

## 12th Grade Book List

Students entering twelfth grade will be required to read:

Harry Potter: The Sorcerer's Stone, by J. K. Rowling.

This novel will be used to examine British Literature allusions and connect to major British Literary works throughout the course of the year.

## Honors English 12

Students enrolled in Honors English 12 are required to read **two** classic British mystery novels over the summer:

- The Hound of the Baskervilles, by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
- And Then There Were None, by Agatha Christie

ALL HONORS 12 STUDENTS MUST READ BOTH BOOKS. Students should come prepared for classroom discussion, literary analysis, in-class writing and a brief assessment.

## Assignment

Students must read independently from their grade level list. A graphic organizer is available on the Highland High School website. Summer Reading assessments will be determined by individual teachers. Students *may* be assigned to do additional projects based upon readings when they return to school.

## AP Classes

**AP Language and Composition and AP Literature and Composition teachers will meet with students prior to summer break to further explain the summer assignment. Additional papers will be in the Guidance Office.**

## Tips for Studying a Novel

- Summarize each chapter for later review
- Use Post-it-Notes to mark important passages / or write questions
- Create a list of characters
- Document unfamiliar words and define them
- Apply literary terms to the reading such as: plot, theme, conflict
- Identify the 5W's of the work (who, what, where, when, why, and how)
- Make connections to other works current events, or personal experiences
- Keep track of important quotes and pages

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*Grades 9-12*



## Summer Readings

### Frequently Asked Questions:

#### What does each grade level read?

All Highland high school students will have at least **one** novel to read.

#### What do Honors or AP students read?

Honors readings are indicated on this same pamphlet. AP students will have an additional assignment that AP teachers will share prior to summer break. This will also be available in the high school Guidance Office.

#### How to Select a Choice Book?

Several websites are credible for reviewing novels each year. These are a great source to review prior to making a choice:

#### Young Adult Library Services Assoc.

<http://www.ala.org/yalsa/best/2014>

#### School Library Journal

<http://www.slj.com/best-books-2014/>

#### College Board: 101 Great Books Recommended

[http://www.uhlibrary.net/pdf/college\\_board\\_recommended\\_books.pdf](http://www.uhlibrary.net/pdf/college_board_recommended_books.pdf)

#### Will there be a test?

Testing will be determined by your individual teacher. Please read each grade level's book instructions / recommendations for this answer.

## 9th Grade Book List

Students entering the ninth grade are required to read:

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, by Mark Twain

(Dover Thrift Editions:

ISBN 10: 0486400778 / ISBN 13: 9780486400778)

"Students should read the book(s) during the summer, and come to class prepared to discuss the text, respond to writing prompts, and take a brief assessment."

**Honors English 9—*In addition to reading The Adventures of Tom Sawyer,***

please read: An additional, grade-level appropriate book of **your** choice

## 10th Grade Book List

Students entering tenth grade will be required to read:

The Other Wes Moore, by Wes Moore

"Students should read the book(s) during the summer, and come to class prepared to discuss the text, respond to writing prompts, and take a brief assessment."

**Honors English 10—*Must read the following two books:***

The Color of Water, by James McBride

**And**

The Other Wes Moore, by Wes Moore

Students should come prepared for classroom discussion and, or assessment.

## 11th Grade Book List

Students entering eleventh grade will be required to read The Great Gatsby,

by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Students will have a copy of the book with them for the first few weeks of school. Over the summer, they must highlight - or note w/ sticky tabs - specific passages in the book that relate to the American Dream, symbolism, or that help to answer the question: "Is Gatsby great?"

**Honors English 11—*Students must choose two of the following novels to read:***

The Great Gatsby, by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Into the Wild, by Jon Krakauer

Slaughterhouse Five, by Kurt Vonnegut

As I Lay Dying, William Faulkner

Catcher in the Rye, J.D. Salinger

**Optional viewing of the following movies:**

"Little Big Man," "Simon Birch," "Big Fish," "Last of the Mohicans," "The World According to Garp."

Highland High School Summer Choice Reading Graphic Organizer: Complete the chart below on a separate piece of paper.

**Characters:**

Choose two characters and describe how each character helps to advance the plot or develop the theme of the book (one paragraph each).

**Theme:**

Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text (one paragraph each).

**Vocabulary:**

List and Define 10 unfamiliar words. What is the impact of the word on the tone of the work (does the word evoke a specific time and place; formal or informal tone)?

**Book Title:**

**Author:**

**Connect to Current Events**

Please attach three relevant articles to this sheet. Briefly describe the connection.

**Plot:**

**Important Quotes (state and give pg.#)**

List 5 important quotes, the page number, and a brief description on why the statement/passage is important to the story.