

Summer Reading List 2020 - 2021 Myers Park High School English Department

Below you will find the summer reading titles for the 2020-2021 school year. It is the student's responsibility to obtain a copy of the assigned text. This work can be accessed through the public library or through local bookstores, which have been notified of these selections. If there are financial constraints that inhibit the purchase of a text, please contact the English Department Chair to discuss options for purchase:

Kristen.angerer@cms.k12.nc.us. Accountability for the reading will take place during the academic year in conjunction with individual teacher syllabi. The reading list can also be accessed through the MPHS website.

Please note that some classes have additional directions posted on teachers' websites.

The following is **recommended** summer reading, but it **will be discussed and assessed** in the opening weeks of the semester.

9th Grade

FOE/Scholars: *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins

MYP/Honors: *The Martian* by Andy Weir (ISBN: 978-0553418026; **not** the student edition, please.)

10th Grade

All levels: English II students should consider reading **one (1)** of six (6) texts over the summer:

<i>How to Get Filthy Rich in Rising Asia</i> , Mohsin Hamid	<i>The Poet X</i> , Elizabeth Acevedo
<i>The Joy Luck Club</i> , Amy Tan	<i>The Sun is Also a Star</i> , Nicola Yoon
<i>Life of Pi</i> , Yann Martel	<i>A Thousand Splendid Suns</i> , Khaled Hosseini

The text selections above cover a number of different topics with varying intensity. Please choose a text that you feel comfortable reading. Synopses of each title can be found at bit.ly/10thNovellInfo.

11th Grade

Honors: English III Honors students should select **one (1)** of six (6) texts to read over the summer:

<i>The Bell Jar</i> , Sylvia Plath	<i>Little Fires Everywhere</i> , Celeste Ng
<i>The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks</i> , Rebecca Skloot	<i>A Short History of Nearly Everything</i> , Bill Bryson
<i>In Cold Blood</i> , Truman Capote	<i>Where the Crawdads Sing</i> , Delia Owens

More information regarding the choices for summer reading can be accessed at bit.ly/SummerEng3 (please be mindful of capital letters in the URL). We strongly urge students to complete this recommended reading during the summer (for fall semester) and over Winter Break (for spring semester). **(There will be a test on material during the third week of class in each semester.)**

12th Grade:

All levels: *1984* by George Orwell (ISBN: 978-0451524935)

Texts and directions for AP and IB classes are on the back.

AP and IB reading for rising juniors and seniors is required and will be assessed at the start of the school year.

11th AP Lang. and Comp: 11th AP Language students have **THREE** summer assignments to complete:

1. Selected chapters from *Thank You For Arguing* by Jay Heinrichs (ISBN: 978-0804189934)
2. A rhetorical terms assignment.
3. A close reading assignment.

(Additional details/directions are posted at bit.ly/LangSummer.)

11th IB Language A: 11th IB Language A students have **ONE** summer assignment to complete:

The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald (ISBN: 978-0743273565)

(Annotations are required. Directions for the proper formatting and expectations are posted at bit.ly/IB11Annotations.)

12th AP Literature: 12th AP Literature students have **TWO** summer assignments to complete:

1. Students must choose **one (1)** title to read from a list of six:

<i>All the Light We Cannot See</i> , Anthony Doerr	<i>Kindred</i> , Octavia.E. Butler
<i>Americanah</i> , Chiamanda Ngozi Adichie	<i>Ocean at the End of the Lane</i> , Neil Gaiman
<i>Ceremony</i> , Leslie Marmon Silko	<i>Oryx & Crake</i> , Margaret Atwood

2. An online vocabulary assignment (which can be completed collaboratively).
(Additional details/directions are posted on Ms. Cates's website: bit.ly/CatesWebsite.)

12th IB Language A: 12th IB Language A students have **TWO** summer assignments to complete:

1. *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro (ISBN: 978-1400078776)
2. *The Stranger* by Albert Camus (ISBN: 978-0679720201)

(Additional details/directions are posted on Mrs. Osburn's website: bit.ly/OsburnWebsite.)