



Year 11 Reading List

Fiction:

On the Road - Jack Kerouac
Birdsong - Sebastian Faulks (Ms Harrison's favourite!)
The Power and the Glory - Graham Greene
Looking for Alaska - John Green
Carrie - Stephen King
Dune - Frank Herbert
Fever Pitch - Nick Hornby
Candide - Voltaire
The Midwich Cuckoos - John Wyndham
1984 – George Orwell
The Handmaids Tale – Margaret Atwood
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings – Maya Angelou
Trumpet by Jackie Kay
White Teeth by Zadie Smith
The Year of the Flood by Margaret Atwood
Chaos Walking Trilogy by Patrick Ness
The Belljar by Sylvia Plath
Half of a Yellow Sun by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
Of Men and Mice by John Steinbeck
Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adiche
The Goldfinch by Donna Tartt
The Secret History by Donna Tartt
The Harry Potter series by J K Rowling
Oranges are not the only fruit by Jeannette Winterson
The Game of Thrones by George RR Martin (George Marks is currently reading this)
The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini
The Hound of the Baskervilles by Arthur Conan Doyle
The Time Machine by HG Wells
Slaughterhouse Five by Kurt Vonnegut
Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury
The Name of the Rose by Umberto Eco
The Trial by Franz Kafka
The Moonstone by Wilkie Collins
To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
The Essex Serpent by Sarah Perry
The Power by Naomi Alderman

Non Fiction:

A Short History of Nearly Everything by Bill Bryson
A Long Way Home by Saroo Brierley
Wild by Cheryl Strayed
We Should All Be Feminists by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
When Breath Becomes Air by Paul Kalanithi
Born a Crime by Trevor Noah
Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates



Into the Wild by Jon Krakauer
The Tipping Point: How Little Things Can Make a Big Difference
by Malcolm Gladwell
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot
In Cold Blood by Truman Capote
What If?: Serious Scientific Answers to Absurd Hypothetical Questions
by Randall Munroe
Blood River: A Journey to Africa's Broken Heart by Tim Butcher
Seven Years in Tibet by Heinrich Harrer
Notes From a Small Island by Bill Bryson
Taking on the World by Ellen McCarthur (our adventurer!)

Poetry:

The Emergency Poet: An Anti-Stress Poetry Anthology
Poetry Please: The Seasons
Maya Angelou – And Still I Rise (Miss Victor's favourite!)
Penguin's Poems for Life (Penguin Classics)
Six Centuries of English Poetry Tennyson to Chaucer
New GCSE English Literature AQA Poetry Guide: Power & Conflict Anthology - for the Grade 9-1 Course
(revision)
Poetry Please: Love Poems
Carol Ann Duffy - The World's Wife
Carol Ann Duffy - Collected Poems

Your English teachers' choices/what they are reading now:

Mr Harris:

Revenge of the Lawn by Richard Brautigan
Where I'm Calling From by Raymond Carver
Humanity by Jonathan Glover

Dr Halford:

Stephen King. On Writing
Stephen Fry. The Ode Less Travelled
Bill Bryson. The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid

Mr Savage:

A Confederacy of Dunces by John Kennedy Toole
Life Moves Pretty Fast by Hadley Freeman

Ms Walker:

Trumpet by Jackie Kay
White Teeth by Zadie Smith

Mr Christopher:

Wuthering Heights - Emily Bronte
Paradise - Abdulrazak Gurnah
Red Dwarf - Doug Naylor

Ms Victor:

Burning in water, Drowning in Flame – Charles Bukowski (poetry collection)
The Road – Cormac McCarthy



Mrs Hirschovits:

Middlesex by Jeffrey Eugenides

The Guernsey and Potato Peel Pie Society by Annie Barrows and Mary Ann Shaffer