

## Recommended Summer Reading Forms V—VIII

### Fiction

#### American 19<sup>th</sup> Century

James Fenimore Cooper	<i>The Last of the Mohicans: A Narrative of 1757</i> (1826) <i>The Spy</i> (1821)
Nathaniel Hawthorne	<i>House of the Seven Gables</i> (1851)
Henry James	<i>The American</i> (1877)
Herman Melville	<i>Billy Budd</i> (1924)
Harriet Beecher Stowe	<i>Uncle Tom's Cabin</i> (1851)
Henry David Thoreau	<i>Walden; Or, Life in the Woods</i> (1854)

#### American: 20<sup>th</sup> Century

Rudolfo Anaya	<i>Bless Me, Ultima</i> (1972)
James Baldwin	<i>Go Tell it on the Mountain</i> (1953)
Frederick Buechner	<i>Godric</i> (1980)
Ray Bradbury	<i>Dandelion Wine</i> (1957)
Willa Cather	<i>My Ántonia</i> (1918)
Walter Van Tilburg Clark	<i>The Ox-Bow Incident</i> (1940)
Ralph Ellison	<i>Invisible Man</i> (1952)
William Faulkner	<i>The Reivers</i> (1962)
Ernest Hemingway	<i>A Farewell to Arms</i> (1929)
Joseph Heller	<i>Catch-22</i> (1961)
Zora Neale Hurston	<i>Their Eyes Were Watching God</i> (1937)
Sinclair Lewis	<i>Babbitt</i> (1922)
Cormac McCarthy	<i>All the Pretty Horses</i> (1992)
Carson McCullers	<i>The Heart is a Lonely Hunter</i> (1940)
Alice McDermott	<i>Charming Billy</i> (1998)
Larry McMurtry	<i>Lonesome Dove</i> (1985)
Toni Morrison	<i>Beloved</i> (1987)
Charles Nordhoff & James Norman Hall	<i>The Bounty Trilogy</i> (1936)
Flannery O'Connor	<i>Wise Blood</i> (1952)
Walker Percy	<i>The Moviegoer</i> (1961)
J.D. Salinger	<i>The Catcher in the Rye</i> (1951)
John Steinbeck	<i>East of Eden</i> (1952) <i>The Grapes of Wrath</i> (1939)
Jean Toomer	<i>Cane</i> (1923)
Ann Tyler	<i>Saint Maybe</i> (1991)
Robert Penn Warren	<i>All the King's Men</i> (1946)
Owen Wister	<i>The Virginian: A Horseman of the Plains</i> (1902)

#### Regional Texas Writers

Elizabeth Crook	<i>The Raven's Bride: A Novel of Eliza Allen and Sam Houston</i> (1991)
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Elizabeth Forsythe Hailey	<i>A Woman of Independent Means</i> (1978)
William Humphrey	<i>The Ordways</i> (1965)
Elmer Kelton	<i>The Time it Never Rained</i> (1973)
Lawrence Wright	<i>In the New World: Growing Up in America, 1964-1984</i> (1987)

### British Classics

Jane Austen	<i>Pride and Prejudice</i> (1813)
Emily Bronte	<i>Wuthering Heights</i> (1847)
Charles Dickens	<i>David Copperfield</i> (1850)
Thomas Hardy	<i>The Return of the Native</i> (1878)
Jonathan Swift	<i>Gulliver's Travels</i> (1726)
Oscar Wilde	<i>The Picture of Dorian Gray</i> (1891)

### British 20<sup>th</sup> Century and other Writing in English

G.K. Chesterton	<i>The Man Who Was Thursday: A Nightmare</i> (1908)
Arthur Bryce Courtenay	<i>The Power of One</i> (1989)
A.J. Cronin	<i>The Citadel</i> (1937)
John Fowles	<i>A Maggot</i> (1985)
Graham Greene	<i>The Power and the Glory</i> (1940)
	<i>Monsignor Quixote</i> (1982)
Kazuo Ishiguro	<i>The Remains of the Day</i> (1989)
C.S. Lewis	<i>The Screwtape Letters</i> (1942)
Arthur Koestler	<i>Darkness at Noon</i> (1940)
Salman Rushdie	<i>Midnight's Children</i> (1980)
Evelyn Waugh	<i>Brideshead Revisited</i> (1945)

### African

Chinua Achebe	<i>Things Fall Apart</i> (1958)
Wole Soyinka	<i>Death and the King's Horseman</i> (1987)

### Asian

Shusaku Endo	<i>Silence</i> (1966)
	<i>Stained Glass Elegies</i> (1990)
Yasunari Kawabata	<i>The Master of Go</i> (1954)
Natsume Soseki	<i>Kokoro</i> (1914)
	<i>Botchan</i> (1906)
Junichiro Tanizaki	<i>The Makioka Sisters</i> (1946)
	<i>In Praise of Shadows</i> (1977)

