The Prison Healer
Lynette Noni

This book stars a strong and courageous female main character. She faces down multiple deadly tasks where the odds are never in her favor, all while struggling to save the terminal lives of both prison inmates and guards, most of whom long to see her dead. ~Felycia N. (CW: physical and verbal abuse, death, drugs, mentioned rape, self harm.)

Braiding Sweetgrass
Robin Wall Kimmerer

This book is like an Oliver Sacks book, but tailored for environmentalism and indigenous natural science. Each chapter tells a different story around Earth's ecosystem and you gain insights into our plants and small critters we share the earth with. ~Sam R. (CW: ecological disasters)

Blue Highways: A Journey into America
William Least Heat Moon

An English professor from Missouri finds out his wife is leaving him. He packs up his conversion van and sets out onto the blue highways and back roads of America, from coast to coast and everything in between. Part travel memoir, part mid-life crisis, all America. ~Nicole B.
If you are interested in the events in Ukraine you might enjoy this sitcom. It stars Volodymyr Zelenskyy, the current president of Ukraine. It tells the story of a humble teacher who becomes president of Ukraine. How different is the real Zelenskyy from the character he played? ~Ted G.

It broke my 10 month reading slump. Covering a part of the activism of the AIDS crisis I didn’t know, it reads as quickly as fiction. Sad, compelling, urgent, and important. I couldn’t put it down. I loved it. ~Trisha R. (CW: homophobia, death)

A fun, historical romance novel that follows Tommy, who is a master of disguise, and Philippa, a wallflower who just wants to help her friend, no matter what it takes. Perfect for anyone who enjoyed Bridgerton and loves a good, just heist! ~Megan S. (CW: explicit sex scenes)
**Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers: Greatest Hits**

Fantastic album to listen to on a long road trip - every song hits, you can just let the album play and watch the cornfields and cows fly by as you journey INTO THE GREAT WIDE OPEN! AMERICA ~Nicole B.

**The Nineties**

Chuck Klosterman

With his usual brand of Gen X snark Chuck Klosterman chronicles the decade that he defines as beginning with the fall of the Berlin Wall and closing with 9/11. Politics, books, music, film, TV, sports, anything tangentially related to pop culture of that era: it’s all in there. ~Stephanie K.

**One Step Too Far**

Lisa Gardner

Thinking about a vacation to a national park this summer? You might reconsider after reading this edge-of-your-seat thriller from Lisa Gardner. You never know who (or what) might be out in the wilderness. ~Melissa S. (CW: violence)
Moxie!

A frustrated young woman in high school discovers a box full of her mother's old Riot Grrrl fanzines and brings the revolution to a new generation. It turns out that sexism still exists in 2021. Girls to the front, stars and hearts drawn on their hands, and punk rock! ~Ted G. (CW: rape, bullying)

Dead Silence
S. A. Barnes

Haunted. Space. Titanic. When a distress beacon is picked up by a crew out on the edges of the solar system, they find a luxury space liner that disappeared years ago floating there ominously. The perfect combo of haunted house, disaster mystery, and spooky science fiction. ~Anne J. (CW: mental health issues, violence, suicidal thoughts.)

Puberty 2
Mitski

Mitski’s Puberty 2 is a strange combination of morose and nostalgic; there's a real sense of loneliness and estrangement from society that is similar to driving overnight during a cross-country road trip. It’s an album that tells a story and in turn invites you to add to it. ~Jasmine H.