



# THE URSULINE SCHOOL

## Summer 2021 Reading List High School College Preparatory Classes

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Welcome to Ursuline Summer Reading, a chance to explore new authors and genres as well as continue to build your reading skills. Below are the titles of required books for your 2021-2022 English class, as well as other titles of works that have been endorsed by students.

You are required to read the novel listed below, under your specific grade level. It is strongly suggested that you read the required book in actual book form so that you may annotate to your heart's desire. (For this reason, an electronic or library book is not optimal because you will need to write in the book, have it in class, and refer to it in discussions.) Here are a few suggestions for annotating as you read your required book:

Underline key passages that you find interesting or important

Use sticky notes or marginal notes to mark observations, questions, and connections

Mark lines that help you understand the characters and plot

Additionally, you must select and highlight at least 3 quotations that are interesting or thought-provoking and be prepared to discuss these quotations in class. There will be a written assessment in September.

English 9	English 10	English 11	English 12
<i>This Is My America</i> , Kim Johnson	<i>In the Time of Butterflies</i> , Julia Alvarez	<i>The White Album</i> , Joan Didion	<i>Never Let Me Go</i> , Kazuo Ishiguro

## Recommended Additional Reading for High School

**Choose a book (or two or three!) from these lists if you want to keep on reading. Though it is not required, you are encouraged to read for pleasure.**

### Fiction

*Brick Lane*, Monica Ali  
*The House of the Spirits*, Isabel Allende  
*I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, Maya Angelou  
*The Clan of the Cave Bear*, Jean Auel  
*Pride and Prejudice*, Jane Austen  
*Noughts and Crosses*, Malorie Blackman  
*Fahrenheit 451*, Ray Bradbury  
*The Alchemist*, Paulo Coelho  
*Seventeenth Summer*, Maureen Daly  
*The Marrow Thieves*, Cherie Dimaline  
*Like Water for Chocolate*, Laura Esquivel  
*The Gilded Ones*, Namina Forna  
*Where Angels Fear to Tread*, E. M. Forster  
*A Lesson Before Dying*, Ernest Gaines  
*The Fault in Our Stars*, John Green  
*Homecoming*, Yaa Gyasi  
*The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*, Mark Haddon  
*Return of the Native*, Thomas Hardy  
*Seabiscuit*, Laura Hillenbrand  
*A Good Fall*, Ha Jin  
*A Thousand Splendid Suns*, Khaled Hosseini  
*When I Was Invisible*, Dorothy Koomson  
*The Invention of Wings*, Sue Monk Kidd  
*The Orchard of Lost Souls*, Nadifa Mohamed  
*A Song Bellow Water*, Bethany C. Morrow  
*Everything I Never Told You*, Celeste Ng

*Call of the Wild*, Jack London  
*Such a Fun Age*, Kiley Reid  
*Travels with Charley*, John Steinbeck  
*Sophie's Choice*, William Styron  
*The Joy Luck Club*, Amy Tan  
*The Hate U Give*, Angie Thomas  
*Slaughterhouse Five*, Kurt Vonnegut  
*The House You Pass on the Way*, Jacqueline Woodson

### Non-Fiction

*The Soul of a Woman*, Isabel Allende  
*The Book of Gutsy Women*, Hillary Clinton  
*Girl Code: Gaming, Going Viral, and Getting it Done*, Andrea Gonzalez & Sophie Houser  
*Ordinary Hazards: A Memoir*, Nikki Grimes  
*The Far Away Brothers: Two Teenage Immigrants Making a Life in America*, Lauren Markham  
*Bad Boy: A Memoir*, Walter Dean Myers  
*A World Without Email*, Cal Newport  
*Becoming*, Michelle Obama  
*Killing Lincoln*, Bill O'Reilly  
*Aftershocks*, Nadia Owusu  
*The Omnivore's Dilemma: The Secrets Behind What You Eat*, Michael Pollan  
*Stamped*, Jason Reynolds & Ibrim X. Kendi  
*Witches!: The Absolutely True Tale of Disaster in Salem*, Rosalyn Schanzer