

**Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast Catholic High School  
Summer Reading Requirements for 2019 - 2020**

Bonner & Prendergast is committed to encouraging literacy among our students. Below is a list of books recommended by our ELA Department - books our teachers are sure you will enjoy. The choices allow you to find something that interests you, the students.

Junior AP and Senior AP students need to read all the books listed for those classes. Incoming seniors, juniors, sophomores, and freshmen should investigate their listed books and select at least one that attracts their interest. Taking time to investigate the titles will help you select one that you will enjoy. Keep good notes. (Use the forms linked to this page as guides). Be prepared to discuss your book and complete a written assignment during English classes in September.

Independent Reading Guide: The Novel

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzljFqPPCHTOX3I2VEYzcFNXUWVrSkdfTUqxQVdvWmhMbEVr/view?usp=sharing>

Independent Reading Guide: Nonfiction

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<b>Senior AP Literature and Composition - Read all four</b>	
<b>1. The Awakening</b> by Kate Chopin Lex. 960 L	
<b>2. The Color Purple</b> by Alice Walker Lex. HL 670 L	
<b>3. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest</b> by Ken Kesey Lex. N/A	
<b>4. A Streetcar Named Desire</b> by Tennessee Williams Lex. NP	
<b>Junior AP Language and Composition</b>	
<b>1. Brothers Forever: The Enduring Bond between a Marine and a Navy Seal that Transcended Their Ultimate Sacrifice</b> by Tom Sileo and Tom Manion Lex. 1210 L	
<b>2. The Writer's Presence: A Pool of Readings, edited by Donald McQuade and Robert Atwan</b> (Pick up your copy of this book from Mr. Luke and check with him for the papers you will need for all the readings. Stay in touch via school email.) Lex. N/A	
<b>Grade 12 American Literature 1914 through Present (Select one)</b>	
<b>Titles</b>	<b>Hints</b>
<b>Shelter</b> by Harlan Coben (fiction) Lex. HL 530 L	Mystery, suspense and thrills in the first of the series of the teenage crime solver Mickey Bolitar; master author Coben created this for young adults but his adult fans enjoy it as well
<b>American Pastoral</b> by Philip Roth (fiction) Lex. N/A	Masterpiece by recently deceased honored author Philip Roth; story contains sorrow, rage, and compassion
<b>G-Dogs and the Homeboys; Father Greg Boyle and the Gangs of East Los Angeles</b> by Celeste Freeman (nonfiction) Lex. N/A	Stories on unconventional ministry and its extraordinary successes
<b>The Things They Carried</b> by Tim O'Brien (fiction) Lex. 880 L	Stories of the men of Alpha Company and main character Tim O'Brien who survived his tour in Vietnam
<b>The Last Lecture</b> by Randy Pausch (nonfiction) Lex. N/A	Humor, intelligence, and inspiration by a professor who shares what he has learned about life as he faces his own death
<b>Grade 11 American Literature Beginnings through 1914 (Select one)</b>	
<b>Titles</b>	<b>Hints</b>
<b>Teacher Man</b> by Frank McCourt (nonfiction) Lex. 600 L	The author of Angela's Ashes records the triumphs and trials he faces in his 30+ years teaching career
<b>Sunrise Over Fallujah</b> by Walter Dean	Describes the horrors of war during Operation Iraqi freedom as

<i>Myers (fiction)</i> Lex. 780 L	<i>the main character learns about the realism of war</i>
<b>October Sky</b> by Homer Hickam (nonfiction) Lex. 900 L	<i>Young man growing up in Coalwood, West Virginia, during Sputnik era works to keep his dreams alive - to send a rocket into outer space</i>
<b>The Finisher</b> by David Baldacci (fiction) Lex. 710 L	<i>First in a series - heroine Vega Jane follows clues to uncover a great truth while influential people try to stop her</i>
<b>Grade 10 Genre (select one)</b>	
<b>Titles</b>	<b>Hints</b>
<b>The Hobbit</b> by J.R.R. Tolkien (fantasy) Lex. 1000 L	<i>Hobbit Bilbo Baggins goes on a great adventure in the company of dwarves and the great wizard Gandalf</i>
<b>Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl</b> by Anne Frank (nonfiction) Lex. 1020 L	<i>Writing of Anne Frank while she was in hiding with her family during the Nazi occupation the Netherlands</i>
<b>And Then There Were None</b> by Agatha Christie Lex. 570 L	<i>The world's bestselling mystery! Ten strangers are lured to an island mansion. Who is the killer among them?</i>
<b>Boys in the Boat</b> by Daniel James Brown (non-fiction) Lex. 1000 L	<i>Subtitle: "Nine Americans and their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics"</i>
<b>Grade 9 Genre (Select one)</b>	
<b>Titles</b>	<b>Hints</b>
<b>The Shack</b> by William Young (fiction) Lex. HL 520 L	<i>The father of a murdered child receives an unusual note inviting him back to the scene. What he learns changes his world forever.</i>
<b>The Boy on the Wooden Box</b> by Leon Leyson (with Marilyn J. Harran and Elisabeth B. Leyson) Lex. 1000 L	<i>Subtitle: "How the impossible became possible on Schindler's List"; memoir of a young man who was 10 when Nazis invaded Poland</i>
<b>Refugee</b> by Alan Gratz Lex. 800 L	<i>Three young people will go on harrowing journeys in search of refuge. All will face unimaginable dangers—from drownings to bombings to betrayals. But for each of them, there is always the hope of tomorrow. And although Josef, Isabel, and Mahmoud are separated by continents and decades, surprising connections will tie their stories together in the end.</i>
<b>A Night Divided</b> by Jennifer Nielsen (fiction based on real events) Lex. 810 L	<i>A young girl finds her family suddenly divided overnight by the Berlin Wall after her father and brother had gone west in search of work and cannot get back</i>