

2009-2010 Catonsville High School Pre-Course Reading for English Classes

Students enrolled in the GT/AP and Honors programs must read the required work and one from the suggested list prior to beginning their English class. GT/AP and Honors students will be tested on their pre-course reading in their English classes. Standard students will receive extra credit upon completing an assessment on any of the works listed for their grade level.

9th grade- Genres in Literature

GT- *The Once and Future King*

Honors- *Fahrenheit 451*

Suggested Works- *The Bean Trees, Cold Mountain, The Secret Life of Bees, Stones in Water, Little Women*

10th grade- World Literature

GT- *Poisonwood Bible*

Honors- *Poisonwood Bible* or *All Quiet on the Western Front*

Suggested Works- *The House of Spirits, Artist of the Floating World, Palace Walk, Waiting, The Namesake, How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accent, Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress, Alias Grace*

11th grade- American Literature

AP- *Grapes of Wrath* or *East of Eden*

Honors- *Grapes of Wrath* or *East of Eden*

Suggested Works- *The Sun Also Rises, A Lesson Before Dying, Tender is the Night, Invisible Man* (Ellison), *On the Road, The Awakening, Catch 22, In Cold Blood, Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant*

12th grade- British Literature

AP- *Jane Eyre*

Honors- *Jane Eyre*

Suggested Works- *Atonement, A Clockwork Orange, White Teeth, The French Lieutenant's Woman, Regeneration*