

# Famous Philosopher: 10 Books EVERYONE Should Read

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Several years ago, in a speech at Highlands Latin School in Louisville, Kentucky, he recommended ten books everyone should read. They were written by two saints (one of whom was a philosopher), two philosophers (one of whom was a saint), four poets (one of whom was also a dramatist), one mathematician (the maximum number allowed), and one novelist. And one author appears twice because he is the greatest: Homer.

Here they are:

- 1) [\*The Iliad\*](#) and [\*Odyssey\*](#), by Homer
- 2) Plato's [\*Dialogues\*](#)
- 3) [\*The Aeneid\*](#), by Virgil
- 4) [\*The Confessions\*](#), by St. Augustine
- 5) The [\*Summa Theologica\*](#), by St. Thomas Aquinas
- 6) [\*The Divine Comedy\*](#), by Dante
- 7) Shakespeare's [\*plays\*](#)
- 8) The [\*Penseés\*](#), by Pascal
- 9) [\*The Brothers Karamazov\*](#), by Dostoevsky
- 10) [\*The Lord of the Rings\*](#), by J. R. R. Tolkien

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