

ENGLISH 2 INDEPENDENT READING LIST

Black Boy, Richard Wright
Native Son, Richard Wright
Coffee Will Make You Black, April Sinclair
Breath, Eyes, Memory, Edwidge Danticat
Siddhartha, Hermann Hesse
Woman Hollering Creek, Sandra Cisneros
The Autobiography of Malcolm X, Alex Haley
Annie John, Jamaica Kincaid
The Dispossessed, Ursula K. LeGuin
Blues for Mister Charlie, James Baldwin
Animal Farm, George Orwell
China Men, Maxine Hong Kingston
A Gathering Of Old Men, Ernest Gaines
A Lesson Before Dying, Ernest Gaines
Skin Deep, Guy Garcia
China Boy, Gus Lee
Dogeaters, Jessica Hagedorn
Child of the Owl, Lawrence Yep
Bone, Fae Ng
When Heaven and Earth Changed Places, Le Ly Hayslip
No No Boy, John Okada
The Bluest Eye, Toni Morrison
Beloved, Toni Morrison
She's Come Undone, Wally Lamb
Buried Onions, Gary Soto
Paradise of the Blind, Duong thu Huong
Chronicle of a Death Foretold, Gabriel Garcia Marquez
We Are Witnesses: Five Diaries of Teenagers Who Died in the Holocaust, Jacob Boas
Typical American, Gish Gen
The Fire Next Time, James Baldwin
I, Tituba, Black Witch of Salem, Maryse Conde
Middle Passage, Charles Johnson
Talking to High Monks in the Snow: An Asian American Odyssey, Lydia Minatoya
Dreaming in Cuban, Cristina Garcia
One Hundred Years of Solitude, Gabriel Garcia Marquez
How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents, Julia Alvarez
The Flame Trees of Thika, Elspeth Huxley
Donald Duk, Frank Chin
Cebu, Peter Bacho
Cantora, Sylvia Lopez-Medina
Nectar in a Sieve, Mardanda Kamandaya
America is in the Heart, Carlos Bustan
Marked by Fire, Carol Thomas
The Book of Ruth, Virginia Hamilton
Rule of the Bone, Russel Banks
Down These Mean Streets, Thomas Piri
Diary of an Undocumented Immigrant, Ramon Tianguis Perez
Bless Me Ultima, Rudolfo Anaya
Night, Eli Weisel
Children of the River, Linda Crew
House of the Spirits, Isabelle Allende
The Infinite Plan, Isabelle Allende
A Personal Matter, Oe
Nip the Buds, Shoot the Kids, Oe
Pedro Paramo, Juan Rulfo
Rain of Gold, Victor Villasenor
Ceremony, Leslie Marmon Silko

INDEPENDENT READING CRITERIA AND DUE DATES

Over the course of the school year, you will be required to read SIX novels of your choice from the English 2 Independent Reading List. It is your responsibility to obtain the books you elect to read, whether by checking them out at the school and/or local library (Yes, this means you must get a library card!) or by purchasing them. You choose.

For each novel you read, you will be required to write an evaluation essay and give a one minute book talk to the class as part of your grade. You will be given the instructions for each as the due date draws nearer. You will read three novels the fall semester and three novels the spring semester. Below you will fill in the due dates for the book talks and the essays, both of which are due on the same day. **No late essays or book talks! No exceptions!**

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| Due Date: Unit 1 Lesson 34 | First Book Talk and Evaluation Essay Due |
| Due Date: Unit 2 Lesson 10 | Second Book Talk and Evaluation Essay Due |
| Due Date: Unit 2 Lesson 40 | Third Book Talk and Evaluation Essay Due |
| Due Date: Unit 3 Lesson 15 | Fourth Book Talk and Evaluation Essay Due |
| Due Date: Unit 4 Lesson 4 | Fifth Book Talk and Evaluation Essay Due |
| Due Date: Unit 4 Lesson 36 | Sixth Book Talk and Evaluation Essay Due |