



Redwood Christian Middle School and High School  
Summer Reading List

**GRADES 6-12 RCS MSHS SUMMER READING LIST**

**GRADE 6:** Incoming 6th grade Students Summer Reading:

**Required reading** - *The Phantom Tollbooth* – Norton Juster

**You also must choose ONE of the following:**

1. *Reaching for the Moon: The Autobiography of NASA Mathematician Katherine Johnson*- Katherine Johnson
2. *Treasure Island*- Robert Louis Stevenson
3. *Ender’s Game*- Orson Scott Card

**GRADE 7:** Incoming 7th grade Students Summer Reading:

**Required reading** - *The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe* – C.S. Lewis

**You also must choose ONE of the following:**

1. *The Giver*- Lois Lowry
2. *Around the World in Eighty Days* – Jules Verne
3. *The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler*- John Hendrix

**GRADE 8:** Incoming 8th grade Students Summer Reading:

**Required reading** - *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*- John Boyne

**You also must choose ONE of the following:**

1. *Pride and Prejudice* – Jane Austen
2. *Hatchet* – Gary Paulsen
3. *Night*- Elie Wiesel

**GRADE 9:** Incoming 9th grade Students Summer Reading:

**Required reading** - *Of Mice and Men* – John Steinbeck

**You also must choose ONE of the following:**

1. *Kite Runner* – Khaled Hosseini
2. *The Count of Monte Cristo*- Alexandre Dumas
3. *Quiet Strength* – Tony Dungy

**GRADE 10 AP Language and Composition:** Incoming 10th grade AP Language and Composition Students Summer Reading (*no other selections, as the following two are required reading*):

**Required reading** –

1. *Blink* – Malcolm Gladwell
2. *1984* – George Orwell

**GRADE 10:** Incoming 10th grade Students Summer Reading:

**Required reading** - *Animal Farm*- George Orwell

**You also must choose ONE of the following:**

1. *Joy Luck Club* – Amy Tan
2. *The Last of the Mohicans*- James Fenimore Cooper
3. *The Children’s Train*- Viola Ardone

**GRADE 11 Honors English:** Incoming 11th grade Honors English Students Summer Reading:

**Required reading** – *1776*- David McCullough

**You also must choose ONE of the following:**

1. *Up from Slavery* – Booker T. Washington
2. *The House of the Seven Gables* – Nathaniel Hawthorne
3. *The Bell Jar* – Sylvia Plath

**GRADE 11:** Incoming 11th grade Students Summer Reading:

**Required reading** – *Farewell to Manzanar*- Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston

**You also must choose ONE of the following:**

1. *Age of Innocence* - Edith Wharton
2. *Catch 22*- Joseph Heller
3. *Their Eyes Were Watching God* – Zora Neale Hurston

**GRADE 12 AP Literature and Composition:** Incoming AP Literature and Composition Students Summer Reading:

**Required reading** – *How to Read Literature Like a Professor* – Thomas C. Foster

**You also must choose ONE of the following:**

1. *The Jungle*- Upton Sinclair
2. *Cyrano De Bergerac* - Edmond Rostand
3. *A Tale of Two Cities* – Charles Dickens
4. *Return of the Native* – Thomas Hardy

**GRADE 12:** Incoming 12<sup>th</sup> grade Students Summer Reading:

**Required reading** – *The Mayor of Casterbridge* – Thomas Hardy

**You also must choose ONE of the following:**

1. *Frankenstein* – Mary Shelley
2. *A Doll's House* - Henrik Ibsen
3. *Into Thin Air* – Jon Krakauer