

2026 SUMMER READING LIST CLASS OF 2029

For students enrolled in the follow courses:

Sophomore English Course #135 (formerly called English 2RA)

Read *Under a Painted Sky* by Stacey Lee

During the first week of school, you will complete an assessment for *Under a Painted Sky*.

Sophomore Regular English Course #133

Choose ONE book from the reading list below.

During the first week of school, you will complete an assessment for the book you read.

For students enrolled in the follow courses:

Sophomore Honors English Course #137

Sophomore Accelerated English Course #138

1. Read and annotate the first half (Part 1) of *Persepolis: The Story of a Childhood* by M. Satrapi

2. Choose ONE book from the reading list below.

During the first week of school, you will complete an assessment for the books you read.

Sophomore Choice Reading List

Contemporary/Realistic Fiction

Author	Title
Asher	What Light
Draper	Out of My Mind
Myers	Slam
Smith, J.	This Is What Happy Looks Like
Toten	The Unlikely Hero of Room 13B

Fantasy/Sci-Fi

Author	Title
Butler	Kindred
Sanderson	Skyward OR Steelheart
Tobias	Honeysuckle and Bone

Historical Fiction

Author	Title
Gratz	Refugee (original version or graphic novel)
Lee	Under a Painted Sky OR The Downstairs Girl OR Luck of the Titanic
Marquis	The Davenports OR The Davenports More Than This (Book 2)
Sepetys	Out of the Easy OR Salt to the Sea OR Between Shades of Gray OR The Fountains of Silence OR I Must Betray You

Informational/Non-Fiction/Biographies

Author	Title
Alexander	Ever Faithful, Ever Loyal: The Timothy Alexander Story
Alifirneka and Ganda	I Will Always Write Back
Boyle	Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion
Hallowell	Driven to Distraction OR Delivered from Distraction
Hirsch	A Deathly Compendium of Poisonous Plants: Wicked Weeds and Sinister Seeds
Seiple	Death on the River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt's Amazon Adventure
Walls	The Glass Castle

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