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**KINDERGARTEN**

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<i>10 Black Dots</i> , Donald Crews	<i>Rain</i> , Robert Kalan
<i>Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What do You See?</i> Martin	<i>Rosie's Walk</i> , Pat Hutchins
<i>Chicka Chicka Boom Boom</i> , Bill Martin	<i>Stellaluna</i> , Janell Cannon
<i>Corduroy</i> , Don Freeman	<i>Tale of Peter Rabbit</i> , Beatrix Potter
<i>Gingerbread Boy</i> , Paul Galdone	<i>The Big Red Barn</i> , Margaret Wise Brown
<i>Goodnight Moon</i> , Margaret Wise Brown	<i>The Carrot Seed</i> , Ruth Krauss
<i>Goodnight Owl</i> , Pat Hutchins	<i>The Little Engine that Could</i> , Watty Piper
<i>If you Give a Mouse a Cookie</i> , Laura Joffe Numeroff	<i>The Little House</i> , Virginia Burton
<i>Mary Wore Her Red Dress</i> , Merle Peek	<i>The Mitten</i> , Alvin Tresselt
<i>Nursery Rhymes/Fairy Tales</i>	<i>The Mitten</i> , Jan Brett
<i>Polar Bear, Polar Bear</i> , Bill Martin, Jr.	<i>Very Hungry Caterpillar</i> , Eric Carle
<i>Pumpkin, Pumpkin</i> , Jeanne Titherington	<i>We're Going on a Bear Hunt</i> , Michael Rosen

**FIRST GRADE**

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<i>A House is a House for Me</i> , Hoberman	<i>Stone Soup</i> , Marcia Brown
<i>Caps for Sale</i> , Esphyr Slobodkina	<i>Tacky the Penguin</i> (series) Lester
<i>Charlie Needs a Cloak</i> , Tomie DePaola	<i>Ten Cats Have Hats</i> , Marzollo
<i>Chicka Chicka Boom Boom</i> , Martin	<i>The Big Orange Splot</i> , Pinkwater
<i>Dear Mr. Blueberry</i> , James	<i>The Little Red Hen</i> , Paul Galdone
<i>Grandfather's Journey</i> , Say	<i>The Snowy Day</i> , Ezra J. Keats
<i>Hattie and the Fox</i> , Fox	<i>The Wind Blew</i> , Hutchins
<i>I Like Me</i> , Carlson	<i>What Makes the Weather?</i> Palazzo
<i>Ira Sleeps Over</i> , Bernard Waber	<i>What Will the Weather be Like Today?</i> Kazuko
<i>It Looked Like Spilt Milk</i> , Shaw	<i>Where is Everybody?</i> Merriam
<i>Leo The Late Bloomer</i> , Robert Kraus	<i>Where the Wild Things Are</i> , Maurice Sendak
<i>Make Way for Ducklings</i> , Robert McCloskey	<i>Who Sank the Boats?</i> Allen

**SECOND GRADE**

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<i>A New Coat for Anna</i> , Harriet Ziefert	<i>Lon Po Po</i> , Ed Young
<i>A New Dress for Maya</i> , Malorie Blackmum	<i>Now One Foot, Now the Other</i> , DePaola
<i>A Tree Is Nice</i> , Janice Udry	<i>Ox Cart Man</i> , Donald Hall
<i>Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day</i> , Judith Viorst	<i>Patrick's Dinosaurs</i> , Carol Carrick
<i>Angel Child, Dragon Child</i> , Michelle M. Zeratt	<i>Sylvester and The Magic Pebble</i> , William Steig
<i>Bread and Jam for Frances</i> , Russell Hoban	<i>The Door Bell Rang</i> , Pat Hutchins
<i>Crow Boy</i> , Taro Yashima	<i>The Empty Pot</i> , Demi
<i>Frances Series</i> , Russell Hoban	<i>The Giving Tree</i> , Shel Silverstein
<i>Frog and Toad are Friends</i> , Lobel	<i>The Great Kapok Tree</i> , Lynne Cherry
	<i>Too Many Tamales</i> , Gary Soto



