

AP Literature

SUMMER READING LIST

2009-2010

May 6, 2009

Dear Senior,

The Advanced Placement Program at FWBHS endeavors to be the finest in the nation. In doing so, we expect our students to contribute to their education on a year-round basis. One of the ways to accomplish this together is for you to ***read the required books*** as well as ***at least one additional novel*** from the list below. This summer's ***required*** books are ***Song of Solomon*** by Toni Morrison and ***How to Read Literature Like a Professor*** by Thomas C. Foster. You will be required to complete **Major Works Data Sheets** for **both** *Song of Solomon* and your choice novel. You will have an in-class assessment of *How to Read Literature Like a Professor* when you return in August. *All three books will be discussed and analyzed* when you return.

We certainly understand that it is summer and that you are on vacation; however, learning is an ongoing process for all. Take a few moments at the end of each busy day this summer to read the novel of your choice, as well as the required one. This extra reading will certainly benefit you in May when you are taking your AP Literature exam. It will also help you become a better-educated person!

Here is a list of books, and please remember that you must read the works that are new to you. This is how you grow intellectually and expand your vocabulary. Have a great summer and enjoy both your vacation and your reading!

Sincerely,

Lynne Shirley
Melissa Bowell

CHOICE NOVELS:

The Sun Also Rises (Ernest Hemingway)

Slaughterhouse Five (Kurt Vonnegut)

Beloved (Toni Morrison)

The Awakening (Kate Chopin)

A brief description of each of these novels is on the back.