

IB Summer Reading

During the summer between Grade 10 and 11 you should read at least 3-5 of the works listed – and of course more. **One should be from the Classics section.** You will have to complete an assignment in class based on these when you return to school.

The more you read the better you will become at understanding and being able to comment on literature. Reading also gives you the opportunity into so many other ways of thinking and being in other places and at other times.

These are suggestions – you could take other works by the authors named. You may find other ideas in **Bloomsbury 100 Must Read Good Reading Guides – Life Changing Book, Science Fiction Novels and Crime Novels.** You will find these in the library or in the English Dept.

I. Pre 20th + Classic Works

Dickens – Great Expectations (or any other novel)
Elizabeth Gaskell – North & South
Kate Chopin – The Awakening and short stories
M. Shelley – Frankenstein
Henry James – The Turn of the Screw
James Joyce - A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man
Jane Austen – Pride and Prejudice (or any other)
Charlotte Bronte – Jane Eyre
Emil Bronte – Wuthering Heights
Stevenson – Jekyll and Hyde
Thomas Hardy – Far from the Madding Crowd
Oscar Wilde – A Picture of Dorian Gray
Wilkie Collins – The Moonstone
Edgar Allen Poe – Tales of Mystery and Imagination
H.G Wells - War of the Worlds
Nathaniel Hawthorne – The Scarlet Letter

II. Modern/Contemporary literature from the English speaking World

1. USA

Steinbeck – The Grapes of Wrath / Cannery Row

Sylvia Plath – The Bell Jar

Zora N. Hurston – Their Eyes Were Watching God

Toni Morrison – The Bluest Eyes

Annie Proulx – The Shipping News

Amy Tan – The Joy Luck Club

J. Salinger – The Catcher in the Rye

Barbara Kingsolver – The Poisonwood Bible

Ken Kesey – One Flew Over the Cuckoo`s Nest

Paul Auster _ The New York Trilogy /Timbuktu

Nabokov – Lolita

Luke Reinhardt – The Dice Man

2. Australia/ New Zealand

Peter Carey – Oscar and Lucinda

David Malouf – Remembering Babylon

Thomas Keneally – Schindler`s Ark

Marcus Zusak – The Book Thief

C.K. Stead - The Man who Loved Children

Keri Hulme – The Bone People

3. India/ Pakistan

Aravind Adiga – White Tiger

Rohinton Mistry – A Fine Balance

Anita Desai – Feasting, Fasting

Salman Rushdie – Haroun and the Sea of Stories

Jhumpa Lahiri (Canada/India) – The Interpreter of Maladies/The Namesake

4. Canada

Margaret Atwood – The Blind Assassin/ The Handmaid’s Tale/ Cats Eye or any other

James Boyden – Three Day Road

Michael Ondaatje – The English Patient

Anne Michaelis – Fugitive Pieces

Yann Martel - The Life of Pi

5. Africa

Coetzee – Disgrace

Dalene Matthee – Fie!a’s Child (Afrikans)

Chimamanda Ngozi – Half a Yellow Sun/ Purple Hibiscus

Doris Lessing – The Grass is Singing/ the Fifth Child

6. UK

Ian Mc Ewan – Atonement

Graham Greene – Travels with My Aunt

Anthony Burgess – A Clockwork Orange

Kate Atkinson – Case Histories

Zadie Smith – White Teeth

Pat Barker – Regeneration

Sebastian Faulks – Birdsong

John Fowles – The French Lieutenant`s Woman

III. Works in English by International authors

1. Khaled Hosseini – Kite Runner /A Thousand Splendid Suns
2. J. Chang – Wild Swans

IV. Short Stories

1. Angela Carter – The Bloody Chamber
2. David Eggers
3. Ray Bradbury
4. Haruki Marukami
5. Yasunari Kawabata

V. World Literature

Flaubert – Madame Bovary
Borges – Billy the Kid and other stories in Collected Fictions
Marquez – 100 Years of Solitude
Isabel Allende – The House of Spirits
Varga Llosa – Aunt Julia and the Scriptwriter
Dostoevsky – The Double
Ryszard Kapuscinski – The Shadow of the Sun/ Travels with Herodotus
Bulgakov – The Heart of a Dog / The Mater and Margarita
Remarque – All Quiet on the Western Front
Primo Levi – If this is a Man
Elie Wiesel - Night
Italo Calvino –If on a Winter`s Night a Traveller
Jostein Gaarder – Sophie`s World

VI. Crime Fiction

Sarah Paretsky
Ian Rankin- Knots and Crosses
Henning Mankell
Donna Leon
Stieg Larrson
Raymond Chandler – The Big Sleep
John Le Carre – The Spy who came in from the cold/ A Most Wanted Man (set in Hamburg)/ The
Constant Gardner
Ruth Rendell
Minette Walters

VII. Films

1. Apocalypse Now
2. Forrest Gump
3. Guilty by Suspicion
4. Far from Heaven
5. Dr. Strangelove
6. Revolutionary Road
7. Elizabeth I
8. Stranger than Fiction
9. The Usual Suspect
10. Shallow Grave

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