Summer Reading for AP Research 2026 - 2027

Welcome to AP Research!

Over the summer, it will benefit you to start thinking about your topic. You will be writing a 4,000-to-5,000-word paper addressing a research question of your choice. This topic will be your focus in Research for an entire school year. Find something that truly interests you.

Summer Reading Suggestions:
There are some phenomenal non-fiction reads that might help you discover a topic. Here are a few suggestions.

You may choose **one or more** books from this list or select another non-fiction book on the topic of your choice.

Please take notes on the subject matter including - facts, quotes, summaries, paraphrases, interpretations, and reactions/reflections. There is no formal notetaking sheet for this assignment. You may use your own format. This will be due **on the first day of class.**

- Environment:
  - *Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law*- Mary Roach
  - *Paved Paradise: How Parking Explains the World*-Henry Graber
  - *Wild Animals I Have Known*- Ernest Thompson Seton
  - *Silent Spring*- Rachel Carson
  - *Into the Wild*-Jon Krakauer
- Society
  - *Invisible Child: Poverty, Survival, and Hope in an American City*- Andrea Elliot
  - *Caste*- Isabel Wilkerson
  - *The Color of Law*-Richard Rothstein
  - *Reclaiming our Students*-Hannah Beach
  - *After The Last Border*-Jessica Goudeau
- History
  - *Radium Girls: the Dark History of America's Shining Women*-Kate Moore
  - T*he League: How Five Rivals Created the NFL and Launched a Sports Empire*-John Eisenberg
  - *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI*-David Grann
  - *Just Mercy*- Bryan Stevenson

- ❖ *One Day* - Gene Weingarten

- Health
  - ❖ *Fast Food Nation: The Dark Side of the All-American Mea*l: Eric Schlosser
  - ❖ *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*-Rebecca Skloot
  - ❖ *Sick: The Untold Story of America's Health Care Crisis and the People Who Pay the Price*-Jonathan Cohn
  - ❖ *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle*-Barbara Kingsolver