

Ayer Shirley Regional High School - Summer Reading 2025

All ASRHS students are encouraged to read over the summer. Please select **one** title of interest. Extra credit will be awarded.

Honors and AP students are REQUIRED to read. Credit and/or associated assignments will be given at the discretion of individual teachers upon the return to school.

Incoming Freshmen: Humanities I

- I Am Malala by Malala Yousafzai
- The Book Thief by Markus Zusak
- Shout by Laurie Halse Anderson
- Divergent by Veronica Roth
- The Maze Runner by James Dashner
- Becoming by Michelle Obama
- Boying Up-How to be Brave, Bold and Brilliant by Mayim Bialik
- Girling Up- How to be Strong, Smart, and Spectacular by Mayim Bialik
- Honor Girl by Maggie Thrash

Incoming Sophomores: Humanities II

- I Am the Messenger by Markus Zusak
- The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd
- Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury
- War Is---: Soldiers, Survivors, and Storytellers Talk about War** edited by Marc Aronson and Patty Campbell
- The Help by Kathryn Stockett
- Punching the Air by Ibi Zoboi
- Spare Parts by Joshua Davis
- We'll Soon Be Home Again by Jessica Bab Bonde
- Friday Night Lights by Buzz Bissinger

Incoming Juniors: American Literature

- The Perks of Being a Wallflower by Stephen Chbosky
- It's Kind of A Funny Story by Ned Vizzini
- Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng
- One of Our Kind by Nicola Yoon
- In Cold Blood by Truman Capote
- Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly
- Born a Crime by Trevor Noah
- The Good Lord Bird by James McBride
- Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Saenz



Incoming Seniors: World Literature

- Where'd You Go, Bernadette by Maria Semple
- A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman
- The Goldfinch by Donna Tartt
- Slaughterhouse-Five by Kurt Vonnegut
- The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood
- Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens
- Running with Sherman by Christopher McDougall
- The Patron Saint of Nothing by Randy Ribay
- The Borden Murders: Lizzie Borden and the Trial of the Century by Sarah Miller
- Their Eyes Were Watching God by Zora Neale Hurston
- Educated by Tara Westover

Incoming AP Language and Composition (Please access further instructions via Google Classroom) Link

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All must read: Sign up for Google, this is where work can be found! Students are required to purchase their own copies of the titles below:

- In Cold Blood by Truman Capote- reading/ notes to use in discussion.
- The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot- All requirements for this novel can be found in the Google Classroom.
- Additional work will be listed in the Google Classroom for this course.

Incoming AP Literature and Composition

• Slaughterhouse-Five by Kurt Vonnegut

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