

2025 High School Summer Reading List

High School Summer Reading Requirement:

All rising freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors are required to read **one fiction book** from the grade-level list provided below.

At the start of the school year, students across all grades and course levels will engage in work connected to their summer reading, as determined by their English teachers. These activities may include **written and/or oral components** during the first month of school, at the teacher's discretion.

9th grade		
	Required Text: The Joy Luck Club	Amy Tan
	The House on Mango Street	Sandra Cisneros
	My Stroke of Insight	Jill Bolte Taylor
	Arabian Nights	Zipes
	All Quiet on the Western Front	Erich Remarque
	Crick Crack Monkey	Merle Hodge
	War of the Worlds	H.G. Wells
	1984	George Orwell
	The Bean Trees	Barbara Kingsolver
	The Murder on the Orient Express	Agatha Christie
	Reaching for the Moon	Katherine Johnson, Heather Alicia Simms, et al
	Fahrenheit 451	Ray Bradbury

10th grade		
	Text	Author
	Invisible Man	Ralph Ellison
	Required Text: The Portable Edgar Allan Poe (focus on “Mysteries”)	Edgar Allan Poe
	The Hate U Give	Angie Thomas
	The Picture of Dorian Gray	Oscar Wilde

11th grade		
	Text	Author
	My Antonia	Willa Cather
	A Lesson Before Dying	Ernest J. Gaines
	Things Fall Apart	Chinua Achebe
	Out of Africa	Karen Blixen
	Into This Air	Jon Krakauer
	Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass	Frederick Douglass
	Woman Warrior	Maxine Hong Kingston
	The Words in My Hands	Asphyxia

12th grade		
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	Text	Author
	Born a Crime	Trevor Noah
	The Alchemist	Paul Coelho
	A Room with a View	E.M. Forster
	This Side of Paradise	F. Scott Fitzgerald
	The Remains of the Day	Kazuo Ishiguro
	Pride and Prejudice	Jane Austen

12th grade - IB LITERATURE STUDENTS		
	Text	Author
	Born a Crime (any version)	Trevor Noah