

**MANHASSET PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS DEPARTMENT
GRADE 8 TO GRADE 12 SCHOOL SUMMER READING LIST – 2014**

Prerequisite Titles for English Courses: 2014-15

GRADE 8

Prerequisite Titles: **The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind**-by William Kamkwamba
 Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

GRADE 9 Regents

Prerequisite Titles: **Tuesdays With Morrie**-Mitch Albom
 Five People You Meet in Heaven—Mitch Albom

GRADE 9 Honors

Prerequisite Titles: ***Beowulf**-translation by Seamus Heaney
 Grendel by John Gardner
 *Student must read **Beowulf** first, followed by **Grendel**

GRADE 10 Regents

Prerequisite Titles: **To Kill A Mockingbird** by Harper Lee
 The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan

GRADE 10 Honors

Prerequisite Titles: **Outliers** by Malcolm Gladwell
 Boy's Life by Robert McCammon

GRADE 11 Regents

Prerequisite Titles : **The Great Gatsby** by F. Scott Fitzgerald
 Lost in Yonkers by Neil Simon

GRADE 11 Advanced Placement English Language

Prerequisite Titles: **Pride and Prejudice** by Jane Austen
 The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald

GRADE 12 Senior English Studies

Prerequisite Titles: **Angela's Ashes** by Frank McCourt
 The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini

GRADE 12 Advanced Placement Literature

Prerequisite Titles: **The Tender Bar** by J.R. Moehringer
 The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien

OVER FOR MORE INFORMATION

Suggested Reading Websites for Literature and Suggested Social Studies Titles

Middle School Suggested Summer Reading Websites for Literature

<http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/newberymedal/newberyhonors/newberymedal>.

<http://www.ala.org/yalsa/bookawards/booklists/members>

<http://www.ala.org/yalsa/best-fiction-young-adults>

<http://www.ala.org/yalsa/nonfiction-award>

High School Suggested Summer Reading Websites for Literature

<http://www.ala.org/tools/libfactsheets/alalibraryfactsheet23>

http://www.phschool.com/curriculum_support/reading_list/high_school.html

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/answer-sheet/wp/2012/12/05/list-what-common-core-authors-suggest-high-schoolers-should-read/>

<http://classiclit.about.com/od/highschoolreading/>

Social Studies Titles for Suggested Reading* See note on next page

Grade 8

Hiroshima by John Hersey

The Great Adventure : Theodore Roosevelt and the Rise of Modern America By Albert Marrin.

Grade 9:

[The Secret History of the Mongol Queens: How the Daughters of Genghis Khan Rescued His Empire](#) by Jack Weatherford

Grade 10

Escape from Camp 14 by Blaine Harden

[Long Journey Home: A Young Girl's Memoir of Surviving the Holocaust](#) by Lucy Lipiner

Grade 11

1776 by David McCullough

Warriors Don't Cry by Melba Pattillo Beals

Grade 12

The World Is Flat by Thomas Friedman

Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything by Steven Levitt & Stephen Dubner



Manhasset Public Schools

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Social Studies Department: Required Summer Reading and Assignments 2014

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students:

The Social Studies department requires summer reading as a part of course curriculum for most of our Advanced Placement courses. We believe these readings and assignments introduce students to the level of reading they will encounter during the school year and prepare students for success in these rigorous classes.

The following courses have Summer Reading and related assignments:

- Social Studies 9 Pre-AP (grade 9)
- AP World History (grade 10)
- AP United States History (grade 11)
- AP Economics (grade 12)
- AP US Government & Politics (grade 12)

Students who are enrolled in the above courses for the 2014-2015 school year are required to complete the summer work. All summer assignments and related detailed information are available on the Manhasset School District website at the following direct link:

<http://www.manhasset.k12.ny.us/academics.cfm?subpage=23214>

Click on the appropriate “Related File” to access the assignment for each course and other related material.

In September, students will be assessed on required reading in their Social Studies class and/or will be required to submit their written assignment. The assignments will take the form of a writing task in which students reference their knowledge and understanding of the required material.. Students will be able to ask teachers about required books and the assignment prior to submission due date.

If you have any questions about Social Studies summer reading please contact me at 267-7576 or via email at

Mara_Steindam@manhasset.k12.ny.us .

We encourage our students to continue developing the habits of good readers and to include reading as a part of their academic and leisure activities. Thanks to our parents for support of the summer reading program.

Sincerely,

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