

## How long will this take to finish?

Average reading speed:  
**230 word/minute**

or

**13,800 words/hr.**

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Average Novel:  
**80,000 words**

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Average Novel:

---Reading Time---  
**05:48**

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*Animal Farm* by George Orwell  
(29,000 words)

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**02:06**

*The Goldfinch* by Donna Tart  
(240,000word)

---Reading Time---  
**17:24**

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# Shorter Reads

Here are some reading suggestions to help you complete your Summer Reading Bingo card!

**B**ooks come in all shapes and sizes. If you're attempting to complete multiple Bingos this summer, every book probably cannot be a doorstopper like *War & Peace* or *The Goldfinch*!

**H**ere are some shorter reads (around 200 pages) to help complete your next Bingo! Of course, just because the book is short, doesn't mean it's light!

#### Recent Short Reads

*This Census-Taker* / China Mieville  
*Ballad of Black Tom* / Victor LaValle  
*Waolf in the White Van* / John Darnielle  
*Security* / Gina Wohlsdorf  
*Cranberry Inn Christmas* / Beth Ehemann  
*Universal Harvester* / John Darnielle  
*Dream-quest of Vellitt Boe* / Kij Johnson  
*Killer Chef* / James Patterson  
*Coraline* / Neil Gaiman  
*Dept. of Speculation* / Jenny Offill  
*Annihilation* / Jeff VanderMeer  
*The Buddha in the Attic* / Julie Otsuka  
*The Sense of an Ending* / Julian Barnes  
*Who Will Run the Frog Hospital?* / Lorrie Moore  
*Bark* / Lorrie Moore  
*The Body Artist* / Don DeLillo  
*Train Dreams* / Denis Johnson  
*Time's Arrow* / Martin Amis  
*The Alchemist* / Paulo Coelho  
*In Calabria* / Peter Beagle  
*Silence* / Debra Web

#### Concise Classics

*Animal Farm* / George Orwell  
*The Old Man and the Sea* / Ernest Hemingway  
*The Metamorphosis* / Franz Kafka  
*Heart of Darkness* / Joseph Conrad  
*Candide* / Voltaire  
*Billy Budd* / Herman Melville  
*Ethan Frome* / Edith Wharton  
*Fahrenheit 451* / Ray Bradbury  
*The Time Machine* / H.G. Wells  
*The Stranger* / Albert Camus  
*The Hound of the Baskervilles* / Sir Arthur Conan Doyle  
*The Great Gatsby* / F. Scott Fitzgerald  
*Pnin* / Vladimir Nabokov  
*Invisible Cities* / Italo Calvino  
*Frankenstein* / Mary Shelley  
*Franny and Zooey* / J.D. Salinger  
*Of Mice and Men* / John Steinbeck  
*The Postman Always Rings Twice* / James M. Cain  
*Maltese Falcon* / Dashiell Hammett  
*Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* / Lewis Carroll.  
*Notes From Underground* / Fyodor Dostoyevsky  
*The End of the Affair* / Graham Greene  
*Cat's Cradle* / Kurt Vonnegut  
*The Bridge of San Luis Rey* / Thornton Wilder  
*War of the Worlds* / H.G. Wells  
*Quiet American* / Graham Green  
*Things Fall Apart* / Chinua Achebe  
*The Prince* / Niccolò Machiavelli.  
*Lord of the Flies* / William Golding  
*We Have Always Lived in the Castle*, Shirley Jackson  
*The Lover* / Marguerite Duras  
*Sula* / Toni Morrison  
*Charlotte's Web* / E.B. White.  
*The Outsiders* / S.E. Hinton.  
*The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*

by Robert Louis Stevenson  
*Mrs. Dalloway* / Virginia Woolf  
*The Crying of Lot 49* / Thomas Pynchon  
*The Ghost Writer*, Philip Roth  
*House Made of Dawn* / N. Scott Momaday  
*Siddhartha* / Hermann Hesse  
*Chronicle of a Death Foretold* / Gabriel Garcia Márquez  
*The Giver* / Lois Lowry  
*Call of the Wild* / Jack London

#### Short Nonfiction

*Black Like Me* / John Howard Griffin  
*Born on the 4th of July* / Ron Kovic  
*Farewell to Manzanar* / Jeanne Houston  
*Hiroshima* / John Hersey  
*Motorcycle Diaries* / Ernest Che Guevara  
*Between the World and Me* / Ta-Nehisi Coates  
*Night* / Elie Wiesel.  
*Steal Like an Artist* / Austin Kleon  
*The Gifts of Imperfection* / C. Brene Brown  
*The Lives of a Cell* / Lewis Thomas  
*Rarest of the Rare* / Diane Ackerman  
*Consider the Lobster and other essays* / David Foster Wallace  
*A Brief History of Time* / Stephen Hawking