

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

MILTON HIGH SCHOOL June 2006

All students in the Milton Public Schools will participate in a reading program this summer, as part of the school system's ongoing effort to challenge all students. Milton High School students entering grades nine through twelve must do required reading and may also take part in a voluntary summer reading program.

REQUIRED SUMMER READING

- ✓ All Milton students must read **FOUR** books, selecting one title from the English department list provided for each grade, one history book, one science book, and a free choice.
- ✓ Honors students must read an **ADDITIONAL FIFTH** book. See "HONORS AND AP ENGLISH READING REQUIREMENTS" for specific assignments.
- ✓ Written quizzes, essays, and/or oral reports will be assigned during the first week of school.

HONORS AND AP ENGLISH READING REQUIREMENTS

Honors and AP English students must read FIVE books, including one required title for honors/AP credit, and one from the appropriate grade list. Specific titles required for honors English classes are as follows: Freshmen entering honors English must read *Siddhartha* by Hermann Hesse (to be issued to them). Sophomores will read *Pudd'nhead Wilson* by Mark Twain (to be issued to them). Juniors will read *A Farewell to Arms* by Ernest Hemingway (to be issued to them). American Experience students must read *Black Boy* by Richard Wright and for extra credit *The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man* by James Weldon Johnson. Senior Honors-level (not Humanities) students will read ONE of the following: *Decline and Fall* by Evelyn Waugh, *The Tragicall Historie of Dr. Faustus* by Christopher Marlowe, *Our Man in Havana* by Graham Greene, *The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood, or something by Aphra Behn. Senior Humanities honors-level students must read Homer's *Iliad* (to be issued to them). AP English students must read *The Oresteia* by Aeschylus. Any translation or edition is acceptable, the best being by Grene, Fagles, and Fitts and Fitzgerald. The trilogy is also available in Dover Thrift (in an older translation) for \$2.00.

NOTE: Junior and senior honors-level students who selected the American Experience or Senior Humanities should also read the required title(s) for Junior and Senior Honors English because of possible scheduling conflicts.

VOLUNTARY SUMMER READING

In addition to the required reading, students may read additional books for extra credit. Students who read five or more books (six or more for Honors and AP) will receive an A for the first grade of the term after demonstrating satisfactory completion of the reading. Books read for the required program in other disciplines may be counted toward the voluntary extra credit program. During the last week of school, English teachers will be discussing with their classes book selections appropriate for students at their age and ability levels. We hope that everyone—parents, students, teachers, etc.—will participate in making this a successful and rewarding program that will challenge our students and "keep their minds alive" over the summer.

Milton High School English Department Summer Reading List Selections

Students entering A-, B-, or Honors level English classes in grades nine through twelve must select **ONE** title from the list for the appropriate grade.

Freshmen:

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and *Through the Looking Glass* by Carroll
Cold Sassy Tree by Burns
The Golden Compass by Pullman
The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy by Adams
True to Form by Berg

Sophomores:

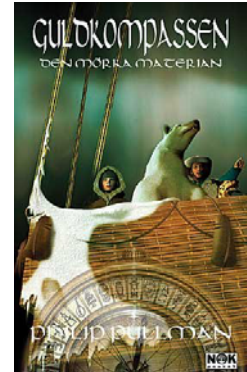
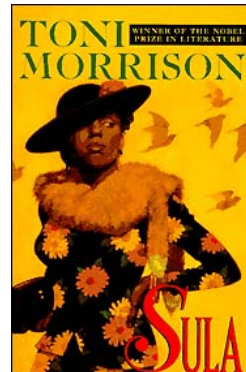
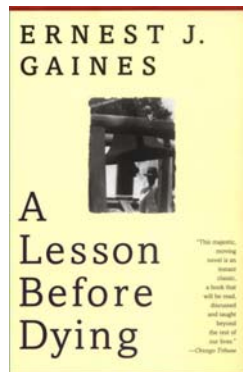
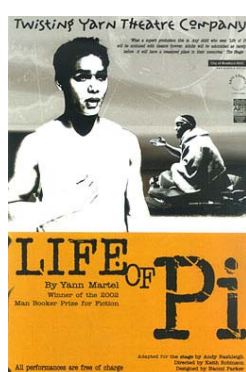
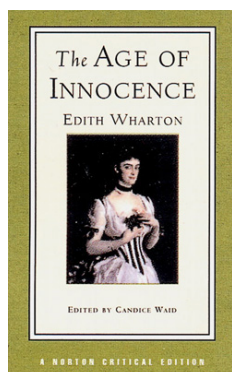
All Souls by McDonald
Sula by Morrison
A Lesson before Dying by Gaines
Slaughterhouse Five by Vonnegut
The Things They Carried by O'Brien

Juniors:

The Age of Innocence by Wharton
Cannery Row by Steinbeck
Franny and Zooey by Salinger
A Prayer for Owen Meany by Irving

Seniors:

At Risk by Hoffman
Cat's Eye by Atwood
The Life of Pi by Martel
The Master and Margarita by Bulgakov (2nd edition)
The Stranger by Camus
Vile Bodies by Waugh



Milton High School History Department Summer Reading List Selections

Students entering A, B, or Honors level History classes in grades ten through twelve must select ONE title from the list for the appropriate course, and or .

Early World History- (Free Choice History Book)

Modern World Civilizations:

Not Without My Daughter by Betty Mahmoody
The Duke of Havana by Steve Fainaru
The Red Azalea by Anchee Mann
Stones from the River by Ursula Hegi
A Fine Balance by Rohinton Mistry
Autobiography of My Mother by Jamaica Kincaid
Cry, The Beloved Country by Alan Paton
Reading Lolita in Tehran by Azar Nafisi
Going After Cacciato by Tim O'Brien
The Last Story I'll Ever Tell by John Crawford

US History/ American Experience

The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros
First Crossing: Stories About Teen Immigrants by Donald R. Gallo
Ashes of Roses by Mary Jane Auch
Enriques's Journey by Sonia Nazario
Angela's Ashes by Frank McCourt
Beyond the Narrow Gate by Leslie Chang
The Jungle by Upton Sinclair
My Antonia by Wila Cather
The Life Andrew Jackson: The Border Captain & Portrait of a President by Matquis James

Senior Seminar

Cold New World by William Finnegan
Hope in the Unseen by Ron Suskind
Nickel and Dime by Barbara Ehrenreich
Finding Fish by Antwone Fisher

AP Psychology & AP US History- See separate sheet (provided by course instructors) for summer assignments. These assignments will also be posted on Edline.

