

Summer Reading Assignment

Any skill you can develop diminishes if you don't continue to use it. Reading is no different. The English teacher you have next year will work with you to improve your ability to read and make sense of a variety of texts, and the hard work you've done this school year to understand what you read, when you continue it over the summer, will make the work you do next year that much easier. Therefore, we recommend not putting that skill on a shelf for the summer where it will collect dust.

Your assignment is to read **two** books of your choice. They can be fiction of any genre or non-fiction about any topic. Be prepared to tell your English teacher and classmates in an informal group discussion, or by writing the information down when requested to, the titles and authors of each book and share a little about them with your classmates. You might consider whether or not you recommend the book, why or why not, and who might like it if they read it. For instance:

The Hunger Games by Susanne Collins is a really cool story about a society in which kids have to participate in a "game" as entertainment for the people in control. The kids are put into a kind of arena and made to fight to the death, and only one kid can survive. If you liked *The Maze Runner* or *Divergent*, you'll probably like this, too.

If you would like some help looking for books, you can use these resources by either clicking on the link, if it's active, or copying and pasting the address into your web browser:

[The Top 100 YA Books on Goodreads](https://www.goodreads.com/blog/show/1324-the-top-100-ya-books-on-goodreads)

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[NPR's Book Concierge - Young Adult](https://apps.npr.org/best-books/#tags=young+adult&view=covers&year=2019)

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[Young Adult Library Services Association](http://booklists.yalsa.net/)

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[The Great American Read for Tweens & Teens](https://www.readbrightly.com/best-great-american-read-picks-tweens-teens/)

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You could also use the app for Cloud Library or some other source for borrowing books electronically.

This assignment will be given Habits Of Work (HOW) grades and serve as the first step in any effort to stay eligible for Fall co-curricular activities.

HOW (Readiness) - Student completes homework			
1 No books have been read	2 One book has been read	3 Two books have been read	4 Two books have been read and the recommendations are thoughtful