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List of Important Books And Authors for CLAT 2022

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CLAT expects you to have knowledge regarding both Indian and World literature, under the Static GK portion. In this respect, you are not expected to be aware of the storylines of each and every book. Knowing the names of the most prominent books and authors of those books would be adequate. Here we have compiled for you a list of books and authors of these books. By the time you sit for CLAT, you should know each one of these pairs by heart.

Remember that this knowledge will not only help you crack CLAT but greatly increase your cultural awareness and aid you when you are participating in quizzes and debates.

For your convenience, we have divided this list into various heads. Keep in mind that the list is not exhaustive and only an indicative one; it will be updated as and when required. Feel free to add your own books and authors pairs to it.

ANCIENT

1) Antigone-Sophocles
2) Arthashastra-Kautilya
3) Ashokavadana- Buddhist monks of the Mathura region
4) Brihaddeshi- Matanga Muni
5) Buddha Charitam-Ashwaghosha
6) Geet Govinda-Jaya Deva
7) Harshacharita-Banabhatta
8) Illiad-Homer 9) Natya Shastra-Bharata Muni
10) Indica-Megasthenes

11) Kamsutra-Vatsayan
12) Kathasaritsagar- Somdeva
13) Kumar Sambhava-Kalidas
14) Lysistrata-Aristrophanes
15) Mahabharata- Valmiki
16) Malikagnimitra-Kalidas
17) Manusmriti-Manu
18) Medea-Euripides
19) Meghdoot-Kalidas
20) Mrichchakatikam-Shudraka
21) Mudra Rakshasa-Vishakha Datta
22) Nagananda-Harshavardhana
23) Odyssey-Homer
24) Oedipus rex-Sophocles
25) Oresteia-Aeschylus
26) Panchatantra- Vishnu Sharma
27) Priyadarsika- Harshavardhana
28) Raghuvansha-Kalidas
29) Rajtarangini-Kalhana
30) Ramayana- Ved Vyas
31) Ratnavali-Harshavardhana
32) Shatapatha Brahmana-Yajnavalkya
33) The Bacchae-Euripides

34) Yoga Sutra- Patanjali

MEDIEVAL INDIA

1) A Voyage to East India-Thomas Roe
2) Akbarnama-Abul Fazl
3) Baburnama- Babur
4) Book of Durate Barbosa- Duarte Barbosa
5) Book of Sir Marco Polo- Marco Polo
6) Burkan-i-Maasir- Saiyaad Ali Tabtaba
7) Chua-Fan Char- Chonjukua
8) Fatwa-i-Jahandari-Ziauddin Barni
9) Futuhat-i-Alamgiri- Ishwar Das Nagar
10) Futuhat-i-Ferozshahi-Ferozshah Tughlaq
11) History of the late Rebellion in the State of the great Mughal-Francois Bernier
12) Humayanama- Ghiyasuddin Mohammad
13) Humayun Nama-Gulbadan
14) Insha-i-Mahru- Ainul-ul-Mulq Multani
15) Kitab-ul-Hind-Al Beruni
16) Kitab-ul-Rehala- Ibn Batuta
17) Maasir-e-Alamgiri- Mohammad Saqi Mustaid Khan
18) Maasir-e-Apm- Mirza Mohammad Qazwini
19) Mirat-i-Ahmadi- Diwan Ali Mohammad bin Khan
20) Mirat-i-Sikandari-Sikandar bin Mohammad Manju

21) Murujul Jahab- Al Masudi
22) Narrative of Domingo Paes- Domingo Paes
23) Padshahnama- Abdul Hamid Lahori
24) Raj Tarangini-Kalhan
25) Shahjahannama- Inayat Khan
26) Storio Dor Mogor- Manucci
27) Tabkat-i-Akbari- Khwaja Nizamuddin Ahmed Harvi
28) Tabkat-i-Nasiri- Minhanjus Siraj
29) Tajkirat-ul-Muluk- Rafiuddin Shiraz
30) Tarikh-i-Alfi- Abdul Qadir Badayuni
31) Tarikh-i-Feroz shahi-Ziauddin Barni
32) Tarikh-i-Khafi Khan- Mohammad Hashim Khafi Khan
33) Tarikh-i-Mubarak Shahi- Yahya Abdullah Sarhindi
34) Tarikh-i-Shershahi- Abbas Khan Sherwani
35) The Itinerary of Ludouico de Verthema- Ludouico de Verthema
36) The Voyage of John Hughen Von Linschotten-John Linschotten
37) Trarikh-I-Farishta- Mohammad Qasim Hindu Shah Astarabadi
38) Travels in India- Jean Baptist Tavernier
39) Travels in the Mogul Empire-Francois Bernier
40) Tughlaq Nama-Amir Khusrau
41) Tujuk-i-Jahangiri- Jahangir

In case you are interested in knowing more about some of these books and their authors, please consult *Pratiyogita Darpan Extra Issue Series 16-Indian History-Medieval India*

MEDIEVAL EUROPE (1500 AD-1900 AD)

