

## AP Literature & Composition Summer Reading

2024 Summer Reading Assignment

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Read AND annotate the following:

1. *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien OR *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe  
OR *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen
2. *1984* by George Orwell
3. A choice work of fiction (age-appropriate, over 200 pages in length, AND with a Lexile level greater than 800 [this can be Googled]) you have not read before; it must also not be one with a movie adaptation
4. A choice book from the list of titles found on the AP Literature exam (again, one you have not read before)

Use sticky notes to mark your annotations (even if you write in the books) with a portion of each note sticking out at the top or right side of the books. While I am not providing a specific list of expected annotations, your annotations should prove your in-depth interaction with the texts as you read. Make sure your name is written on a sticky note on the inside cover of the books.

You will turn in your annotated copy of the books on the first day of school. Be prepared to complete some assessments and engage in discussion regarding your books during the first days of school.

No digital copies will be accepted for summer reading or school reading.

REQUIRED BOOKS TO PURCHASE FOR USE IN THE 2024-2025 school year:

- *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley - ISBN 0451523369 paperback (available on Amazon)
- *The Importance of Being Earnest* by Oscar Wilde - ISBN 978-0486264783 (available on Amazon)

I will have an additional book for you to purchase, but that information will come later.

I will provide the following books for you for the 2024-2025 school year:

- *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne
- *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley