

Prepper's Recommended Reading List

Just some suggested books that all Preppers should read

Dave Grossman's On Killing and On Combat: Dave Grossman's in depth study on the psychology of fighting. A great primer.

Historical Fiction

Steven Pressfield's Gates of Fire: a fictionalized account of the Battle of Thermopylae but the author did his research. The Spartans were truly a never-quit kind of tribe.

Non-Fiction

Ed Viesturs' No Shortcuts to the Top: by the first American to summit all 8000+ meter mountains in the world. Ed Viesturs talks about his career in mountaineering and the title really tells the story. I would couple this with two other outstanding books on mountaineering: The Climb by Anatoli Boukreev and Into Thin Air by Jon Krakauer. The last book talks about how they planned their assault on the summit and then did not stick to their plan with tragic effects. Part of Anatoli Boukreev's book gives a different perspective of that event.

Michael Shaara's Killer Angels: the movie Gettysburg is based on this book. You can couple this with any of the books in Bruce Catton's trilogy on the Civil War (The Coming Fury, Terrible Swift Sword, Never Call Retreat)

Bernard Fall's books on the French experience in Vietnam: Hell in a Very Small Place and Street Without Joy.

Fiction

William Golding's Lord of the Flies: a group of children stranded on an island break into tribal groups.

Edgar Rice Burroughs' Tarzan of the Apes

Science Fiction

Larry Niven and Jerry Pournelle's Lucifer's Hammer. Written in 1977, an asteroid strikes earth and society breaks apart in the aftermath.

Robert Heinlein's StarShip Troopers: forget about the movie, the book is a classic in society, civics, and tactics.

One Second After: basically a re-written Lucifer's Hammer but the disaster that collapsed civilization was an EMP strike.

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