1.Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland-Lewis Caroll
2.Around the World in Eighty Days-Jules Verne
3. Dracula-Bram Stoker
4. Frankenstein-Mary Shelley
5. Great Expectations-Charles Dickens
6.Gulliver’s Travels-Jonathan Swift
7.Huckleberry Finn-Mark Twain
8.Ivanhoe- Walter Scott
9.Jane Eyre-Charlotte Bronte
10.Les Propheties-Nostradamus
11.Little Women-Louisa May Alcott
12.Macbeth-William Shakespeare
13.Merchant of Venice-William Shakespeare
14.Moby Dick-Herman Melville
15.Paradise Lost-John Milton
16.Pride and Prejudice-Jane Austen
17.Romeo Juliet-William Shakespeare
Sense and Sensibility-Jane Austen
18.Silas Marner-George Elliot
19.Tess of the D’Ubervilles-Thomas Hardy
20.The Picture of Dorian Gray-Oscar Wilde
21.The Wonderful Wizard of Oz-L. Frank Baum

22.Three Men in a Boat-Jerome.K.Jerome
23.Treasure Island- Robert Louis Stevenson
24.Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea-Jules Verne
25.Vanity Fair-William Makepeace Thackeray
26.Wuthering Heights-Emily Bronte

PRE INDEPENDENT INDIA

1.A Forgotten Empire (Vijayanagar)- Robert Sewell
2.A Gift to Monotheists-Raja Rammohan Roy
3.A Nation in the Making-S.N.Banerjee
4.Anand Math-Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay
5.Byomkesh Bakshi series-Saradindu Bandopadhyay
6.Debi Choudhurani-Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay
7.Devdas- Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay
8.Discovery of India-Jawaharlal Nehru
9.Ghulam Giri-Jyotibha Phule
10.Gitanjali-Rabindranath Tagore
11.Hind Swaraj-Mahatma Gandhi
12.Neeldarpan-Dinbandhu Mitra
13.Parineeta – Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay
14.Pather Panchali-Bibhutibhuson Bandopadhyay
15.Poverty and Un-British rule in India-Dadabhai Naoroji
16.Precepts of Jesus-Raja Rammohan Roy

17.Stree Purusha Tulana-Tarabai Shinde
18.Sultana’s Dream-Begum Rokeya Sakhawat Hossein
19.The Indian Struggle-Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose
20.The Spirit of Islam-Syed Amir Ali
21.Unhappy India-Lala Lajpat Rai
22.Untouchable-Mulk Raj Anand
23.Why am I an Atheist?-Bhagat Singh

MODERN

A Game of Thrones-George R.R.Martin
A History of Rome- Christian Matthias Theodor Mommsen
A Streetcar Named Desire-Tennessee Williams
A Suitable Boy-Vikram Seth
Animal Farm-George Orwell
Atonement-Ian McEwan
Black Beauty-Anna Sewell
Dear John-Nicholas Sparks
Dubliners-James Joyce
Famous Five series-Enid Blyton
Feluda series-Satyajit Ray
Flood of Fire-Amitav Ghosh
Go Set a Watchman-Harper Lee
Gone Girl-Gillian Flynn

Half Girlfriend-Chetan Bhagat
Harry Potter series-J.K.Rowling
I Too Had a Love Story-Ravinder Singh
Ignited Minds-A.P.J.Abdul Kalam
James Bond series-Ian Fleming
Lady Chatterley’s Lover-Chester Brown
Lolita-Vladimir Nabokov
Mary Poppins-P.L.Travers
Matilda-Roald Dahl
Midnight’s Children-Salman Rushdie
Nostromo-Joseph Conrad
Old Man and the Sea-Ernest Hemmingway
One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest-Ken Kesey
One Hundred Years of Solitude-Gabriel Garcia Marquez
Peter Pan-J.M.Barrie
Q&A-Vikas Swarup
Rebecca-Daphne du Maurier
Sherlock Holmes-Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
Tarzan of the Apes-Edgar Rice Burroughs
The Alchemist-Paulo Coelho
The Bell Jar-Sylvia Plath
The Cask of Amontillado-Edgar Allan Poe
The Chronicles of Narnia-C.S. Lewis

The Cuckoo’s Calling-Robert Galbraith (J.K.Rowling)
The Da Vinci Code-Dan Brown
The Diary of a Young Girl-Anne Frank
The Doomsday Conspiracy-Sidney Sheldon
The Firm-John Grisham
The God of Small Things-Arundhati Roy
The Great Gatsby-F. Scott Fitzgerald
The Great Indian Novel-Shashi Tharoor
The Host-Stephenie Meyer
The Kiterunner-Khaled Hosseini
The Lord of the Rings-J.R.R. Tolkien
The Maneater of Malgudi-R.K.Narayan
The Metamorphosis-Franz Kafka
The Mysterious Affair at Styles-Agatha Christie
The Namesake-Jhumpa Lahiri
The Oath of the Vayuputras-Amish Tripathi
The Peacock Garden-Anita Desai
The Shining-Stephen King
The Sins of the Father-Jeffrey Archer
The White Tiger-Aravind Adiga
To Kill A Mockingbird-Harper Lee
Train to Pakistan-Khushwant Singh
War and Peace-Leo Tolstoy

Winnie the Pooh-A.A.Milne			
Wise and Otherwise-Sudha Murty			

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