

Read  
Widely  
Read  
Often

## Pennridge High School English Department

### Summer Reading Lists 2009-2010

The members of the English department have compiled a list of fiction and non-fiction books that connects with the literature in **English 9**. We believe that everyone should read throughout the year, not just in the summer. Throughout the year, teachers create a variety of activities and projects for these readings.

The English teachers believe in **reading widely** and **reading often**, and we expect all students will fulfill the following:

#### ACADEMIC LIST

- Academic students will read Jon Krakauer's *Into the Wild* during the summer. *Into the Wild* must be read by the start of the 09-10 school year.
- In addition, it is expected that academic-level students read **3 outside reading books** during the course of the school year. Students will receive direction from teachers upon returning to school.
- Finally, the following is a list of suggested titles if you are looking for something to read over the summer. Enjoy!

*Mythology: Timeless Tales of Gods and Heroes* – Edith Hamilton  
*Ender's Game*- Orson Scott Card  
*Stormbreaker*- Anthony Horowitz  
*The Natural*- Bernard Malamud  
*The Chocolate War*- Robert Cormier  
*The Bean Trees*- Barbara Kingsolver  
*Breath*- Donna Napoli  
*Autobiography of Miss Jane Pitman* – Ernest Gaines  
*Friday Night Lights: A Town, A Team and a Dream*- H.G. Bissinger  
*Homecoming* – Cynthia Voight  
*Montana 1948* – Larry Watson  
*The Summer of My German Soldier* – Bette Greene  
*The Chosen* – Chaim Potok  
*The Honk and Holler Opening Soon* – Billie Letts  
*The Road from Coorain* – Jill Conway  
*The Sand-Reckoner*- Gillian Bradsaw  
*Brunelleschi's Dome: How a Renaissance Genius Reinvented Architecture* - Ross King  
*Troy*- Adele Geras  
*Krakatoa: The Day the World Exploded: August 27, 1883*- Simon Winchester

#### HONORS LIST

- Honors students will read **William Golding's Lord of the Flies**. *Lord of the Flies* must be read by the start of the 09-10 school year.
- In addition, it is expected that honors-level students read **4 outside reading books** during the course of the school year. Students will receive direction from teachers upon returning to school.
- Finally, the following is a list of suggested titles if you are looking for something to read over the summer. Enjoy!

*Into the Wild*- Jon Krakauer  
*Stormbreaker*- Anthony Horowitz  
*Killer Angels*- Michael Shaara  
*The Bean Trees*- Barbara Kingsolver  
*I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*- Maya Angelou  
*Ellen Foster*- Katherine Gibbons  
*The Narrative Life of Frederick Douglas*- Frederick Douglas  
*Mythology: Timeless Tales of Gods and Heroes* – Edith Hamilton  
*Autobiography of Miss Jane Pitman* – Ernest Gaines  
*Winter (Notes from Montana)* – Rick Bass  
*The Road from Coorain* – Jill Conway  
*The Sand-Reckoner*- Gillian Bradsaw  
*The Golden Ratio: The Story of Phi, the World's Most Astonishing Number*- Mario Livio  
*Friday Night Lights: A Town, A Team and a Dream*- H.G. Bissinger  
*Brunelleschi's Dome: How a Renaissance Genius Reinvented Architecture*- Ross King  
*Troy*- Adele Geras  
*Krakatoa: The Day the World Exploded: August 27, 1883*- Simon Winchester

#### TRANSITIONAL LIST

- In addition, it is expected that transitional-level students read **2 outside reading books** during the course of the school year. Students will receive direction from teachers upon returning to school.
- Finally, the following is a list of suggested titles if you are looking for something to read over the summer. Enjoy!

*Monster*- Walter Dean Myers  
*I Know What You Did Last Summer*- Lois Duncan  
*The Greek Gods*-Bernard Evslin, Dorothy Evslin and Ned Hoopes  
*Into the Wild*- Jon Krakauer  
*Iceman*- Chris Lynch  
*Breath*- Donna Napoli  
*Skellig* – David Almond  
*Hoops* – Walter Dean Myers  
*Swallowing Stones* – Joyce McDonald  
*It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life* – Lance Armstrong  
*Homecoming* – Cynthia Voight  
*Montana 1948* – Larry Watson  
*The Summer of My German Soldier* – Bette Greene  
*The Chosen* – Chaim Potok  
*The Honk and Holler Opening Soon* – Billie Letts

All Summer Reading Lists are available on the Pennridge High School English department's webpage!!!