

FUNNY FICTION

This is a list of recent funny novels with some classics thrown in for good measure. Print out the whole list for even more fiction authors that keep the laughs coming.

Adams, Douglas. *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*

After Earth is demolished to make way for a new hyperspatial expressway, Arthur Dent begins to hitch-hike through space.

Barry, Dave. *Tricky Business*

A tropical storm hits a casino boat off the coast of Florida changing the lives of a quirky set of passengers.

Buckley, Christopher. *Supreme Courtship*

When a television judge ends up on the Supreme Court, romance and the fate of a presidential election take center stage in this comic political satire.

Ferguson, Craig. *Between the Bridge and the River*

The bizarre experiences of two childhood friends and of two illegitimate half-brothers become mysteriously intertwined, in a bawdy, hilarious debut novel by the host of The Late Late Show.

Ferris, Joshua. *Then We Came to the End*

Every office is a family of sorts, and this ad agency is family at its strangest and best, coping with a business downturn in the time-honored way : through gossip, pranks, and increasingly frequent coffee breaks.

Gaiman, Neil & Terry Pratchett. *Good Omens*

The world is going to end next Saturday, but there are a few problems--the Antichrist has been misplaced!

Goldstein, Rebecca Newberger. *36 Arguments for the Existence of God*

Psychology professor Cass Seltzer finds his relationship with a fellow theorist challenged by a former girlfriend's invitation to join her biochemistry experiment in immortality.

Hiaasen, Carl. *Star Island*

The body double for drug-addled pop star Cherry Pye is kidnapped by an obsessed paparazzo, and Cherry's entourage must rescue her while keeping her existence a secret from Cherry's public--and from Cherry herself.

Laurie, Hugh. *The Gun Seller*

A spoof on the thriller genre starring an ex-Scots Guards officer who is offered \$100,000 to assassinate an industrialist. He rejects the offer and warns the victim, only to discover the victim was the one who put out the contract.

Lutz, Lisa. *The Spellman Files*

Izzy Spellman launches her career as a private investigator while working for the firm of her outlandishly dysfunctional family.

Martinez, A. Lee. *Monster*

Monster runs an agency that deals with mythological pests. He encounters Judy when he deals with a yeti she finds at the supermarket where she works, and together they battle an evil being disguised as a crazy cat lady.

Moore, Christopher. *Fool*

As King Lear watches his kingdom descend into chaos, the king's fool, Pocket, and Pocket's apprentice, Drool, take it upon themselves to restore order amidst the mayhem.

Sedaris, David. *Squirrel Seeks Chipmunk: a Modest Bestiary*

With a blend of hilarity and heart, this collection of keen-eyed animal-themed tales bring homemajor points about fidelity, guilt and love.

Shteyngart, Gary. *Super Sad True Love Story*

When a beautiful, yet cruel, woman that Lenny met in Italy says she his coming to stay with him, even the tanks and soldiers stationed in the city and the ongoing war.

Sterne, Laurence. *The Life and Opinions of Tristram Shandy, Gentleman*

Offers the classic story of a young man's experiences since conception and his interpretation of the art of writing. If he can manage to get to the point.

Toole, John Kennedy. *A Confederacy of Dunces*

A fat New Orleans misanthrope who constantly rebukes society, Ignatius Reilly, gets a job at his mother's urging but ends up leading a workers' revolt.

Vonnegut, Kurt. *Breakfast of Champions*

The author questions the condition of modern man in this novel depicting a science fiction writer's struggle to find peace and sanity in the world.

Wall, Paula. *The Rock Orchard*

A multigenerational saga of the Belle family of strong-minded Southern women include one sister with psychic powers and another who serves tea to the statue of a Confederate soldier.

Waugh, Evelyn. *Vile Bodies*

Improbably, this is a love story in which a destitute young writer, hungers for the daughter of an eccentric aristocrat. A satire that plays against the social whirl of a class doomed to extinction.

Wodehouse, P.G. *The Inimitable Jeeves*

Classic stories about a gentleman and his gentleman's gentleman, from one misadventure to the next each imbroglio neatly put right in the end by the faithful Jeeves.

More Funny Novelists

Amis, Martin

Banbury, Jen

Barry, Max

Dorsey, Tim

Doyle, Roddy

Dufresne, John

Ephron, Nora

Friedman, Kinky

Hess, Joan

Joe Keenan

Keillor, Garrison

Kluger, Steve

Lewycka, Marina

Leyner, Mark

Lodge, David

Maxted, Anna

Moore, Lorrie

Nordan, Lewis

Robbins, Tom

Rudner, Rita

Shepherd, Jean

Townsend, Sue

Truss, Lynne