

ADULT BOOK REVIEWS.

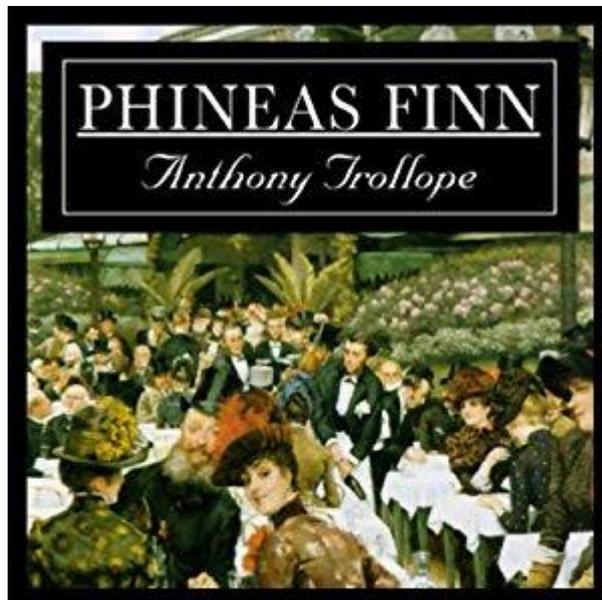
The adults in our school also love reading. We like to share stories or non-fiction books with one another and recommend authors whose work we have enjoyed.

Have a look at our book reviews you may see something that catches your interest that you would like to try.

Mr. Boland.

I have just finished reading **Phineas Finn by Anthony Trollope.**

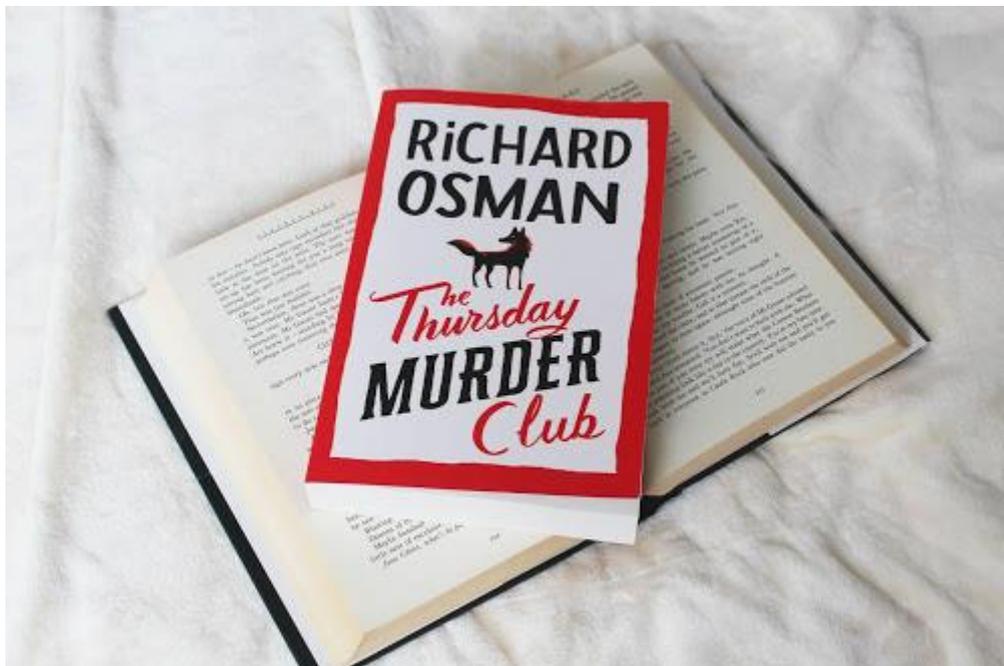
People say you choose between Trollope or Dickens as to which you prefer. Having read both, I can say I prefer Dickens. It was a long book and I enjoyed it and learned a lot about politics in England and Ireland in the late 1800's.



Mrs Cooper.

I recommend **The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman.**

4 friends living in a retirement home meet up once a week to investigate unsolved murders. Soon our 4 friends are investigating a murder right on their doorstep. This book is fun to read as it is not only hilarious in parts it also has a really clever plot and keeps you guessing right up until the very end. I love a good twist in the story!