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**THIRD GRADE**

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*Addy Learns a Lesson*, Porter  
*Box Car Children*, Warner  
*Cam Jansen Series*, Adler  
*Charlotte's Web*, E.B. White  
*Courage of Sarah Noble*, Dalgliesh  
*Fantastic Mr. Fox*, Dahl  
*Freckle Juice*, Blume  
*George Washington Carver*, Epstein  
*Ghost on Saturday Night*, Fleischman  
*Great Black Heroes: Five Notable Inventors;*  
Hudson/Garnett  
*Helen Keller*, Graff  
*Hill of Fire*, Thomas Lewis  
*Homer Price*, Robert McCloskey  
*House on Maple Street*, Bonnie Pryor  
*James and the Giant Peach*, Roald Dahl  
*The Josefina Story Quilt*, Coerr  
*Kid on the Block*, Jack Prelutsky  
*Little House (series)*, Laura Ingalls Wilder  
*Little House in the Big Woods*, Laura Ingalls Wilder  
*Llama Pajamas*, Susan Clymer  
*Learns a Lesson*, Porter  
*Molly's Pilgrim*, Barbara Cohen  
*More Stories*, Julian Tells  
*Mr. Popper's Penguins*, Atwater  
*Muggie Maggie*, Cleary  
*Night of the Full Moon*, Gloria Whelan  
*Sarah Plain and Tall*, Patricia MacLachlan  
*Stone Fox*, Gardiner  
*The Hundred Dresses*, Eleanor Estes  
*The Light at Tern Rock*, Julia Sauer  
*The Magic Finger*, Dahl  
*The Mouse and the Motorcycle; Runaway Ralph*,  
Beverly Cleary  
*The Sword in the Tree*, Bulla  
*Wagon Wheels*, Brenner  
*White Stallion*, Shub

**FOURTH GRADE**

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*A Cricket in Times Square*, Chuck Jones  
*By the Great Horn Spoon!*, Sid Fleischman  
*Island of the Blue Dolphins*, Scott O'Dell  
*Mr. Blue Jeans, The Story of Levi Strauss*, Weidt  
*One Eyed Charley, the California Whip*, Reinstedt  
*Patty Reed's Doll*, Rachel K. Laurgaard  
*Pinballs*, Betsy Byars  
*Riding Freedom*, Pam Munoz  
*Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes*, Coerr  
*Samurai of Gold Hill*, Yashida  
*Socks*, Beverly Cleary  
*Story of Junipero Serra, Brave Adventurer*,  
Florence White  
*Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*, Judy Blume  
*The BFG*, Roald Dahl  
*The Flunking of Joshua T. Bates*, Susan Shreve  
*The Sign of the Beaver*, Elizabeth G. Speare  
*The Trouble with Tuck*, Theodore Taylor  
*The Whipping Boy*, Fleischman  
*Vallejo and the Four Flags*, Esther Comstock  
*Welcome Home, Jellybean*, Marlene F. Shyer

**FIFTH GRADE**

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*Around the World in a Hundred Years*, Jean Fritz  
*Black Heroes of the American Revolution*, Davis  
*Brother Eagle, Sister Sky*, Chief Seattle  
*Cracker Jackson*, Betsy Byars  
*Fighting Ground*, Avi  
*House Without a Christmas Tree*, Gayle Rock  
*I Sailed with Columbus*, Miriam Schlein  
*Indian in the Cupboard*, Lynne R. Banks  
*Shoeshine Girl*, Clyde Bulla  
*Sing Down the Moon*, Scott O'Dell  
*Song of the Trees*, Mildred Taylor  
*Stonewords*, Pam Conrad  
*The Last of the Really Great Wangdoodles*,  
Julie Andrews Edwards  
*The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe*, C.S. Lewis  
*The Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson*,



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*Jim Ugly*, Sid Fleischman  
*My Brother Sam is Dead*, Lincoln Collier  
*My Side of the Mountain*, Jean C. George  
*On My Honor*, Marion Dane Bauer  
*Pedro's Journal*, Pam Conrad  
*Save Queen of Sheba*, Louis Moeri  
*Secret Garden*, Frances H. Burnett

