

## January – Character Facing a New Beginning

“Every moment is a new beginning.” -Elie Wiesel

New beginnings can take many forms, whether it’s the start of a challenging journey, healing from a loss, reconnecting with a long-lost family member, going into witness protection, or just turning over a new leaf. Start the year off by joining a character in their fresh start—and maybe gain some inspiration for your own.

Here are a few recommendations:

[\*Anne of Green Gables\*](#) – by L.M. Montgomery

[\*Bear Necessity\*](#) – by James Gould-Bourne

[\*Britt-Marie Was Here\*](#) – by Fredrik Backmann

[\*The Count of Monte Cristo\*](#) – by *Alexandre Dumas*

[\*The Dutch House\*](#) – by Ann Patchett

[\*Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine\*](#) – by *Gail Honeyman*

[\*Evvie Drake Starts Over\*](#) – by Linda Holmes

[\*Fahrenheit 451\*](#) – by Ray Bradbury

[\*The Great Alone\*](#) – by Kristin Hannah

[\*The Lager Queen of Minnesota\*](#) – by Ryan J. Stradal

[\*The Light Between Oceans\*](#) – by M.L. Stedman

[\*The Nickel Boys\*](#) – by Colson Whitehead

[\*Orphan Train\*](#) – by Christina Baker Kline

[\*The People We Keep\*](#) – by Allie Larkin

[\*The Poisonwood Bible\*](#) – by Barbara Kingsolver

[\*Redeeming Love\*](#) – by Francine Rivers

[\*The Secret Life of Bees\*](#) – by Sue Monk Kidd

[\*The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry\*](#) – by Gabrielle Zevin

[\*The Switch\*](#) – by *Beth O’Leary*

[\*Their Eyes Were Watching God\*](#) – by Zora Neale Hurston

[\*Things You Save in a Fire\*](#) – by Katherine Center

[\*Where the Heart Is\*](#) – by Billie Letts

[\*Where’d You Go, Bernadette\*](#) – by *Maria Semple*