

Nora School Summer Reading 2017

All returning and new students will spend part of the first day of school in a book discussion group. Returning students have already chosen their book group - new students should choose a book from the list below. Books chosen for the reading groups are intended to be fun, appropriate for beach or pool, and are not intended to be the only book read this summer. A day or evening browsing at the library, Barnes & Noble, or Politics and Prose can be enjoyable for the whole family!

Links to these books, along with the summer math, reading response, and writing assignments can be found at www.nora-school.org/students/summer-work

Special prize to any student who reads ALL the books in our summer reading group series!

For Everyone... **Mindset**, by Carol Dweck How intelligence is developed.

For Parents... **The Blessing of a B Minus**, Wendy Mogel and **How To Raise An Adult**, Julie Lythcott-Haims

Students should choose ONE reading group for the first day of classes. This is your first English grade! Take a look on Amazon for descriptions of each book.

Marcia: *The Last Cherry Blossom*, Kathleen Burkinshaw

Chris: *New York 2140*, Kim Stanley Robinson

Hedy: *The Other Einstein*, Marie Benedict

Avé: *Zero: The Biography of a Dangerous Idea*, Charles Seife

Dave: *The Hate U Give*, Angie Thomas

Norman: *Good Omens*, Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett

Scott: *The Looming Tower: Al-Qaeda and the Road to 9/11*, by Lawrence Wright

Yevgen: *City*, Clifford D. Simak

Allison: *Unwind*, Neal Shusterman

Will: *Blood Done Sign My Name*, Timothy Tyson

Chrissy: *All the Light We Cannot See*, Anthony Doerr

Brennan: *The Divine Within*, Aldous Huxley

Nisaa: *The Nordic Theory of Everything*, Anu Partanen

Christina: *Homegoing: A Novel*, Yaa Gyasi

Prose: *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance*, Robert Pirsig

Other books you might enjoy from past reading groups:

100 Years, Sarah & A. Elizabeth Delaney

1984, George Orwell

2001, A Space Odyssey, Arthur C. Clarke

Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Slayer, Seth Grahame-Smith

A Death in Vienna, Daniel Silva

Alas, Babylon, Pat Frank

A Million Little Pieces, James Frey

An Inconvenient Truth, Al Gore

A Slave in the White House, Elizabeth Dowling Taylor

A Thousand Splendid Suns, Khaled Hosseini

A Tree Grows in Brooklyn, Betty Smith

A Visit From the Goon Squad, Jennifer Egan

A Walk in the Woods, Bill Bryson

All Quiet on the Western Front, Erich Maria Remarque

Angela's Ashes, Frank McCourt

Bastard Out of Carolina, Dorothy Allison

Blackbird, Jennifer Lauck

Blood on the River: Jamestown 1607, Elisa Carbone

Bright Shiny Morning, James Frey

Brown: Last Discovery of America, Richard Rodriguez

Burning the Apostle, Bill Granger

Burr, Gore Vidal

Cat's Cradle, Kurt Vonnegut

Child of God, Lolita Files

City, Clifford Simak

Clockers, Richard Price

Cold Mountain, Charles Frazier

Confederates In The Attic, Tony Horowitz

Dark, Kenji Jasper

Dear Theo: The Autobiography of Vincent Van Gogh, Letters compiled by Irving Stone

