

Abington High School Summer Reading

Required Reading for AP Courses

AP LITERATURE:

1. *How to Read Literature Like a Professor* by Thomas Foster (2014)
2. either *The Road* by Cormac McCarthy (2006) or *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro (2007)
3. a book of their choice from the most frequently cited books on the AP Literature Exam [<http://mseffie.com/AP/APtitles.html>]

AP LANGUAGE:

The Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell
Thank You for Arguing by Jay Heinrichs

AP STATISTICS:

AP US HISTORY:

Dark Tide Stephen Puleo

AP EUROPEAN HISTORY:

AP BIOLOGY:

Pleasure Reading

The following is a list of some suggested titles for pleasure reading this summer broken down by genre. If you read one of the books and like it, you might try other books by the same author. On the Library Media Center [Literacy Links](#) page, you can find other suggestions and reviews of books.

The Abington Public Library also has a [Teen](#) page with activities that are scheduled this summer. (The Library also offers reduced-admission family passes to many area museums and attractions.) The [Collaborative Summer Reading Program](#) has many resources for various age groups with a sports theme this year, 2016 TEEN PROGRAM: GET IN THE GAME: READ. There are resources listed in the bibliography.

Adventure/ Survival

Cole, Brock. The Goats

George, Jean Craighead. My Side of the Mountain

Hobbs, Will. Downriver

Junger, Sebastian. The Perfect Storm: A True Story of Men Against the Sea

Krakauer, Jon. Into the Wild

Krakauer, Jon. Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mount Everest Disaster.

Macdonald, Michael Patrick. All Souls: A Family Story from Southie

Martel, Yann. Life of Pi.

Paulsen, Gary. Brian's Winter

Paulsen, Gary. Hatchet

Philbrick, Nathaniel. The Revenge of the Whale: The True Story of the Whaleship Essex

Ralston, Aron. Between a Rock and a Hard Place

Tougias, Michael. The Finest Hours

Voigt, Cynthia. Homecoming

Fiction

Banks, Russell. Rule of the Bone

Bardi, Abby. The Book of Fred: A Novel.

Brooks, Martha. True Confessions of a Heartless Girl

Cormier, Robert. I Am the Cheese

Draper, Sharon M. Tears of a Tiger

Fitch, Janet. White Oleander: A Novel

Gaines, Ernest . A Lesson Before Dying

Green, John. Looking for Alaska

Green, John. Papertowns

Grissom, Kathleen. The Kitchen House

Haruf, Kent. Plainsong

Holt, Kimberly Willis. When Zachary Beaver Came to Town

Hurwin, Davida Wills. A Time for Dancing
Jenkins, A. M.. Damage
Johnson, Angela. The First Part Last
Lawrence, Iain. The Light Keeper's Daughter .
Lynch, Chris. Inexcusable
Paterson, Katherine. Jacob have I Loved
Philbrick, Rodman. Freak The Mighty
Trueman, Terry. Stuck in Neutral
Zusak, Markus. The Book Thief
Brown, Jennifer. Hate List.
Chbosky, Stephen. The Perks of Being a Wallflower
Christopher, Lucy, Steve Wells, and Christopher Stengel. Stolen
Cohn, Rachel. Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist
Diffenbaugh, Vanessa. The Language of Flowers
Doctorow, Cory. Little Brother
Eggers, Dave. The Circle
Golding, William. Lord of the Flies
Knoll, Jessica. The Luckiest Girl Alive
Landay, William. Defending Jacob
Picoult, Jodi. Nineteen Minutes
Rowel, Rainbow . Eleanor and Park
Smith, Betty. A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
Sebold, Alice, The Lovely Bones
Stork, Francisco X. Marcelo in the Real World
Tóibín, Colm. Brooklyn

Fantasy / Magical Realism

Bray, Libba. A Great and Terrible Beauty
Clare, Cassandra, and Mike Rosamilia. City of Bones
Donnelly, Jennifer, and Trish Parcell. Watts. Revolution
Meyer, Marissa, and Sandra Hessels. Cinder

Morgenstern, Erin. The Night Circus: A Novel
Stiefvater, Maggie, and Christopher Stengel. Shiver
Stiefvater, Maggie. The Raven Boys
Stiefvater, Maggie. The Scorpio Races

