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long spent years observing and participating in women s book clubs and shows how they have become a vital arena for self information one that has as much currency now as it did a century ago

the new york times bestseller a book club discuss the works of jane austen and experience their own affairs of the heart in this charming tribute to austen that manages to capture her spirit the boston globe in california s central valley five women and one man join to discuss jane austen s novels over the six months they get together marriages are tested affairs begin unsuitable arrangements become suitable and love happens with her eye for the frailties of human behavior and her ear for the absurdities of social intercourse karen joy fowler has never been wittier nor her characters more appealing the result is a delicious dissection of modern relationships dedicated austenites will delight in unearthing the echoes of austen that run through the novel but most readers will simply enjoy the vision and voice that despite two centuries of separation unite two great writers of brilliant social comedy

perhaps you are one of the millions who has tuned in and turned on to the hugely popular oprah s book club and perhaps by watching it you ve discovered a new or rekindled an old passion for reading now with the guidance of rachel w jacobsohn s revised and updated edition of the reading group handbook you too can start your own book club book clubs and reading groups give fellow members the chance to break out of established reading patterns and learn adventurous approaches to creative material with the help of the reading group handbook you ll get a definitive step by step guide to starting your own book club written by a professional reading group leader who has organized and led groups face to face and even online for over twenty years in this newly revised and expanded edition you ll get information on where to meet homes local bookstores libraries and online how to select members and decide a format for the meetings how to read material critically and constructively in preparation for the gathering the art of the discussion over thirty five suggested reading lists including an expanded list of year by year pulitzer prize winners oprah s book club picks and personal recommendations from the author and her groups members where to go to get more information on the books you choose and on book clubs throughout the country as reading groups have become the latest trend in socializing anyone who wants to combine a love of literature with the opportunity to meet others will not want to be without the reading group handbook with the reading group handbook readers will enjoy the benefits of a good book and a good book club

adored by its fans deplored by its critics oprah s book club has been at the center of arguments about cultural authority and literary taste since it began in 1996 reading with oprah explores the club s revolutionary fusion of books television and commerce and tells the engaging and in depth story of the obc phenomenon kathleen rooney combines extensive research with a dynamic voice to reveal the club s far reaching cultural impact and its role as

crucible for the clash between high and low literary taste comprehensive and up to date the book covers the club from its inception in 1996 through the jonathan franzen contretemps the surprising suspension in 2002 and after the club s return in 2003 the progression from great books to memoir new material includes an extensive look at the james frey scandal and oprah s turn to contemporary fiction including the road and middlesex through close examination of winfrey s picks and personal interviews with book club authors and readers rooney demonstrates how the club that barbara kingsolver calls one of the best possible uses of a television set has according to wally lamb gotten people of all ages to read to read more and to read widely

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this book re-reads the tangled relations of book culture and literary culture in the early nineteenth century by restoring to view the figure of the bookman and the effaced history of his book clubs as outliers inserting themselves into the matrix of literary production rather than remaining within that of reception both provoked debate by producing writing and circulating books in ways that expanded fundamental points of literary orientation in lateral directions not coincident with those of the literary sphere deploying a wide range of historical archival and literary materials the study combines the history and geography of books cultural theory and literary history to make visible a bookish array of alternative networks genres and locations that were obscured by the literary sphere in establishing its authority as arbiter of the modern book

the bronxville book club takes you beyond the manicured lawns of some of the most elegant mansions in bronxville an affluent suburb in westchester that is endlessly copied but never matched as club members prepare for their monthly meeting you'll meet kathryn a divorcée forced to gasp get a job to supplement her substantial alimony payments anne owner of an upscale boutique annetiques whose home renovation is prompting cries of outrage from her neighbors giselle former vogue model who now designs the lingerie she once modeled madison high powered

investment banker and school board trustee lizbet yale graduate and über volunteer caught up in the college admissions game for her daughter a senior in the bronxville high school and their friends hillary carole francesca sarah and chelsea eavesdrop on the lively discussion of i don t know how she does it the life of kate reddy working mother and then follow each of the women home at the end of a highly entertaining evening a must read for every book club

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The Oprah Effect explores the cultural impact of Oprah's book club, particularly in light of debates about the definition and purpose of literature in American culture. For the critics collected here, Oprah's book club stands in the context of American literary history, not as an egregious undermining of who we are and what we represent, as some have maintained, but as the latest manifestation of a tradition that encourages symbiotic relationships between readers and texts, powered by women writers and readers. Novels in this tradition attract crowds, sell well, and make unabashed appeals to emotion. The essays consider the interlocking issues of affect, affinity, accessibility, and activism.

in the context of this tradition juxtaposing book history reading practices literary analysis feminist criticism and communication religious political and cultural studies the contributors map a range of possibilities for further research on oprah s book club a complete chronological list of book club picks is included

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