Funny, not Fluffy

books that will engage your mind and tickle your funny bone



Backman, Frederick

- A Man Called Ove
- Britt-Marie Was Here (among others)

Doyle, Roddy

- The Commitments

Drury, Tom

The End Of Vandalism

Evison, Jonathan

- This Is Your Life, Harriett Chance
- The Revised Fundamentals Of Caregiving

Jen, Gish

- Typical American

Ray, Jeanne

- Calling Invisible Women

Schumacher, Jen

- Dear Committee Members

Semple, Maria

- Where'd You Go, Bernadette
- Today Will Be Different

Simonson, Helen

- Major Pettigrew's Last Stand
- The Summer Before the War

Simsion, Graeme

- The Rosie Project
- The Rosie Effect

Watson, Winifred

Miss Pettigrew Lives For a Day

Prolific fiction authors you may enjoy:

Buckley, Christopher (political humor)

Flagg, Fannie (stories of the real, funny and touching connections between people)

Hiassen, Carl (mysteries, usually with an environmental/political angle, taking place in South Florida)

Tyler, Anne (stories of dysfunctional but funny families that usually take place around Baltimore)

Wodehouse, PG (skewering British aristocracy)

- Carry On, Jeeves is a good starter

Humorous essayists (a starter list – many more authors are located in the 817 section)

Barry, Dave

- -in the nonfiction section, 817.5 B279)
- -also writes fiction, look under Barry

Bombeck, Erma

 She's from a world of rotary phones and only 3 TV networks, but her work is timeless. 817.5 B695

Thurber, James

- -in the nonfiction section, 817 T42
- -also wrote fiction, look under Thurber