



THE URSULINE SCHOOL

Summer 2022 Reading List High School College Preparatory Classes

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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 2022-2023 English class, as well as other titles of works that have been endorsed by students.

You are 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

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

Mark lines that help you understand the characters and plot

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. There will be a written assessment in September.

English 9	English 10	English 11	English 12
<i>Night</i> , Elie Wiesel	<i>A Fall of Marigolds</i> , Susan Meissner	<i>Beautiful Country</i> , Qian Julie Wang	<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. Keep scrolling to see titles for grades 11 and 12!

Grades 9 and 10

Fiction

Clap When You Land, Elizabeth Acevedo
The Five People You Meet in Heaven, Mitch Albom
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings, Maya Angelou
Pride and Prejudice, Jane Austen
A Place Where the Sea Remembers, Sandra Benitez
Noughts and Crosses, Malorie Blackman
The Alchemist, Paulo Coelho
Seventeenth Summer, Maureen Daly
A Tale of Two Cities, Charles Dickens
Voices: The Final Hours of Joan of Arc, David Elliot
A Lesson Before Dying, Ernest Gaines
Beasts of Prey, Ayana Gray
Seabiscuit, Laura Hillenbrand
Things the Eye Can't See, Penny Joelson
When I Was Invisible, Dorothy Koomson
Call of the Wild, Jack London
Ink and Ashes, Valynne E. Maetani
When My Heart Joins the Thousand, A.J. Steiger
Travels with Charley, John Steinbeck
The Crystal Cave (series), Mary Stewart

Uglies (series), Scott Westerfield
The House You Pass on the Way, Jacqueline Woodson
The Book Thief, Markus Zusak

Non-Fiction

Flowers in the Gutter, K.R. Gaddy
Same Kind of Different as Me, Ron Hall
Girl Code: Gaming, Going Viral, and Getting it Done, Andrea Gonzalez & Sophie Houser
Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust, Immaculee Ilibagiza
Eyes and Spies: How You're Tracked and Why You Should Know, Tanya Lloyd Kyi
A World Without Email, Cal Newport
Becoming, Michelle Obama
Killing Lincoln, Bill O'Reilly
The Omnivore's Dilemma: The Secrets Behind What You Eat, Michael Pollan
The Betrayal of Anne Frank, Rosemary Sullivan
They Called Us Enemy, George Takei
Walk to Beautiful, Jimmy Wayne & Ken Abraham

Grades 11 and 12

Fiction

Clap When You Land, Elizabeth Acevedo
Brick Lane, Monica Ali
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings, Maya Angelou
Pride and Prejudice, Jane Austen
Fahrenheit 451, Ray Bradbury
Wuthering Heights, Emily Bronte
The Alchemist, Paulo Coelho
The Language of Flowers, Vanessa Diffenbaugh
Voices: The Final Hours of Joan of Arc, David Elliot
Like Water for Chocolate, Laura Esquivel
A Lesson Before Dying, Ernest Gaines
Beasts of Prey, Ayana Gray
Homecoming, Yaa Gyasi
Seabiscuit, Laura Hillenbrand
A Good Fall, Ha Jin
A Thousand Splendid Suns, Khaled Hosseini
When I Was Invisible, Dorothy Koomson
Small Island, Andrea Levy
Call of the Wild, Jack London
Ink and Ashes, Valynne E. Maetani
The Truth Project, Dante Medema
The Orchard of Lost Souls, Nadifa Mohamed
The Secret Life of Bees, Sue Monk Kidd

A Song Bellow Water, Bethany C. Morrow
Such a Fun Age, Kiley Reid
Travels with Charley, John Steinbeck
Uglies (series), Scott Westerfield
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Killing Lincoln, Bill O'Reilly
The Omnivore's Dilemma: The Secrets Behind What You Eat, Michael Pollan
Witches!: The Absolutely True Tale of Disaster in Salem, Rosalyn Schanzer
The Betrayal of Anne Frank, Rosemary Sullivan
They Called Us Enemy, George Takei
Walk to Beautiful, Jimmy Wayne & Ken Abraham