

Lutheran High School English Department

College-Ready Summer Reading 2023

To ensure that our students are better prepared for the English program, as well as the ACT and SAT college entrance exams, we at Lutheran High School find it important that our students are well-read in literature. To help our students in these areas, we have developed the summer reading list below.

By reading these works, the student will begin to have a clearer understanding of literature. The works read will be referred to during the course of the school year. By reading the novels, the student will gain a knowledge and understanding of the works, and it will aid in their preparation for the ACT and SAT tests, which are taken by all students who will enter college.

After reading the appropriate novels for their class, students will complete a mini-unit in class and take a test over the text(s). **The test date(s) will be determined by the individual teacher but will not occur before Friday, September 1st.**

STANDARD ENGLISH COURSES

Freshmen: Intro to Literature

The Lightning Thief
by Rick Riordan

Required Reading Guide

Due Sept. 11th:

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Sophomores: World Literature

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society
by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows

Juniors: American Literature

The Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway

Seniors: British Literature

Great Expectations by Charles Dickens

HONORS/AP ENGLISH COURSES

Freshmen: Honors Intro to Literature

Watership Down by Richard Adams
Evangeline: A Tale of Acadie
by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
(with introduction by
C. Bruce Fergusson, M.A.—Please read!)

Sophomores: Honors American Literature

How to Read Literature Like a Professor
by Thomas C. Foster
(2nd edition, ISBN 978-0062301673
You may skip Chapters 16-17.)
Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet
by Jamie Ford

Juniors: AP Language & Composition

In the Garden of Beasts by Erik Larson
Into Thin Air by Jon Krakauer

Seniors: AP Literature & Composition

All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr
Counting Descent by Clint Smith