

UPSC English Literature Optional

List of English Literature books for IAS exam:

Introduction to English Literature by W. H Hudson
The Routledge History of Literature in English
A short History of English Literature (Pramod K. Nayar)
King Lear- William Shakespeare
The Tempest- William Shakespeare
Canonization- John Donne
Death be not proud- John Donne
The Good Morrow- John Donne
On his Mistress going to bed-John Donne
The relic- John Donne
Paradise Lost, I, II, IV, IX- John Milton
The Rape of the Lock- Alexander Pope
Ode on Intimations of Immortality- William Wordsworth
Tintern Abbey-William Wordsworth
Three years she grew-William Wordsworth
She dwelt among untrodden ways-William Wordsworth
Michael-William Wordsworth
Resolution and Independence- William Wordsworth
The World is too much with us-William Wordsworth

Milton, thou shouldst be living at this hour-William Wordsworth
Upon Westminster Bridge-William Wordsworth
Gulliver's Travels-Jonathan Swift
Pride and Prejudice-Jane Austen
Tom Jones-Henry Fielding
Hard Times- Charles Dickens
The Mill on the Floss-George Eliot
Tess of the d'Urbervilles- Thomas Hardy
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn- Mark Twain
Easter 1916- William Butler Yeats
The Second Coming-William Butler Yeats
A Prayer for my daughter-William Butler Yeats
Sailing to Byzantium-William Butler Yeats
The Tower-William Butler Yeats
Among School Children-William Butler Yeats
Leda and the Swan-William Butler Yeats
Meru-William Butler Yeats
Lapis Lazuli-William Butler Yeats
The Lovesong of J. Alfred Prufrock- T. S. Eliot
Journey of the Magi-T. S. Eliot
Burnt Norton-T. S. Eliot

Partition- W.H. Auden
Musee des Beaux Arts-W.H. Auden
In Memory of W.B. Yeats-W.H. Auden
Lay your sleeping head, my love-W.H. Auden
The Unknown Citizen-W.H. Auden
Consider-W.H. Auden
Mundus ET Infans-W.H. Auden
The Shield of Achilles-W.H. Auden
Look In Anger-John Osborne
Waiting for Godot-Samuel Beckett
Next- Philip Larkin
Please-Philip Larkin
Deceptions-Philip Larkin
Afternoons-Philip Larkin
Days-Philip Larkin
Bleaney-Philip Larkin
Looking for a Causim on a Swing-A.K. Ramanujan
A River-A.K. Ramanujan
Of Mothers, among other Things-A.K. Ramanujan
Love Poem for a Wife 1-A.K. Ramanujan
Small-Scale Reflections on a Great House-A.K. Ramanujan

Obituary-A.K. Ramanujan
Lord Jim-Joseph Conrad
Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man-James Joyce
Sons and Lovers-D.H. Lawrence
A Passage to India- E.M. Forster.
Mrs Dalloway- Virginia Woolf.
Kanthapura-Raja Rao
A House for Mr. Biswas- V.S. Naipal

