First Impressions Last

Books mentioned

Louisa May Alcott, Little Women (2 volumes, 1868 and 1869)

Trevor Bailey, Sir Gary: Life of Sir Garfield Sobers (1976)

L Frank Baum, The Wizard of Oz (1900)

Elinor M Brent-Dyer, The Chalet School series. The first book is The School at the Chalet (1925)

Anthony Buckeridge, Jennings Goes to School (1950)

Richmal Crompton, Just William (1922)

T S Eliot, The Waste Land (1922)

Stella Gibbons, Cold Comfort Farm (1932)

Sergeanne Golon, Angélique series. The first book is Angélique, The Marquise of the Angels (1955)

Aldous Huxley, Brave New World (1932)

James Joyce, Ulysses (1922)

Franz Kafka, The Castle (1926)

Carolyn Keene, Nancy Drew series. The first book in the long-running series was The Secret of the Old Clock (1930).

Andrew Lang, The Crimson Book of Fairy Tales (1903)

D H Lawrence, Lady Chatterley's Lover (1928, 1960)

Mikhail Lermontov, A Hero of Our Time (1840)

Herman Melville, Moby Dick (1851)

George Orwell, Nineteen Eighty-Four (1949)

Marcel Proust, A la recherche du temps perdu (1913-1927)

Arthur Ransome, Swallows and Amazons (1930)

Felix Salten, Bambi, a Life in the Woods (1923)

Anna Sewell, Black Beauty (1877)

Mark Twain, The Adventures of Tom Sawyer (1876) and Adventures of Huckleberry Finn (1884)

Dennis Wheatley, The Devil Rides Out (1934)

Herman Wouk, Marjorie Morningstar (1955)

John Wyndham, The Chrysalids (1955)

Authors mentioned

Enid Blyton (1897-1968)

Pamela Brown (1924-1989)

H Rider Haggard (1856-1925)

Georgette Heyer (1902-1974)

Iris Murdoch (1919-1999)

Edith Wharton (1862-1937)

And finally a biography of Everest explorers Mallory and Irvine (though it's hard to read this word on the card). There are several including, for example, The Mystery of Mallory & Irvine, by Tom Holzel and Audrey Salkeld (1986, revised edition, 1999) and we can't know which was meant.