

Gainesville High School
Summer Reading List
2009-2010

This summer, all students will be required to read at least one book, depending on the level of English in which you will be enrolled. Students, please find the course for which you are registered. The books assigned for your course must be read by the time you return to school. They are available from local vendors, at the public library, at the GHS media center and from sources online.

Grade 9

Honors (read all)

Farewell to Manzanar- Jeanne Wakatsuki
and James D. Houston
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The Bean Trees- Barbara Kingsolver

Grade 9 Cambridge (read all)

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A Lesson Before Dying- Ernest Gaines
The Bean Trees- Barbara Kingsolver
Night- Elie Wiesel

All Others (Choose one)

Summer of My German Soldier- Bette Greene
The Way of the Peaceful Warrior- Dan Millman
Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants- Ann Brashares
Of Beetles and Angels: A Boy's Remarkable Journey from a Refugee
Camp to Harvard- Mawi Asgedom
White Oleander- Janet Fitch
Handbook for Boys- Walter Dean Myers

Grade 10

Honors (read all)

Jasmine- Bharati Mukherjee
The Chosen -Chaim Potok
The Kite Runner- Khaled Hosseini

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All Others (Choose one)

How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents- Julia Alvarez
Looking for Alaska- John Green
Chanda's Secret- Allan Stratton
My Sister's Keeper- Jody Picoult
Friday Night Lights- H.G. Bissinger
The Green Mile (Parts 1-3)- Stephen King

Grade 11

Honors (read all)

Catcher in the Rye- J.D. Salinger
The Glass Castle- Jeannette Walls
A Raisin in the Sun—Lorraine Hansberry

All Others (Choose one)

Into The Wild- Jon Krakauer
Five People You Meet in Heaven- Mitch Albom
The Secret Life of Bees -Sue Monk Kidd
The Pact- Drs. Sampson Davis, George Jenkins and
Rameck Hunt

AP Language/Cambridge (read all)

The Glass Castle- Jeannette Walls
Angela's Ashes- -Frank McCourt
Catcher in the Rye J.D.Salinger

AP Language only (read all)

Angela's Ashes- Frank McCourt
The Glass Castle- Jeannette Walls
The Color of Water- James McBride

Grade 12

Honors (read all)

Wuthering Heights- -Emily Bronte
Macbeth- William Shakespeare
The Picture of Dorian Gray- Oscar Wilde
Grendel- John Gardner
Resume

(Sample available online at Guidance site)

All Others (Choose one)

The Life of Pi Y. Martel
Tuesdays With Morrie- Mitch Albom
Bleachers- John Grisham
Copper Sun- Sharon Draper

AP Literature and/or Cambridge

Hamlet- William Shakespeare
Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead- Tom Stoppard
How To Read Literature Like A Professor- Thomas Foster
(Keep a response journal as you read: not intended to be a summary)
Edith Hamilton's *Mythology* Parts I,II,III
The Mayor Of Casterbridge- Thomas Hardy
From *The Bible*- the book of Genesis and one of the four Gospels
from the New Testament (**King James version**)

Also, download the UF admissions application and write **one** essay according to their directions. You may substitute a college admissions essay from another school but indicate topic on your paper.

(Essays should be 500 words in length)

Resume (Sample available online at Guidance site)