

Watchung Hills Regional High School
ENGLISH DEPARTMENT
Summer Reading 2022

The summer reading books listed below are a compilation of titles that English teachers suggested over the course of the year, and WHRHS students have chosen the finalists. These books speak to the wide range of perspectives and talents of our school community, and we hope you find books on this list that engage you whether you read only one or all eight. We can't expect the book to do all the work, though. Of course, reading to learn and grow requires worthwhile books, but it also requires real curiosity and energy on the part of the reader. When we read to learn, we need to bring our lively thinking - our questions about the world as well as all that we have previously learned - to whatever we encounter on the page. Active reading - reading to learn - depends on our ability to sustain a conversation with whatever we read. This may seem like an unusual way to think about reading, but we want you to try it. That's why we launched this summer reading tournament, and why we will host literature circles to share thoughts on these texts when you return. We know you will continue your learning in the summer in countless ways, but please also write down your favorite passages from the authors of your choice. Please choose a book or two that you think will involve you in a good conversation - and remember to do your part in September to keep the conversation going as you interact with your new teachers and peers at WHRHS.

Summer Reading Options for 2022

<i>A Man Called Ove</i> Fredrik Backman	<i>Klara and the Sun</i> Kazuo Ishiguro	<i>The Boys in the Boat</i> Daniel James Brown	<i>The Night Diary</i> Veera Hiranandani
<i>Crying in H-Mart</i> Michelle Zauner	<i>The Alchemist</i> Paulo Coelho	<i>The Glass Castle</i> Jeannette Walls	<i>They Called Us Enemy</i> George Takei

Grade 9

English 1	Read one of the eight titles.
English 1 College Prep	Read one of the eight titles.
English 1 Accelerated	Read two of the eight titles.
English 1 Honors	Read two of the eight titles and "The Perils of Indifference" by Elie Wiesel (available online).

Grade 10

English 2	Read one of the eight titles.
English 2 College Prep	Read one of the eight titles.
English 2 Accelerated	Read two of the eight titles.
English 2 Honors	Read two of the eight titles and "This is Water" by David Foster Wallace (available online).

Grade 11

English 3	Read one of the eight titles.
English 3 College Prep	Read one of the eight titles.
English 3 Accelerated	Read two of the eight titles.
AP Language and Composition*	Read two of the eight titles and the required title: <i>How to Write a Sentence and How to Read One</i> , by Stanley Fish

Grade 12

English 4	Read one of the eight titles.
English 4 College Prep	Read one of the eight titles.
English 4 Accelerated	Read two of the eight titles.
AP Literature and Composition*	Read two of the eight titles and the required title: <i>A Poetry Handbook</i> , by Mary Oliver

*AP Language and AP Literature are open to juniors and seniors. Please complete the summer reading for the course for which you have registered. Contact James Aquavia, English Department Supervisor, with any questions regarding the summer reading assignments. jaquavia@whrhs.org
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