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- Virginia: <u>Everything I Never Told You</u> by Celeste Ng, <u>Flight Behavior</u> by Barbara Kingsolver
- Amy: <u>Nine Perfect Strangers</u> by Liane Moriarty
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## And What About Those New Year Resolutions?

According to the Bustle Digital Group, proclaiming to be the largest premium publisher reaching millennial women, there are some reasons that your New Year's Resolution should be to read a book every month.

- 1. It is good for your overall health and well-being.
- 2. It is a great way to wind down at the end of the day.
- 3. You will realize your secret dreams of being a librarian.
- 4. You may become a better friend/partner/sibling/daughter/coworker...
- 5. You will support new writers-or at least new books.
- 6. Book clubs make it easy.
- 7. You will learn something new.
- 8. Reading is a part of the resistance.

## I would add

It will make it possible for you to travel beyond your own little life. Bustle's Books Page

## 2019

Welcome to the new year. An Irish wish for you: May all of your dearest dreams come true. My dearest story dreams are for: - A beloved character like Homer

in *Cider House Rules* by John Irving.

- A completely wild plot ride like the one in *The Girl Who Saved the King of Sweden* by Jonas Jonasson.

- A touching setting like the convalescent home in *The Love Song of Miss Queeny Hennessy* by Rachel Joyce.

An otherworld possibility like that in 11.22.63 by Stephen King.
A good laugh like I had with Beginner's Luck by Laura

Pedersen. - An amazing history lesson as in

The Lost Symbol by Dan Brown.

Oh yeah, I have had dearest story dreams come true in past years and I look very forward to more for you and for me. Happy New Year!