

2023 Troy 10 Literature & Composition Summer Reading

Sophomores this summer will be given the opportunity to **explore what literacy means both in books and beyond the pages of a text**. We want to offer choice, and it is our hope that students will, **in addition to reading a novel**, consider listening to a **podcast**, watching a **documentary**, reading a **series of articles**, or even binge watching a **film or TV series** in order to engage in a passion of theirs and broaden their understanding of literacy. If students prefer to read two books, that is fine as well.



This new summer “reading” program is intended to develop a habit of reading that takes students far beyond the English classroom as well as to grow students’ enjoyment of their passion and interests while increasing their literacy.

#1: Choose a book by exploring reading options based on your goals/passions

[What Students Will Be Reading: Campus Common Reading Roundup, 2022-23 | Penguin Random House Common Reads](#): Look up your favorite school and see what incoming freshmen are reading. These texts will be especially helpful if you plan to pursue AP Language and/or Literature courses in junior or senior year.

[Most Often Cited Literature on the AP Literature Exam](#) Check out these classics to see what students have read in preparation for AP Literature. These texts will be especially helpful if you plan to pursue AP Language and/or Literature courses in junior or senior year.

[2023 Best Fiction for Young Adults](#): Love YA? Check out the “best of” list to see if you’ve missed any hits.

[TasteDive](#): Personalized suggestions discovered through the things you already love

[What Should I Read Next?](#): Search book recommendations based on a title you have enjoyed previously

[Interested in nonfiction?](#): Check out “61 YA Nonfiction Books to Explore Real Life True Stories”

[TikTok Lovers](#): Try searching #booktok to curate some trending titles and authors

#2: Expand your thinking about “literacy” by choosing a “non-book” option

Film	Documentary	Podcast	Articles	Poetry
<p>Watch 2-3 films by the same director or in the same genre</p> <p><i>(To Find a Director - start by choosing one of your favorite films, find out who directed it, and then streaming platforms - Hulu, Netflix, Apple, etc - from there)</i></p>	<p>Watch 2 documentaries</p> <p><u>2023 Oscar Nominations Best Documentary</u></p> <p><u>Netflix Documentary Films</u></p> <p><u>25 Best HBO Documentaries of All Time</u></p>	<p>Listen to an episodic or a daily/weekly podcast</p> <p><u>The Best Podcasts for Everyone</u></p> <p><u>TasteDive - Podcasts discovered through the things you already love</u></p>	<p>Read 3 articles about the same topic from different sources or follow a current event through time, reading at least 3 articles to track the evolution of the event/idea</p>	<p>Read 2 volumes of poetry or a variety (5-10) of different poems: you might start exploring one of these sites:</p> <p><u>Poetry Foundation</u></p> <p><u>Best of Button</u></p> <p><u>Brave New Voices</u></p>

CAPTURE YOUR THINKING

To capture your thinking while you read over the summer, **create a notebook page for each of your two literacy choices***. (See the models below - this is your work so format or create a page that works to show your thinking). Within the first weeks of the school year, we will be utilizing your visual thinking pages to discuss and write about what you found most fascinating about your "summer reading". We look forward to beginning the school year with students who have explored options that fit their passions and literacy goals.

***NOTE: We do not expect you to create more than two notebook pages.**

You'd be Home by Now
Kathleen Glasgow

How addiction can affect the people around you.

Joey's parents have always commented that he reads, and Kathleen Glasgow is a very thoughtful character in a young adult novel. I don't want you thinking any more. This is part of your recovery. You can earn back your door when we see your grades, good behavior, a real effort on your part. I don't want you thinking any more. This is part of your recovery. You can earn back your door when we see your grades, good behavior, a real effort on your part. I don't want you thinking any more. This is part of your recovery. You can earn back your door when we see your grades, good behavior, a real effort on your part.

