

Reading Assignment for Eng. 10 Honors Only

- All students will read J.D. Salinger's *Catcher in the Rye* and be prepared to discuss the book upon returning to school in the fall.

Reading Assignment for Eng. 11 Honors Only

Honors students will read **two** books.

- All students will read John Steinbeck's *Of Mice and Men* and be prepared to discuss the dream each respective character embraces.
- All students will also read any book of their choice.

Reading Assignment: Advanced Placement 11 Only

11 AP students will read the following book and note at least 20 selections that stand out as particularly well written and/or effective:

Slouching Towards Bethlehem by Joan Didion

AP students should pay close attention to word choice, sentence structure, organization, and tone used in this collection. Our primary approach will include an analysis of the resources of language and creation of rhetoric.

Please arrive to class with a list of your 20 quotes.

Reading Assignment: Advanced Placement 12 Only

12AP students will read *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte and identify two passages from the novel. The first passage should reflect elements of gothic literature and the second passage should reflect the quality of the sublime. Outside independent research will be necessary if you are not familiar with these terms. Be prepared to discuss your selections during the first week of class.



Summer Reading Liverpool High School For students entering Grades 10 - 12



**Focus:
Reading for Pleasure**

For additional information, please contact LHS Principal Briana La Rocca
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WHY READ?

Since the focus is reading for pleasure, we're encouraging you to choose any text – any type – by any author – on any topic – of interest to you. The goal is simply to immerse yourself in the experience. You aren't limited to fiction – nonfiction or informational texts, graphic novels, etc. are all great options as well.

So the choice is up to you.

If you want some suggestions, the first stop should be the **LHS/X Library** webpage:

<https://sites.google.com/liverpool.k12.ny.us/lhslibraries>

Go to the “**Books & Libraries**” tab – there you'll find links to several helpful resources and lists – including book recommendations, e-books, audiobooks and more.

The **Liverpool Public Library** website (<http://www.lpl.org>) also has a great selection of text suggestions.

Also, the following lists might provide some ideas:



YALSA'S Teens' Top 10



Outstanding Books for the College Bound



Great Graphic Novels for Teens



Printz Award Winners



ALA Top Ten for Young Adult Books



ALEX Award Winners

Reading helps to...



Build conversation and communication skills



Keep your mind aware, strong, and informed



Reduce stress



Expand your vocabulary



Improve your memory



Develop stronger analytical thinking skills



Improve your ability to focus and concentrate



Strengthen writing skills



Provide relaxation and tranquility



Improve your imagination



Become a better person (*no seriously, studies show that those who read fiction have a heightened empathy for others*)

We know access to physical books might be limited due to COVID-19 related closures. Here are some online resources to help:

First stop, our **library's eBooks & Audiobooks** page:

<https://sites.google.com/liverpool.k12.ny.us/lhslibraries/ebooks-audiobooks?authuser=0>

The **Liverpool Public Library** has lots of resources to help too:

<https://lpl.org/explore/books-and-more/audiobooks/>

Also, check out these resources:

Overdrive:

<https://ocmboces.libraryreserve.com/10/45/en/SignIn2.htm?branchid=1128&url=Default.htm>

LibriVox: free public domain audiobooks; <https://librivox.org/>

Project Gutenberg: lists free audio & computer generated readings

http://www.gutenberg.org/wiki/Gutenberg:The_Audio_Books_Project

Open Culture curates a list of free recordings of short stories & books on the web: <http://www.openculture.com/freeaudiobooks>

For more information go to:

<https://sites.google.com/liverpool.k12.ny.us/lhs-summer-reading>