



THE URSULINE SCHOOL

Summer 2019 Reading List High School College Preparatory Classes

Welcome to Ursuline Summer Reading, a chance to explore new authors and genres as well as continue to build your reading skills. Below are the titles of required books for your 2019-2020 English class as well as other titles of works that have been endorsed by students.

This year's school-wide required summer book title is:

Where the Crawdads Sing, by Delia Owens

You are also required to read the novel listed below, under your specific grade level. It is strongly suggested that you read the required book in actual book form so that you may annotate to your heart's desire. (For this reason, an electronic or library book is not optimal because you will need to write in the book, have it in class, and refer to it in discussions.) Here are a few suggestions for annotating as you read your required book:

Underline key passages that you find interesting or important
Mark lines that help you understand the characters and plot

Use sticky notes or marginal notes to mark observations, questions, and connections.

Additionally, you must select and highlight at least 3 quotations that are interesting or thought-provoking and be prepared to discuss these quotations in class.

English 9	English 10	English 11	English 12
<i>The Hunger Games</i> , Suzanne Collins	<i>Purple Hibiscus</i> , Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie	<i>On the Come Up</i> , Angie Thomas	<i>Never Let Me Go</i> , Kazuo Ishiguro

Recommended Additional Reading for High School

Choose a book (or two or three!) from these lists if you want to keep on reading. Though it is not required, you are encouraged to read for pleasure.

Fiction

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings, Maya Angelou

Go Ask Alice, Anonymous

The Clan of the Cave Bear, Jean Auel

Pride and Prejudice, Jane Austen

Fahrenheit 451, Ray Bradbury

The Alchemist, Paulo Coelho

Seventeenth Summer, Maureen Daly

A Tale of Two Cities, Charles Dickens

Like Water for Chocolate, Laura Esquivel

A Lesson Before Dying, Ernest Gaines

Where Angels Fear to Tread, E. M. Forster

The Fault in Our Stars, John Green

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time,
Mark Haddon

Return of the Native, Thomas Hardy

Seabiscuit, Laura Hillenbrand

A Good Fall, Ha Jin

A Thousand Splendid Suns, Khaled Hosseini

Turn of the Screw, Henry James

The Invention of Wings, Sue Monk Kidd

To Kill a Mockingbird, Harper Lee

Call of the Wild, Jack London

Animal Farm, George Orwell

1984, George Orwell

Bel Canto, Ann Patchett

Cry, The Beloved Country, Alan Paton

A Tree Grows in Brooklyn, Betty Smith

I Capture the Castle, Dodie Smith

Travels with Charley, John Steinbeck

The Help, Kathryn Stockett

Sophie's Choice, William Styron

The Joy Luck Club, Amy Tan

Slaughterhouse Five, Kurt Vonnegut

Non-Fiction

*Trapped: How the World Rescued 33 Miners from
2,000 Feet Below the Chilean Desert*, Marc Aronson

Friday Night Lights: A Town, a Team, and a Dream,
H. G. Bissinger

Missing Persons, Gail Stewart

Animal, Vegetable, Miracle: A Year of Food Life,
Barbara Kingsolver

*Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mt.
Everest Disaster*, Jon Krakauer

Discovering Wes Moore, Wes Moore

Bad Boy: A Memoir, Walter Dean Myers

Killing Lincoln, Bill O'Reilly

Rosa Parks: My Story, Rosa Parks

*The Omnivore's Dilemma: The Secrets Behind What
You Eat*, Michael Pollan

*Witches!: The Absolutely True Tale of Disaster in
Salem*, Rosalyn Schanzer

