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## Global Reading: Germany

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DB16547 *Steppenwolf* by Hermann Hesse (literature)

Harry Haller, considering himself half man, half wolf of the steppes, embodies the conflict between spirit and nature. An indictment of Germany between the two World Wars. Nobel Prize 1946.

DB75604 *Every Man Dies Alone* by Hans Fallada (historical fiction)

Berlin, World War II. Blue-collar Anna and Otto Quangel quietly oppose the Nazi party after the Quangel's only son is killed on the front. Then neighbors begin turning each other in to the Gestapo. Based on a true story. Violence and strong language. 1947.

DB54896 *All Quiet On The Western Front* by Erich Maria Remarque (classic)

Classic World War I novel depicting the horrors and futility of armed conflict. Nineteen-year-old German private Paul Baumer relates the daily routine of ordinary soldiers in the trenches and tells how warfare affected him and his three classmates. Portrays young men who may have escaped bullets but were destroyed by their combat experience. 1929.

DB73646 *The Land Of Green Plums: A Novel* by Herta Müller (literature)

Romania. A group of young people move to the city, hoping to improve their prospects. But the oppression of the totalitarian state is pervasive and betrayal is rife. Translated from German. Includes Müller's 2009 Nobel lecture. 1996.

DB33621 *Circe's Mountain* by Marie Luise Kaschnitz (short stories)

Twelve short stories are translated from their original German to create a sampler of this poet, novelist, and essayist's work. Some stories have an autobiographical basis, some are set in Italy--her second home, some share her concern with the inner lives of her characters, and all share a fascination with the connection between the living and the dead. 1990.

DB73283 Letters And Papers From Prison by Dietrich Bonhoeffer (nonfiction)  
German pastor and theologian's correspondence with his family and close friend (the book's editor Eberhard Bethge) during his incarceration by the Nazis from 1943 until his execution in 1945. Letters cover both personal and religious subjects revealing how closely Bonhoeffer's beliefs were interwoven into his life. 1971.

DB84024 Gut: The Inside Story Of Our Body's Most Underrated Organ  
by Giulia Enders (health)

Exploration of the human alimentary canal from end to end. Describes how the digestive system converts food to energy and waste. Discusses communication between the gut and the brain, acid reflux, gluten and lactose intolerance, and how the gut affects obesity and mood. Unrated. 2015.

DB97266 Blood Red Snow: The Memoirs Of A German Soldier On The Eastern Front  
by Gunter K. Koschorrek (biography)

The secret diary of a German soldier fighting in Hitler's army. Provides a day-to-day account of the common German soldier's experience. 1998.

DB92828 The Travel Diaries Of Albert Einstein: The Far East, Palestine & Spain,  
1922-1923 (travel) by Albert Einstein

Travel diary kept by Nobel Prize-winning physicist during his trip to East Asia, Palestine, and Spain from October 1922 to March 1923. Describes sights seen, people met, and thoughts on his experiences. Includes introduction placing it in its historical context. 2018.

DB81509 Ring Of Steel: Germany And Austria-Hungary In World War I  
by Alexander Watson (war, history)

A comprehensive analysis of the war efforts of the primary Central Powers, Germany and Austria-Hungary. Historian Watson draws on archival research to explain World War I from the perspectives of the nations that started and lost the war: Germany and Austria-Hungary. Violence. 2014.