"Humans waste words" (2). "Anger is a powerful disguise" (31). "Humans can surprise you sometimes" (10). "I promise Stella, I say. I promise to a human, and might not sound anything" (125). "Human babies are like our babies' eyes. The big, bottom the world" (140). "It's the the paint" (187). "Humans love. I have someone to protect" (208). "I'm a leader. I pull back my head high. They don't have to me" (252). "We're playing. Julia gives a wild smile... she runs to George. Thank you, Dad. For what? For... At least, not yet" (188). "I'm Ivan, just Ivan, Only Ivan" (173).

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IVAN

FREAKONOMICS PODCAST
"LYING TO OURSELVES"
10/18/2018

UNINTENTIONAL LYING
OPEN POLLS LIE WHO EVEN MEANING TO...
FINANCE
WHEN AMERICANS WERE ASKED IF THEY WOULD EVER LEAVE THE USA TO AVOID TAXATION

ONE THIRD SAID NO
BUT EVERY ONE WAS WILLING TO ENTERTAIN THE IDEA
IN FACT...
HOW WE ARE GOING TO BEHAVE WHEN SOMETHING CHANGES
DON'T, WHEN WATCHING THE TOLLS, DON'T LISTEN TO WHAT PEOPLE SAY...
WATCH WHAT THEY DO
THIS PROVES THE Laffer Curve THEORY:
SO THE NEXT TIME YOUR FRIEND SAYS HE'LL LEAVE THE USA IF TAXES GO UP, CHARGE AND HE'LL STILL BE HERE A YEAR LATER.

Flying Kites by Quincy Troupe

we used to fly rainbow kites across stuff-caps of hours holes on blue wings of the canvas of sinking suns running winged eyes locked to wind we'd unwind the kite string up & away then run them down blue tapestry up the sky again, then down until a sinking sun rolled down into a swallowing sky today, we fly words as kites across pages of winds, through skies as poems we shape from holy, bloody adjectives & nouns we loop into sound circles, ringing like eclipse, the sun's tongue

positive fun
hat
KITES
literally - kite in sky
Image
dreams? Symbolic?
all day!
things are different
WORDS
is this good or bad?
is this nurturing or helping?

Parent now, when I paint, I'm not painting what I see in front of me. An apple. I'm painting what I see in my head. Things. At least, not yet" (188). "I'm Ivan, just Ivan, Only Ivan" (173).

TOK by Joseph Losey

MOVIE! GALILEO
THE MILLENNIUM OF FAITH HAS ENDED, THE MILLENNIUM OF DOUBT HAS BEGUN
JANUARY 10, 1610, GALILEO ABOLISHES HEAVEN.
Why is this? How is that?
AUTHORITY
WISDOM OF THE AGES
PERFECTION
CHURCH GODS
HEAVEN EARTH HELL
EARTH
SOLAR SYSTEM
SUN
MARS
JUPITER
SATURN
URANUS
NEPTUNE
PLUTO
"WHY WHERE IS THE CRYSTAL SPHERE?"
THERE ISN'T ONE!
All I want to know is WHAT IS LIGHT!

Consider if you read multiple pieces, create something to show connections within your thinking.

2023 Summer

THE PLAYERS' POD

Other podcasts hosted by females taking the lead in the world of sports.

Enjoyed watching this documentary highlighting Venus + Serena's ability to push limits in tennis representing both their gender and race, but also the longevity of athletes in physically intensive and demanding sports.

Carrie Soto is Back by Taylor Jenkins Reid

Made me think of:
- Females in sports
- Tennis
- The "cost" of greatness
- Do athletes age out?
- Diversity of voice in the world of sports
- Themes: ageism, sexism, competition

After that I wanted to hear a more in depth story of one of the victims. Simone Biles memoir was an amazing story of hope and triumph, and from someone representing diversity.

Watched the HBO Documentary "At The Heart Of Gold" - which examined the 2019 USA Gymnastics Scandal (2019). Documentary unpacks the scandal, its cover-up, and aftermath, while giving voice to the survivors.

Simone Biles

AT THE HEART OF GOLD

