

Miami Killian Senior High School
Summer Reading Program
2011
Grade 9
ESOL

In order to improve vocabulary and language skills, maintain reading skills over summer break, develop fluency and independent reading skills, and become life-long readers; a summer reading program has been developed for incoming **freshmen ESOL** students.

Please review the required summer reading texts according to the class that you have registered for next year.

Required Reading

Animal Farm, George Orwell ISBN 0451526341

This classic satire is a must read for young citizens. The fable, a retelling of the Russian Revolution provides remarkable insights into power shifts in any society.

Suggested Reading 9th grade

After the First Death, Robert Cormier 0440208351

In this timely novel, the hijacking of a bus of children by terrorists seeking the return of their homeland is narrated by a hostage, a terrorist, a general involved in the rescue operation, and his son.

The Baboon King, Anton Quintana 0802787118

Son of tribal parents, Morengaru the hunter lives on the edges of tribal society until an actual banishment forces him to make a life for himself among a troop of baboons. This novel is reminiscent of *Lord of the Flies* and *A Separate Peace*.

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings, Maya Angelou 0553279378

Maya Angelou recounts a youth filled with disappointment, frustration, tragedy, and finally hard-won independence. Sent at a young age to live with her grandmother in Arkansas, Angelou learned a great deal from this exceptional woman and the tightly-knit black community there.

Dreaming in Cuban, Christina Garcia 0345381432

The trials and dreams of a Cuban family both at home and in exile in the 1970s and 1980s are told through a patchwork of incidents, memories, letters, dreams and visions.

Nemesis, Isaac Asimov 0553286285

In the twenty-third century, a fifteen-year-old girl has learned of the dire threat that nemesis poses to Earth's people--but she is prevented from warning the

pioneers who have escaped the crowded earth for life in self- sustaining orbital colonies.

Tonight by Sea, Frances Temple 0064406709

Set in 1993 in an Aristide-exiled, military-tyrannized Haiti, the story centers on Paulie, who lives with her grandmother and uncle in a close-knit community. The brutal death of a friend galvanizes her into action, and she undertakes two harrowing journeys requiring great courage.

The titles contained in these recommended reading lists reflect diverse cultures and perspectives. While the titles have been arranged by grade level for easier identification of age appropriate reading level and content; parents are most familiar with their child's reading skills, maturity, and interests. Parents are encouraged to help their child make a selection by previewing the titles. Consideration should be given to the difficulty of the text, subject matter, and content of the book

Expectations:

Students must be able to identify and discuss main characters, plot, theme and setting.

Activities/Assignments:

Students should mark in the book or take notes as they read, use active reading strategies as they read and refer to a dictionary when necessary.

Assessment:

ASSESSMENT #1 is REQUIRED for all students; Assessment #2 will be assigned the first week of school

1. Identify the character's main problem in the story. Write to explain how you would have responded if you were in the same situation.
2. Book reports, book talk, summaries, teacher directed activities, graphic organizers or other assessments.

The reading must be completed by the first day of school.

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