



A Year in Books (2021)

– as recommended by Castlebar Library Book Club

Shadowplay by Joseph O'Connor **4 stars**

In February 2021, we all read our own choice of book and discussed it with the group on the night. This is our list of recommendations (or not!):

Ann: A Long Petal of the Sea by Isabel Allende **3.5 stars**; **Anna Marie:** The Survivors by Jane Harper **4 stars**; **Ann-Marie:** The Lost Spells by Robert Macfarlane **4.5 stars**;

Angela: Homo Deus by Yuval Noah Harari **2 stars**; **Anne:** If This is A Man by Primo Levi **4 stars**; **Austin:** Low by Jeet Thayil **3 stars**; **Darina:** A Crooked Tree by Una Mannion **5**

stars; **Fiona:** Mayflies by Andrew O'Hagan **3.5 stars**; **Helen:** The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett **4 stars**; **Kathryn:** Shuggie Bain by Douglas Stuart **5 stars**; **Ken:** The Mercies by Kiran Millwood Hargrave **4 stars**; **Stephen:** The Midnight Library by Matt Haig **3 stars**

Esther Waters by George Moore **3 stars**

A Crooked Tree by Una Mannion **4 stars**

Klara and the Sun by Kazuo Isiguro **3 stars**

This is Happiness by Niall Williams **4 stars**

The Book of Longings by Sue Monk Kidd **3 stars**

Panenka by Rónán Hession **3.5 stars**

The First Day of Spring by Nancy Tucker **4 stars**

Beautiful World, Where are You by Sally Rooney **4 stars**

The Paper Palace by Miranda Cowley Heller **4 stars**

Small Things Like These by Claire Keegan **5 stars**

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