

ENGLISH 10 HONORS

2020 SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENTS

The following assignments are due by the first day of school.
If you have questions, email Mrs. Lee at clee@bcseagles.org.

- **READ STUDENT CHOICE BOOK** (This book is NOT provided by the school)
Choose a book from the attached list. **DO NOT CHOOSE A BOOK YOU HAVE ALREADY READ.** You are responsible for acquiring your own book. Some contain mature language/content. Talk to your parents and choose one appropriate for you.

- **SET UP A GOODREADS.COM ACCOUNT**
Use this website to track your summer reading and to write your book review (see below). You **must** add me as a friend so that I can see and grade your review – find me through my personal email address: catherinelee33@gmail.com. If you have trouble with this step, please email me.

Grade Value: Participation Grade (for setting up account and adding Mrs. Lee as a friend)

- **WRITE GOODREADS REVIEW**
Post on Goodreads an in-depth review of your Student Choice book (NOT *Cyrano*). Use at least 2 quotes from the book. No other sources are required. You may write in first person. Avoid plot summary and major spoilers. Include the following in your review:

- Your reactions/conclusions about the book
- What you liked the most and the least
- Identify and explain a strong theme
- Comment on the book's tone, mood, or attitude
- Length: 3 paragraph minimum

Grade Value: Quiz Grade (for posting a review on Goodreads)

- **READ THE CYRANO SUMMER READING GUIDE** (stapled packet)

- **READ CLASS NOVEL: CYRANO DE BERGERAC** (This book is provided by the school)
Skip the introduction sections. *Cyrano* is a play so the format will look different from a novel. Expect a reading comprehension **quiz** on the first day of school on the book and summer guide.

Grade Values: Quiz (on first day of school)

- **CHECK SCHOOL EMAIL FOR UPDATES**

STUDENT CHOICE BOOK LIST ENGLISH 10 H

DO NOT CHOOSE A BOOK THAT YOU HAVE ALREADY READ | NO ABRIDGED VERSIONS

SCI-FI/FANTASY

Skyward by Brandon Sanderson
The Rithmatist by Brandon Sanderson
Six of Crows by Leigh Bardugo
Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer
A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness
Children of Blood and Bone by Tomi Adeyemi
* *The Martian* by Andy Weir

DYSTOPIAN

The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins
Divergent by Veronica Roth
The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau
The Maze Runner by James Dashner
Scythe by Neal Shusterman

FICTION

Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan
The Book Thief by Markus Zusak
Life of Pi by Yann Martel
* *Salt to the Sea* by Ruta Sepetys

FAIRY TALES & RETELLINGS

The Wrath and the Dawn by Renee Ahdieh
The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman
Cinder by Marissa Meyer
Book of a Thousand Days by Shannon Hale

FOLKLORE, MYTHOLOGIES, & LEGENDS

The Lightning Thief (Percy Jackson) by Rick Riordan
The Scorpio Races by Maggie Stiefvater
The Bear and the Nightingale by Katherine Arden

**TITLES WITH AN ASTERISK (*) HAVE MATURE LANGUAGE OR CONTENT
AND REQUIRE AN EMAIL FROM YOUR PARENTS TO MRS. LEE
GRANTING YOU PERMISSION TO READ IT**

If you've already read the first book in a series, but not the entire series, you can choose a later book to read. For example, if you've read Percy Jackson Books 1-3, you can choose Percy Jackson Book 4 as your choice. Please email me if you do this.

If you're a fan of audiobooks, these books have excellent narrators:
The Scorpio Races, *The Bear and the Nightingale*, *A Monster Calls*, and *The Martian*.

SCI-FI/FANTASY

Skyward by Brandon Sanderson

Driven almost to extinction, the remnants of the human race are trapped on a planet attacked by mysterious alien starfighters. Spensa, a teenage girl, longs to be a pilot. When she discovers the wreckage of a ship, she realizes this dream might be possible.

The Rithmatist by Brandon Sanderson

Rithmatists are humanity's only defense against the Wild Chalkings, two-dimensional figures infused with life. Having nearly overrun the territory of Nebraska, the Wild Chalkings now threaten all of the American Isles.

Six of Crows by Leigh Bardugo

Ketterdam: a bustling hub of international trade where anything can be had for the right price—no one knows that better than criminal prodigy Kaz Brekker. Kaz is offered a chance at a deadly heist that could make him rich. But he can't pull it off alone. Kaz's crew is the only thing that might stand between the world and destruction—if they don't kill each other first.

Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer

Twelve-year-old Artemis Fowl is a millionaire, a genius, and a criminal mastermind. But even Artemis doesn't know what he's taken on when he kidnaps a fairy. Full of unexpected twists and turns, *Artemis Fowl* is a riveting, magical adventure.

A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness

Conor has the same dream every night ever since his mother got sick. But tonight is different. Tonight, when he wakes, there is a visitor at his window. It's an ancient, elemental force of nature. And it wants the most dangerous thing of all: the truth.

Children of Blood and Bone by Tomi Adeyemi

Zelie is a girl who remembers when the soil of Orisha hummed with magic. Now Zelie has one chance to bring back magic and strike against a ruthless king. Danger lurks everywhere, but the greatest danger may be Zelie herself.

The Martian by Andy Weir

Astronaut Mark Watney is one of the first people to walk on Mars. He might be the first person to die there. He is faced with threats of all kinds, from starvation to the unforgiving environment, or plain old human error. But Mark's not ready to quit.

DYSTOPIAN

The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins

Each district must yield one boy and one girl between the ages of 12 and to participate in the games. The 'tributes' are forced to fight to the death, leaving only one survivor to claim victory.

Divergent by Veronica Roth

In dystopian Chicago, society is divided into factions—Candor (honest), Abnegation (selfless), Dauntless (brave), Amity (peaceful), and Erudite (intelligent). For Beatrice, the decision is between staying with family and being who she really is.

The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau

Hundreds of years ago, the city of Ember was created to contain everything needed for human survival. It worked...but now the storerooms are almost out of food, crops are blighted, and worst of all—the lights are failing. Soon Ember could be in darkness.

The Maze Runner by James Dashner

When Thomas wakes up, the only thing he remembers is his name. He's surrounded by strangers—boys whose memories are also gone. Outside the stone walls that surround the Glade is an ever-changing maze, and no one's ever made it through alive.

Scythe by Neal Shusterman

Thou shalt kill. A world with no hunger, no disease, no war, no misery. Humanity has conquered all those things, even conquered death. Now scythes are commanded to end life in order to control the size of the population.

FICTION

Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan

Esperanza thought she'd always live with her wealthy family on their ranch in Mexico. But tragedy forces Esperanza to California during the Great Depression. When their new life is threatened, Esperanza must find a way to rise above her circumstances.

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death narrates the story of Liesel--a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family, a Jewish man, and their neighbors.

Life of Pi by Yann Martel

Life of Pi is a fantasy adventure and survival novel. Piscine Molitor "Pi" Patel, a Tamil boy from Pondicherry, explores issues of spirituality and practicality from an early age.

Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepetys

Winter, 1945. Four teenagers. Four secrets. Each one born of a different homeland; each haunted by tragedy and war. As thousands of refugees flock to the coast, four paths converge. Sepetys lifts the veil on a little-known event of World War II.

FAIRY TALES & RETELLINGS

The Wrath & the Dawn by Renee Ahdieh

In a land ruled by a murderous boy-king, each dawn brings heartache. Khalid, the Caliph, is a monster. Each night he takes a new bride only to have her killed come morning. Inspired by *A Thousand and One Nights*.

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman

Nobody Owens is known to his friends as Bod. He would be completely normal if he didn't live in a sprawling graveyard, raised and educated by ghosts, with a guardian who belongs to neither the world of the living or dead.

Cinder by Marissa Meyer

Sixteen-year-old Cinder is a cyborg with an ability to fix things, making her the best mechanic in New Beijing. An inventive sci-fi retelling of the Cinderella fairy tale.

Book of a Thousand Days by Shannon Hale

When Dashti and Lady Saren are shut in a tower for seven years, the two prepare for a long imprisonment. During that time, Dashti must make desperate choices. Inspired by a classic fairy tale from the Brothers Grimm.

FOLKLORE, MYTHOLOGIES, & LEGENDS

The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

Percy Jackson can't seem to focus on his schoolwork. Lately, it's only getting worse—Percy could have sworn his pre-algebra teacher turned into a monster. At Camp Half Blood, a mystery unfolds and Percy sets out on a quest.

The Scorpio Races by Maggie Stiefvater

Every November, riders attempt to hold their water horses long enough to make it to the finish line. Some riders live. Others die. Sean Kendrick, a young man of few words, is the returning champion. Puck Connolly is different.

The Bear and the Nightingale by Katherine Arden

At the edge of the Russian wilderness in the Dark Ages, Vasilisa faces dangers that seem to have stepped from her nurse's most frightening tales. Beautifully written and filled with Russian folklore, this is a clash of old and new, superstition and religion, courage and fear, all set against the backdrop of the harsh Russian winter.