

20 22 SUMMER READING



ALL SCHOOL READ

All classes (9-12) and all levels (CP, Honors and AP) must read **An Invisible Thread** by Laura Schroff.

ENGLISH I

We Were Liars by E. Lockhart

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ENGLISH I HONORS

Choice Read 1: Pick a novel that you find interesting that meets the requirements listed below:

- Must be YA (young adult) geared for your age 9th-12th grade
- Must be a novel (fiction)
- Must be a novel you have not read before for another class or independently
- Must be a selection you can justify as having tragic (sad) or gothic (mysterious) elements
- Must be a minimum of 150 pages
- Must be approved by your parents. Any novel that meets the criteria above will fulfill the assignment, but please don't choose a text that doesn't meet with parent or guardian approval. The current trend in YA literature is realism, which means some novels may contain profanity or sexual situations. If you or your parents/guardians are unsure whether the novel you have chosen is acceptable by your family's standards, please use this website to check:

<https://www.commonensemedia.org/>

AND

Choice Read 2: Pick a novel that you find interesting that meets the requirements listed below:

- Must be YA (young adult) geared for your age 9th-12th grade
- Must be a novel (fiction)
- Must be a novel you have not read before for another class or independently
- Must be a selection you can justify as having comedic (funny, light, happy ending) elements
- Must be a minimum of 150 pages
- Must be approved by your parents. Any novel that meets the criteria above will fulfill the assignment, but please don't choose a text that doesn't meet with

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ENGLISH II

Between the Shades of Grey by Ruta Sepetys

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ENGLISH II HONORS

Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini

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Choice Read

- Must be a YA (young adult) novel or bestseller novel of choice and geared towards your age group (10th grade or beyond)
- Must be a novel (fiction)
- Must have been first printed in 2014 or later (Choose something new to you, not something you have already read.)
- Must be a minimum of 150 pages
- Must purchase a physical copy of the novel
- Must be approved by your parents

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ENGLISH III

Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom

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Choice Read

- Must be a YA (young adult) novel or bestseller novel of choice and geared towards your age group (11th grade or beyond)
- Must be a novel (fiction)
- Must be written by an American author
- Must have been first printed in 2014 or later and must be something new to you, not something you have already read
- Must be a minimum of 150 pages
- Must purchase a physical copy of the novel
- Must be approved by your parents

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ENGLISH III HONORS

The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd

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Choice Read

- Must be a YA (young adult) novel or bestseller novel of choice and geared towards your age group (11th grade or beyond)
- Must be a novel (fiction)
- Must be written by an American author
- Must have been first printed in 2014 or later and must be something new to you, not something you have already read
- Must be a minimum of 150 pages
- Must purchase a physical copy of the novel
- Must be approved by your parents.

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ENGLISH III AP

Dead Man Walking by Helen Prejean, CSJ (some adult language, situations and violence)

AND

Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson

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ENGLISH IV

Choice Read: Pick a novel that you find interesting that meets the requirements below:

- New York Times bestseller choice (geared towards your age group)
- Must be fiction
- Must stand alone (no books in a series)
- Must have been print in 2021
- Must by a minimum of 150 pages
- You must choose something new to you, not something you have already read
- Your parents must approve your choice

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ENGLISH IV DUAL ENROLLMENT

Courage to Soar by Simone Biles

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ENGLISH IV HONORS

Two Novels

1. Choose one of the following novels that are said to have helped shape the 1920s.
 - **The Mysterious Affair at Styles** by Agatha Christie (1920)
 - **The Age of Innocence** by Edith Wharton (1920)
 - **So Big** by Edna Ferber (1924)
 - **A Passage to India** by EM Forster (1924)
 - **Winnie the Pooh** by A.A. Milne (1926)
 - **Death Comes For the Archbishop** by Willa Cather (1927)

- **The Bridge of San Luis Rey** by Thornton Wilder (1927)
- **All Quiet on the Western Front** by Erich Maria Remarque (1929)
- **Passing** by Nella Larsen (1929)
- **A Farewell to Arms** by Ernest Hemingway (1929)

AND

2. Choose an adult novel that you find interesting using the following requirements:

- Must be a New York Times bestseller choice appropriate for your age group
- Must be fiction
- Must stand alone (no books in a series)
- Must have been printed in 2021
- Must by a minimum of 150 pages
- Cannot be something you have already read; you must choose something new to you
- Must be okay with your parents

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ENGLISH IV AP

Sing, Unburied, Sing by Jesmyn Ward

AND

Choice Read: Choose a novel written for an adult audience that you have not read before and that in your judgment meets any four or more of College Board's criteria for literary merit as condensed below. (A novel is a book-length work of fiction; no memoirs, no plays, no non-fiction)

- Written to entertain, not merely to instruct
- Cannot be confined to any single genre of fiction
- Has been judged to have artistic quality by the literary community (Literary merit award winners and finalists are a great place to start looking: Pulitzer, Nobel, National Book Award, etc.)
- Has stood the test of time in some way, regardless of date of publication
- Shows thematic depth
- Demonstrates innovation in narration, structure, characterization or other literary elements (read book reviews for newer texts to help make this determination before you read)
- Has arguably had a social, political or ideological impact since its publication
- Themes and insights are arguably timeless, not limited to a single time period

Authors to consider if you need help getting started: Chimamanda Adiche, Margaret Atwood, Anne Bronte, Kate Chopin, Charles Dickens, EM Forster, Ernest Hemingway, Khaled Hosseini, Kazuo Ishiguro, Joy Kogowa, Toni Morrison, Viet Thanh Nguyen, Flannery O'Connor, Alice Walker, Edith Wharton

Please don't panic over your selection. Use College Board's criteria to choose something you will enjoy, double check with your parents and read away! Part of the fun will be debating and defending the literary merit of your choice read with your classmates.

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