

## 2017-2018 AP BOOK LIST & SUMMER READING

### AP TEXTS:

*Perrine's Literature: Structure, Sound & Sense* (AP® Edition)

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ISBN-13: 9781285462349

*Understanding Literature: An Introduction to Reading and Writing*

by Walter Kalaidjian and Judith Roof

ISBN-13: 978-0618405404

\*Note: This is an old edition and can be found for less than \$4.00 on Amazon.

*The Things They Carried* Paperback by Tim O'Brien— any edition

Students may purchase used books from the 2017-2018 class, however, I discourage purchase of novels/ plays that have been heavily annotated.

Additional novels will be assigned during the year.

### AP SUMMER READING:

#### **ASSIGNMENT #1**

Create a list of books you have read that you consider to be of literary merit and for pleasure in the last four years.

#### **ASSIGNMENT #2**

Read and annotate *Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens OR *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte.

**Annotation instructions are in the summer reading folder.**

#### **ASSIGNMENT #3**

Select a contemporary novel from the attached book list, read and annotate it.

For both Assignment #2 and #3, you will turn in your annotated text and you will complete an assignment and test in the first few weeks of class. If you have any questions, please contact me via email, and I will be happy to help.

If you are taking this class, reading is something that is important to you. There are some novels not on this list that I recommend you read. You are reading for pleasure, but also to expand your depth of your reading. Please consider reading one of the following novels that you may not have read in the past few years.

George Orwell's *Animal Farm*  
Robert Louis Stevenson's *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*  
John Steinbeck's *The Pearl, Of Mice and Men*  
Pearl Buck's *The Good Earth*  
J. D. Salinger's *A Catcher in the Rye*  
Chaim Potok's *The Chosen*  
Sandra Cisneros *A House on Mango Street*  
William Golding's *Lord of the Flies*  
Lorraine Hansberry's *A Raisin in the Sun*  
William Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*  
J. R. R. Tolkien's *The Hobbit*

## Anything by Ernest Hemingway

If you need help selecting a book, please see me or email me ([kjohnson@stlukesmobile.com](mailto:kjohnson@stlukesmobile.com)).

### Contemporary Novels:

Chinua Achebe, *Things Fall Apart*  
Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, *The Year Around Your Neck, Half a Yellow Sun, Americanah*  
Isabelle Allende, *Daughter of Fortune*  
Julia Alvarez, *In the Time of the Butterflies*  
Rudolpho Ananya, *Bless Me, Ultima*  
Margaret Atwood, *Alias Grace, Oryx and Crake, The Year of the Flood, Cat's Eye, Surfacing*  
James Baldwin, *Go Tell It on the Mountain, Another Country*  
Samuel Beckett, *Waiting for Godot*  
E. R. Braithwaite, *To Sir; With Love (1959)*  
Geraldine Brooks, *People of the Book, Years of Wonders, Caleb's Crossing, March*  
Anthony Burgess, *A Clockwork Orange*  
Michael Chabon, *The Amazing Adventures of Cavalier and Clay*  
Tracy Chevalier, *Girl with a Pearl Earring*  
Pat Conroy, *The Lords of Discipline, The Prince of Tides, The Great Santini*  
Bryce Courtenay, *The Power of One*  
Edwidge Danticat, *The Dew-Breaker*  
Don DeLillo, *White Noise*  
Junto Diaz, *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Woo*  
James Dickey, *Deliverance*  
Annie Dillard, *An American Childhood*  
E. L. Doctorow, *Ragtime*  
Antony Doerr, *All the Light We Cannot See*  
Michael Dorris, *A Yellow Raft in Blue Water*  
Clyde Edgerton, *Floatplane, Notebooks*  
Louise Erdrich, *Love Medicine, The Beat Queen, Tracks, Round House*  
Jonathan Safran Foer, *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close*  
Ken Follet, *The Pillars of the Earth*  
Richard Ford, *Canada*  
Charles Frazier, *Cold Mountain*  
Karen Joy Fowler, *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves*  
Athol Fugard, *Master Harold...And the Boys*  
Ernest Gaines, *A Gathering of Old Men, A Lesson Before Dying*  
Graham Greene, *The Heart of Matter*  
Myla Goldberg, *Bee Season*  
Michael Golden, *Memoirs of a Geisha*  
Khaled Hosseini, *The Kite Runner, A Thousand Splendid Suns, And the Mountains Echoed*  
John Irving, *A Prayer for Owen Meany*  
Kazuo Ishiguro, *The Remains of the Day, Never Let Me Go*  
Gish Jen, *Typical American*  
Ha Jin, *Waiting*  
Edward P. Jones, *The Known World*  
Jack Kerouac, *On the Road*  
Ken Kesey, *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*  
Barbara Kingsolver, *The Poisonwood Bible, Pigs in Heaven, The Bean Trees*  
John Knowles, *A Separate Peace*  
Joy Kogawa, *Obasan*  
Jhumpa Lahiri, *The Namesake, The Lowland*  
Chang-rae Lee, *Native Speaker, A Gesture Life*

Norman MacLean, *A River Runs Through It*  
Rebecca Makkai, *The Borrower*, *The Hundred-Year House*  
Gabriel Garcia Marquez, *One Hundred Years of Solitude*, *Love in the Time of Cholera*  
Colum McCann, *Let the Great World Spin*  
Cormac McCarthy, *The Road*, *No Country for Old Men*, *All the Pretty Horses*  
David Mitchell, *The Thousand Autumns of Jacob de Zoet*, *Cloud Atlas*, *The Bone Clocks*  
Ian McEwan, *Atonement*, *Saturday*, *Enduring Love*  
Toni Morrison, *Song of Solomon*, *Sula*, *God Save the Child*  
Haruki Murakami, *Kafka on the Shore*  
Gloria Naylor, *The Women of Brewster Place*, *Mama Day*  
Joyce Carol Oates, *Wonderland*, *We Were the Mulvaney*  
Tim O'Brien, *In the Lake of the Woods*, *Going after Cacciato*  
Joseph O'Connor, *Star of the Sea*  
Michael Ondaatje, *Coming through Slaughter*, *The English Patient*  
Ann Patchett, *Bel Canto*, *State of Wonder*  
Walker Percy, *The Thanatos Syndrome*, *The Moviegoer*  
Harold Pinter, *The Birthday Party*  
Annie Proulx, *The Shipping News*  
Marilynne Robinson, *Housekeeping*, *Gilead*  
Jean Rhys, *Wide Sargasso Sea*  
Richard Russo, *Straight Man*, *Empire Falls*  
Karen Russell, *Swamplandia!*, *St. Lucy's Home for Girls Raised by Wolves*  
J. D. Salinger, *Franny and Zooey*  
Bernhard Schlink, *The Reader*  
Pete Shaffer, *Equus*  
Jane Smiley, *A Thousand Acres*  
Zadie Smith, *White Teeth*, *On Beauty*  
Garth Stein, *The Art of Racing in the Rain*  
Amy Tan, *The Joy Luck Club*, *The Bonesetter's Daughter*  
Ann Tyler, *Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant*, *The Accidental Tourist*  
Abraham Verghese, *Cutting for Stone*  
Alice Walker, *The Color Purple*  
David Wroblewski, *The Story of Edgar Sawtelle*  
Markus Zusak, *The Book Thief*, *I Am the Messenger*

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