Bishop Guertin High School

2025-2026 Summer Required Reading - FINAL

Freshman Summer Reading

Intro to Lit. – College: Into the Wild Jon Krakauer

Intro to Lit. – Honors: Into the Wild Jon Krakauer

AND
Fahrenheit 451 Ray Bradbury

Sophomore Summer Reading

World Lit. - College: Myths and Legends from Around the World Sowmya Rajendran

IMPORTANT: ISBN: 978-9389967692

World Lit. – Honors: Life of Pi Yann Martel

Junior Summer Reading

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

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

AND

Slaughterhouse-Five Kurt Vonnegut

AP Language and Composition: Outliers Malcolm Gladwell

OR
Why Fish Don't Exist Lulu Miller

AND

The Things They Carried Tim O'Brien
OR

Homegoing Yaa Gyasi

U.S.History Honors: Michael Jordan and the New Global Capitalism Walter LaFeber

AND

The Band Of Brothers Stephen E. Ambrose

AP U.S. History: The Soul of America: The Battle for our Better Angels Jon Meachem

AND pick one of the following: (see next page)

Junior Summer Reading (continued)

AP U.S. History continued: AND pick one of the following:

1776 David McCollouch

American Lion Jon Meachem

Gods and Generals Jeff Shaara

American Colossus HW Brands

America's War for the Greater Middle East Andrew Bacevich

Black Flags: The Rise of ISIS Joby Warrick

Undaunted Courage Stephen Ambrose

Senior Summer Reading

British Lit. – College: And Then There Were None Agatha Christie

British Lit. – Honors: And Then There Were None Agatha Christie

AND

The Thirteenth Tale Diane Setterfield

Senior Summer Reading (continued)

AP Literature and Composition: Exit West Mohsin Hamid

AND

The Shadow of the Wind Carlos Ruiz Zafon

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