English as an Additional Language

TEXT LIST

The following texts are suggestions for the study of English as an Additional Language. These examples are not meant to be prescriptive or exhaustive, but are indicative of the nature of appropriate texts.

All texts in the text list under the categories, ‘film’, ‘non-fiction’, ‘novels’, ‘poets and poetry’, and ‘short stories’ are examples of literary texts. Some texts within the digital media category may also be considered literary texts.

**Film**

Australian Children’s Television Foundation, *MY:24* (documentary), supported by a mobile phone microdocumentary app, <http://actf.com.au/education-programs/my24-app#edprogram>

Bailey, G., I am Eleven (documentary)

Barry, R., I Am A Girl (documentary)

Beresford, B., Mao’s Last Dancer

Bell, O., *The Eagle Huntress* (2016)

Blair, W., *The Sapphires*

Boyle, D., *Slumdog Millionaire*

Chrobog, C., *Warchild* (documentary)

Connolly, R., *Paper Planes*

Dabis, C., *Amreeka*

Eastwood, C., *Invictus*

Forster, M., *The Kite Runner*

Huynh, M., *The Boat* (short animated film adapted from short story by Nam Le)

Madden, J *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*

Matthews, M., *X and Y*

McCarthy, T., *The Visitor*

Minghella, A *The No I Ladies Detective Agency (television series)*

Monahan, C., *Healing*

Perkins, R., *One Night the Moon*

Perkins, R., *Bran Nue Dae*

Tan, S., *The Lost Thing* (short animated film)

Templeton, S Peter and the Wolf (animated)

Turkiewicz, S., Once My Mother (documentary)

Yakin, B., Remember the Titans

**Media Texts**

Adichie, M., *The Danger of a Single Story* (TED talk)

Aljazeera, <http://www.aljazeera.com> (online newspaper)

*Australian Stereotypes in TV Ads*, The Inspiration Room, <http://theinspirationroom.com/daily/australian-stereotypes> (TV advertisements)

*Australian Story*,ABC, <http://www.abc.net.au/austory>(documentary)

BBC, <http://www.bbc.com/news/in_pictures> (photojournalism)

China Daily, <http://www.chinadaily.com.cn> (online newspaper)

*Compass*,ABC, <http://www.abc.net.au/compass> (documentary)

Electronic Literature Organization, <http://eliterature.org/news/showcase>(multimedia texts)

The Guardian, [www.theguardian.com.au](http://www.theguardian.com.au)(online newspaper)

Making Multicultural Australia,[www.multiculturalaustralia.edu.au](http://www.multiculturalaustralia.edu.au)(website)

National Film and Sound Archive,<http://nfsa.gov.au/learning/digital-learning>

New Internationalist, <http://newint.org>(magazine website)

Out of Eden Learn, <https://learn.outofedenwalk.com/> (website)

Palin, M., <http://www.palinstravels.co.uk> (travel website)

Pholeros, P., *How to reduce poverty* (TED talk)

Racism no way <http://www.racismnoway.com.au> (website)

<http://www.sbs.com.au/features?cid=infocus> (website includes ‘long reads’ and interactive texts)

Non-Fiction

Amor, M., & Austin, J., *From Nothing to Zero: letters from refugees in Australia's detention centres*

Bonnett, A., *Off the Map*

Do, A., *The Happiest Refugee: A memoir*

Demick, B.,*Nothing to Envy: Ordinary Lives in North Korea*

Gombrich, E., *A Little History of the World*

Kang, H., *This is Paradise: My North Korean Childhood* (autobiography)

Keller, M., *Charles Darwin's On the Origin of Species: A Graphic Adaptation*

Pryor, B., and McDonald, M., *Maybe Tomorrow*

Pung, A., *Unpolished Gem*

Novels

Abdel-Fattah, R*., Does my Head Look Big in This?* or *Ten Things I Hate About Me*

Anderson, B., *The Radical Heart*

Babbitt, N., *Tuck Everlasting*

Chua, Guat Eng, *Echoes of Silence*

Fox, P., *The Slave Dancer*

Fusillo, A., *The Dons Sparring with Shadows*

Hamid, M., *The Reluctant Fundamentalist*

Hirata, A., *The Rainbow Troops*

Khan, A., *Seasonal Adjustments, Spiral Road* or any other novel by this author

Minfong, H., *Rice without Rain*

Na, A., *A Step from Heaven*

Tan, S., *The Arrival* (graphic novel) or any other of his texts

Ung, L., *First They Killed My Father: A Daughter of Cambodia Remembers* or *Lucky Child: A Daughter of Cambodia Reunites with the Sister She Left Behind*

Vassanji, M., *Uhuru Street*

Winch, T., *Swallow the Air*

Wong, G., *Little Paradise*

[Yen Mah](http://www.goodreads.com/author/show/3878.Adeline_Yen_Mah), A., *Falling Leaves: The True Story of an Unwanted Chinese Daughter*

Poets and Poetry

Australian Poetry Library, <http://www.poetrylibrary.edu.au>

Cheng Boey, Kim, *Another Place*

Ghulam-Sarwar, Yousof

Kinsella, John

Moreton, Romaine

Noonuccal, Oodgeroo

Wright, Judith

Yu, Ouyang

Short stories

Duyal, Y *Paper Boats: An Anthology of Short Stories about Journeys to Australia*

Ellis, D., *Lunch with Lenin and Other Stories*

Ellis, D., *Children of War*

Harris, C., *Fortune Cookies*

Nam, L., *The Boat*

Pung, A., *Growing up Asian in Australia*

Sallis, E., Millar, H., & Dechian, S., *Dark Dreams Australian Refugee Stories by Young Writers aged 11-20*

Tan, S., *Tales from Outer Suburbia*

Zable, A., *Violin Lessons*