



# PROVIDENCE SCHOOL

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## 2025 HIGH SCHOOL REQUIRED SUMMER READING

### ENTERING 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> GRADE

Summer novel assignments afford an excellent opportunity to sharpen reading skills during non-academic time and to foster an enjoyment of reading in students. Upon returning to school in August, a test will be administered with the goal of holding students accountable for this assigned work.

Students should view summer reading as independent; they should not expect an extensive review of the assigned text once they return to school but should feel free to email their teacher should they have any questions about the book.

#### **Suggestions for reading and comprehending successfully:**

**Annotate:** Make notes in the text as you read. Highlight significant quotations. Ask questions in the margins of the book.

**Note taking:** Record characters, events, plot lines, and details from each chapter.

**Use the audio book:** Many students find success reading along while they listen to the book being read aloud. Many audio books can be found online for free.

**Create the environment:** Do not read while you are distracted or in a noisy environment; do not try to multitask while reading.

#### **Areas to focus on for the test:**

**Characters:** Be able to match characters with their descriptions or characters with quotations.

**Themes:** Be prepared to express larger themes of the book in writing.

**Plot:** Know details, even those that may seem insignificant, that show you have read the book carefully.

Please look at the chart on the next page to determine which book(s) to read for your course. Please note that some courses require two book selections.

**REQUIRED BOOKS:** Please read the book for your next course level by the first day of school, Wednesday, August 6, 2025. The books are available online or at a local retailer.

Course	Teacher Contact	Book	ISBN
English 1	csmith@prov.org	<i>This Present Darkness</i> by Frank Peretti Read Ch. 1-23 ONLY for summer, the rest will be read in class	9780842361712
English 1 Honors	arojas@prov.org	Choose <u>One</u> : <i>Black: The Birth of Evil</i> by Ted Dekker <i>Kisses from Katie</i> by Katie Davis Majors	9781595547309 9781451612066
English 2	djoyce@prov.org	<i>The Pearl</i> by John Steinbeck	9780140177374
English 2 Hon	hcereghino@prov.org	<i>Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust</i> by Immaculee Ilibagiza	9781401944322
English 3	djoyce@prov.org	<i>A Long Way Gone</i> by Ishmael Beah	9780374531263
English 3 Hon/Dual Enrollment	hsylvia@prov.org	Choose <u>One</u> : <i>A Long Way Gone</i> by Ishmael Beah <i>The Heavenly Man</i> by Brother Yun <i>Educated</i> by Tara Westover	9780374531263 9780825462078 9780399590504
AP English Language	hsylvia@prov.org	<i>Educated</i> by Tara Westover	9780399590504
English 4	abrooks@prov.org	<i>The Water Keeper</i> by Charles Martin	9780785230946
English 4 Hon, Dual Enrollment	kavery@prov.org	Choose <u>One</u> : <i>Redeeming Love</i> by Francine Rivers <i>The Nightingale</i> by Kristen Hannah <i>Till We Have Faces</i> by C.S. Lewis	9781590525135 9780312577223 9780062565419
AP English Literature	kavery@prov.org	Choose <u>One</u> : <i>Jane Eyre</i> by Charlotte Bronte <i>Wuthering Heights</i> by Emily Bronte <i>Till We Have Faces</i> by C.S. Lewis	9798749492873 9780141439556 9780062565419