Multi Culture / Social Conscience

Achebe, Chinua. Things Fall Apart
Alvarez, Julia. In the Time of the Butterflies
Avi, Avi. Nothing but the Truth
Boo, Katherine . Behind the Beautiful Forevers
Boyle, T.C. Tortilla Curtain
Coman, Carolyn. Many Stones
Crutcher, Chris. The Sledding Hill
Friedman, Thomas L.. The World Is Flat: A Brief History of the Twenty-first Century
Hosseini, Khaled. A Thousand Splendid Suns
Hosseini, Khaled. The Kite Runner
Howe, Norma. The Adventures of Blue Avenger
Kesey, Ken. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest.
Kingsolver, Barbara. The Poisonwood Bible
Marquez, Gabriel Garcia. One Hundred Years of Solitude
Nafisi, Azar. Reading Lolita in Tehran: A Memoir in Books
Sereptys, Ruta Between Shades of Gray
Reyn, Irina. What Happened to Anna K.
Tashjian, Janet. The Gospel According to Larry

Non-Fiction

Aronson, Marc, and Marina Tamar. Budhos. Sugar Changed the World: A Story of Magic, Spice, Slavery, Freedom, and Science
Bowers, Rick, and Eva Absher. Spies of Mississippi: The True Story of the Spy Network That Tried to Destroy the Civil Rights Movement.

Brown, Daniel. The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics

Davis, Sampson, George Jenkins, and Rameck Hunt. We Beat the Street: How a Friendship Pact Led to Success

Fleischman, Paul. Eyes Wide Open: Going behind the Environmental Headlines

Gladwell, Malcolm. David and Goliath Underdogs, Misfits, and the Art of Battling Giants

Goodwin, Doris Kearns, Team of Rivals

Moore, Wes. The Other Wes Moore: One Name, Two Fates

Quinones, Sam. Dreamland: The True Tale of America's Opiate Epidemic

Sheinkin, Steve. The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights

Skloot, Rebecca. The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks

Dark and Edgy

Anderson, Laurie Halse. Speak

Anonymous. Go Ask Alice

Block, Francesca Lia. Weetzie Bat.

Blume, Judy. Forever

Chbosky, Stephen. The Perks of Being a Wallflower

Cole, Brock. The Facts Speak for Themselves

Cormier, Robert. The Chocolate War

Frey, James. A Million Little Pieces

Gallo, Donald R. Sixteen: Short Stories by Outstanding Writers for Young Adults

Going, K. L. Fat Kid Rules the World

Golding, William. Lord of the Flies

Grant, Cynthia D. The White Horse

Guest, Judith. The Tarnished Eye: A Novel of Suspense

Hinton, S.E. The Outsiders

Kerr, M. E.. Night Kites

Klass, D. You Don't Know Me?

Knowles, John. A Separate Peace
Korman, Gordon. Born to Rock
Lynch, Chris. Freewill
Mazer, Norma Fox. When She Was Good
McCormick, Patricia. Cut
Myers, Walter Dean. Monster
Myers, Walter Dean. Street Love
Oates, Joyce Carol. After the Wreck, I Picked Myself Up, Spread My Wings, and Flew
Away
Plum-Ucci, Carol. The Body of Christopher Creed.
Plum-Ucci, Carol. What Happened to Lani Garver.
Porter, Connie Rose. Imani All Mine.
Salinger, J.D. The Catcher in the Rye
Smith, Kristine. Rules of Survival
Strasser, Todd. Boot Camp
Thomas, Rob. Rats Saw God
Wittlinger, Ellen Hard Love.
Zailckas, Koren. Smashed: Story of a Drunken Girlhood
Zindel, Paul. The Pigman

Romance

Brashares, Ann. Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants
Burns, Olive Ann. Cold Sassy Tree
Cabot, Meg. The Princess Diaries
Clements, Andrew. Things Not Seen
Dessen, Sarah. Dreamland
Green, John. The Fault in Our Stars
Kindl, Patrice. Owl in Love Ella Enchanted
Moyes, Jojo. Me Before You
Packer, Ann. The Dive from Clausen's Pier: A Novel

Patterson, James. Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas

Pattou, Edith. East

Sparks, Nicholas. Message in a Bottle

Wittlinger, Ellen. Hard Love

Science Fiction/ Dystopia

Adams, Douglas. The Ultimate Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy

Anderson, M.T.. Feed

Anderson, M.T.. The Astonishing Life of Octavian Nothing, Traitor to the Nation,

Volume One: The Pox Party

Atwood, Margaret. The Handmaid's Tale

Bacigalupi, Paolo. Ship Breaker

Bradbury, Ray. Fahrenheit 451

Burgess, Anthony. A Clockwork Orange

Card, Orson Scott. Ender's Game (The Ender Saga).