Bette Bao Lord  
*There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom*, Louis Sachar  
*This Island Isn't Big Enough for the Four of Us*, Greer  
*Tuck Everlasting*, Natalie Babbitt  
*Where the Red Fern Grows*, Wilson Rawl  
*Bridge to Terabithia*, Katherine Paterson

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**SIXTH GRADE**

*A Wrinkle in Time*, Madeleine L'Engle  
*Aida*, Leontyne Price  
*Among the Hidden*, Margaret Haddix  
*Boy of the Painted Cave*, Justin Denzel  
*Brian's Winter, The River, Brian's Return*, Paulsen  
*Bud, Not Buddy*, Christopher Curtis  
*Cat's Eye*, Margaret Atwood  
*Dragonwings*, Laurence Yep  
*Esperanza's Rising*, Pam Ryan  
*From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*,  
E.L. Konigsburg  
Greek Myths (Selected)  
*Hatchet*, Gary Paulson  
*Holes*, Louis Sachar  
*Journey to the Other Side*, Math Replacement Unit  
*Julie of the Wolves*, Jean C. George  
*Julie*, Jean C. George  
*Maniac Magee*, Jerry Spinelli  
*Maroo of the Winter Caves*, Ann Turnbull  
*Martin's Mice*, David Kingsmith  
*Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh*, Robert C. O'Brien  
*Number the Stars*, Lois Lowry

*Out of the Dust*, Karen Hesse  
*Poppy*, Avi  
*Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*, Mildred D. Taylor  
*Souder*, William H. Armstrong  
*The Big Wave*, Pearl S. Buck  
*The Black Pearl*, Scott O'Dell  
*The Bronze Bow*, Elizabeth G. Speare  
*The Cay*, Theodore Taylor  
*The Curse of King Tut's Tomb*, Montavon  
*The Egypt Game*, Zilpha Keatley  
*The Fear Place*, Phyllis Naylor  
*The Golden Goblet*, Eloise McGraw  
*The Magnificent Mummy*, Elvira Woodruff  
*The Odyssey*, Robin Lister  
*The Red Pony*, John Steinbeck  
*The Singing Tree*, Katey Sereby  
*Timothy of the Cay*, Theodore Taylor  
*Titanic Crossing*, Barbara Williams  
*Tuck Everlasting*, Natalie Babbitt  
*Would You Settle for Improbable?* P.J. Petersen  
*You Can't Walk Alone*, P.J. Petersen  
*Zlata's Diary*, Zlata Filipovic

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**SEVENTH GRADE**

*A Boat to Nowhere*, Maureen C. Wartski  
*A Samurai's Tale*, Erik C. Haugaard  
*Adam of the Road*, Elizabeth Janet Gray  
*Alices' Adventures in Wonderland*, Lewis Carroll  
Arabian Nights (Selected)  
*Beat the Story Drum*, Ashley Bryan  
Beowulf (Selected)  
*Canterbury Tales* (Selected), Chaucer  
*Cow Tail Switch*, Marguerite DeAngeli  
(Anthology)

*Proud Taste for Scarlet and Miniver*, E.L.  
Konigsburg  
*Shabanu, Daughter of the Wind*, S. Fisher Staples  
*Silver on the Tree*, Susan Cooper  
*The Amethyst Ring*, Scott O'Dell  
*The Captive*, Scott O'Dell  
*The Clay Marble*, Minfong Ho  
*The Dark is Rising*, Susan Cooper  
*The Disappearance of the Anasazi*, Janet H. Brown  
*The Door in the Wall*, Marguerite deAngeli



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<i>Greenwitch</i> , Susan Cooper	<i>The Feathered Serpent</i> , Scott O'Dell
<i>I, Juan DePareja</i> , Elizabeth B. DeTrevino	<i>The Grey King</i> , Susan Cooper
<i>Julius Caesar for Young People</i> , Swan Books-Shakespeare	<i>The Lady or the Tiger</i> , Frank Stockton (ss)
<i>King Atrhur's Court</i> , Mark Twain	<i>The Master Puppeteer</i> , Katherine Paterson
<i>Legends of King Arthur (Selected)</i> , Howard Pyle	<i>The Road to Damietta</i> , Scott O'Dell
<i>Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters</i> , John Steptoe	<i>The Sign of the Chrysanthemum</i> , Katherine Paterson
<i>Of Nightingales That Weep</i> , Katherine Paterson	<i>Through the Looking Glass</i> , Lewis Carroll
<i>Over Sea Under Stone</i> , Susan Cooper	<i>Who Belongs Here?</i> Margy Burns & Knight
	<i>Young Fu of the Upper Yangtze</i> , Elizabeth F. Lewis

