

# ***Super Summer Reading!***



Summer's coming! Finally you'll be free from the stresses and pressure of classes and homework, projects and papers, tests and quizzes and assessments; now you can relax, lay back, and actually enjoy some time **reading for fun**, for **pleasure**, or to **explore something new**.

Your English Teachers at Archbishop Wood have come up with some great suggestions for awesome books you'll enjoy digging into during the less- hectic weeks of summer.

And while you're absorbed in a fascinating reading adventure this summer, guess what? You'll also be **strengthening your critical reading skills** and **acquiring a richer vocabulary for reading and writing** at your next grade level! In fact, after a summer in which you read some books for fun, you'll be better prepared to tackle those new subjects on your roster when you get back to school in September. **It's truly a win-win situation: while reading for pleasure this summer, you'll have fun *and* get smarter!**

## **New 9<sup>th</sup> Graders:**

The Call of the Wild – Jack London  
A Raisin in the Sun – Lorraine Hansberry  
The Outsiders – S.E. Hinton  
A Separate Peace – John Knowles  
Holes - Louis Sachar  
Briar Rose - Jane Yolen  
Zel - Donna Napoli

Bull Run - Paul Fleishman  
Impossible Knife of Memory - Laurie Halse Anderson  
Eleanor Park - Rainbow Rowell  
Eragon - Chris Paolini  
Hero - Mike Lupica  
A Lesson Before Dying - Ernest Gaines

Brown Girl Dreaming - Jacqueline Woodson  
Friday Night Lights - Buzz Bissinger  
The Maze Runner - James Dashner  
Esperanza Rising - Pam Munoz Ryan  
Haunting of Hill House - Shirley Jackson  
Invasion - Robin Cook

My Sister's Keeper - Jodi Picoult  
I Am Malala – Malala Yousafzai  
The Adventures of Ulysses – Bernard Evslin  
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer – Mark Twain  
The Hobbit – J. R. R. Tolkien  
The Old Man and the Sea – Ernest Hemingway

## Moving Up to 10<sup>th</sup> Grade:

Paper Towns - John Green  
The Once and Future King – T.H. White  
Number the Stars - Lois Lowy  
The Book Thief - Markus Zusak  
I am Malala - Malala Yousafzai  
All but My Life - Barbara Rosenblatt  
The Good Earth - Pearl Buck  
Secret Life of Bees - Sue Monk Kidd  
The Princess Bride – William Goldman  
Treasure Island – Robert Louis Stevenson  
The Martian Chronicles – Ray Bradbury  
Animal Farm – George Orwell

Tuesdays with Morrie – Mitch Albom  
Of Mice and Men – John Steinbeck  
Jane Eyre – Charlotte Bronte  
And Then There Were None – Agatha Christie  
Oliver Twist – Charles Dickens  
Hiroshima – John Hersey  
The Story of My Life – Helen Keller  
The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde –  
Robert Louis Stevenson  
Much Ado about Nothing – William  
Shakespeare  
Lord of the Flies – William Golding

## Moving Up to 11<sup>th</sup> Grade:

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night -  
Time Mark Haddon  
The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their  
Epic Quest for Gold in the 1936 Berlin  
Olympics - Daniel James Brown  
The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian  
– Sherman Alexie  
The Jungle - Upton Sinclair  
Frankenstein - Mary Shelley  
I, Robot - Isaac Asimov  
The Caine Mutiny - Herman Wouk  
A Separate Peace - John Knowles  
Tale of Two Cities - Charles Dickens  
Emma - Jane Austen  
The Grapes of Wrath - John Steinbeck  
Travels with Charlie - John Steinbeck  
Inherit the Wind - Lawrence and Lee  
Collected Poems - Robert Frost  
Spoon River Anthology - Edgar Lee Masters  
Fahrenheit 451 - Ray Bradbury  
Night - Wiesel

Before We Were Free - Julia Alvarez  
Falling Leaves - Adeline Yen Mah  
The Orphan Train – Christina Baker Kline  
1984 – George Orwell  
The Awakening – Kate Chopin  
The Red Badge of Courage – Stephen Crane  
Waterlilly – Ella Cra Deloria  
Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglas, an  
American Slave – Douglas  
Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl – Harriet  
Jacobs  
The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail – Jerome  
Lawrence  
The Prince and the Pauper – Mark Twain  
My Antonia – Willa Cather  
Darius & Twig – Walter Dean Myers  
Salem's Lot – Stephen King  
A Thousand Splendid Suns – Khaled Hosseini  
The Ocean at the End of the Lane: A Novel –  
Neil Gaiman  
Cress – Marissa Meyer

## Finally! You're in 12<sup>th</sup> Grade:

Jurassic Park – Michael Crichton  
Snow Flower and the Secret Fan – Lisa See  
The Natural – Bernard Malamud  
The Road – Cormac McCarthy  
Brave New World – Aldous Huxley  
The Chosen – Chaim Potok  
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings – Maya  
Angelou  
Go Ask Alice – Anonymous  
House on Mango Street – Sandra Cisneros  
In Cold Blood – Truman Capote  
American Childhood – Annie Dillard  
Tears of a Tiger – Sharon Draper  
As I Lay Dying – William Faulkner  
The Kite Runner – Khaled Hosseini  
A Prayer for Owen Meany – John Irving

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest – Ken Kesey  
The Secret Life of Bees – Sue Monk Kidd  
Life of Pi – Yan Martel  
Angela's Ashes – Frank McCourt  
The Things They Carried – Tim O'Brien  
The Bell Jar – Sylvia Plath  
Slaughterhouse Five – Kurt Vonnegut  
Black Boy – Richard Wright  
A Mid-Summer Night's Dream – William  
Shakespeare  
Things Fall Apart – Achebe  
Candide – Voltaire  
A Doll's House – Henrik Ibsen  
The Old Man and the Sea – Ernest Hemingway  
The Alchemist – Paulo Coelho

Also, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders—as you look ahead to college,  
check out this list of  
**the top 100 books to read before college**  
for more great reading ideas:

[http://www.goodreads.com/list/show/27664.Top\\_100\\_Books\\_to\\_Read\\_Before\\_College\\_](http://www.goodreads.com/list/show/27664.Top_100_Books_to_Read_Before_College_)