

REQUIRED SUMMER READING (2020-2021) Freshman List

All incoming freshmen must read **two** books chosen from the following list, in any category combination. Students will be tested on both books during the first week of school. The English department recommends that students take notes as they read. Students and parents may find more information about each book at www.amazon.com or www.commonssensemedia.org/book-reviews.

Fiction (Classics and Contemporary)

1. *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith
2. *Rebecca* by Daphne Du Maurier
3. *The Three Musketeers* by Alexandre Dumas
4. *And Then There Were None* by Agatha Christie
5. *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll
6. *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte
7. *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck
8. *Ender's Game* by Orson Scott Card

Fiction (Young Adult)

1. *The Warrior Heir* by Cinda Williams Chima
2. *The Last Thing I Remember* by Andrew Klavan
3. *Stormbreaker* by Anthony Horowitz
4. *The Uglies* by Scott Westerfeld
5. *Eragon* by Christopher Paolini
6. *QB 1* by Mike Lupica
7. *13 Little Blue Envelopes* by Maureen Johnson
8. *Ruined: A Ghost Story* by Paula Morris
9. *The Shadow of the Bear* by Regina Doman
10. *The Berlin Boxing Club* by Rob Sharenow
11. *The Lost Songs* by Caroline B. Cooney
12. *Cinder* by Marissa Meyer
13. *Four-Four-Two* by Dean Hughes
14. *Ink and Ashes* by Valynne Maetani
15. *Superman* by Matt de La Pena
16. *Snowhook* by Jo Storm

Non-fiction

1. *Fourth Down and Inches: Concussions and Football's Make-or-Break Moment* by Carla K. McClafferty
2. *Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice* by Phillip Hoose
3. *Bomb: The Race to Build – and Steal – the World's Most Dangerous Weapon* by Steve Sheinkin
4. *A Treasury of Miracles for Teens: True Stories of God's Presence Today* by Karen Kingsbury
5. *Grace, Gold, and Glory: My Leap of Faith* by Gabrielle Douglas and Michelle Burford
6. *Word by Word: Slowing Down with the Hail Mary* by Sarah A. Reinhard
7. *The Courage to Be Happy: The Pope Speaks to the Youth of the World* by Pope Francis

HONORS ENGLISH I STUDENTS:

Honors students must also read *The Chosen* by Chaim Potok

REQUIRED SUMMER READING (2020-2021) Sophomore List

All incoming sophomores must read two books chosen from the following lists. The books may be two fiction books, two non-fiction books, or one of each. Students will be tested on both books during the first week of school. The English department recommends that students take notes as they read. Students and parents may find more information about each book at www.amazon.com or www.commonssensemedia.org/book-reviews.

Fiction (Classics and Contemporary)

1. *The Five People You Meet in Heaven* by Mitch Albom (Overdrive)
2. *Kidnapped* by Robert Louis Stevenson (Overdrive)
3. *The Killer Angels* by Michael Shaara (Overdrive)
4. *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck (Overdrive)
5. *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie (Overdrive)
6. *The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* by J. R. R. Tolkien (Overdrive)
7. *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley (Overdrive)
8. *Don Quixote* by Cervantes (Overdrive)
9. *A Lesson before Dying* by Ernest Gaines (Overdrive)

Fiction (Young Adult)

1. *Maximum Ride* by James Patterson (Overdrive)
2. *Orleans* by Sherri L. Smith (Overdrive)
3. *Variant* by Robison Wells (Overdrive)
4. *Steelheart* by Brandon Sanderson (Overdrive)
5. *Matched* by Allyson B. Condie (Overdrive)
6. *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson (Overdrive)
7. *Batman* by Marie Lu (Overdrive)
8. *Backlash* by Sarah Littman (Overdrive)
9. *The Shadow of the Bear* by Regina Doman
10. *Riders* by Veronica Rossi (Overdrive)
11. *True Legend* by Mike Lupica (Overdrive)
12. *VIII* by H. M. Castor (Overdrive)
13. *Ink and Ashes* by Valynne Maetani
14. *Pendragon's Heir* by Lori Bond (Overdrive)
15. *Wild Bird* by Wendelin Van Draanen (Overdrive)

Non-fiction

1. *Throw Like a Girl: How to Dream Big and Believe in Yourself* by Jennie Finch (Overdrive)
2. *I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban*
by Malala Yousafzai (Overdrive)
3. *Band of Brothers* by Stephen Ambrose (Overdrive)
4. *Make Your Bed* by William McRaven (Overdrive)
5. *A Time to Break Silence: The Essential Works of Martin Luther King, Jr. for Students* by
Martin Luther King, Jr. (Overdrive)
6. *Chasing Space: An Astronaut's Story* by Leland Melvin (Overdrive)

HONORS ENGLISH II STUDENTS:

Honors English II students must also read:

- 1984* by George Orwell (Overdrive)

REQUIRED SUMMER READING (2020-2021) Junior List

All incoming juniors must read two books chosen from the following lists. The books may be two fiction books, two non-fiction books, or one of each. Students will be tested on both books during the first week of school. The English department recommends that students take notes as they read. Students and parents may find more information about each book at www.amazon.com or www.commonssensemedia.org/book-reviews.

