

9th grade and 10th grade summer assignment

Go to your local library and browse through the fictions books on the shelves. Pick out a novel purely based on what you find on the cover and the summary on the back or something about it that interests you. Read through the novel and describe in paragraph form what you thought of it. Describe what you liked about the novel or what you didn't like but be specific (why would this be a book you might recommend?). Describe why you picked out this novel and if the experience of picking out a book from a shelf without any prior research or recommendation affected your experience of reading the book. Indicate whether or not you would try this process of picking books again.

-500 page minimum word count

-12 point Times New Roman double spaced

-Cannot be a novella (less than 300 pages or 40,000 words) or a non-fiction text (cookbooks, history books, travel guides, etc)

Narrative Fiction Novels

Suggested for 9th grade:

1. *The Man in the Iron Mask* by Alexandre Dumas
2. *Three Musketeers* by Alexandre Dumas
3. *20,000 leagues under the Sea* by Jules Verne
4. *Redwall* by Brian Jacques
5. *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding
6. *Jurassic Park* by Michael Crichton

Suggested for 10th Grade:

1. *A Farewell to Arms* by Ernest Hemmingway
2. *Dune* by Frank Herbert
3. *Out of the Silent Planet* by C.S. Lewis
4. *Ender's Game* by Orson Scott Card
5. *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe
6. *The Lost World* by Michael Crichton (Not to be confused with the novel of the same name by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle)

Suggested Graphic Novels 9th and 10th

1. *Yona of the Dawn* Misuho Kusanagi
2. *Naruto* by Misashi Kishimoto
3. *Black Clover* by Yuki Tabata
4. *Full Metal Alchemist* by Hiromu Arakawa
5. *Maus* by Art Spiegelman

11th grade and 12th Grade Summer Assignment

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Argue what you believe one can learn from this story/narrative. What is the central theme of the story? How did you come to that conclusion?

-800 minimum word count

-12 point Times New Roman double spaced

-Cannot be a novella (less than 300 pages or 40,000 words) or a non-fiction text (cookbooks, history books, travel guides, etc)

Narrative Fiction Novels

Suggested for 11th grade:

- *Joy Luck Club* by Amy Tan
- *The Lost World* by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
- *1984* by George Orwell
- *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand
- *The Eye of the World* by Robert Jordan
- *Sphere* by Michael Crichton

For 12th Grade:

- *Seven Years in Tibet* by Heinrich Harrer
- *Seabiscuit* by Laura Hillenbrand
- *Airframe* by Michael Crichton
- *A River Runs Through It* by Normal Maclean
- *Moby Dick* by Hermann Melville

Suggested Graphic Novels 11th and 12th

1. *Persepolis* by Marjane Satrapi
2. *Akira* by Katsuhiro Otomo
3. *Five Centimeters Per Second* by Makoto Shinkai
4. *Monster* by Naoki Urasawa