
Sandra Day O'Connor High School

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Summer Reading List Sandra Day O'Connor High School Summer 2020

Summer reading is an integral part of the advanced academic program and a vehicle for beginning a rich, academic program in the first days of school. Summer reading should be completed by August 24, 2020. Students may purchase their own books or check books out from a library. The English Department at O'Connor looks forward to seeing you when school starts. If you have any questions, please email the teachers directly or call Greg Scherrer at 397-4800 x3217.

Please note: ebook & audio of many of these titles are available through Overdrive at the O'Connor Library

<https://help.overdrive.com/customer/portal/articles/1481729-getting-started-with-overdrive>

English III AP and English III AP/Dual: Nonfiction Memoir List

A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius (Dave Eggers)
A House of My Own: Stories from My Life (Sandra Cisneros)
A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier (Ishmael Beah)
A Year of Magical Thinking (Joan Didion)
Adrift: Seventy-Six Days Lost at Sea (Steven Callahan)
Brain on Fire: My Month of Madness (Susannah Calahan)
Brother, I'm Dying (Edwidge Danticat)
Funny in Farsi: A Memoir of Growing Up Iranian in America (Firoozeh Dumas)
Giving Up the Ghost (Hilary Mantel)
H is for Hawk (Helen Macdonald)
Heartland: A Memoir of Working Hard and Being Broke in the Richest Country on Earth (Sarah Smarsh)
Hillbilly Elegy (J.D. Vance)
Hunger: A Memoir of (My) Body (Roxane Gay)

Men We Reaped (Jesmyn Ward)
Negroland: A Memoir (Margo Jefferson)
On Writing: A Memoir of the Craft (Stephen King)
Out of Egypt: A Memoir (Andre Aciman)
Places Left Unfinished at the Time of Creation (John Phillip Santos)
Reading Lolita in Tehran: A Memoir in Books (Azar Nafisi)
Tales of a Female Nomad: Living at Large in the World (Rita Golden Gelman)
The Distance Between Us: A Memoir (Reyna Grande)
The Glass Castle (Jeanette Walls)
The Liar's Club (Mary Karr)
The World in Flames: A Black Boyhood in a White Supremacist Doomsday Cult (Jerald Walker)
Wave (Sonali Deraniyagala)
What You Have Heard is True (Carolyn Forché)
When Breath Becomes Air (Paul Kalanithi)

If you have any questions, please email Justin Stephens justin.stephens@nisd.net or David Vettters david.vettters@nisd.net

English IV Honors Dual Credit: *Slaughterhouse-Five* by Kurt Vonnegut

If you have any questions, please email emlyn.storrs@nisd.net

English IV AP and English IV AP/Dual Credit: *Short Story Collections (Choose from the following list)*

If you have any questions, please email Tom Davern thomas.davern@nisd.net or Abel Garza abel.garza@nisd.net

English IV AP and English IV AP/Dual Short Story Collections List

Tenth of December (George Saunders)
Drinking Coffee Elsewhere (Z.Z. Packer)
Runaway (Alice Munro)
Get in Trouble (Kelly Link)
Bark (Lorrie Moore)
Vampires in the Lemon Grove (Karen Russel)
This is How You Lose Her (Junot Diaz)
Both Ways is the Only Way I Want It (Maile Meloy)
Florida (Lauren Groff)
Our Story Begins (Tobias Woolf)
The Refugees (Viet Thanh Nguyen)
Voices in the Night (Steven Millhauser)
What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank (Nathan Englander)

Stories of Your Life and Others (Ted Chiang)
After the Quake (Haruki Murakami)
Birds of a Lesser Paradise (Megan Mayhew Bergman)
Lovely, Dark, Deep (Joyce Carol Oates)
Ten Little Indians (Sherman Alexie)
Her Body and Other Parties (Carmen Machado)
Brief Encounters with Che Guevara (Ben Fountain)
A Manual for Cleaning Women (Lucia Berlin)
Young Skins (Colin Barrett)
The Thing Around Your Neck (Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie)
What is not Yours is not Yours (Helen Oyeyemi)
Song for the Unraveling of the World (Brian Evenson)