

Maret School—11th & 12th Grade

Summer Reading 2024

Not all courses have summer reading. Only the courses listed here have summer reading.
Books with asterisks (*) are available in ebook format via the [Sora app](#).

Science Electives

Advanced Environmental Science Choose one of the following memoirs or biographies:

<i>Beyond Words: What Animals Think and Feel</i> by Carl Safina*	<i>Water: A Natural History</i> by Alice Outwater*
<i>The Sixth Extinction: An Unnatural History</i> by Elizabeth Kolbert*	<i>The Invention of Nature: Alexander von Humboldt's New World</i> by Andrea Wulf*

World Languages Electives

Comparative Literature

100 Years of Solitude by Gabriel Garcia Marquez* (Read in Spanish or English)

The Question of Evil

The Plague by Albert Camus* (Read in French or English)

Humanities Electives

Civil Liberties

Watch: ["What the Constitution Means to Me"](#)

Exploration of Ethics through Literature

Lord of the Flies by William Golding*

Please purchase the Penguin Classics Deluxe edition with an introduction by Stephen King.
The ISBN is: 978-0143129400

Humans Evolving Relationship with the Earth

Required reading/ viewing. (1) Read *The Martian* by Andy Weir and you're done. **Or** (2) watch the 2015 film *The Martian* and then read these articles:

- (a) <https://www.space.com/30699-the-martian-movie-space-book-review.html>
- (b) <https://archive.nerdist.com/all-the-big-changes-between-the-martian-movie-and-novel/> and
- (c) <https://electricliterature.com/why-the-martian-movie-is-poised-to-be-better-than-the-book/>

Imagined Worlds

Required viewing: Watch **both** of these films:

- *Wall-E* (2008)
- *Minority Report* (2002)

Law, Culture, and Society

Listen to Season 1 of the [Serial podcast](#) (12 episodes)

Literature and Theories of Knowledge

Required viewing: *The Matrix* by The Wachowskis and *Inception* by Christopher Nolan

Lovers, Warriors, Poets, and Thinkers of the Ancient Mediterranean

Antigone Rising by Helen Morales*

Religion, Power, and Social Change

Choose **one** book from the list below:

- *Transcendent Kingdom* by Yaa Gyasi*
- *Life of Pi* by Yann Martel*
- *The Color of Water* by James McBride*

Power of Story

Choose **one** memoir from the list below (or one of your own choosing with Ms. Levinson's approval):

<i>Infidel</i> by Ayaan Hirsi Ali*	<i>A Long Way Gone</i> by Ishmael Beah*
<i>The Diving Bell and the Butterfly</i> by Jean-Dominique Bauby*	<i>Ball Four</i> by Jim Bouton*
<i>Brain on Fire</i> by Sarah Cahalan*	<i>Everything Sad is Untrue</i> by Daniel Nayeri *
<i>When They Call You a Terrorist</i> by Patrice Khan Cullors*	<i>The World According to Fannie Davis</i> by Bridgett M. Davis*
<i>Farewell to Manzanar</i> by Jeanne Houston*	<i>Hunger</i> by Roxanne Gay*
<i>Small Fry</i> by Lisa Brennan Jobs*	<i>Power Forward</i> by Reggie Love*
<i>The Home that Was Our Country</i> by Alia Malek*	<i>Becoming Maria</i> by Sonia Manzano*
<i>The Color of Water</i> by James McBride*	<i>Tomorrow Will Be Different</i> by Sarah McBride*

<i>Angela's Ashes</i> by Frank McCourt*	<i>Reading Lolita in Tehran</i> by Azar Nafisi*
<i>Boy Erased</i> by Garrard Conley*	<i>Dreams from My Father</i> by Barack Obama*
<i>In Order to Live</i> by Yeonmi Park*	<i>Trying to Float</i> by Nicolaia Rips*
<i>Out of Place</i> by Edward Said*	<i>Just Kids</i> by Patti Smith*
<i>Where the Past Begins</i> by Amy Tan*	<i>As Breath Become Air</i> by Paul Kalinithi*
<i>Educated</i> by Tara Westover*	<i>The Yellow House</i> by Sarah Broom*
<i>Becoming</i> by Michelle Obama*	<i>Lab Girl</i> by Hope Jahren*
<i>Pageboy</i> by Elliot Page*	<i>Crying in H Mart</i> by Michelle Zauner*