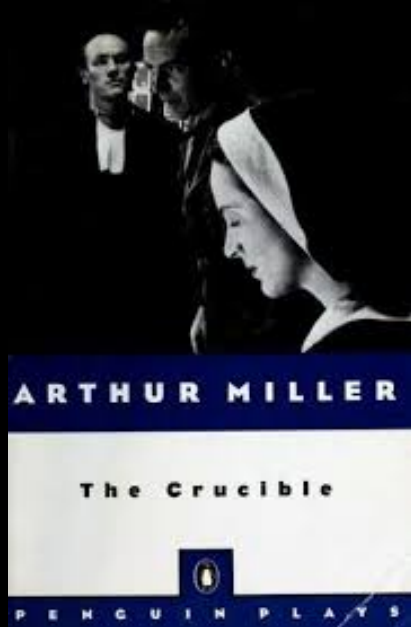


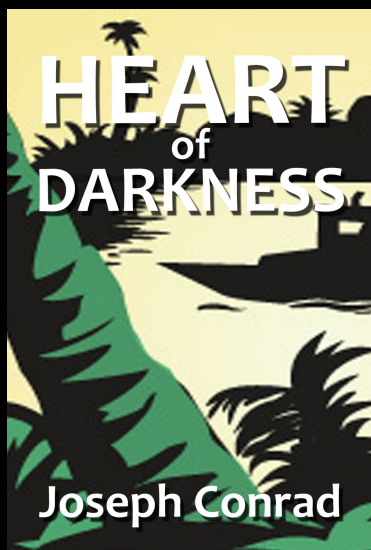
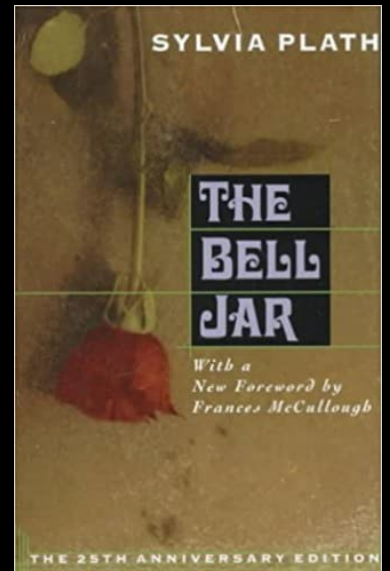


The Crucible Arthur Miller

- dramatized / fictionalized story of "Salem witch trials" in MA
- ↪ McCarthyism = when the US gov. persecuted ppl accused of being communists. (witchhunting)

The Bell Jar Sylvia Plath

semi-autobiographical
her own experiences
with mental illness
and depression
(feeling of being trapped under a jar).



Heart of Darkness

Joseph Conrad

- voyage up the Congo River
- into the Congo Free State
- in the heart of Africa
- Marlow (narrator) narrates the story
- obsession with the ivory trader Kurtz (who has a native wife)
- famous line: "fascination of abomination"
- Kurtz's last words: "The horror, The horror"
- themes of racism, colonialism, darkness in human nature.