

Marian Catholic Summer Reading
Summer 2019

Below are the summer reading book lists and links to the **required editions** for each text at each grade and placement level. Incoming freshmen are required to read the required books, and all incoming sophomores, juniors, and seniors are required to both read and annotate their books **before the first day of school**. If incoming freshmen are familiar with annotation techniques, they are encouraged to annotate their books as well.

As we introduced last year, every Marian student will be reading one book in common in addition to their other summer reading book(s). Once again, we are grateful for this opportunity to have shared conversations across grade levels and subjects, and look forward to the opportunities this initiative will continue to afford our school community.

One Book One Marian - All Marian students will read and annotate the following book. Every student must purchase a paperback copy of this book:

- [A Long Walk to Water by Linda J. Park - ISBN-13: 978-0547577319](#)

FRESHMAN College Prep and Accelerated - choose 1 of the following books and read it in addition to *A Long Walk to Water*:

1. [Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson - ISBN-13: 978-0312674397](#)
2. [Ellen Foster by Kaye Gibbons - ISBN-13: 978-1616203023](#)
3. [Breathing Underwater by Alex Flinn - ISBN-13: 978-0064472579](#)
4. [The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien - ISBN-13: 978-0547928227](#)

FRESHMAN Honors - choose 2 of the following books and read them in addition to *A Long Walk to Water*:

1. [The Alchemist by Paul Coelho - ISBN-13: 978-0062315007](#)
2. [Ellen Foster by Kaye Gibbons - ISBN-13: 978-1616203023](#)
3. [To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee - ISBN-13: 978-0446310789](#)
4. [The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien - ISBN-13: 978-0547928227](#)
5. [Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck - ISBN-13: 978-0140177398](#)

SOPHOMORE Accelerated - choose ONE of the following and read and annotate it in addition to *A Long Walk to Water*:

1. [Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel - ISBN-13: 978-0804172448](#)
2. [Ready Player One by Ernest Cline - ISBN-13: 978-0307887443](#)
3. [A Long Way Gone by Ishmael Beah - ISBN-13: 978-0374531263](#)

4. [Rise: A Soldier, A Dream, A Promise Kept](#) by Daniel Rodriguez - **ISBN-13: 978-0544570368**
5. [My Sister's Keeper](#) by Jodi Picoult - **ISBN-13: 978-0743454537**

SOPHOMORE Honors - must read and annotate:

- [Fahrenheit 451](#) by Ray Bradbury - **ISBN-13: 978-1451673319**

AND choose TWO of the following to read and annotate in addition to *A Long Walk to Water*:

1. [Station Eleven](#) by Emily St. John Mandel - **ISBN-13: 978-0804172448**
2. [Ready Player One](#) by Ernest Cline - **ISBN-13: 978-0307887443**
3. [A Long Way Gone](#) by Ishmael Beah - **ISBN-13: 978-0374531263**
4. [Rise: A Soldier, A Dream, A Promise Kept](#) by Daniel Rodriguez - **ISBN-13: 978-0544570368**
5. [My Sister's Keeper](#) by Jodi Picoult - **ISBN-13: 978-0743454537**

JUNIOR Accelerated Level - choose ONE to read and annotate in addition to *A Long Walk to Water*:

1. [Into the Wild](#) by Jon Krakauer - **ISBN-13: 978-0385486804**
2. [The Secret Life of Bees](#) by Sue Monk Kidd - **ISBN-13: 978-0142001745**
3. [The Help](#) by Kathryn Stockett - **ISBN-13: 978-0425232200**
4. [The Underground Railroad](#) by Colson Whitehead - **ISBN-13: 978-0385542364**
5. [The Art of Racing in the Rain](#) by Garth Stein - **ISBN-13: 978-0061537967**

JUNIOR AP Language and Composition/American Studies - Students must read and annotate the following two books in addition to *A Long Walk to Water*

1. [In Cold Blood](#) by Truman Capote **ISBN-13: 9780679745587**
2. [Song of Solomon](#) by Toni Morrison **ISBN-13: 9781400033423**

AND AP Lang and Composition/American Studies Students must choose ONE of the following fiction books to read and annotate:

1. [My Antonia](#) by Willa Cather **ISBN- 978-0486282404**
2. [The Awakening](#) by Kate Chopin - **ISBN-13: 978-0486277868**
3. [Ethan Frome](#) by Edith Wharton - **ISBN - 978-0142437803**
4. [Sister Carrie](#) by Theodore Dreiser - **ISBN - 978-0486434681**

AND AP Lang and Composition/American Studies Students must choose ONE of the following nonfiction books to read and annotate:

1. [The Devil in the White City](#) by Eric Larson - **ISBN - 978-0375725609**
2. [The Omnivore's Dilemma](#) by Michael Pollen - **ISBN-13: 978-0143038580**
3. [Stiff](#) by Mary Roach - **ISBN-13: 978-0393324822**
4. [Outliers](#) by Malcolm Gladwell - **ISBN-13: 978-0316017930**

SENIOR Accelerated - British Traditions AND Chicago Authors - choose one of the following to read in addition to *A Long Walk to Water*

1. [*The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern - ISBN-13: 978-0307744432](#)
2. [*On the Road* by Jack Kerouac - ISBN-13: 978-0140283297](#)
3. [*Plainsong* by Kent Haruf - ISBN-13: 978-0375724794](#)
4. [*Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime* by Mark Haddon - ISBN-13: 978-1400032716](#)
5. [*Nineteen Minutes* - Jodi Picoult - ISBN-13: 978-0743496735](#)

Senior Accelerated - Post Colonial - read the following book in addition to *A Long Walk to Water*.

1. [*Burmese Days* by George Orwell ISBN-13: 9780156148504](#)

Senior Accelerated - War Literature - choose ONE of the following books to read in addition to *A Long Walk to Water*. Students are encouraged to read more than one book to have a basis for discussion throughout the year.

1. [*Thank You For Your Service* by David Finkel ISBN: 1250121469](#)
2. [*Band of Sisters* by Kirsten Holmstedt ISBN: 0811735664](#)
3. [*With the Old Breed* by E.B. Sledge ISBN: 0891419063](#)
4. [*Flyboys* by James Bradley ISBN: 0316159433](#)
5. [*Redeployment* by Phil Klay ISBN: 978-0143126829](#)
6. [*The Outpost* by Jake Tapper ISBN: 978-0316185400](#)
7. [*Band of Brothers* by Stephen Ambrose ISBN: 978-1501179402](#)

SENIOR AP Literature and Composition: All four books are required, and students are required to purchase and annotate copies of the following four books as well as *A Long Walk to Water*.

1. [*A Doll's House* by Henrik Ibsen - ISBN-13: 978-0486270623](#)
2. [*Cry the Beloved Country* by Alan Paton - ISBN-13: 978-0743262170](#)
3. [*Born A Crime* by Trevor Noah - ISBN-13: 978-1473635302](#)
4. [*The Things They Carried* - ISBN - 13: 978-0767902892](#)