



Moonglow: A Novel by Michael Chabon

A man bears witness to his grandfather's deathbed confessions, which reveal his family's long-buried history and his involvement in a mail-order novelty company, World War II, and the space program.

OTHER BOOKS BY MICHAEL CHABON:

The Mysteries of Pittsburgh (1988), *A Model World and Other Stories* (1991), *Werewolves in their Youth* (1999), *The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay* (2000)*, *Wonder Boys* (2002), *Summerland* (2002), *The Final Solution* (2004)*, *The Yiddish Policemen's Union* (2007)*, *Gentlemen of the Road* (2007)*, *Maps & Legends* (2008)*, *Manhood for Amateurs* (2009)*, and *Telegraph Avenue* (2012).*

READ-ALIKES:

The Adventures of Augie March by Saul Bellow*

Refusing to submit to specialization, Augie March wanders from job to job, experiencing life in its fullness.

All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

A blind French girl on the run from the German occupation and a German orphan-turned-Resistance tracker struggle with their respective beliefs after meeting on the Brittany coast.

The Angel of Losses by Stephanie Feldman*

When she discovers her grandfather's notebook, which is filled with stories of a miracle worker named the White Rebbe in league with the mysterious Angel of Losses, Marjorie embarks on a journey into the past to unlock the secrets he kept.

Everything is Illuminated by Jonathan Safran Foer*

Follows a young writer on his travels through Eastern Europe in search of the woman who saved his grandfather from the Nazis, and guided by his Ukrainian translator, he discovers a past that will resonate far into the future.

Here I Am by Jonathan Safran Foer*

A tale told over four tumultuous weeks in Washington, D.C., traces the fracturing of a family in crisis when the three sons of Jacob and Julia confront the paradoxes between the lives they think they want and the lives they are living.

The Clothes on Their Backs by Linda Grant*

A powerful story of family, love, and the hold the past has on the present. A woman, having endured unbearable loss, finds solace in the family secrets her estranged uncle reveals.

We Were the Lucky Ones by Georgia Hunter

A novel based on the true story of a Jewish-Polish family recounts how the Kurcs are scattered throughout the world by the horrors of World War II and fight respective hardships to survive, reach safety and find each other.

* Books available in the Gray Cultural & Learning Center at North Suburban Synagogue Beth El

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Not Me* by Michael Lavigne

When his father, a one-time stand-up comedian and humanitarian dedicated to international Jewish causes, is stricken with Alzheimer's, Michael Rosenheim begins to read about his father's life in some old journals, only to discover that the man he thought he knew had invented himself during the Second World War and hidden his dubious past.

The Street Sweeper* by Elliot Perlman

Working as a street cleaner at a large city hospital while searching for his estranged daughter, paroled felon Lamont forges an unlikely friendship with a dying man; while struggling professor Adam discovers wrenching historical recordings of victims of the Holocaust and pre-Civil Rights racism.

American Pastoral* by Philip Roth

A former athletic star, devoted family man, and owner of a thriving glove factory, Seymour "Swede" Levov finds his life coming apart during the social disorder of the 1960s, when his beloved daughter turns revolutionary terrorist out to destroy her father's world. See also: Operation Shylock

The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem* by Sarit Yishai-Levi

A sweeping novel set against the Golden Age of Hollywood, the dark days of World War II and the swingin' 70s follows generations of unforgettable women in Jerusalem as they forge their own paths through times of dramatic change.