Most Frequently Cited Books in AP Lit Exam 1970-2014

26 *Invisible Man* by Ralph Ellison
20 *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte
18 *Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens
17 *King Lear* by William Shakespeare
16 *Crime and Punishment* by Fyodor Dostoevski
16 *Heart of Darkness* by Joseph Conrad
16 *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte
15 *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
15 *Moby Dick* by Herman Melville
15 *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne
14 *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston
13 *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin
12 *Catch-22* by Joseph Heller
12 *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald
11 *Billy Budd* by Herman Melville
11 *Ceremony* by Leslie Marmon Silko
11 *Light in August* by William Faulkner
10 *Antigone* by Sophocles
10 *As I Lay Dying* by William Faulkner
10 *Beloved* by Toni Morrison
10 *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker
10 *The Glass Menagerie* by Tennessee Williams
10 *Native Son* by Richard Wright
10 *Othello* by William Shakespeare
10 *Song of Solomon* by Toni Morrison
10 *A Streetcar Named Desire* by Tennessee Williams
9 *Death of a Salesman* by Arthur Miller
9 *A Passage to India* by E. M. Forster
9 *A Raisin in the Sun* by Lorraine Hansberry
8 *All the Pretty Horses* by Cormac McCarthy
8 *Anna Karenina* by Leo Tolstoy
8 *Bless Me, Ultima* by Rudolfo Anaya
8 *Candide* by Voltaire
8 *The Crucible* by Arthur Miller
8 *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck
8 *Jude the Obscure* by Thomas Hardy
8 *The Jungle* by Upton Sinclair
8 *Portrait of a Lady* by Henry James
8 *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead* by Tom Stoppard
8 *Sula* by Toni Morrison
8 *Waiting for Godot* by Samuel Beckett
7 *All the King’s Men* by Robert Penn Warren
7 *Cry, The Beloved Country* by Alan Paton
7 *Ethan Frome* by Edith Wharton
7 *Lord Jim* by Joseph Conrad
7 *Madame Bovary* by Gustave Flaubert
7 *The Mayor of Casterbridge* by Thomas Hardy
7 *Oedipus Rex* by Sophocles
7 *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen
7 *The Sound and the Fury* by William Faulkner
7 *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway
7 *The Tempest* by William Shakespeare
7 Tess of the D’Urbervilles by Thomas Hardy
7 Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe
6 Age of Innocence by Edith Wharton
6 A Doll’s House by Henrik Ibsen
6 An Enemy of the People by Henrik Ibsen
6 Equus by Peter Shaffer
6 Gulliver’s Travels by Jonathan Swift
6 Hedda Gabler by Henrik Ibsen
6 Major Barbara by George Bernard Shaw
6 Medea by Euripides
6 The Merchant of Venice by William Shakespeare
6 Moll Flanders by Daniel Defoe
6 Mrs. Dalloway by Virginia Woolf
6 Murder in the Cathedral by T. S. Eliot
6 Obasan by Joy Kogawa
6 The Piano Lesson by August Wilson
6 The Turn of the Screw by Henry James
6 Who’s Afraid of Virginia Woolf? by Edward Albee
5 Bleak House by Charles Dickens
5 The Cherry Orchard by Anton Chekhov
5 Doctor Faustus by Christopher Marlowe
5 Frankenstein by Mary Shelley
5 Go Tell It on the Mountain by James Baldwin
5 Hamlet by William Shakespeare
5 Macbeth by William Shakespeare
5 Mrs. Warren’s Profession by George Bernard Shaw
5 Sister Carrie by Theodore Dreiser
5 A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens
5 Wide Sargasso Sea by Jean Rhys
5 Wise Blood by Flannery O’Connor

Shakespeare - All Plays Total = 80

2 Anthony and Cleopatra
   4 As You Like It
   5 Hamlet
3 Henry IV, Parts I and II
   1 Henry V
   4 Julius Caesar
   17 King Lear
   5 Macbeth
   6 Merchant of Venice
2 A Midsummer Night's Dream
2 Much Ado About Nothing
   9 Othello
   1 Richard III
4 Romeo and Juliet
   7 The Tempest
   4 Twelfth Night
   4 Winter’s Tale

Classical Greek & Roman Literature = 30

1 The Aeneid by Virgil
10 Antigone by Sophocles
1 The Eumenides by Aeschylus
1 The Iliad by Homer
1 Lysistrata by Aristophanes
6 Medea by Euripides
3 The Odyssey by Homer
6 Oedipus Rex by Sophocles
1 The Orestia by Aeschylus