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Recommended Summer Reading

This is a selection of books for economics enrichment and extension reading

1. **23 Things They Don't Tell You About Capitalism** (Ha-Joon Chang) – challenges conventional thinking
2. **Age of Discovery: Navigating the Risks and Rewards of Our New Renaissance**: (Ian Goldin & Chris Kutarna)
3. **Alibaba: The House that Jack Ma Built** (Duncan Clark) – The rise of the Chinese corporate giant
4. **Almighty Dollar** (Dharshini David) – follows the journey of a single \$ to show how the global economy works
5. **Capitalism Without Capital: The Rise of the Intangible Economy** (Haskel and Westlake)
6. **Capitalism: 50 Ideas You Really Need to Know** (Jonathan Portes) – compact and excellent reference material
7. **Choice Factory** (Richard Shotton) – a story of 25 behavioural biases that influence what we buy
8. **Doughnut Economics** (Kate Raworth) – challenges much of orthodox thinking in the subject
9. **Drunkard's Walk** (Leonard Mlodinow) – a brilliant history of Maths with lots of relevant applications
10. **Grave New World**: (Stephen King) – Former head of Econ at HSBC looks at the fracturing global economy
11. **Great Economists: How Their Ideas Can Help Us Today** (Linda Yueh) – perspectives on contemporary issues
12. **Growth Delusion: The Wealth and Well-Being of Nations** (David Pilling) – antidote to gospel of GDP



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13. **Inequality** (Anthony Atkinson) – a superb book on one of the defining economic/political issues of the age
14. **Inner Lives of Markets: How People Shape Them—And They Shape Us** (Sharman and Fishman)
15. **Misbehaving: The Making of Behavioural Economics** (Richard Thaler) – a truly superb biography
16. **Plundered Planet: How to Reconcile Prosperity with Nature:** (Professor Paul Collier) – development classic
17. **Poor Economics: Rethinking Ways to Fight Global Poverty** (Banerjee & Duflo) – development economics
18. **Positive Linking – Networks and Nudges** (Paul Ormerod) – good introduction to network economics
19. **Rise and Fall of Nations: Ten Rules of Change in the Post-Crisis World** (Richir Sharma)
20. **Ten Great Economists** (Philip Thornton) – biographical background, well worth a read
21. **The Everything Store: Jeff Bezos and the Age of Amazon** (Brad Stone) – a great business page turner
22. **The Great Divide** (Professor Joseph Stiglitz) – one of the classic critiques of globalisation
23. **The Great Escape** (Professor Angus Deaton) – a broad sweep of economic history and poverty reduction
24. **Thinking Fast and Thinking Slow:** (Professor Daniel Kahneman) – the classic Kahneman epic on psychology
25. **Upstarts: How Uber and Airbnb are changing the world** (Brad Stone) Follow up to his work on Amazon
26. **What Money Can't Buy: The Moral Limits of Markets** (Michael Sandel) – Pure PPE bliss
27. **Why Information Grows: The Evolution of Order, from Atoms to Economies** (Cesar Hidalgo) – challenging



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28. **World of Three Zeroes** (Muhammad Yunus) – new book from founder of the Grameen Bank

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<https://www.thereadinglists.com/best-economics-books-for-beginners/>

<https://www.economicshelp.org/books/recommended-reading/>

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