Bishop Guertin High School

2024 Summer Required Reading

Freshman Summer Reading

Intro to Lit. – College: Fahrenheit 451 Ray Bradbury

Intro to Lit. – Honors: Far From the Tree Robin Benway

AND

The House on Mango Street Sandra Cisneros

Sophomore Summer Reading

World Lit. – College: Purple Hibiscus Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

World Lit. – Honors: The Life of Pi Yann Martel

Junior Summer Reading

American Lit. – College: The Things They Carried Tim O'Brien

American Lit. – Honors: Read one fiction AND the non-fiction selection:

The Things They Carried Tim O'Brien

OR

Slaughterhouse-Five Kurt Vonnegut

AND

Thank You for Your Service David Finkel

AP Language and Composition: Choose one fiction **AND** one non-fiction selection:

Choose one fiction:

The Things They Carried Tim O'Brien

OR

Homegoing Yaa Gyasi

AND choose one nonfiction:

Outliers Malcolm Gladwell

OR

Why Fish Don't Exist Lulu Miller

Junior Summer Reading (continued)

U.S.History Honors: The Band Of Brothers Stephen E. Ambrose

AP U.S. History: The Longest War: The Enduring Conflict

Between America and Al-Qaeda Peter Bergen

AND choose one of the following:

The Killer Angels: Classic Novel of the Civil War Michael Shaara

Triangle: The Fire That Changed America David Von Drehle ISBN(13) 9780802741514

1776 David McCollouch

Truman David McCollouch

The Last Stand: Custer, Sitting Bull, and

the Battle of Little Big Horn Nathan Philbrick

Senior Summer Reading

British Lit. – College: Jane Eyre Charlotte Bronte

British Lit. – Honors: Read both of the following:

Jane Eyre Charlotte Bronte

AND

The Thirteenth Tale Diane Setterfield

Senior Summer Reading (continued)

AP Literature and Composition: Read both of the following:

We Have Always Lived in the Castle Shirley Jackson

AND

Never Let Me Go Kazuo Ishiguro

AP U.S. Government & Politics: All documents can be found online, or in the appendix of your textbook. All documents

must be read and a typed summary of major themes will be due upon return to school:

The US Constitution, The Articles of Confederation, The Declaration of Independence, Brutus

No.1 (Anti-federalist papers), Federalist No.10, Federalist No. 51, Federalist No. 70,

Federalist No. 78, and M.L.K.'s Letter from the Birmingham Jail.

AP Latin: The Odyssey Bks. I-VIII Homer (tr. Robert Fitzgerald) ISBN 0-679-72813-9

Tolkien and the Catholic Imagination:

The Hobbit J.R.R. Tolkien (any edition)

The Fellowship of the Ring, J.R.R. Tolkien pgs. 1-15 (prologue) ISBN(13) 9780547928210