Collins, Suzanne. The Hunger Games (series)

Farmer, Nancy. The House of the Scorpion. New York, NY: Simon & Schuster, 2002.

Huxley, Aldous. Brave New World

Lowry, Lois. Gathering Blue

Lowry, Lois. The Giver

Haddix, Margaret Peterson. Among the Hidden (Shadow Children #1)

Huxley, Aldous. Brave New World

Jackson, Shirley. The Lottery: And Other Stories

Lowry, Lois. Gathering Blue.

Maguire, Gregory. Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West

Orwell, George. 1984

Orwell, George. Animal Farm

Philbrick, Rodman. The Last Book in The Universe.

Rand, Ayn. Anthem.

Rand, Ayn. Atlas Shrugged: 35th Anniversary Edition

Roth, Veronica, and Veronica Roth. Divergent (series)

Shelley, Mary. Frankenstein

Verne, Jules. Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea

Vonnegut, Jr. Kurt. Welcome to the Monkey House

Vonnegut, Kurt. Player Piano

Wells, H. G.. The Time Machine.

Westerfeld, Scott. Uglies. (Series)

Rosoff, Meg. How I Live Now

Saramago, Jose. Blindness

War/Conflict

Bradley, James, and Ron Powers. Flags of Our Fathers

Bradley, James. Flyboys : A True Story of Courage

Doerr, Antony. All the Light We Cannot See

Forstchen, William R., and Newt Gingrich. Pearl Harbor: A Novel of December 8th.

Heller, Joseph. Catch-22:

Hemingway, Ernest. A Farewell to Arms.

Hillenbrand, Laura. Unbroken (The Young Adult Adaptation): An Olympian's Journey
from Airman to Castaway to Captive

McCullough, David. 1776 (He has several other great non fiction books)

Myers, Walter Dean. Fallen Angels.

Myers, Walter Dean. Shooter

O'Brian, Patrick, and Simon Vance. Master and Commander

Sides, Hampton. Ghost Soldiers: The Epic Account of World War II's Greatest Rescue
Mission.

Strasser, Todd. Give a Boy a Gun.

Vonnegut, Kurt. Slaughterhouse 5. London: Vintage (Rand), 1991.

Zusak, Markus The Book Thief

Memoir/ Biography

Albom, Mitch. TUESDAYS WITH MORRIE: AN OLD MAN, A YOUNG MAN, AND LIFE'S GREATEST.

Angelou, Maya. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings.

Beah, Ishmael. A Long Way gone: Memoirs of a boy Solier

Eggers, Dave. A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius.

Frank, Ann. Anne Frank, the Diary of a Young Girl.

Gantos, Jack. Hole in My Life.

Kehret, Peg. Small Steps: The Year I Got Polio.

Krakauer, Jon. Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mt. Everest Disaster

Kurson, Robert. Crashing Through: A True Story of Risk, Adventure, and the Man Who Dared to See.

Macdonald, Michael Patrick. All Souls: A Family Story from Southie

McCourt, Frank. Angela's Ashes.

Myers, Walter Dean. Bad Boy: A Memoir.

Nimmo, Beth, Darrell Scott with Scott Rabey, Steve Rabey, and Darrell Scott. Rachel's Tears: The Spiritual Journey of Columbine Martyr Rachel Scott

Otsuka, Julie. When the Emperor Was Divine.

Pelzer, Dave. A Child Called "It": One Child's Courage to Survive

Pelzer, David J.. The Lost Boy: Foster Child's Search For the Love of a Family (Sequel to A Child Called It)

Plath, Sylvia. The Bell Jar.

Ralston, Aron. Between a Rock and a Hard Place.

Wakatsuki Houston, Jeanne. Farewell to Manzanar.

Walls, Jeannette. The Glass Casle: a Memoir

Wiesel, Elie. Night.

Yousafzai, Malala. I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban