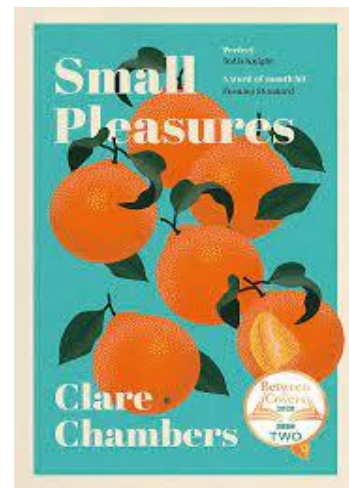


ENGLISH BOOK CLUB



WHY JOIN OUR ONLINE ENGLISH BOOK CLUB:

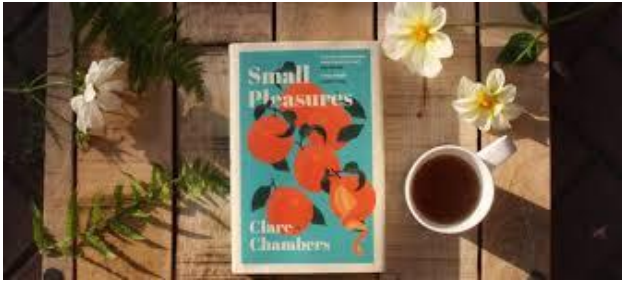
- Read new books
- Improve your reading and speaking skills in English
- Hear different opinions
- Increase your motivation to read
- Develop social ties

This book club is open to everyone who is fond of reading and of the English language.

Our meetings will be held for 5 consecutive Fridays beginning October 15th in a chilled, relaxed atmosphere.

Minimum level of English required: Upper Intermediate

SMALL PLEASURES Claire Chambers



LONGLISTED FOR THE WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION 2021 'A WORD-OF-MOUTH HIT'

1957, the suburbs of South East London. Jean Swinney is a journalist on a local paper, trapped in a life of duty and disappointment from which there is no likelihood of escape.

When a young woman, Gretchen Tilbury, contacts the paper to claim that her daughter is the result of a virgin birth, it is down to Jean to discover whether she is a miracle or a fraud.

As the investigation turns her quiet life inside out, Jean is suddenly given an unexpected chance at friendship, love and - possibly - happiness. But there will, inevitably, be a price to pay.

'A very fine book... It's witty and sharp and reads like something by Barbara Pym or Anita Brookner, without ever feeling like a pastiche' Sunday Times

'Effortless to read, but every sentence lingers in the mind' Lissa Evans

'This is one of the most beautiful books I have ever read. I honestly don't want you to be without it' Lucy Mangan

'Gorgeous... If you're looking for something escapist and bittersweet, I could not recommend more' Pandora Sykes *'Remarkable...'*

Small Pleasures is no small pleasure' The Times

'An irresistible novel - wry, perceptive and quietly devastating' Mail on Sunday

'An almost flawlessly written tale of genuine, grown-up romantic anguish' The Sunday Times