Fiction (Classics and Contemporary)

1. *A Farewell to Arms* by Ernest Hemingway (Overdrive)
2. *The Bell Jar* by Sylvia Plath (Overdrive)
3. *The Count of Monte Cristo* by Alexandre Dumas (Overdrive)
4. *Battlefield Earth* by L. Ron Hubbard (Overdrive)
5. *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien (Overdrive)
6. *Invisible Man* by Ralph Ellison (Overdrive)
7. *For One More Day* by Mitch Albom (Overdrive)
8. *Anthem* by Ayn Rand (Overdrive)

Fiction (Young Adult)

1. *Rules of Survival* by Nancy Werlin (Overdrive)
2. *The Naturals* by Jennifer Lynn Barnes (Overdrive)
3. *The Fountains of Silence* by Ruta Sepetys (Overdrive)
4. *The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight* by Jennifer E Smith (Overdrive)
5. *The Running Dream* by Wendelin Van Draanen (Overdrive)
6. Any of the *Unwind* series by Neal Shusterman (*Unwind*, *UnWholly*, *UnSouled*) (Overdrive)
7. *Nearly Gone* by Elle Cosimano (Overdrive)
8. *We Were Liars* by E. Lockhart (Overdrive)
9. *Being Henry David* by Cal Armistead (Overdrive)
10. *Armada* by Ernest Cline (Overdrive)
11. *Red Queen* by Victoria Aveyard (Overdrive)
12. *A Single Bead* by Stephanie Engleman (Overdrive)
13. *Wonder Woman* by Leigh Bardugo (Overdrive)
14. *Alex O'Donnell and the 40 Cyber Thieves* by Regina Doman
15. *The Way You Make Me Feel* by Maurene Goo (Overdrive)
16. *Screen Shot* by Donna Cooner (Overdrive)
17. *White Rose* by Kip Wilson (Overdrive)

Non-fiction

1. *Left for Dead: A Young Man's Search for Justice for the USS Indianapolis* by Peter Nelson (Overdrive)
2. *Proud* (Teen Edition) by Ibtihaj Muhammad (Overdrive)
3. *Coming Back Stronger: Unleashing the Power of Adversity* by Drew Brees (Overdrive)
4. *Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust* by Immaculee Ilibagiza (Overdrive)
6. *The Water Will Come* by Jeff Goodell (Overdrive)
7. *Ashley's War: The Untold Story of a Team of Women Soldiers on the Special Ops Battlefield* by Gayle Tzemach Lemmon (Overdrive)
8. *The Other Side of Beauty* by Leah Darrow (Overdrive)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH III STUDENTS:

Students enrolled in AP English III must also read *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain (Overdrive)

REQUIRED SUMMER READING (2020-2021) Senior List

All incoming seniors must read two books chosen from the following lists. The books may be two fiction books, two non-fiction books, or one of each. Students will be tested on both books during the first week of school. The English department recommends that students take notes as they read. Students and parents may find more information about each book at www.amazon.com or www.commonssensemedia.org/book-reviews.

Fiction (Classics and Contemporary)

1. *East of Eden* by John Steinbeck (Overdrive)
2. *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khalid Hosseini (Overdrive)
3. *A Prayer for Owen Meany* by John Irving (Overdrive)
4. *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen (Overdrive)
5. *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis (Overdrive)
6. *The Joy Luck Club* by Amy Tan
7. *Dune* by Frank Herbert (Overdrive)
8. *Fool Me Once* by Harlan Coben (Overdrive)
9. *Evil under the Sun* by Agatha Christie (Overdrive)
10. *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho (Overdrive)

Fiction (Young Adult)

1. *Shift* by Jennifer Bradbury (Overdrive)
2. *Never Fall Down* by Patricia McCormick (Overdrive)
3. *Hate List* by Jennifer Brown (Overdrive)
4. *Peak* by Roland Smith (Overdrive)
5. *The Walls Around Us* by Nova Ren Suma (Overdrive)
6. *Second Chance Summer* by Morgan Matson (Overdrive)
7. *Madman's Daughter* by Megan Shepherd (Overdrive)
8. *To All the Boys I've Loved Before* by Jenny Han (Overdrive)
9. *Wicked* by Gregory McGuire (Overdrive)
10. *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern
11. *Little Brother* by Cory Doctorow (Overdrive)
12. *Love a la Mode* by Stephanie Kate Stroh (Overdrive)
13. *Anything but Okay* by Sarah Littman (Overdrive)
14. *Agnes' Gift* by Kritelle Angelli
15. *Dry* by Neal Shusterman (Overdrive)
16. *The Hazel Wood* by Melissa Albert (Overdrive)

Non-fiction

1. *In Defense of Food: An Eater's Manifesto* by Michael Pollan (Overdrive)
2. *No Easy Day* by Mark Owen and Kevin Maurer (Overdrive)
3. *The Other Side of Beauty* by Leah Darrow (Overdrive)
4. *Console Wars: Sega, Nintendo, and the Battle That Defined a Generation*
by Blake J. Harris (Overdrive)
5. *Have a Little Faith: A True Story* by Mitch Albom (Overdrive)
6. *Believe: My Faith and the Tackle That Changed My Life*
by Eric LeGrand and Mike Yorkey (Overdrive)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH IV STUDENTS:

In addition, students enrolled in AP English IV must also read the following two books:

The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini (Overdrive) AND *Tess of the D'Urbervilles* by Thomas Hardy (Overdrive)