

# SUMMER READING 2010 Calvary Christian School

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**To:** Parents of Rising 9-12 grades of High School

**From:** The English Department of Calvary Christian School

**Attached is the Summer Reading List appropriate for your child's UPCOMING grade.**

**Seventh through Twelfth:** Read TWO books from the List. See instructions below.

These lists are *guidelines*. If your child reads on a different grade level than the one in which he or she is enrolled, feel free to move up or down to the level that would both interest and stimulate your child. In choosing books, we try to blend basic biblical worldview (in which good triumphs over evil) and rich literary quality. It is our desire to keep the children's minds engaged while they enjoy a wonderful, inexpensive vacation through the experiences and places only good books can provide. If you would like your child to read a book not on the list, please contact one of the English teachers.

This reading program is required for all returning and new students accepted by **July 1**. Summer reading is an integral part of a college-preparatory program. Having a broad exposure to literary classics will increase your child's vocabulary, knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of books of great value. Any student planning to take Honors and/or AP English needs a strong background in literature.

We will no longer be offering the AR testing option for summer reading. The library will be open on Wednesdays from 9am-12pm, and June 9-July 28.

The local libraries and book stores should carry these books. They can also be ordered online. The Book House carries editions of classics published by Dover Press, a very inexpensive edition.

Students will be responsible for assignments relating to their summer reading during the first two weeks of school. The two book responses will equal one test grade.

We appreciate your support and hope your child will enjoy the reading experience. If you have recently read a good book that you would recommend for our list or Media Center, please let us know.

God bless your reading,

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**There are 2 options for your summer reading. Choose 1 from below.**

**Option 1:**

Read one book from List One AND one book from List Two.\*

**OR**

**Option 2:**

Read two books from List Two.\*

**List One:**

You may choose *any* 1 book from List One.

(+denotes authors of Christian books)

+Jan Karon	+Stephen Lawhead
+Ted Dekker	+Lawana Blackwell
+Francine Rivers	+Karen Kingsbury
+Grace Livingston Hill	+Ellen Gunderson Traylor
+George MacDonald	James Herriot
J.R.R. Tolkien	Jane Austen
+Bodie & Brock Thoene	Charles Dickens
William Shakespeare	Agatha Christie
Charles Dickens	Alexander Dumas
Mark Twain	+W. Dale Cramer
+Gilbert Morris	+ Randy Alcorn
+Dee Henderson	

+C.S. Lewis - Any book except *The Chronicles of Narnia*

+Frank Perretti - ONLY- *House, Oath, Monster, Prophet, Visitation, or Tilly Bad Ground* (+Cramer)

*The Thirty-Nine Steps* (Buchan)

**Non-fiction**

+*A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23* Phillip Keller

+*The Sacred Romance* Brent Curtis and John Eldredge

+*Captivating* John and Stasi Eldredge

+*Wild at Heart* John Eldredge

+*Do Hard Things* Brett & Alex Harris

*The Republic of Pirates* Collin Woodard

*Manhunt* James Swanson non-fiction (the search for John Wilkes Boothe, Lincoln's murderer)

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**List Two:** \*The *first* book chosen from this list must be grade level, if you choose your second book from List Two (option 2), then the *second book* must be grade level or above.

## **Ninth Grade**

*Great Expectations* (Dickens)  
*Oliver Twist* (Dickens)  
*20,000 Leagues Under the Sea* (Verne)  
*War of the Worlds* (Wells)  
*Animal Farm* (Orwell)  
*The Wounded Spirit* (Perretti)  
*No More Bullies* (Perretti)  
*Call of the Wild* (London)  
*White Fang* (London)  
*Ben Hur* (Wallace)  
*A Christmas Carol* (Dickens)  
*Cyrano de Bergerac* (Rostand)  
*1984* (Orwell)

## **Eleventh Grade**

*Moby Dick* (Melville)  
*A Farewell To Arms* (Hemingway)  
*The Old Man and the Sea* (Hemingway)  
*Walden Pond* (Thoreau)  
*The Great Gatsby* (Fitzgerald)  
*The Grapes of Wrath* (Steinbeck)  
*Last of the Mohicans* (Cooper)  
*The Turn of the Screw* (Henry James)  
*The Awakening* (Chopin)  
Henry James - Any  
*Fall of the House of Usher* (Poe)  
*Ship of Fools* (Porter)  
*Slaughterhouse 5* (Vonnegut)  
*Uncle Tom's Cabin* (Stowe)  
*Death Comes for the Archbishop* (Cather)  
Margaret Truman - Any

## **Tenth Grade**

*Kon-Tiki* (Heyerdahl)  
*Main Street* (Sinclair Lewis)  
*Kim* (Kipling)  
*David Copperfield* (Dickens)  
*The Man in the Iron Mask* (Dumas)  
*Journey to the Center of the Earth* (Verne)  
*2001: A Space Odyssey* (Clarke)  
*The Swiss Family Robinson* (Wyss)  
*The Pearl* (Steinbeck)  
*The Hunchback of Notre Dame* (Hugo)  
*Medea* (Euripides)  
*A Passage to India* (Forster)  
*Cry the Beloved Country* (Paton)  
*The Cherry Orchard* (Chekov)

## **Twelfth Grade**

Jane Austen - Any  
*Frankenstein* (Shelley)  
*Gulliver's Travels* (Swift)  
*Robinson Crusoe* (Defoe)  
*Pygmalion* (Shaw)  
*Our Town* (Wilder)  
*Ivanhoe* (Scott)  
*Tristram Shandy* (Sterne)  
*Utopia* (Moore)  
*Metamorphosis* (Kafka)  
Dickens - Any  
Elizabeth Gaskell - Any  
Shakespeare - Any

## **Eleventh and Twelfth Grade Honors (These books count as two books)**

*Crime and Punishment* (Dostoevsky)  
*Les Miserables* (Hugo)  
*War and Peace* (Tolstoy)  
*Paradise Lost* (Milton)

## **AP English**

June - *Wuthering Heights* (Bronte)  
July - *The Chosen* (Potok)  
August - "The Importance of Being Earnest" (Wilde)  
AND *Elements of Style* (Strunk)

## **AP History**

See Mr. Probst for Reading List\*\*

\*\*2 books count toward summer reading (they *must* be read by the time school begins to count for the English requirement)

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