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Prince Harry's *Spare* the most borrowed book of 2023

Spare, the controversial memoir by Prince Harry, topped the most borrowed list for nonfiction and overall titles at Regina Public Library in 2023.

"Popular culture has a huge influence on what we read," Geoffrey Allan, Director of Collections at Regina Public Library said. "It's always interesting to see the connection between what people are reading and recent movies, memoirs, current events, and even celebrity gossip."

Colleen Hoover's novels fill the top fiction spot for 2023 and the overall fiction list. *It Ends With Us* and its sequel *It Starts With Us* remain as popular as ever with a screen adaptation of *It Ends With Us* set to be released in 2024.

The non-fiction categories are full of celebrity memoirs, including Matthew Perry's Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing; Pamela Anderson's Love Pamela; and Elliot Page's Pageboy.

The Hunger Games series remains among the most checked-out young adult titles, 15 years after the first book was published. With this year's release of the film based on the prequel, *Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes*, it's no surprise that the series is still a favourite among readers.

Michelle Good's second book, *Truth Telling: Seven Conversations About Indigenous Life in Canada* tops the list of Indigenous, Saskatchewan, and Non-Fiction titles published this year. Her first book, *Five Little Indians* also makes an appearance on the overall fiction list.

Dog Man, the beloved children's graphic novel series by Dav Pilkey, filled most of the children's spots for books published this year and overall. *The Baby-Sitters Club*, which received a recent Netflix adaptation, snagged three spots on the list of most-borrowed children's books published this year.

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Top 10 overall titles borrowed in 2023

Overall

- 1. Spare, Prince Harry
- 2. Dog Man: Grime and Punishment, Dav Pilkey
- 3. Dog Man: For Whom the Ball Rolls, Dav Pilkey
- 4. Dog Man: Fetch-22, Dav Pilkey
- 5. Dog Man: Mothering Heights, Dav Pilkey
- 6. Dog Man: Lord of the Fleas, Dav Pilkey
- 7. Dog Man Unleashed, Dav Pilkey
- 8. It Starts With Us, Colleen Hoover
- 9. Dog Man: Brawl of the Wild, Dav Pilkey
- 10. Dog Man: A Tale of Two Kitties, Dav Pilkey

Overall Fiction

- 1. It Starts With Us, Colleen Hoover
- 2. It Ends With Us, Colleen Hoover
- 3. Verity, Colleen Hoover
- 4. Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo, Taylor Jenkins Reid
- 5. A World of Curiousities, Louise Penny
- 6. Where the Crawdads Sing, Delia Owens
- 7. Five Little Indians, Michelle Good
- 8. *Mad Honey*, Jodi Picoult
- 9. The Boys from Biloxi, John Grisham
- 10. Never Never. Colleen Hoover

Overall Nonfiction

- 1. *Spare*, Prince Harry
- 2. Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing, Matthew Perry
- 3. I'm Glad My Mom Died, Jeanette McCurdy
- 4. Only in Saskatchewan, Naomi Hansen

- 5. Atomic Habits, James Clear
- 6. The Light We Carry, Michelle Obama
- 7. Crossroads, Kaleb Dahlgren
- 8. True Reconciliation, Jody Wilson-Raybould
- 9. Becoming Free Indeed, Jinger Duggar Vuolo
- 10. Educated, Tara Westover

Overall Young Adult

- 1. *Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes*, Suzanne Collins
- 2. The Hunger Games, Suzanne Collins
- 3. The Summer I Turned Pretty, Jenny Han
- 4. Catching Fire, Suzanne Collins
- 5. *Inheritance Games*, Jennifer Lynn Barnes
- 6. It's Not Summer Without You, Jenny Han
- 7. They Both Die at the End, Adam Silvera
- 8. A Good Girls Guide to Murder, Holly Jackson
- 9. Hatchet, Gary Paulsen
- 10. Mockingjay, Suzanne Collins

Overall Children's

- 1. Dog Man: Grime and Punishment, Dav Pilkey
- 2. Dog Man: For Whom the Ball Rolls, Dav Pilkey
- 3. Dog Man: Fetch-22, Dav Pilkey
- 4. Dog Man: Mothering Heights, Dav Pilkey
- 5. Dog Man: Lord of the Fleas, Dav Pilkey
- 6. Dog Man Unleashed, Dav Pilkey
- 7. Dog Man: Brawl of the Wild, Dav Pilkey
- 8. Dog Man: A Tale of Two Kitties, Dav Pilkey
- 9. Dog Man, Dav Pilkey
- 10. Dog Man and Cat Kid, Dav Pilkey



