

## Reading /Booklist

Reading sector publications such as LCR and The Clerk and on line research is important for keeping up to date while relevant books can also inspire innovative thinking and provide specialist knowledge.

Clerks can allocate a maximum of 6 pts in a 12 month period for relevant reading. When submitting a record of CPD pints Clerks should identify the publications that they have read and web-sites visited.

As a guide CPD points are self-allocated as shown.

	Points
Reading a text book ( suggestions include as below)	4
Reading all 6 editions of The Clerk or four editions of LCR	3
Researching Government policy on community rights	4
Reading a set of publications eg in preparing for a neighbourhood plan	6

### Book List

*(This list is not exhaustive or in any particular order. We welcome suggestions of books which should be added and which you feel are relevant and appropriate.)*

- Shackleton's Way: Leadership Lessons from the Great Antarctic Explorer** by Margot Morrell & Stephanie Capparell

Sir Ernest Shackleton has been called "the greatest leader that ever came on God's earth, bar none" for saving the lives of the twenty-seven men stranded with him in the Antarctic for almost two years. Today the public can't get enough of this once-forgotten explorer, and his actions have made him a model for great leadership and masterful crisis management. Now, through anecdotes, the diaries of the men in his crew, and Shackleton's own writing.
- Elizabeth I, CEO** by Alan Axelrod

This book reveals how the embattled monarch overcame daunting obstacles to win intense loyalty and lead England to greatness. 'Elizabeth I, CEO' will attract the leaders of today, the builders of contemporary empires, as well as history-lovers. The life of Elizabeth has much to say to those beginning their climb up the corporate ladder as well those who, having attained the top rung, do not want to slip from it. The queen's long reign offers lessons on; Developing a leadership attitude and image, enhanced by personal dynamism Becoming an effective coach and mentor, skilled at nurturing creativity Manipulating others - subtly and ethically Knowing and anticipating the 'enemy' Setting clear goals and motivating others to work to achieve them Most of all, the career of Elizabeth I is an example of vision, of creating vision, of communicating vision, and of realizing vision.
- The Lord of the Flies** by William Golding

Lord of the Flies remains as provocative today as when it was first published in 1954, igniting passionate debate with its startling, brutal portrait of human nature. Though critically acclaimed, it was largely ignored upon its initial publication. Yet soon it became a cult favourite among both students and literary critics who compared it to J.D. Salinger's The Catcher in the Rye in its influence on modern thought and literature. Labelled a parable, an allegory, a myth, a morality tale, a parody, a political treatise, even a vision of the apocalypse, Lord of the Flies has established itself as a true

classic. The classic tale of a group of English schoolboys who are left stranded on an unpopulated island, and who must confront not only the defects of their society but also the defects of their own natures.

4. **The Mistress of the Elgin Marbles** by Susan Nagle

The remarkable Mary Nisbet was the Countess of Elgin in Romantic-era Scotland and the wife of the seventh Earl of Elgin. When Mary accompanied her husband to diplomatic duty in Turkey, she changed history. She helped bring the smallpox vaccine to the Middle East, struck a seemingly impossible deal with Napoleon, and arranged the removal of famous marbles from the Parthenon. But all of her accomplishments would be overshadowed, however, by her scandalous divorce. Drawing from Mary's own letters, scholar Susan Nagel tells Mary's enthralling, inspiring, and suspenseful story in vibrant detail.

5. **Julius Caesar** by William Shakespeare

This is a tragedy by William Shakespeare, believed to have been written in 1599. It is one of several plays written by Shakespeare based on true events from Roman history, which also include *Coriolanus* and *Antony and Cleopatra*.

Although the title is *Julius Caesar*, Julius Caesar is not the most visible character in its action; he appears in only five scenes. Marcus speaks more than four times as many lines and the central psychological drama is his struggle between the conflicting demands of honour, patriotism and friendship

6. **The Iron Lady: Margaret Thatcher, from Grocer's Daughter to Prime Minister** by John Campbell and David Freeman

The book traces the life of Britain's only female Prime Minister, from her upbringing in Grantham to her unexpected challenge for leadership of the Conservative party to her eleven tumultuous years in Downing Street and her eventual removal from power. This is an extraordinary account of an extraordinary individual who changed the face of Britain; John Campbell portrays an ambitious and determined woman who started cautiously, grew in confidence after the Falklands War but became increasingly remote and domineering until she finally lost the trust of her colleagues.

