

SUGGESTED SUMMER READING BOOK LIST
FOR 9TH GRADE
FROM THE B.E.S.T. STANDARDS

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| “A Modest Proposal” by Jonathan Swift |
| "A Very Old Man with Enormous Wings" by Gabriel Garcia Marquez |
| “A White Heron” by Sarah Orne Jewett |
| “Bringing My Son to the Police Station to be Fingerprinted” by Shoshauna Sky |
| “Choice: A Tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.” by Alice Walker |
| “Danger of a Single Story” by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie |
| “I Have a Dream” by Martin Luther King, Jr. |
| "Industrial Education for the Negro" by Booker T. Washington |

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| “Letter from Birmingham Jail” by Martin Luther King, Jr. |
| "Letter to the Grand Duchess in 1615" by Galileo Galilei |
| “Nobel Prize Acceptance Speech 1950” by William Faulkner |
| “St Crispin's Day Speech,” Henry V, Act IV Scene iii 18–67 by William Shakespeare |
| “Speech to the Troops” 1588 by Elizabeth I |
| “The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock” by T.S. Eliot |
| "The Talented Tenth" by W.E.B. DuBois |
| <i>1984</i> by George Orwell |
| <i>Animal Farm</i> by George Orwell |
| <i>Antigone</i> by Jean Anouilh |

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| <i>Antigone</i> by Sophocles |
| <i>Beowulf</i> (author unknown) |
| <i>Democracy in America</i> by Alexis de Tocqueville |
| <i>Electra</i> by Sophocles |
| <i>Finding Mañana: A Memoir of a Cuban Exodus</i> by Mirta Ojito |
| <i>Medea</i> by Euripides |
| <i>Old Greek Stories</i> by James Baldwin |
| <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> by William Shakespeare |
| <i>The Aeneid</i> by Virgil |
| <i>The Death of Ivan Ilyich</i> by Leo Tolstoy |
| <i>The Epic of Gilgamesh</i> (author unknown) |
| <i>The Hero with a Thousand Faces</i> by Joseph Campbell |
| <i>The Iliad</i> by Homer |

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| The Lincoln-Douglas Debates 1st Debate |
| <i>The Odyssey</i> by Homer |
| <i>The Prince</i> by Nicolai Machiavelli |
| <i>Unbroken</i> by Laura Hillenbrand |