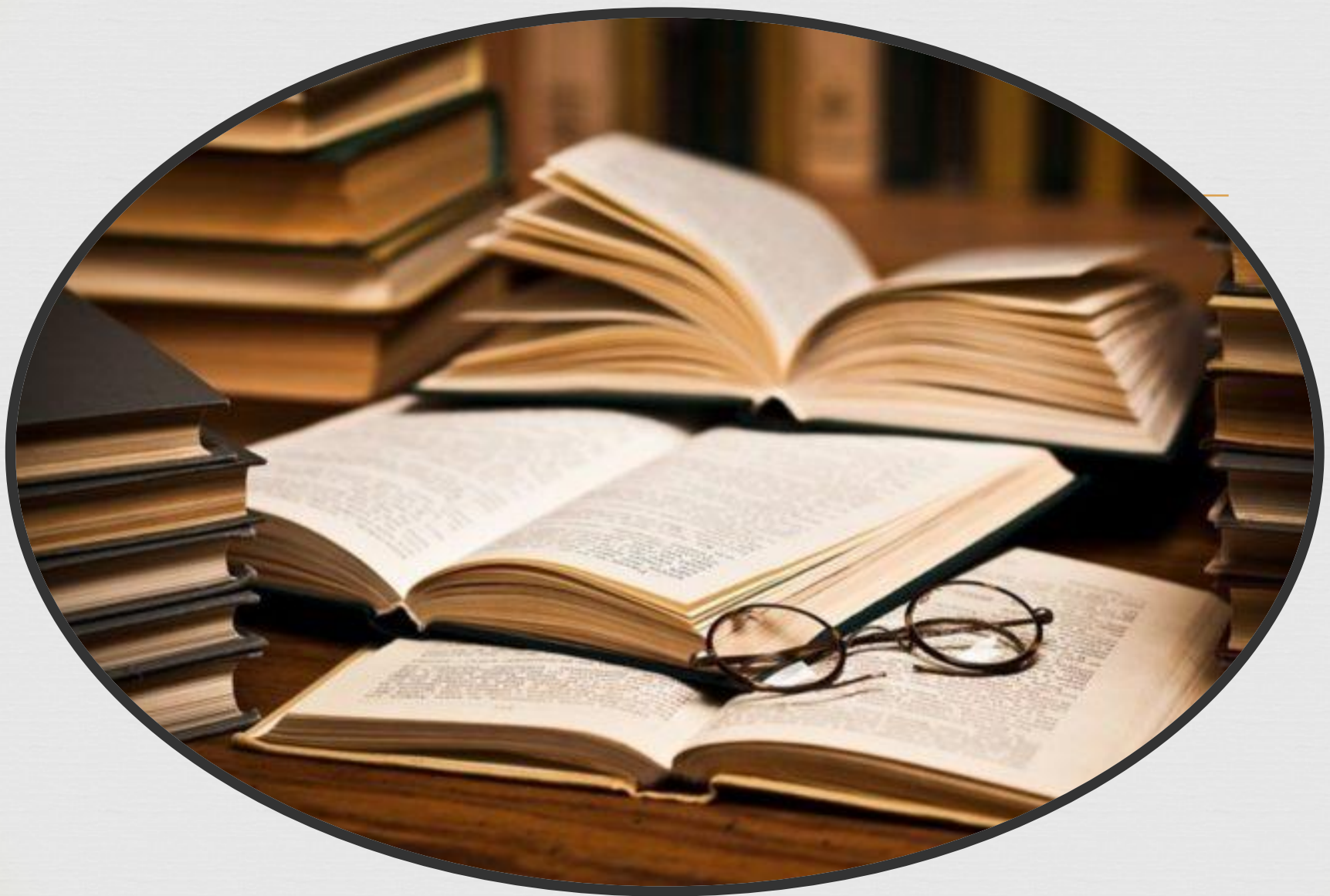


Books - Bestsellers

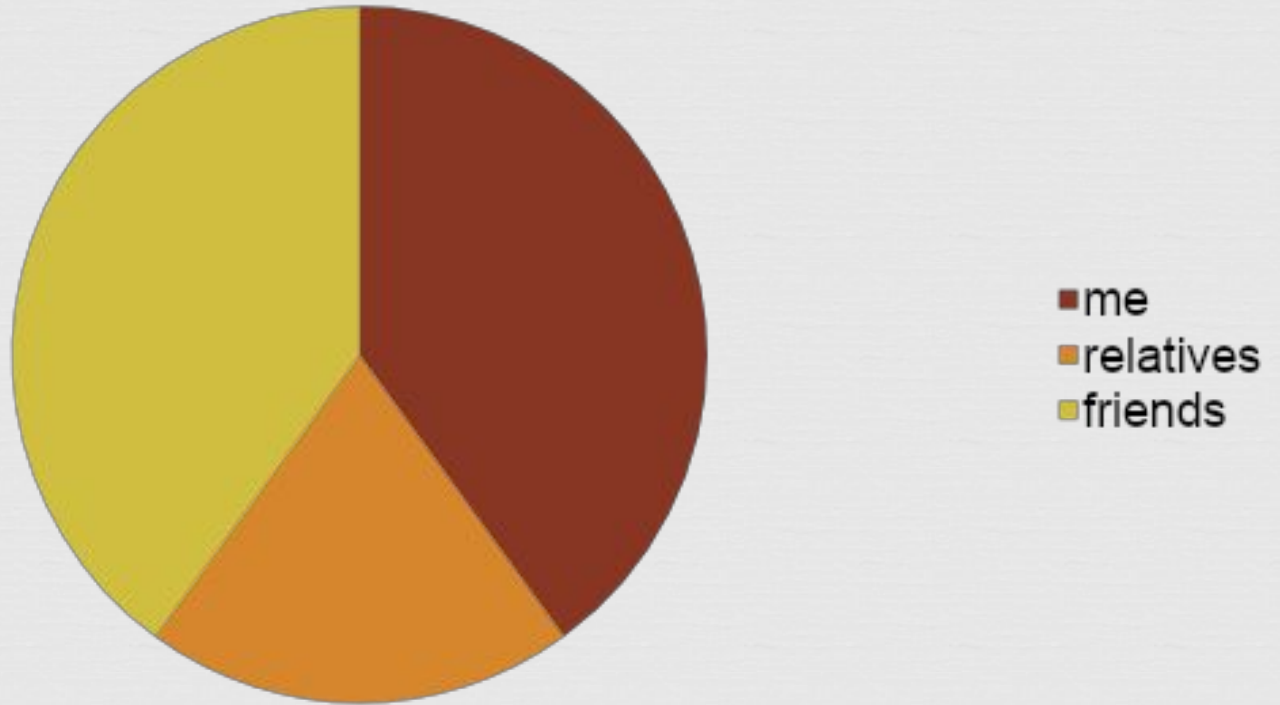


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books we've read



The book I'd like to read

□ *Testament
of Youth*

□ *By Vera Mary
Brittain*





▣ *Testament of Youth* is the first instalment, covering 1900–1925, in the memoir of Vera Brittain (1893–1970). It was published in 1933. Brittain's memoir continues with *Testament of Experience*, published in 1957, and encompassing the years 1925–1950. Between these two books comes *Testament of Friendship* (published in 1940), which is essentially a memoir of Brittain's close colleague and friend Winifred Holtby. A final segment of memoir, to be called *Testament of Faith* or *Testament of Time*, was planned by Brittain but remained unfinished at her death.



- Vera Mary Brittain was a British writer and pacifist, best remembered as the author of the best-selling 1933 memoir *Testament of Youth*, recounting her experiences during World War I and the beginning of her journey towards pacifism.



The narrative begins with Vera's plans to enter Somerville College, Oxford and her romance with Roland Leighton, a friend of her brother Edward. Both were commissioned as officers early in World War I, and both were subsequently killed, as were several other members of their social circle.

The book's main subject is Vera's work as a Voluntary Aid Detachment nurse, nursing wounded soldiers in London, Malta and at Etaples in France. It also describes how she returned, disillusioned, to Somerville College after the war and completed her BA degree. It covers the beginning of her career in journalism, writing for Time and Tide and lecturing for the League of Nations. She visits the graves of her brother Edward in Italy and her fiancé Roland in France. Together with Winifred Holtby she toured the defeated and occupied regions of Germany and Austria in 1923.

- It concludes with her meeting her husband George Catlin and their eventual marriage in 1925.

5 bestsellers for reading



- ❑ The Outsider by Stephen King
- ❑ 11/22/63 by Stephen King
- ❑ Confessions of the Fox by Jordy Rosenberg
- ❑ A Short History of Nearly Everything by Bill Bryson
- ❑ The Road by Cormac McCarthy



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