



RECOMMENDED ANTHOLOGIES

Explore the poems in these anthologies, enjoy old favourites and discover today's best new poets; you'll be surprised, entertained and inspired.

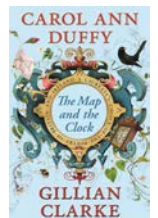


The Zoo of the New: Poems to Read Now edited by Nick Laird and Don Paterson, Penguin Press

'*The Zoo of the New* is a book of things we love, which we thought you might love, too.' So say Nick Laird and Don Paterson in their introduction to this life-enhancing anthology. They have ranged back and forth in time, and across continents too, to gather together poems that, in their words again, 'slap us awake to our world'. It's a collection to warm the heart, and one to return to over and over.

The Map and the Clock edited by Carol Anne Duffy and Gillian Clarke, Faber & Faber

Carol Ann Duffy quotes Shakespeare in her introduction to this sparkling anthology: 'The isle is full of noises'. Together with National Poet of Wales Gillian Clarke, she has gathered together poems from across the British Isles, ancient and thoroughly modern, and this is a book full of surprises.

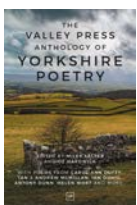


Ten: Poets of the New Generation edited by Karen McCarthy Woolf, Bloodaxe Books

This collection presents the work of ten exciting British poets from diverse backgrounds, including Raymond Antrobus, Victoria Adukwei Bulley, Jennifer Lee Tsai, and Degna Stone. Previous poets from the series, such as Sarah Howe and Warsan Shire, have had a huge impact – stay ahead of the curve and get to know the new class.

The Everyday Poet edited by Deborah Alma, Michael O'Mara

Deborah Alma is the Emergency Poet, a mobile poetic first aid service offering consultations from her ambulance and prescribing poems as cures. This collection tackles your everyday needs: whether work is getting you down, you need a moment to relax, or a little romantic guidance, this book has a poem for you.



The Valley Press Anthology of Yorkshire Poetry edited by Miles Salter and Oz Hardwick

Yorkshire is proud to proclaim itself the home of contemporary British poetry, and the list of poets it has produced or nurtured is certainly impressive. This collection celebrates Northern voices and gathers together contemporary poetry inspired by the county, its landscape, cities and people. As the editors say in the introduction: 'All life is here.'



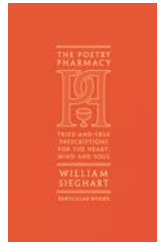
Penguin Modern Poets: If I'm scared we can't win, poems by Emily Berry, Anne Carson, Sophie Collins, Penguin Press

The Penguin Modern Poets series brings together selections from the work of three contemporary poets, allowing readers to encounter the most exciting voices of our moment. This volume showcases the work of award-winning poets Emily Berry, Anne Carson and Sophie Collins in an electrifying collection.

The Poetry Pharmacy edited by William Sieghart, Penguin Press

The poetic prescriptions from William Sieghart's dispensary offer delight and inspiration for all; a space for reflection, and that precious realisation - I'm not the only one who feels like this.

'A matchless compound of hug, tonic and kiss.' Stephen Fry

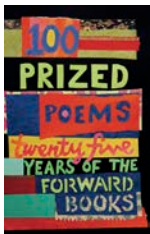


Ten Poems of Kindness edited by Jackie Kay, Candlestick Press

Kindness is an underestimated virtue in our increasingly hectic and impersonal world. These generous poems remind us that it can take many forms. Featuring Fleur Adcock, Ian Duhig, Sylvia Plath and Norman MacCaig amongst others, and with two new poems by Jackie Kay herself, this is a lovely to book to slip into your pocket, or a friend's.

In Person: World Poets edited by Neil Astley and Pamela Robertson-Pearce, Bloodaxe Books

Simply, this is a collection of poems by some of the most important poets in the world; uniquely, it is accompanied by two DVDs, featuring film of the poets reading their poems. Direct and often extraordinarily intimate, the films offer a wonderful way to experience how the poems sound, and therefore to understand them even better.



100 Prized Poems, Twenty Five Years of the Forward Books, Faber & Faber

100 Prized Poems brings together the best of the poems published over a quarter century in twenty-five editions of the Forward books of poetry. The roll-call of poets included is a Who's Who of poetry excellence and includes Simon Armitage, Jackie Kay, Derek Walcott, Kate Tempest and Kei Miller amongst others.

An anthology of anthologies, this is a great way of encountering the richness that new poetry has to offer.

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