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**EIGHTH GRADE**

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<i>100 Plus American Poems</i> , Paul Molloy, ed.	<i>Call of the Wild</i> , Jack London
<i>A Gathering of Days</i> , Joan Blos	<i>Civil War Songs and Spirituals (Selected)</i> , J. Miller
<i>Acorn People</i> , Ron Jones	<i>Dibs</i> , Virginia Axline
<i>Amos Fortune-Free Man</i> , Elizabeth Yates	<i>Dragon's Gate</i> , Laurence Yep
<i>Animal Farm</i> , George Orwell	<i>Flowers for Algernon (ss)</i> , Daniel Keyes
<i>April Morning</i> , Howard Fast	<i>Tell Tale Heart (ss)</i> , Edgar Allen Poe
<i>Light in the Forest</i> , Conrad Richter	<i>The Bloody Country</i> , James Collier
<i>Lyddie</i> , Katherine Paterson	<i>The Giver</i> , Lois Lowry
<i>Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge</i> , Ambrose Bierce	<i>The People Could Fly</i> , Virginia Hamilton, ed.
<i>Of Mice and Men</i> , John Steinbeck	<i>The Sound of Thunder</i> , Ray Bradbury
<i>On to Oregon</i> , Honore Morrow	<i>The Wave</i> , Morton Rhue
<i>Ordeal by Hunger</i> , George Stewart	<i>The Winter Hero</i> , James Collier
<i>Rifles for Waite</i> , Harold Keith	<i>The Witch of Blackbird Pond</i> , Elizabeth Speare
<i>Shades of Gray</i> , Carolyn Reeder	<i>To Be a Slave</i> , Julius Lester
<i>Snowbound</i> , Harry Mazer	<i>Twelve Angry Men (Play)</i> , Reginald Rose
<i>Stone Boy (ss)</i> , Gina Berriault	<i>War Comes to Willie Freeman</i> , James Collier
	<i>Harrison Bergeron</i> , Kurt Vonnegut, Jr.

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**NINTH/TENTH GRADE CORE LITERATURE**

**NINTH GRADE CORE:**

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Ch. 1: *Like Water for Chocolate*, Esquivel (f)  
Ch. 1: *Woman Warrior*, Hong Kingston (f)  
*Buried Onions*, Soto (f)  
*Cyrano de Bergerac*, Rostand (d)  
*Enders Game*, Card (f)  
*Fences*, Wilson (d)  
*House on Mango Street*, Cisneros (nf)  
*Odyssey* (epic poem), Homer  
*Romeo and Juliet*, Shakespeare (d)  
*Stories from That Constant Coyote*, Haslam (ss)

**TENTH GRADE CORE:**

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*All is Quiet On the Western Front*, Remarque (f)  
*Fahrenheit 451*, Bradbury (f)  
*Great Gatsby*, Fitzgerald (f)  
*I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, Angelou (nf)  
*Lord of the Flies*, Golding (f)  
*Night*, Wiesel (nf)  
Poetry by Angelou, Frost, Hughes, and others  
*Scarlet Ibis*, James Hurst (ss)  
One Shakespeare selection: *Midsummer Night's Dream* OR *Merchant of Venice* OR *The Taming of the*





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**FICTION AND METAPHOR**

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*Brave New World*, Hurley (f)  
*Kindred*, Butler (f)

*Much Ado About Nothing*, Shakespear (d)  
*The Color Purple*, Walker (f)  
*Watership Down*, Adams (f)

**MODERN POETS/SEMANTICS**

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*Death of a Salesman*, Miller (d)  
*Their Eyes Were Watching God*, Hurston (f)  
Poetry: Whitman, Dickenson, Sandburg, Frost,  
E.E. Cummings, Gwendolyn Brooks, Maya  
Angelou, Nikki Giovanni, Lawrence Ferlinghetti,  
John Updike, Sylvia Plath, Gary Soto, and more.

