



2020 Summer Reading List High School Grades 9 – 12

All rising freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors - with the exception of rising seniors in the IB English program – are required to read one book from three of the five genres listed below (three books total). Students are welcome to read books in other genres once they satisfy their requirement.

At the beginning of the school year, students in all grades and on all levels will be assigned graded work related to their summer reading as directed by their respective English teachers. Those assignments during the first week of the new school year may include both a written and an oral component.

IB Seniors Year 2 HL and SL Levels

Aeneid Books 1-4 (Mandelbaum translation)

Plato's Apology (any translation)

The Gospel of St. Matthew (King James Version)

Genesis (King James Version)

Grades 9 – 12

(Read three books, each from a different genre)

I. SCIENCE FICTION

Dune by Frank Herbert

The Book of the New Sun by Gene Wolfe

The Moon Is a Harsh Mistress by Robert A. Heinlein

The Dispossessed by Ursula K. Le Guin
Hyperion by Dan Simmons
Neuromancer by William Gibson
The Stars My Destination by Alfred Bester
The Man in the High Castle by Philip K. Dick
Use of Weapons by Iain M. Banks
The Foundation Trilogy by Isaac Asimov
2001: A Space Odyssey by Arthur C. Clarke
The Forever War by Joe Haldeman
Red Mars by Kim Stanley Robinson
Brave New World by Aldous Huxley
A Fire Upon The Deep by Vernor Vinge
16 Solaris by Stanislaw Lem
17 Falling Free by Lois McMaster Bujold
The Time Machine by H. G. Wells
Bring the Jubilee by Ward Moore
The Martian Chronicles by Ray Bradbury
The Female Man by Joanna Russ
The Diamond Age by Neal Stephenson
Ancillary Justice by Ann Leckie
The Martian by Andy Weir
Ready Player One by Ernest Cline

II. FANTASY

A Game of Thrones (Song of Ice and Fire) by George R.R. Martin
The Blade Itself (The First Law) by Joe Abercrombie
Gardens of the Moon by Malazan
Kingkiller Chronicles by Patrick Rothfuss
Lord of the Rings by J.R.R. Tolkien
Heroes Die by Mathew Stover
The Way of Kings by Brandon Sanderson

The Farseer by Robin Hobb
A Shadow in Summer by Daniel Abraham
The Lies of Locke Lamora by Scott Lynch
Gormenghast by Mervyn Peake
Eye of the World by *The Wheel of Time* by Robert Jordan
The Prince of Thorns by Mark Lawrence
Coldfire Trilogy by C.S. Friedman
The Troupe by Robert Jackson Bennett
The Engineer Trilogy by K.J. Parker
The Darkness That Comes Before by R. Scott Bakker
Jonathan Strange & Mr. Norrell by Susanna Clarke
Lord Foul's Bane by *First Chronicles of Thomas Covenant* by Stephen Donaldson
American Gods by Neil Gaiman
The Amulet of Samarkand by Jonathan Stroud
Memory, Sorrow, and Thorn by Tad Williams
Daughter of the Empire by Raymond Feist
Dresden Files by Jim Butcher

III. HORROR

The Call of Cthulu and other tales by H.P. Lovecraft
The Rim of Morning by William Sloane
Books of Blood (Vol. 1-3) by Clive Barker
The Haunting of Hill House by Shirley Jackson
Something Wicked This Way Comes by Ray Bradbury
The Amityville Horror by Jay Anson
The Shining by Stephen King
Hell House by Richard Matheson
Watchers by Dean Koontz
The Picture of Dorian Gray by Oscar Wilde
The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde by Robert Louis Stevenson
Let the Right One In by John Ajvide Lindqvist

Christine by Stephen King
We Have Always Lived in the Castle by Shirley Jackson
The Long Walk by Richard Bachman
Psycho by Robert Bloch
Flowers in the Attic (Dollanganger, #1) by V.C. Andrews
The Turn of the Screw by Henry James
The Girl Next Door by Jack Ketchum
Haunted by Chuck Palahniuk
Interview with a Vampire by Anne Rice
Hannibal (Hannibal Lecter, #3) by Thomas Harris
The Island of Dr. Moreau by H.G. Wells
Coraline by Neil Gaiman
Lost Souls by Poppy Z. Brite
And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie

