

Summer Reading for Students Entering 10th Grade (English II) in August 2020

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Choose and obtain ONE of the following books:

- The novel *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
- The novel *Invisible Man* by Ralph Ellison (NOTE: There is at least one other novel with this title. Ensure you choose the one by Ellison!)
- The play *A Raisin in the Sun* by Lorraine Hansberry

You can find digital copies of all three works for free [here](#). Or, you may choose to buy hard copies if you so desire.

As you read, look for the following themes:

- Racism
- Justice
- Coming of age/search for identity
- Nonconformity (refusal to adhere to established norms)
- The importance of close interpersonal relationships
- The relationship between gender and power

Don't forget: the best readers read actively by taking notes and/or annotating on the text itself.

When classes start, we will examine these themes and your chosen text itself more in depth.

It would be beneficial to bring your notes in the first week of school.

Successful students will have read carefully and thought deeply about the themes well in advance.

If you have questions, contact Ms. Starke at starke@asf.edu.mx. Be certain to allow her several days to answer, as we will be on summer vacation.