

Boulder Great Books Discussion Group

1st and 3rd Thursdays from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

2020 Schedule. **Meet via remote conferencing - <https://meet.jit.si/>**

January 2, 2020 Edward Hallett Carr, **What is History?** (224 pages)

January 16, 2020 Hilary Mantel, **Wolf Hall** (Parts One and Two)

February 6, 2020 Hilary Mantel, **Wolf Hall** (Parts Three and Four)

February 20, 2020 Hilary Mantel, **Wolf Hall** (Parts Five and Six)

March 5, 2020 Peter Godfrey-Smith (255 pages) **Other Minds:
The Octopus, the Sea, and the Deep Origins of Consciousness**

April 2, 2020 Melanie Mitchell (169 pages)

Complexity: A Guided Tour (Parts I and II)

April 16, 2020 Melanie Mitchell (171 pages)

Complexity: A Guided Tour (Parts III through V)

(3 weeks)

May 7, 2020

Stuart Kauffman, **A World Beyond Physics:
The Emergence and Evolution of Life**

May 21, 2020

Peter Turchin, **Ultrasociety** Chapters 1 to 5

June 4, 2020

Peter Turchin, **Ultrasociety** Chapters 6 to 10

June 18, 2020

William James, two essays, "The Will to Believe" and
"Great Men and their Environment" from **The Will to Believe**

July 2, 2020

Henry George, **Progress and Poverty**

http://www.henrygeorge.org/pdfs/PandP_Drake.pdf (Parts 1 through 4)

Reference material: <https://schalkenbach.org/henry-georges-works/>

July 16, 2020

Henry George, **Progress and Poverty**

http://www.henrygeorge.org/pdfs/PandP_Drake.pdf (Parts 5 to the end)

August 6, 2020

Carl Becker,

The Heavenly City of the Eighteenth-Century Philosophers

August 20, 2020

Kate Chopin,

Selection from <https://www.katechopin.org/short-stories/> "**Regret**" (4 pages),
"**The Story of an Hour**" (3 pages), "**A 'Cadian Ball**" + "**The Storm**" (16 pages),
"**A No-Account Creole**" (26 pages), "**A Point at Issue!**" (13 pages),
"**Desiree's Baby**" (6 pages), and, from sackett.net,
["A Vocation and a Voice"](#) + ["Wiser Than a God"](#) (41 pages)

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- September 3, 2020 Gustaw Herling, "**The Island**" (84 pages)
<http://www.sackett.net/HerlingIsland.pdf>
- September 17, 2020 Selection from Emma Goldman,
[Anarchism and Other Essays](#) (Gutenberg link)
or <http://www.sackett.net/GoldmanEssays.pdf> (Essays 1-5, 7-8, and 12)
- October 1, 2020 Jerry Fodor, (174 pages)
Concepts: Where Cognitive Science Went Wrong
<http://www.sackett.net/FodorCognitiveScience.pdf>
- October 15, 2020 Dierdre Nansen McCloskey, **Bourgeois Equality**
Exordium and Chapters 1-23 (252 pages)
<http://www.sackett.net/McCloskeyBourgeoisEquality.pdf>
- (3 weeks)
November 5, 2020 Peter Wohlleben, **The Hidden Life of Trees**
(282 pages)
- November 19, 2020 Nadine Gordimer, **The Late Bourgeois World**
(94 pages)
- December 3, 2020 Mark Moffett, **The Human Swarm**
<http://www.sackett.net/MoffettHumanSwarm.epub>
(1st half, through Chapter 13)
- December 17, 2020 Mark Moffett, **The Human Swarm**
(2nd half, Ch 14 to end)

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