Top 10 titles borrowed that were published in 2023

Top 10 Fiction

- 1. Never, Never, Colleen Hoover
- 2. Simply Lies, David Baldacci
- 3. Homecoming, Kate Morton
- 4. *Happy Place*, Emily Henry
- 5. I Will Find You, Harlan Coben
- 6. Identity, Nora Roberts
- 7. Someone Else's Shoes, JoJo Moyes
- 8. Hang the Moon, Jeanette Walls
- 9. *The 23rd Midnight*, James Patterson
- 10. Just the Nicest Couple, Mary Kubica

Top 10 Nonfiction

- 1. Spare, Prince Harry
- 2. Becoming Free Indeed, Jinger Duggar Vuolo
- 3. Feeling Seen: Reconnecting in a Disconnected World, Jody Carrington
- 4. Love Pamela, Pamela Anderson
- 5. Outlive: The Science & Art of Longevity, Peter Attia
- 6. Young Forever: The Secrets to Living Your Longest, Healthiest Life, Mark Hyman
- 7. 8 Rules of Love: How to Find It, Keep It, and Let It Go, Jay Shetty
- 8. Truth Telling: Seven Conversations about Indigenous Life in Canada, Michelle Good
- 9. The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny, and Murder, David Grann
- 10. Pageboy: A Memoir, Elliot Page

Top 10 Titles by Saskatchewan Authors

- 1. Truth Telling: Seven Conversations About Indigenous Life in Canada, Michelle Good
- 2. Crow Mary, Kathleen Grissom
- 3. The Legacy, Gail Bowen
- 4. Leaving Wisdom, Sharon Butala
- 5. Livingsky, Anthony Bidulka
- 6. The Observer, Marina Endicott
- 7. The Economy of Sparrows, Trevor Herriot
- 8. Gordie's Skate, Bill Waiser

- 9. Remember Me, Mary Balogh
- 10. *Saskatchewan's Best Scenic Drives*, Robin Karpan

Top 10 Young Adult

- 1. Stolen Heir, Holly Black
- 2. Chain of Thorns, Cassandra Clare
- 3. Brothers Hawthorne, Jennifer Lynn Barnes
- 4. Divine Rituals, Rebecca Ross
- 5. Someone is Always Watching, Kelley Armstrong
- 6. Kill Joy, Holly Jackson
- 7. Funeral Songs for Dying Girls, Cherie Dimaline
- 8. One of Us is Back, Karen McManus
- 9. Immortality: A Love Story, Dana Schwartz
- 10. Warrior Girl Unearthed, Angeline Boulley

Top 10 Children's

- 1. *Dog Man: Twenty Thousand Fleas Under the Sea*, Dav Pilkey
- 2. Babysitters Club: Mary Anne's Bad Luck Mystery, Cynthia Yuan Cheng
- 3. Babysitters Little Sister: Karen's Birthday, Katy Farina
- 4. Big Nate: Nailed It, Lincoln Peirce
- 5. Wings of Fire: Moon Rising, The Graphic Novel, Tui Sutherland
- 6. Agents of S.U.I.T., John Patrick Green
- 7. *Babysitters' Little Sister: Karen's Haircut*, Katy Farina
- 8. Curse of the Shadow Dragon, Tracey West
- 9. The Bad Guys in Let the Games Begin, Aaron Blabey
- 10. Mouse vs Wild, Geronimo Stilton

Top 10 Titles by Indigenous Authors

- 1. VenCo, Cherie Dimaline
- 2. Truth Telling: Seven Conversations About Indigenous Life in Canada, Michelle Good
- 3. Bad Cree, Jessica Johns
- 4. The Berry Pickers, Amanda Peters



- 5. *The Circle*, Katherena Vermette
- 6. Moon of the Turning Leaves, Waubgeshig Rice
- 7. *A Grandmother Begins the Story*, Michelle Porter
- 8. *Becoming a Matriarch*, Helen Knott
- 9. Don't Fear the Reaper, Stephen Graham Jones
- 10. *kâ-pî-isi-kiskisiyân/The way I remember*, Solomon Ratt