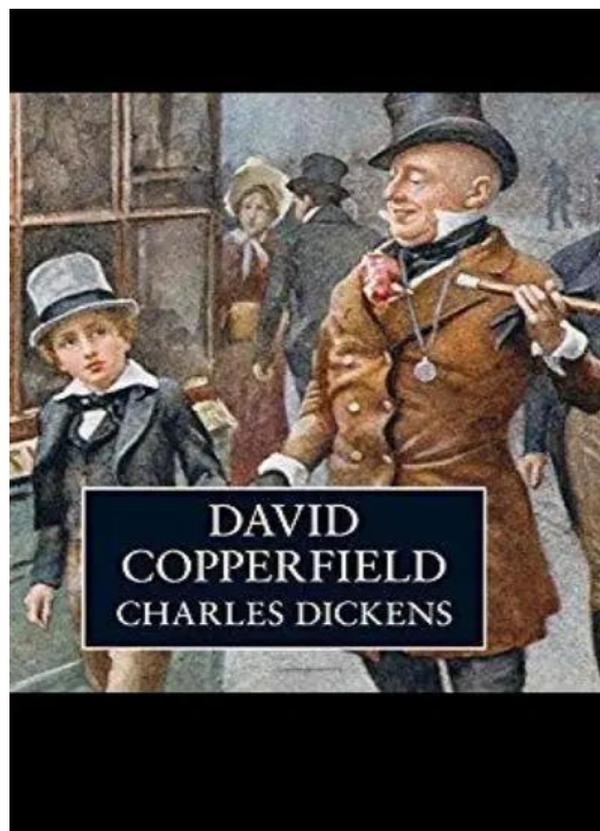


Mr. Magill.

Book review- **David Copperfield by Charles Dickens.**

What a fantastic book! I have been reading this over the past several months to my son, Rory (2), and Mrs Magill whilst Rory settles to sleep. I have loved it. The book follows the life of the protagonist, David Copperfield; it has many moments where I have laughed out loud and quite a few moments where I had to stop reading out loud for a second because I had started to cry.

As with any Dickens' novel, it was fantastically well-written. The detail included in each description, be it of character or setting is unbelievable. There were many a time where I had to reread a particular passage because it was just so well-written. Again, one of Dickens' strengths is that every character that is introduced or every plot thread is returned to at some point within the book and I found this satisfying. You find yourself really caring for David and the other characters around him.

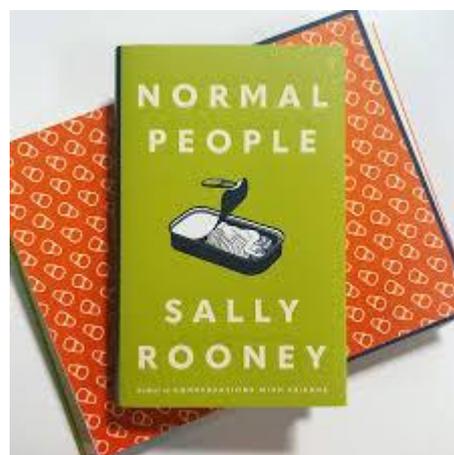


I would recommend this book to those who have built up a stamina to read and enjoy a really good story to get stuck into. Do not worry that it is a long book, I read about 6-10 pages a night and still thoroughly enjoyed it.

If you like the sound of this but think it is a bit too long to start with, why not try 'A Christmas Carol'? It is well known but I think you will love Dickens' writing style all the same.

Mrs Wright.

I have just read **Normal People by Sally Rooney**. I loved how well it was written and how the characters developed, following the lives of two young people during their university years. It was also made into a series which very closely followed the book, this was a refreshing change.



Mr Craig.

I enjoy reading historical fiction loosely based on fact. At the moment I am enjoying reading books by the author **Conn Iggulden**.

I have read his series of books on Ancient Rome and Genghis Khan, stories fabricated around historical events.

Currently, I am reading **The Falcon of Sparta** which is enjoyable to read both as a story and for learning new facts about the times it is written in. I would highly recommend this author to anyone interested in history.