Desert Solitaire, Edward Abbey

Desirable Daughters, Bharati Mukherjee

Devil in the White City, Erik Larson

Dove, Robin Lee

Dracula, Bram Stoker

Dreams From My Father, Barak Obama

Endurance: Shackleton's Incredible Voyage, Alfred Lansing

Famous for 15 Minutes: My Years With Andy Warhol, Ultra Violet

First They Killed My Father, Loung Ung

Five Wishes, Gay Hendricks

Flowers for Algernon, Daniel Keyes

Forgotten Fire, Adam Bagdasarian

Four Souls, Louise Erdrich

Freakonomics, Steven Levitt

Freedomland, Richard Price

Freedom Writers, by Zlata Filipovic

Gateway, Frederik Pohl

Going Public, Michael Gecan

Goldfinch, Donna Tart

Grendel, John Gardner
Gray Mountain, John Grisham
Hardcore Zen: Punk Rock, Monster Movies, & the Truth About Reality, Brad Warner
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, JK Rowling
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, JK Rowling
Having Our Say: The Delaney Sisters' First
Hell House, Richard Matheson
Henry Ossawa Tanner, Marcia M. Mathews
Herding Ravens, Christopher Conlon
Home, by Toni Morrison
Hot, Flat, and Crowded, Thomas Friedman
House on Garibaldi Street, Isser Harel
Howl's Moving Castle (#1), Diana Wynne Jones
How Soccer Explains the World, Franklin Foer
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings, Maya Angelou
In A Sunburned Country, Bill Bryson
In Cold Blood, Truman Capote
Inferno, Dan Brown
Innocents Abroad, Mark Twain
In Pharaoh's Army, Tobias Wolff
In Silent Graves, Gary Braunbeck
Into the Blue, by Rebecca Gault
Into Thin Air, Jon Krakauer
Invisible Man, Ralph Ellison
It's What I Do: Photographer's Life of Love & War, Lynsey Adario
I Want My Life Back, Steve Hamilton
Jane Eyre, Charlotte Bronte
Jennifer Government, Max Barry
Jerusalem: The Biography, Simon Sebag Montefiore
Jump, Elisa Carbone
Lies My Teacher Told Me, James W. Loewen
Life Beyond Measure, Sidney Pottier
Lone Wolf - Eric Rudolph: Murder, Myth, and the Pursuit of an American
Outlaw, Maryanne Vollers
Man Crazy, Joyce Carol Oates
Martha Quest, Doris Lessing
Middle Passage, Charles Johnson
Mindfulness: Finding Peace in a Frantic World, Mark Williams and Danny Penman
Moneyball, by Michael Lewis
Mrs. Dalloway, Virginia Woolf
Nickel and Dime, Barbara Ehrenreich
Night, Eli Wiesel
Night Watch, Terry Pratchett
One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest, Ken Kesey
Oryx and Crake, Margaret Atwood
Out of the Depths, Rabbi Lau
Physics of the Future, Michio Kaku
Pictures at an Exhibition, Sarah Houghteling
Pride and Prejudice, Jane Austen
Prodigal Summer, Barbara Kingsolver
Safe Haven, Nicholas Sparks
Search Party, Valerie Trueblood
Ship Breaker, Paolo Bacigalupi
Shutterbabe, Deborah Copaken Kogan
Siddhartha, Herman Hesse
Some Love, Some Pain, Sometime, J. California Cooper
Something Wicked This Way Comes, Ray Bradbury
Sophie's World, Jostein Gaarder
Soledad Brother, George Jackson
Standing at the Scratch Line, Guy Johnson
Superfreakonomics, Steven Levitt and Stephen Dubner
Survivor, Chuck Paphniuk
Ten Indians, by Madison Smartt Bell
The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian, Sherman Alexie
The African Dream, Che Guevara
The Art of Racing in the Rain, Garth Stein
The Autobiography of Malcolm X, Malcolm X with Alex Haley
The Bear Went Over the Mountain, William Kotzwinkle
The Book of Dave, Will Self
The Color of Magic, Terry Pratchett
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night, Mark Haddon
The Dead Lands, Benjamin Percy
The Dead Zone, Stephen King
The Dharma Bums, Jack Kerouac
The Five People You Meet In Heaven, Mitch Albom
The Glass Castle, Jeannette Walls
The Golden Compass, Phillip Pullman
The Hip Hop Generation, Bakari Kitwana
The Hand I Fan With, Tina McElroy Ansa
The Hours: A Novel, Michael Cunningham
The Housekeeper and the Professor, Yoko Ogawa
The Iliad, Peter Green translation
The Incredible Shrinking Man, Richard Matheson
The Intuitionist, Colson Whitehead
The Kite Runners, Khaled Hosseini
The Know-It-All, AJ Jacobs
The Last Town on Earth, Thomas Mullen
The Longest Ride, Nicholas Sparks
The Man in the High Castle, Philip K. Dick
The Many Deaths of the Firefly Brothers, Thomas Mullen
The Mismeasure of Man, Stephen Jay Gould
The Moon is a Harsh Mistress, Robert A. Heinlein
The Night Listener, Armistead Maupin
The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency, Alexander Smith
The Organ Grinders, Bill Fitzhugh
The Outsiders, S.E. Hinton
The Painted Bird, Jerzy Kosinski
The Pipeline and the Paradigm, Samuel Aver
The Places In Between, Rory Stewart
The Portable Promised Land, Toure
The Reluctant Fundamentalist, Mohsin Hamid
The Revisionists, Thomas Mullen
The Snowman, Jo Nesbo
The Strange Birth, Short Life, and Sudden Death of Justice Girl, Julian David Stone
The Sweetest Dream, Doris Lessing
The Tree, Colin Tudge
The Trial, Franz Kafka
The Way Home, George Pelecanos
The Woman Warrior, Maxine Hong Kingston
The World According to Garp, John Irving
The Year of Living Biblically, A.J. Jacobs
The Yellow Wallpaper, Charlotte Perkins Gilman
Think, Simon Blackburn
Think: Before It's Too Late, Edward DeBono
Third Gate, Lincoln Child
Three Cups of Tea, Greg Mortenson
Thud! Terry Pratchett
Thunder Showers at Dusk, Chris Conlon
Time and Again, Jack Finney
To Kill A Mockingbird, Harper Lee
Ultramarathon Man: Confessions of an All-Night
Red Sky at Morning, Richard Bradford
Runner, Dean Karnazes
Upstate, Kalisha Buckhanon
Waiting for the Barbarians, J.M. Coetzee
Wake of the Wind, J. California Cooper
War, Sebastian Junger
Water for Elephants, Sara Gruen
Way Past Cool, Jeff Mowry
We Were the Mulvaney's, Joyce Carol Oates
When the Emperor was Divine, Julie Otsuka
Your Government Failed You, Richard A. Clarke
Zen & Art of Motorcycle Maintenance, Robert Pirsig
Zorro, Isabelle Allende