### European

Georges Bernanos	<i>Diary of a Country Priest</i> (1937)
Albert Camus	<i>The Plague</i> (1947)
Joseph Conrad	<i>Lord Jim</i> (1900)
Fyodor Dostoyevsky	<i>Brothers Karamazov</i> (1880)
	<i>Crime and Punishment</i> (1866)
Alexandre Dumas	<i>The Three Musketeers</i> (1844)
Gustave Flaubert	<i>Madame Bovary</i> (1856)
Anatole France	<i>The Gods are A-thirst</i> (1912)
Hermann Hesse	<i>Siddhartha</i> (1922)

Montaigne	<i>Essays</i> (1530)
Erich Maria Remarque	<i>All Quiet on the Western Front</i> (1929)
Ignazio Silone	<i>Bread and Wine</i> (1937)
Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn	<i>The First Circle</i> (1968/2009)
Stendhal	<i>The Red and the Black</i> (1830)
Ivan Turgenev	<i>Fathers and Sons</i> (1862)

## Historical Fiction

James Agee	<i>A Death in the Family</i> (1948)
Taylor Caldwell	<i>A Pillar of Iron</i> (1965)
Truman Capote	<i>In Cold Blood</i> (1966)
Willa Cather	<i>Death Comes for the Archbishop</i> (1927)
Michael Crichton	<i>The Great Train Robbery</i> (1975)
Shelby Foote	<i>Shiloh</i> (1952)
W.P. Kinsella	<i>Shoeless Joe</i> (1999)
Mary Renault	<i>The Bull from the Sea</i> (1962)
Sir Walter Scott	<i>Ivanhoe</i> (1820)
Mark Twain	<i>Joan of Arc</i> (1896)
Thornton Wilder	<i>The Ides of March</i> (1948)

## Science Fiction and Fantasy

Isaac Asimov	<i>Foundation</i> (1951)
Ray Bradbury	<i>The Illustrated Man</i> (1951)
Arthur C. Clarke	<i>2001: A Space Odyssey</i> (1968)
Robert A. Heinlein	<i>The Moon is a Harsh Mistress</i> (1966)
Aldous Huxley	<i>Brave New World</i> (1932)
Ursula K. Le Guin	<i>The Left Hand of Darkness</i> (1969)
	<i>The Farthest Shore</i> (1972)
	<i>The Dispossessed: An Ambiguous Utopia</i> (1974)
C.S. Lewis	<i>Out of the Silent Planet</i> (1938)
	<i>That Hideous Strength</i> (1945)
Walter M. Miller Jr.	<i>A Canticle for Leibowitz</i> (1959)
Larry Niven	
& Jerry Pournelle	<i>The Mote in God's Eye</i> (1974)
George Orwell	<i>Nineteen Eighty-Four</i> (1949)
Robert Silverberg	<i>Letters from Atlantis</i> (1990)
J.R.R. Tolkien	<i>The Silmarillion</i> (1977)
Vernor Vinge	<i>A Fire Upon the Deep</i> (1992)
T.H. White	<i>The Once and Future King</i> (1958)

## Mysteries

Agatha Christie	Mysteries
Tony Hillerman	The Joe Leaphorn series
	The Jim Chee series

Rolando Hinojosa  
Ellis Peters (Edith Pargeter)

Klail City Death Trap series (1973-2006)  
Cadfael Chronicles series (1977-1994)

### Short Story Collections

Anton Chekhov  
John Cheever  
Sandra Cisneros  
Shusaku Endo  
William Faulkner  
C.S. Forester  
Nadine Gordimer  
Sarah Orne Jewett

*Anton Chekhov's Short Stories (Norton Critical Ed.)* (1979)  
*The Stories of John Cheever* (1978)  
*Woman Hollering Creek and Other Stories* (1991)  
*Stained Glass Elegies* (1990)  
*Collected Stories of William Faulkner* (1950)  
*Man in the Yellow Raft* (1969)  
*Selected Stories* (1975)  
*The Country of the Pointed Firs* (1896)

### Poetry Collections

Stephen Vincent Benét  
Scott Cairns  
Rita Dove  
Seamus Heaney  
Robert Lax  
Maurice Manning  
Edgar Lee Masters  
Charles Reznikoff  
Charles Simic  
Wisława Szymborska  
Richard Wright

*John Brown's Body* (1928)  
*Philokalia* (2002)  
*Thomas and Beulah* (1986)  
*North* (1975)  
*Circus Days and Nights* (2000)  
*Bucolics* (2008)  
*Spoon River Anthology* (1915)  
*Holocaust* (1975)  
*The World Doesn't End: Prose Poems* (1990)  
*View with a Grain of Sand* (1996)  
*Haiku* (1998)

