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10 Things To Do Before Buying A Novel

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Summary:

Do you love reading fiction but often find yourself getting stuck reading the wrong novel? Th

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Article Body:

OK, you don't get much time to read novels anymore. You used to but that was another life. E

And when you go to the bookshop sometimes its hard not to be overwhelmed by the sheer number o

I've put together a checklist that with a little bit of preparation can help you wade through the sea of books and help you pick a surefire winner: a novel that will captivate YOU.

1. The best place to start is to look out in magazines, newspapers and online for book reviews
2. Ask friends for the best book they have read in the last few months or this year or the las
3. Ask the people behind the counter at your favourite bookshop what they enjoyed reading and
4. When you get the book in your hands look at the cover. Is it a catchy title? Does the cov
5. Turn it over and read the back. Does it still appeal? Do you only like reading modern bo
6. Look at the size of the book. I know this isn't something for the purists but if you don't
7. The next step is crucial. Read the opening ~ does it get you in straight off? Novels have
8. Has the author mentioned 10 characters and 5 different place names in the first 3 paragraph
9. Are there lots of long sentences or are they short and sharp? Lots of short sentences usua
10. If you still think the book in your hands is worthy, randomly flip open the book in 5 plac

If it all stacks up, buy it and enjoy. Just one more tip though. If it doesn't captivate you

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