7. **Look who's back by Timur Vermes,**

It is set in Berlin Summer 2011 Adolf Hitler wakes up on a patch of open ground alive and well. Things have changed no Eva Braun, no Nazi party, no war. Hitler barely recognises his beloved fatherland, it's filled with immigrants and run by a women!

People certainly recognise him albeit as a flawless impersonator, it takes you through his rise, becoming a YouTube star, he gets his own TV show and people listen! I am just starting it. It had good reviews in the times, daily express and Observer newspapers.

8. **Long Walk to Freedom: The Autobiography of Nelson Mandela** by Nelson Mandela

This is an autobiographical work written by South African President Nelson Mandela, and published in 1995 by Little Brown & Co. The book profiles his early life, coming of age, education and 27 years in prison. Under the apartheid government, Mandela was regarded as a terrorist and jailed on the infamous Robben Island for his role as a leader of the then-outlawed ANC. He has since achieved international recognition for his leadership as president in rebuilding the country's once segregated society. The last chapters of the book describe his political ascension, and his belief that the struggle continues against apartheid in South Africa

9. **I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban** by Malala Yousafzai

When the Taliban took control of northern Pakistan, one girl spoke out. Malala Yousafzai refused to be silenced and fought for her right to an education. At age 15, she almost paid the ultimate price. Shot in the head at point-blank range while riding the bus home from school, she was not expected to survive. Instead, Malala's miraculous recovery has taken her on an extraordinary journey from the Swat Valley in Pakistan to the halls of the United Nations in New York. She has

become a global symbol of peaceful protest and the youngest ever nominee for the Nobel Peace Prize. *I Am Malala* is the remarkable tale of a family uprooted by global terrorism, of the fight for girls' education, and of Malala's parents' fierce love for their daughter in a society that prizes sons. It will make you believe in the power of one person's voice to inspire change in the world

10. **Failure Is Not An Option: Mission Control from Mercury to Apollo 13 and Beyond** by Gene Kranz  
Gene Kranz was present at the creation of America's manned space program and was a key player in it for three decades. Kranz recounts these thrilling historic events and offers new information about the famous flights. What appeared as nearly flawless missions to the Moon were, in fact, a series of hair-raising near misses. When the space technology failed, as it sometimes did, the controllers' only recourse was to rely on their skills and those of their teammates. He reveals behind-the-scenes details to demonstrate the leadership, discipline, trust, and teamwork that made the space program a success.
11. **Factfulness: Hans Rosling**  
The stress-reducing habit of only carrying opinions for which you have strong supporting facts. Ten instincts that distort our perspective – and why things are better than you think. When we worrying about everything all the time instead of embracing a worldview based on facts, we can lose our ability to focus on the things that threaten us the most.
12. **Prisoners of Geography: Tim Marshall**  
All leaders are constrained by geography. Looks at the past, present and future to offer an essential insight into one of the major factors that determines world history. Putting the 'geo' into geopolitics.
13. **Sapiens: Yuva Noah Harari**  
Why did our foraging ancestors come together to create cities and kingdoms? How did we come to believe in gods, nations and human rights; to trust money, books and laws; and to be enslaved by bureaucracy, timetables and consumerism? And what will our world be like in the millennia to come? He explores how the currents of history have shaped our human societies, the animals and plants around us, and even our personalities. Have we become happier as history has unfolded? Can we ever free our behaviour from the heritage of our ancestors? And what, if anything, can we do to influence the course of the centuries to come?
14. **Homo Deus: Yuva Noah Harari**  
Famine, plague and war have been transformed from incomprehensible and uncontrollable forces of nature into manageable challenges. *Homo Deus* explores the projects, dreams and nightmares that will shape the twenty-first century--from overcoming death to creating artificial life. It asks the fundamental questions: Where do we go from here? And how will we protect this fragile world from our own destructive powers? This is the next stage of evolution.
15. **Bad Science: Ben Goldacre.**  
Although now a bit dated and primarily a critique of the reporting of medical and alternative theories, it does provide an enlightening overview of the misuse of statistics in journalism and government and the irrationality of mainstream media bias. It advises how to dig behind the headline and look at the basis and structure of so-called evidence based investigation and reports.