### Drama

Margaret Edson  
Euripides  
T.S. Eliot  
Charles Fuller  
Federico García Lorca  
Arthur Miller  
Robert Bolt  
Wole Soyinka  
Tennessee Williams

*Wit* (1999)  
*Medea* (431 BC)  
*Murder in the Cathedral* (1935)  
*A Soldier's Play* (1982)  
*Blood Wedding* (1932)  
*The Crucible: A Play in Four Acts* (1953)  
*A Man for All Seasons* (1960)  
*Death and the King's Horseman* (1987)  
*The Glass Menagerie* (1945)

### Epic Poems & Novels in Verse

Anon.  
Homer  
John Milton  
Les Murray  
Frederick Turner

*Epic of Gilgamesh*  
*Iliad*  
*Paradise Lost* (1667)  
*Fredy Neptune* (1998)  
*Genesis: An Epic Poem* (1988)

Virgil    *Aeneid*  
Derek Walcott    *Omeros* (1990)

## **Non-Fiction**

### **Autobiography**

*Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin* (1818) by Benjamin Franklin  
*Bernadette Speaks: A Life of St. Bernadette Soubirous in Her Own Words* (1999) by Rene Laurentin  
*Confessions* (398 AD) by St. Augustine  
*Cross Creek* (1942) by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings  
*Doctor of the Heart* (1996) by Conrad W. Baars  
*High Exposure: An Enduring Passion for Everest and Unforgiving Places* (1999) by David Breashears  
*Last Letters of Thomas More* (2001) by Alvaro de Silva  
*Mother Teresa: Come Be My Light* (2007) by Mother Teresa , Ed. By Brian Kolodiejchuk  
*My Bondage and My Freedom* (1855) by Frederick Douglass  
*Rebel Private: Front and Rear: Memoirs of a Confederate Soldier* (1995) by William Fletcher  
*Seldom Disappointed: A Memoir* (2001) Tony Hillerman  
*The Seven Storey Mountain* (1948) by Thomas Merton  
*The Story of a Soul* (1898) by Saint Thérèse of Lisieux  
*Surprised by Joy: The Shape of my Early Life* (1955) by C.S. Lewis  
*Two Years Before the Mast* (1840) by Richard Henry Dana, Jr.

### **Biography**

*Augustus* (1970) by A.H.M. Jones  
*Gerard Manley Hopkins: A Life* (2008) by Paul Mariani  
*Grant: A Biography* (1981) by William McFeely  
*John Adams* (2001) by David McCullough  
*Lust for Life* (biographical novel) (1934) by Irving Stone  
*The Nature of Alexander* (1983) by Mary Renault.  
*Nero: The End of a Dynasty* (1985) by Miriam Tamara Griffin  
*Pericles of Athens and the Birth of Democracy* (1998) by Donald Kagan  
*Profiles in Courage* (1956) by John F. Kennedy  
*Tolkien and the Great War: The Threshold of Middle Earth* (2003) by John Garth  
*Truman* (1992) by David McCullough

### **History**

*1066: The Year of the Conquest* (1981) by David Hogarth  
*Alfred the Great: The King and His England* (1958) by Eleanor S. Duckett  
*Brave Men, Dark Waters* (2003) by Orr Kelly  
*The Early History of Rome* by Livy  
*Frozen in Time: Unlocking the Secrets of the Doomed 1845 Arctic Expedition* (1995) by Owen Beattie and John Geiger  
*Iron Coffins: A Personal Account of the German U-Boat Battles of WWII* (2002) by Herbert Werner  
*A Life in a Year* (2004) by James R. Ebert

*Longitude: The True Story of a Lone Genius Who Solves the Greatest Scientific Problem of His Time* (2007) by Dava Sobel.

*Young Men and Fire* (1993) by John Maclean

*The Souls of Black Folk* (1903) by W.E.B. DuBois

*The Guns of August* (1962) by Barbara Tuchman

*The Battle Cry of Freedom: The Civil War Era* (1988) by James McPherson

*Defying Hitler* (2003) by Sebastian Haffner

*Plutarch's Lives* (Greek and Roman)

*Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War* (2006) by Nathaniel Philbrick

*The Shia Revival* (2007) by Vali Nasr

## Nature

*Arctic Dreams, Crossing Open Ground* (1986) by Barry Lopez

*Coming into the Country* (1977) by John McPhee

*Desert Solitaire: A Season in the Wilderness* (1968) by Edward Abbey

*The Compleat Angler* (1653) by Izaak Walton

*Goodbye to a River: A Narrative* (1959) by John Graves

*The Man Who Walked Through Time: The Story of the First Trip Afoot Through the Grand Canyon* (1972) by Colin Fletcher

