and reflect our dynamic and culturally rich school. Here's a list of the books for Year 10, and a little bit about each one.

Year	Book Title and Author	Cover	What's it about?
10	<i>I am Thunder</i> by Muhammad Khan		This award-winning novel is all about standing up for what you believe. Fifteen-year-old Muzna Saleem is used to being invisible. So no one is more surprised than her when Arif Malik, the most handsome boy in school, takes a sudden interest in her. But Arif is hiding a terrible secret and, as they begin to follow a dark path, Muzna faces an impossible choice: keep quiet and betray her beliefs, or speak out and betray her heart.
10	<i>The Catcher in the Rye</i> by J.D. Salinger		An absolute classic of the 20 th Century! Set in the 1950s, and narrated by Holden Caulfield – arguably the most famous teenager of modern literature – <i>The Catcher in the Rye</i> takes readers on a journey into adulthood. Holden feels alienated from everybody around him, although some may feel that he's the cause of this. A beautiful book, which will stay with readers for life.
10	<i>The Girl in the Broken Mirror</i> by Savita Kalhan		This beautifully told novel, published in 2018, explores the themes of cultural identity, abuse, and family. Jay is an only child whose father died some years earlier. Her father believed that well educated girls could make successful independent lives. Now she has to move with her mother to her Aunt and Uncle's house where her cousins live.
10	<i>A Kestrel for a Knave</i> by Barry Hines		This beautiful, hauntingly sad book is a classic young adult read. Billy Casper, living in poverty in Yorkshire, is miserable at school and treated badly by his brother at home. Then he finds Kes, a kestrel hawk, and for a while, he finds happiness. Can it last?

10	<p><i>The Hunger Games</i> by Suzanne Collins</p>		<p>Many of our students will know The Hunger Games trilogy from the films – but the books were here first and they're incredible! Set in a dark vision of the near future, a terrifying reality TV show is taking place. Twelve boys and twelve girls are forced to appear in a live event called The Hunger Games. We have the rest of the Trilogy in the library to read after students have finished the first one!</p>
10	<p><i>Paper Towns</i> by John Green</p>		<p>From the author of <i>The Fault in Our Stars</i>, this wonderful, funny, and warm novel is joining the Year 10 reading choices. Quentin - 'Q' - has always loved Margo Roth Spiegelman. She's cool beyond cool and works to her own agenda in every area of life. When Margo goes missing, Q decides to solve the mystery of where she has gone. Our students will love this book and the rich and well-developed characters.</p>
10	<p><i>The Bell Jar</i> by Sylvia Plath</p>		<p>The Bell Jar is a modern classic. It's a semi-autobiographical work, tracing the story of a young, successful woman and her battle with depression. The Bell Jar follows the life of Esther Greenwood, who wins an internship on a New York fashion magazine. After the initial joy, and the socialising and high-life, her life starts to spiral out of control. This powerful novel helps us to consider society, mental health, and how external appearances do not always reflect what lies beneath.</p>
10	<p><i>Sula</i> by Toni Morrison</p>		<p>Toni Morrison was a prolific writer, editor and professor. Her novels are consistently beautiful and harrowing – and <i>Sula</i> is no exception. <i>Sula</i> tells the story of Nel and Sula, reunited after 10 years apart. After a childhood in the very poor, Black mid-West America, their lives have taken very different turns. When they meet again, issues of trust, loyalty and friendship arise.</p>

10	<p><i>So Long, See You Tomorrow</i> by William Maxwell</p>		<p>This classic novel was featured as one of the BBC's '100 Novels that Changed the World'. William Maxwell is a world-famous author who writes about small-town life in the American Midwest. <i>So Long, See You Tomorrow</i> is the tragic tale of two tenant farmers, whose intertwined lives lead to jealousy, anger and terrible consequences.</p>
10	<p><i>Giovanni's Room</i> by James Baldwin</p>		<p>James Baldwin's modern classic, <i>Giovanni's Room</i>, is new to our reading lists this year. It tells the tale of an American man residing in Paris who struggles with his feelings and relationships with other men. <i>Giovanni's Room</i> deals with the complexities of relationships when lies and deceit creep in. As the mistrust erodes all that is precious, the tale turns to tragedy and the reader is left with the pain and anguish of a love gone bad.</p>
10	<p><i>The Door that Led to Where</i> by Sally Gardner</p>		<p>From the author of <i>Maggot Moon</i>, this fast-paced mystery novel will have our students gripped. <i>The Door that Led to Where</i> tells the story of 16-year-old AJ Flynn. AJ holds a key with his name and date of birth on it. He finds a door – and it leads to a different world; a different era with sickness, murder and crime. AJ sets about solving the mystery and working out where he belongs.</p>