

Alliance Christian Schools  
2009 Summer Reading List

**Rising 9<sup>th</sup> through rising 12<sup>th</sup> graders:**

**General and Honors 9, 10, 11, 12**

Students must read the Required Reading selection(s) and one (1) selection from the Alternate Reading list for their specific grade level.

**General and Honor Students will be rewarded** one test 100 test grade in English for the first nine weeks. Students who do not elect to complete the summer reading will receive one 50/F test grade the first nine weeks. Each assigned selection must be read and the necessary papers completed for credit to be awarded. These assignments are due **Monday, August 31, 2009.**

**Assignment for each book** read will be to answer the following questions. Each answer should be at *least* one-half page in length. The assignment should be typed, 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced with standard margins.

Question 1: Who is your favorite character? Why? What happens to him or her?

Question 2: What did you learn from reading this book? What would you say this book is about?

Question 3: Would you have done anything different from what the main character did? What would you have done? Why?

**Additional books read** – for each additional book read one point will be awarded to the student's choice of test, quiz or homework average for the first nine weeks. The written assignment must be submitted for each additional book read to receive the bonus point.

**Required Reading:**

General Freshman: Beth Moore: The Beloved Disciple

General Sophomore: Lee Strobel: The Case for the Real Jesus

General Junior: Francis Chan: Crazy Love

General Senior: Max Lucado: He Chose You

Honor Sophomore: Harry Blamires: The Christian Mind **and**

Harper Lee: To Kill a Mockingbird

Honor Junior: Max Lucado: Six Hours One Friday **and**

F. Scott Fitzgerald: The Great Gatsby

Honor Senior: William Wilberforce: A Practical View **and**

Charlotte Bronte: Jane Eyre

**Alternate Reading (student's choice):**

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

Title  
Redeeming Love  
Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde  
A Christian Perspective on  
Creation v. Evolution  
Case for Christ  
Little Women, Little Men  
The Grapes of Wrath  
I Am Not, But I Know I Am

Author  
Francine Rivers  
Robert Louis Stevenson  
Michael McCoy  
  
Lee Strobel  
Louisa Mae Alcott  
John Steinbeck  
Louie Giglio

**10<sup>th</sup> Grade: (General and Honors)**

Title  
Ethics  
For the Beauty of the Earth:  
A Christian Vision for Creation Care  
From Sea to Shining Sea  
Lord of the Flies  
Secrets of the Vine for Teens  
Smart Faith: Loving Your God With All Your Mind  
Case for Faith  
Don't Waste Your Life

Author  
Dietrich Bonhoeffer  
Gary G. Cohen  
  
Peter Marshall  
William Golding  
Bruce Wilkinson  
J.P. Moreland/Mark Matlock  
Lee Strobel  
John Piper

**11<sup>th</sup> Grade: (General and Honors)**

Title  
Wild at Heart: Discovering the Secret of a Man's Soul  
Moby Dick  
Light and the Glory Series  
The Jungle  
A Tale of Two Cities  
Lies Young Women Believe  
  
Practical Happiness  
Air I Breathe: Worship as a Way of Life

Author  
John Eldredge  
Herman Melville  
Peter Marshall  
Upton Sinclair  
Charles Dickens  
Nancy Leigh DeMoss and  
Dannah Gresh  
Bob Schultz  
Louie Giglio

**12<sup>th</sup> Grade: (General and Honors)**

Title  
Gilead  
Hard Times  
Robinson Crusoe  
Biblical Decision Making,  
Intelligent Design and Creation  
Great Expectations  
Faith Unplugged  
Heart of Darkness  
Wuthering Heights  
Captivating

Author  
Marilynne Robinson  
Charles Dickens  
Daniel Defoe  
Gary Cohen  
  
Charles Dickens  
David Cook  
Joseph Conrad  
Emilie Bronte  
John and Stasi Eldredge