

Greetings, Incoming Seniors!

Welcome to English IV AP Literature and Composition Summer Reading 2023.

We unequivocally believe that you continue to grow as readers and thinkers with each new book you pick up. The exposure to and study of complex ideas and artful writing often develops your own thinking and sophistication as a reader and writer.

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Choose **one** of the following works to read carefully. When you return to LT in August, we look forward to hearing you share your perceptions about the writer's style and thematic ideas. In order to help you prepare for discussions about the book, we want you to either annotate the text or create a journal. As a good reader, watch for key scenes and think about how they are pivotal to the book's meaning as a whole. Pay attention to the devices the writer uses to create those ideas. What are your favorite lines and scenes? What questions does the book raise for you? To What extent does it provide answers to those questions?

Happy Reading!

Book Titles

Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead

God of Small Things by Arundhati Roy

1984 by George Orwell

Love in the Time of Cholera by Gabriel Garcia Marquez

All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

Sing, Unburied, Sing by Jesmyn Ward

Violeta by Isabelle Allende (or one of her other earlier works: *The House of Spirits*, *Eva Luna*, *Daughter of Fortune*, *Portrait in Sepia*, *In the Midst of Winter*, *A Long Petal of the Sea*)

The Road by Cormac McCarthy