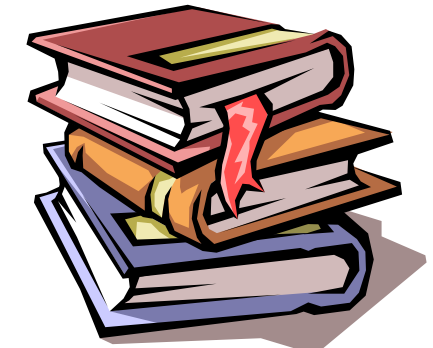


# Summer Reading

For

# High School Students



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## Summer Reading

The Huntsville City Schools believes that wide reading fosters the vocabulary, comprehension, analytical, and interpretative skills so necessary for success in high school, college entrance exams, post-secondary education, and the work place. The enrichment that is the product of reading worthwhile books is an integral part of our program. Besides the required books on which students will be tested during the first week of school, we are providing a list of enrichment books appropriate for each course for students who wish to further broaden their horizons. We encourage students to read from these lists during the summer and throughout the school year.

In addition to tests which are given to all students during the first week of school, students who enroll in Pre-AP and Advanced Placement English courses will be provided assignments specific to each required book which they should answer in writing and be prepared to turn in to the teacher at the beginning of the school year. These assignments are designed to encourage critical thinking about major themes in the books and will be useful as review for class discussions, projects, essays, and tests.

## High School Students

The Summer Reading Program in the Huntsville City Schools is designed to stimulate the imagination and to guide you toward literature that will serve as a basis for classroom discussion and activities. The listed books, chosen by English teachers from our seven high schools, were selected because of their recognized literary merit. Reading these books will allow you to gain valuable information about your world. We hope you will experience pleasure in reading books from the Huntsville City Schools Summer Reading List. It is our desire that the summer reading list (required and enrichment) will motivate you to continue to read throughout your lives.

**\*Parents that object to a “required reading” book may contact their principal for an alternate selection.**

**READING**  
**The Seed of All Knowledge**

## Regular 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Required Reading\***

*Flowers for Algernon* Keyes

### **Enrichment Reading**

*When the Legends Die* Borland  
*Fahrenheit 451* Bradbury  
*Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* Rowling  
*To Kill a Mockingbird* Lee  
*The Fellowship of the Ring* Tolkien  
*The Two Towers* Tolkien  
*The Return of the King* Tolkien  
*The Time Machine* Wells  
*Black Boy* Wright  
*Animal Farm* Orwell

## English 9, Pre-AP

### **Required Reading\***

*To Kill a Mockingbird* Lee  
*Flowers for Algernon* Keyes

### **Enrichment Reading**

*Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* Rowling  
*Pride and Prejudice* Austen  
*When the Legends Die* Borland  
*Fahrenheit 451* Bradbury  
*A Farewell to Arms* Hemingway  
*Dune* Herbert  
*The Lord of the Rings* Tolkien  
*The Time Machine* Wells  
*Black Boy* Wright

## Regular 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Required Reading\***

*"The Raven"* *"Annabel Lee"*, *The Masque of the Red Death*, *The Pit and the Pendulum* and *The Gold Bug*  
(These can be found online or in the book *The Essential Tales and Poems of Edgar Allen Poe.*) Poe

### **Enrichment Reading**

*Ender's Game* Card  
*The Red Badge of Courage* Crane  
*The House of the Seven Gables* Hawthorne  
*The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* Douglass  
*Moby Dick* Melville  
*The Glory Field* Myers  
*Why We Can't Wait* King, Jr.

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*The Glory Field* Myers  
*The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* Twain  
*The Shadow of the Wind* Zafon

## Regular Level 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Required Reading\***

*Of Mice and Men* Steinbeck

### **Enrichment Reading**

*The Good Earth* Buck  
*Cold Sassy Tree* Burns  
*The House on Mango Street* Cisneros  
*The Great Gatsby* Fitzgerald  
*Dust Tracks on a Road* Hurston  
*The Things They Carried* O'Brien  
*The Grapes of Wrath* Steinbeck  
*Ethan Frome* Wharton

## AP Language and Composition

### **Required Reading\***

*The Things They Carried* O'Brien  
*All Over But the Shoutin'* Bragg

### **Enrichment Reading**

*In Cold Blood* Capote  
*House of Sand and Fog* Dubus III  
*A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius* Eggers  
*On Writing* King  
*Angela's Ashes* McCourt  
*The Heart is a Lonely Hunter* McCullers  
*Reading Lolita in Tehran* Nafisi

## Regular 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Required Reading\***

*Lord of the Flies* Golding

### **Enrichment Reading**

*Jane Eyre* C. Bronte  
*Wuthering Heights* E. Bronte  
*A Tale of Two Cities* Dickens  
*A Passage to India* Forster  
*1984* Orwell  
*Cry, the Beloved Country* Paton  
*Frankenstein* Shelley

## AP Literature and Composition

### **Required Reading\***

*Life of Pi* Martel  
*Jane Eyre* C. Bronte

### **Enrichment Reading**

*Wuthering Heights* E. Bronte  
*Crime and Punishment* Dostoevsky  
*The Darker Face of the Earth* Dove  
*The Mill on the Floss* Eliot  
*Invisible Man* Ellison  
*How to Read Literature Like a Professor* Foster  
*Return of the Native* Hardy  
*Siddhartha* Hesse  
*The Metamorphosis* Kafka  
*All the Pretty Horses* McCarthy  
*The Stranger* Camus  
*The Kite Runner* Hosseini

## Myth and Legend

### **Required Reading\***

*The Once and Future King* White

### **Enrichment Reading**

*The Hollow Hills* Stewart  
*The Crystal Cave* Stewart  
*The Last Enchantment* Stewart