IV. MYSTERY

The Moonstone by Wilkie Collins
Hound of the Baskervilles by Arthur Conan Doyle
A Coffin for Dimitrios by Eric Ambler
Arthur & George by Julian Barnes
The Big Sleep by Raymond Chandler
The Maltese Falcon by Dashiell Hammett
Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie
The Alienist by Caleb Carr
The Intuitionist by Colson Whitehead
Dust and Shadow by Lyndsay Faye
The New York Trilogy by Paul Auster
Devil in a Blue Dress by Walter Mosley
The Name of the Rose by Umberto Eco
True Confessions by John Gregory Dunne
Beast in View by Margaret Millar

The Talented Mr. Ripley by Patricia Highsmith
In The Woods by Tana French
The Third Man by Graham Greene
The Black Dahlia by James Ellroy
LaBrava by Elmore Leonard
Indian Killer by Sherman Alexie
Zia Summer by Rudolfo Anaya
In Cold Blood by Truman Capote
The Alienist by Caleb Carr
The Yiddish Policemen's Union by Michael Chabon
The Long Goodbye by Raymond Chandler
Sacred Games by Vikram Charam
The Gods of Gotham by Lindsay Faye
The Quiet American by Graham Greene
The Curious Incident of The Dog in The Night-Time by MarkHaddon
Fadeout by Joseph Hansen
Skinwalkers by Tony Hillerman
Smilla's Sense of Snow by Peter Hoag
Jar City by Arnaldur Indriðason
The Skin by P.D. James
The Cold Dish by Craig Johnson
Mystic River by Dennis LeHane
Devil in a Blue Dress by Walter Mosley
The Devil in The White City by Erik Larson
The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo by Steig Larsson
Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy by John le Carre
Gun, With Occasional Music by Jonathan Lethem
Sidetracked by Henning Mankell
The Drowning Pool by Ross McDonald
The Skull Mantra by Elliot Pattison
Wife of the Gods by Kwei Quarty
Another Roadside Attraction by Tom Robbins

Gorky Park by Martin Cruz Smith

Child 44 by Tom Robb Smith

Death of a Red Heroine by Qiu Xiaolong

V. NON-FICTION

David and Goliath by Malcolm Gladwell

Lean In by Sheryl Sandberg

Unbroken by Laura Hillebrand

The Greatest Generation by Tom Brokaw

12 Years a Slave by Solomon Northrop

Confidence Code by Kathy Kay and Claire Shipman

The Opposite of Loneliness by Marina Keegan

How to Win Friends and Influence People by Dale Carnegie

In Cold Blood by Truman Capote

The Autobiography of Malcolm X by Malcolm X

A Brief History of Time by Stephen Hawking

All The President's Men by Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein

Out of Africa by Isak Dinesen

The Executioner's Song by Norman Mailer

A Room of One's Own by Virginia Woolf

Annie John by Jamaica Kincaid

Imagined Communities By Benedict Anderson

The Black Jocabins by C.L.R. James

Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl by Linda Brent

The Life of an American Farmer by St John de Crevecoeur

Tecumseh: A Life by John Sugden

Coming of Age in Mississippi by Anne Moody

Surely You're Joking by Richard Feynman

The Demon Haunted World by Carl Sagan

Chaos by James Gleick

Burr by Gore Vidal

I Claudias by Robert Graves

Wisdom Sits in Places by Basso
A Long Way Gone by Ishmael Beah
Africa in My Blood by Jane Goodall
Founding Brothers by Joseph Ellis
Founding Mothers by Cokie Roberts
Inventing a Nation: Washington, Adams and Jefferson by Gore Vidal
Madame Curie: A Biography by Eve Curie
No Ordinary Times: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt by Doris Goodwin
The People's Tycoon: Henry Ford by Steven Watts
Slave: My True Story by Mende Nazer
Steve Jobs: The Man Who Thought Different by Karen Blumenthal