**Text Suggestions for Level 2 - Year 12 Novels**

**FICTION Author Theme**

A Swift Pure Cry Dowd, Siobhan Teenage pregnancy, poverty, grief, lies, secrets

A Thousand Splendid Suns Khaled Hosseini abuse, belonging, prejudice,

A Time To Kill John Grisham *(author)* justice, revenge, tolerance, racism

Bad Luck and Trouble Lee Childs *(author)* crime, justice, mystery, murder,

Banquo’s Son Roxborogh T. K *(series)* revenge, betrayal, loyalty, love, obligations

Before I die Downham, Jenny terminal illness,

Break no bones Reichs, Kathy *(author)* Crime, murder, mystery,

Chalkline Mitchell, Jane child soldiers, violence,

Come Clean Paddock, Terri addiction, bullying, friendship, abuse, grief, corruption

Compulsion Tania Roxborogh (NZ)

Cuckoo in the Nest Michelle Magorian prejudice parent / child relationships

Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time Mark Haddon disability, autism, family relationships,

Death Du Jour Reichs, Kathy *(author)* Crime, murder, mystery,

heroine, Identity, belonging, courage, corruption, dystopia, prejudice,

Dune HERBERT, Frank Science Fiction,

Ender's game Orson Scott Card dystopia, deception, hero, war,

Falling Anne Provost

Game of Thrones Martin, George cruelty, death, war, politics, magic, mystery, romance,

Genesis Bernard Beckett (NZ) Apocalyptic, deception,

The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo Larsson, Steig murder, crime, serial killer, thriller, heroine,

In my Father's Den Maurice Gee (NZ) murder, religion, mental illness, violence,

Lovely Bones Alice Sebold supernatural, justice, murder,

Mice Reece, Gordon, Bullying, murder, revenge,

My Sister's Keeper Jodi Picoult *(author)* organ donor, court case, deception,

Nothing to lose Lee Childs *(author)* suspense, conspiracy, hero, justice,

Out of shadows Wallace, Jason colonialism, historical, racism, political, bullying,

Persuader Lee Childs *(author)* crime, suspense, drugs, murder, justice,

Red cliff Beckett, Bernard (NZ) belonging, identity, peer pressure,

Shadow Girl Larking, John survival, child abuse, runaway, courage, homeless, street kid,

Smashed Mandy Hagar (NZ)

Snow Falling on Cedars Guterson, David war, prejudice, justice, Murder, mystery, love

The Book Thief Marcus Zusak Holocaust, growing up, survival

Stoner and Spaz Ron Koertg disabilities, friendship, drugs abuse,

The Crossing Hager, Mandy dystopia, survival, control, deception

The Crush Scot Monk

The Davinci Code Brown, Dan *(series and author)* Mystery, intrigue, religion,

The Hard Way Lee Childs *(author)* crime, justice, hero, murder, kidnapping,

The Horse Whisperer Nicholas Evans survival, rescue, healing

The Innocent Posie Graeme-Evans *(series)* love, honour, deception,

The Kite Runner Khaled Hosseini redemption, tolerance, cruelty, rescue, betrayal, prejudice

The Pesthouse Grace, Jim survival, dystopia, plague,

The Quickie Patterson, John revenge, murder, thriller, suspense, adultery, crime

The Raging Quiet JORDAN, Sheryl (NZ) prejudice, tolerance, cruelty, hope, disabilities,

The Road Cormack McCarthy survival, parent/child relationships, hope

The Strain Hogan, Chuck horror, plague, murder, survival,

To Kill a Mockingbird Harper Lee court case, racism, justice,

Tripwire Lee Childs *(author)* crime, hero, revenge, justice, murder, mystery

**NON FICTION – Biographies, Level 2 - Year 12 Author Theme**

Angela's Ashes Frank McCourt poverty, prejudice,

Bent not broken Lauren Roche (NZ) runaway, abuse, addiction, ambition,

Bite of the Mango Kamara, Mariatu et al. courage, resilience, hope, war, amputee, survival

Chinese Cinderella : The story of an unwanted daughter Mah, Adeline Yeh abandonment, ambition, belonging,

Desert Flower Waris Dirie – *(series)* runaway, ambition, survival, hope

Into the wild Jon Krakauer survival, belonging

Laff A Friendship John Boyle friendship,

Sickened Julie Gregory illness, deception,

Sleepers Carcaterra, Lorenzo child abuse, revenge, friendship,