*Mountains of California* (1894) by John Muir

*A Personal Country* (1998) by A.C. Greene

*Pilgrim at Tinker Creek* (1974) by Annie Dillard

*Rising from the Plains* (1987) by John McPhee

*Sand County Almanac* (1949) by Aldo Leopold

*The Survival of the Bark Canoe* (1982) by John McPhee

*Walden; Or, Life in the Woods* (1845) by Henry David Thoreau

## Spiritual Writings

*Alphonsus De Liguori: Selected Writings (Classics of Western Spirituality)*(1999) Ed. Frederick Jones

*Back to Virtue: Traditional Moral Wisdom for Modern Moral Confusion* (1992) by Peter Kreeft

*Born for Friendship: The Spirit of St. Thomas More* (1965) by Bernard Basset

*The Flowing Light of the Godhead* by Mechthild of Magdeburg. Ed. by Frank Tobin (1987)

*The Great Divorce: A Dream* (1946) by C.S. Lewis.

*Introduction to the Devout Life* (1609) by St. Francis de Sales

*Love: A Fruit Always in Season: Daily Meditations by Mother Teresa* (1987) Ed. Dorothy Hunt

*Meditations on the Way of Cross* (1988) by Bl. Mother Teresa and Br. Roger Schutz

*No Man is an Island* (1955) by Thomas Merton

*Seeking the Heart of God: Reflections on Prayer* (1993) by Bl. Mother Teresa

## Religious Biography

*Augustine of Hippo: A Biography* (1967) by Peter Brown

*Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy* (2011) by Eric Metaxas

*Born for Friendship: The Spirit of St. Thomas More* (1965) by Bernard Basset

*God's Fool: The Life of Francis of Assisi* (1987) by Julien Green  
*Henri Nouwen: A Restless Seeking for God* (1997) by Jurjen Beumer  
*Jerome: His Life, Writings, and Controversy* (1975) by J.N.D. Kelly  
*Jesus of Nazareth (Volumes I-II)* (2008; 2011) by Pope Benedict XVI  
*Karol Wojtyla: The Thought of the Man Who Became Pope John Paul II* (1997) by Rocco Buttiglione  
*No Strangers to Violence, No Strangers to Love: Twentieth Century Christian Heroes* (1983) by Boniface Hanley  
*Philip Neri – The Fire of Joy* (1995), by Paul Turks  
*Pope Pius XII: Architect for Peace* (2000) by Margherita Marchione  
*Prophet of the People: A Biography of Padre Pio* (1974) by Dorothy M. Gaudiose  
*A Real Christian: The Life of John Wesley* (1999) by Kenneth J. Collins  
*Saint Bernard of Clairvaux: an Essay in Biography* (1957) by Bruno James  
*St. Thomas Aquinas: The Dumb Ox* (1933) by G.K. Chesterton  
*Thomas Merton, Brother Monk: The Quest for True Freedom* (1997) by Basil Pennington  
*Thomas More: A Portrait of Courage* (2000) by Gerard Wegemer  
*Venerable Bede* (1979) by Peter Hunter Blair  
*Witness to Hope: The Biography of Pope John Paul II* (1999) by George Weigel

## Math and Science

*Art of Mathematics* (1992) by Jerry P. King  
*The Control of Nature* (2011) by John McPhee  
*A Dancing Matrix: Voyages Along the Viral Frontier* (1993) by Robin Marantz Henig  
*Darwin's Black Box: The Biochemical Challenge to Evolution* (1998) by Michael J. Behe  
*The Deltoid Pumpkin Seed* (2011) by John McPhee  
*The Diversity of Life* (1992) by Edward O. Wilson  
*The Double Helix: A Personal Account of the Discovery of the Structure of DNA* (1968) by James D. Watson  
*Flatland: A Romance of Many Dimensions* (1884) by Edwin Abbott  
*A Concept of Limits* (2010) by Donald Hight  
*The Making of the Atomic Bomb* (1995) by Richard Rhodes  
*Mathematical Visions: The Pursuit of Geometry in Victorian England* (1988) by Joan Richards  
*Modern Physics and Ancient Faith* (2006) by Stephen M. Barr  
*Stephen Hawking's Universe: An Introduction to the Most Remarkable Scientist of Our Time* (1989) by John Boslough  
*Pi In The Sky: Counting, Thinking, and Being* (1992) by John D. Barrow  
*Sphereland: A Fantasy About Curved Spaces and an Expanding Universe* (1965) by Dionys Burger  
*What Is Calculus About?* (1962) by W.W. Sawyer  
*What Mad Pursuit: A Personal View of Scientific Discovery* (1988) by Francis Crick

