



NDP Summer Reading 2017-2018

All grade levels have assigned summer reading for English class. What are the benefits of summer reading? Research shows that summer reading is the *only* summer activity related to improved reading achievement. Students who read during the summer usually maintain the reading skills gained during the year, and some students *increase* their reading skills when they read during the summer, including fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.

Students do not have written work to complete after reading the books during the summer; however, teachers will assign a project, a paper, or give a test on the summer reading books the first weeks of school.

Ninth-graders will find their books have been downloaded on their iPads when they pick them up on campus. Returning students will receive the download code(s) from the IT Department via school email and are asked to check their email accounts for the codes to download their books.

The book titles are as follows:

English 1 and English 1 Gonzaga

A Long Way Gone by Ishmael Beah

English 1 Honors

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Summer Reading Short Story Anthology: Where True Magic Hides

(Teacher-created book/PDF sent by IT to student email)

English 2 and English 2 Gonzaga

The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros

English 2 Honors

Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe

The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho

English 3 and English 3 DE

American Literature Summer Reading Book

(Teacher-created iBook. Go to iBooks and search "Amy Beckis American Literature" to download.)

English 3AP Language and Composition

Advanced Placement American Literature Summer Reading Book

(Teacher-created iBook. Go to iBooks and search "Amy Beckis American Literature" to download.)

English 4 and English 4 DE

Frankenstein by Mary Shelley

English 4AP Literature and Composition

Sula by Toni Morrison

Siddhartha by Herman Hesse

Catcher in the Rye by J.D. Salinger

Slaughterhouse-Five by Kurt Vonnegut