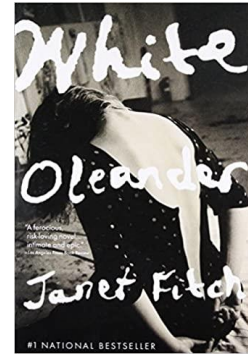
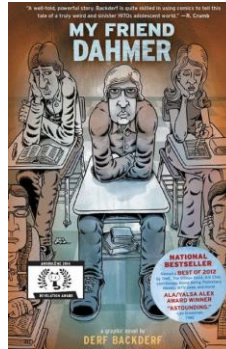
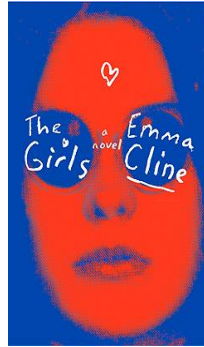
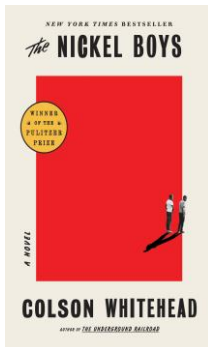


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Contemporary American Novel
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What is a novel?

Poet Randall Jarrell said it “is a prose narrative of some length that has something wrong with it.” But is it that simple? In this class, we will attempt to answer this question ourselves, considering a list of contemporary works which includes:



The Nickel Boys, Colson Whitehead (2019)

The Girls, Emma Cline (2016)

My Friend Dahmer, Derf Backderf (2012)

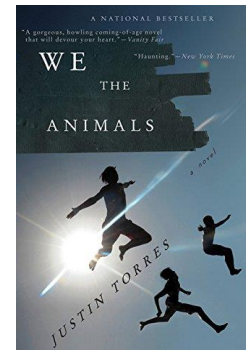
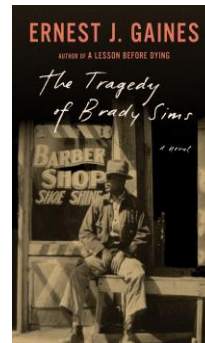
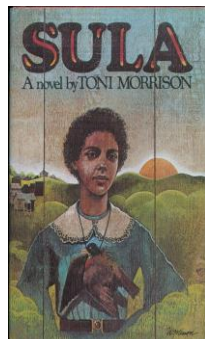
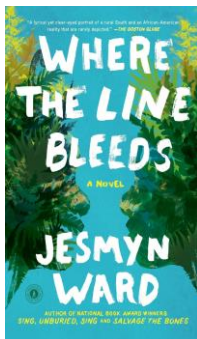
White Oleander, Janet Fitch (1999)

Where the Line Bleeds, Jesmyn Ward (2008)

Sula, Toni Morrison (1973)

The Tragedy of Brady Sims, Ernest J. Gaines (2017)

We the Animals, Justin Torres (2011)



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