

COLUMBUS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
English 12 Reading List

Each English 12 student will be required to read four (4) books during the school year. Please select from the following list one (1) book per grading period to fulfill the requirement for Independent Reading.

Edward Abbey	<i>Desert Solitaire</i>
Chinua Achebe	<i>Things Fall Apart</i>
Diane Ackerman	<i>The Moon by Whale Light</i>
Diane Ackerman	<i>The Rarest of the Rare</i>
Aeschylus	<i>The House of Atreus</i>
Dante Alighieri	<i>Divine Comedy</i>
Dante Alighieri	<i>Inferno</i>
Aristotle	<i>Poetics</i>
Margaret Atwood	<i>Surfacing</i>
Margaret Atwood	<i>The Handmaid's Tale</i>
Jane Austen	<i>Emma</i>
Jane Austen	<i>Pride and Prejudice</i>
Anne Beatie	<i>Falling in Place</i>
Samuel Beckett	<i>Waiting for Godot</i>
James Baldwin	<i>Go Tell It on the Mountain</i>
James Baldwin	<i>The Fire Next Time</i>
Charlotte Bronte	<i>Jane Eyre</i>
Emily Bronte	<i>Wuthering Heights</i>
Albert Camus	<i>The Stranger</i>
Lewis Carroll	<i>Through the Looking Glass</i>
Henri Charriere	<i>Papillion</i>
Geoffrey Chaucer	<i>The Canterbury Tales</i>
Anton Chekov	<i>The Cherry Orchard</i>
Joseph Conrad	<i>Heart of Darkness</i>
Joseph Conrad	<i>Lord Jim</i>
Daniel Defoe	<i>Moll Flanders</i>
Charles Dickens	<i>A Tale of Two Cities</i>
Fyodor Dostoevski	<i>Crime and Punishment</i>
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	<i>Hound of the Baskervilles</i>
George Eliot	<i>Middlemarch</i>
George Eliot	<i>Silas Marner</i>
Euripides	<i>Medea</i>
Euripides	<i>Iphigenia in Aulis</i>
C. Fletcher	<i>The Man Who Walked Through Time</i>
E. M. Forster	<i>A Passage to India</i>
John Gardner	<i>Nickel Mountain</i>
John Gardner	<i>Grendel</i>
Oliver Goldsmith	<i>She Stoops to Conquer</i>
Nadine Gordimer	<i>July's People</i>
Nadine Gordimer	<i>The Late Bourgeois World</i>
Robert Graves	<i>I, Claudius</i>
Thomas Hardy	<i>The Return of the Native</i>
Thomas Hardy	<i>The Mayor of Casterbridge</i>
Joseph Heller	<i>Catch-22</i>
Hesiod	<i>Theogony</i>

Hermann Hesse
Zora Neale Hurston
Henrik Ibsen
Ben Jonson
James Joyce
Franz Kafka
Jack Kerouac
Ken Kesey
Rudyard Kipling
Jonathan Kozol
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Jon Krakauer
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Par Lagerkvist
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D. H. Lawrence
Christopher Marlowe
Gabriel Garcia Marquez
John Milton
Rohinton Mistry
Moliere
Toni Morrison
Toni Morrison
Gloria Naylor
Alan Paton
Luigi Pirandello
Plato
Erich Maria Remarque
William Saroyan
Sir Walter Scott
William Shakespeare
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George Bernard Shaw
Mary Shelley
Richard Brinsley Sheridan
Upton Sinclair
Jane Smiley
Sophocles
Edmund Spenser
Robert Louis Stevenson
William Styron
Jonathan Swift
William Makepeace Thackeray
Leo Tolstoi
Leo Tolstoi
Unknown
Unknown
H. G. Wells
Oscar Wilde
Oscar Wilde
Virginia Woolf

Steppenwolf
Their Eyes Were Watching God
A Doll's House
Volpone
Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man
The Metamorphosis
The Dharma Bums
One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
The Jungle Book
Savage Inequalities
Amazing Grace
Into Thin Air
Into the Wild
Barabbas
The Sibyl
Sons and Lovers
Dr. Faustus
Hundred Years of Solitude
Paradise Lost
A Fine Balance
Tartuffe
Beloved
Paradise
Linden Hills
Cry the Beloved Country
Six Characters in Search of an Author
The Republic
All Quiet on the Western Front
The Human Comedy
Ivanhoe
Macbeth
Hamlet
King Lear
The Tempest
Major Barbara
Frankenstein
The Rivals
The Jungle
A Thousand Acres
Oedipus Rex
The Faerie Queen
Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde
Sophie's Choice
Gulliver's Travels
Vanity Fair
War and Peace
Anna Karenina
Beowulf
Everyman
The Time Machine
The Importance of Being Earnest
The Picture of Dorian Gray
To the Lighthouse