

Tigers are Ferrrrrrrocious Readers!

What will You read this summer?

Summer Reading 2020-2021 Grades 9-12



Taunton High School strongly encourages all students to read widely throughout the school year and especially over the summer months. Students can avoid the "summer slide" - where skills can slip as much as one grade level in just a few short weeks - by reading something every day. We encourage students to visit a local library or find interesting articles or stories on-line. Summer reading systematically increases vocabulary, reading stamina, and knowledge.

***"The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."***

~ Dr. Seuss ~

GRADE 9

Honors: Each student must *choose three* of the short stories to read over summer vacation. During the first week of class, you will be required to write an essay on the assigned readings. You are encouraged to take notes on what you have read.

College Prep 1: Each student must *choose two* of the short stories to read over summer vacation. During the first week of class, you will be required to write an essay on the assigned readings. You are encouraged to take notes on what you have read.

Stories

- Judith Ortiz Cofer - "**American History**"
- Flannery O'Connor - "**A Temple of the Holy Ghost**"
- Sandra Cisneros - "**Eleven**"
- Ray Bradbury - "**The Veldt**"
- Willa Cather - "**Paul's Case**"

College Prep 2: Each student must select a book of his/her choice to read during his/her scheduled English class. All students will be expected to keep an active reading log.

GRADE 10

Honors: Each student must read *The Alchemist* by **Paulo Coelho** over summer vacation. During the first

week of class, you will be required to write an essay on the assigned readings. You are encouraged to take notes on what you have read.

College Prep 1: Each student must read *The Alchemist* excerpt by **Paulo Coelho** over summer vacation. During the first week of class, you will be required to write an essay on the assigned readings. You are encouraged to take notes on what you have read.

College Prep 2: Each student must select a book of his/her choice to read during his/her scheduled English class. All students will be expected to keep an active reading log.

GRADE 11

Honors: Each student must read *Educated* by **Tara Westover** during the summer **plus one** book that aligns with at least one of the following themes: The American Dream, Dreams Deferred, Redefining Family, Agents of Change. During the first week of class, students will be assessed on their reading. You are encouraged to take notes on what you have read.

College Prep 1: Each student must read **ONE** book during the summer that aligns with at least one of the following themes: The American Dream, Dreams Deferred, Redefining Family, Agents of Change. During the first week of class, students will be assessed on their reading. You are encouraged to take notes on what you have read.

All summer reading materials, links and expectations can be found on the Summer Reading Google Classroom. **Use CODE xyfpdox**

College Prep 2: Each student must select a book of his/her choice to read during his/her scheduled English class. All students will be expected to keep an active reading log.

Some possible theme related titles:

Please feel free to come up with your own appropriate selection.

- Khalad Hosseini - *The Kite Runner* or *A Thousand Splendid Suns*
- Michelle Obama - *Becoming*
- Tim O'Brien - *The Things They Carried*
- Mark Haddon - *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime*
- Trevor Noah - *Born a Crime*
- Ta-Nehisi Coates - *Between the World and Me*
- Celeste Ng - *Everything I Never Told You*
- Elizabeth Acevedo – *Poet X*
- Adam Silveira – *They Both Die at the End*
- Jenny Han – *To All the Boys I've Loved Before*
- Geraldine Brooks – *Caleb's Crossing*
- Angie Thomas – *On the Come Up*

AP Language and Composition (11th grade)

Summer work details are available on the **AP Google Classroom**. (code: us4ohki) If you have questions, please e-mail Mrs. Ferreira jferreira@tauntonschools.org or Mr. Scanlan jscanlan@tauntonschools.org. Assignments will be due on the first day of school. Titles include:

- *Pereira Maintains* by Antonio Tabucchi
- *Outliers* by Malcom Gladwell
- *Elements of Style* by Strunk and White

GRADE 12

All grade 12 students are encouraged to read for pleasure this summer. Find a book which interests you - audio is great - and enjoy!

For Honors:

- Dystopian Literature: *Clockwork Orange* by Anthony Burgess
- Marginalized Voices: *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley

AP Literature & Composition (12th grade)

Summer work details and materials for AP Literature & Composition are available via the **AP Lit Summer Google Classroom**. If you are scheduled for AP Lit next year and have not received the code to join the summer classroom, please email dlogan@tauntonschools.org or cconnors@tauntonschools.org. Assignments will be posted June 12th and are due throughout the summer via Google Classroom beginning July 1st.

Please note: Although the books on our reading list have been carefully selected by the THS English Department, every family is unique and holds different values. Please find and read the reviews to make an informed choice that is best for your child.

All books can be found via any local public library with a valid SAILS library card. www.sailsinc.org Some titles may be available as E-Books from SAILS at <http://sails.lib.overdrive.com/> or via the SORA app and the Commonwealth e-book Collection. See [Mrs. Dorian's website](#) for help. Full text of stories may be found on line or via your local library in a short story anthology.

Local Bookstores:

Annie's Book Stop

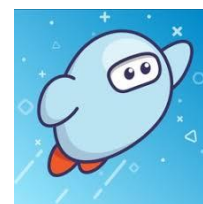
575 South St. W Suite 3, Raynham, MA 02767
508-823-9696

Buck-a-Book

620 Spring Street, North Dighton, MA 02764
508-977-0850

Readmore Books

330 Winthrop Street, Taunton, MA 02780
508-822-3074



Check out the SORA App for titles via the **Commonwealth E-book Collection**.

(Choose "Taunton High" and use your TPS **classlink** credentials to log in.)

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