*Thomas and Beulah*, Dove (p)(collection of poetry)  
Short Stories: "Paul's Case", Cather; "The Lie",  
Vonnegut; "Hills Like White Elephants",  
Hemingway; "The Witch", Jackson (s.s.);  
"Downward Path to Wisdom", Katharine Anne  
Porter; "This is How You Say, Phoenix,  
Arizona," Alexie (ss)

**SHAKESPEARE/LITERARY ANALYSIS**

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*Macbeth*, *Richard III*, *Othello*, *Hamlet*, *Tempest*, by  
Shakespeare(d)  
*Oedipus Rex*, Sophocles (d)

*Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead*, Stoppard (d)  
*The Darker Face of the Earth*, Dove (d)  
*The Metamorphosis*, Kafka (f)  
*The Stranger*, Camus (f)

**WORLD LITERATURE**

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*America is in the Hear*, Bulosan (nf)  
*Cantora*, Sylvia Lopez Medina (f)  
*Kaffir Boy*, Mathabane (nf)  
*Master Harold and the Boys*, Fugard (d)  
*Nectar In a Sieve*, Markardaya (f)

*The Thief and the Dog*, Mahfouz (f)  
*Things Fall Apart*, Achebe (f)  
*M. Butterfly*, David Henry Hwang (d)  
Short Stories by Gary Soto  
Poems by Lorca, Neruda, Angelou

**THE PROGRAM: AMERICAN LITERATURE - YEAR 1 (INTEGRATED WITH US HISTORY AND ART)**

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*Native Son*, Wright (f)  
*Piano Lesson* - August Wilson (d)

*The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail*, Robert E. Lee and  
Jerome Lawrence (d)

**THE PROGRAM: MODERN LITERATURE - YEAR 2 (INTEGRATED WITH GOVERNMENT/ECONOMICS AND ART)**

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*All My Sons*, Arthur Miller (d)  
Excerpts from *Working*, Stud Turkels (nf)  
*Jury by her Peers*, Susan Glaspell (ss)

*Oleanna*, Mamet (d)  
*Shooting an Elephant*, Orwell (e)  
*1984*, Orwell (f)



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**A.P. ENGLISH: LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION**

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*A Writer's Reader* (college anthology),  
edited by Hall and Emblen  
*Beloved*, Toni Morrison (f)  
*Left Hand of Darkness*, Ursula LeGuin (f)  
*Issues Across the Disciplines*, McGraw-Hill Reader (f)

*Writing Well*, (college anthology) Donald Hall  
*Reservation Blues*, Alexie (f)  
*Snow Falling on Cedars*, David Guterson (f)  
*Storming Heaven*, Denise Giardina (f)

**A.P. ENGLISH: ENGLISH LITERATURE**

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*Cry the Beloved Country*, Paton (f)  
*Glass Menagerie*, Williams (d)  
*Grapes of Wrath*, Steinbeck (f)  
*Hamlet*, Shakespeare (d)  
*Invisible Man*, Ellison (f)  
*Jane Eyre*, Bronte (f)  
*Pride and Prejudice*, Austen (f)  
*Sound and Sense*, Perriene (collection of poems)

*The Blind Man*, D.H. Lawrence (ss)  
*The Crucible*, Miller (d)  
*The Handmaid's Tale*, Atwood (f)  
*The Horse Dealer's Daughter*, James Joyce (ss)  
*The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail*, Lee (d)  
*The Zoo Story*, Albee (d)  
*Tickets Please*, D.H. Lawrence (ss)

**ELEVENTH/TWELFTH GRADE EXTENDED LITERATURE**

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*A Raisin in the Sun*, Lansberry (d)  
*A Tale of Two Cities*, Dickens (f)  
*A Thousand Pieces of Gold*, Lum McCunn (nf)  
*Black Elk Speaks*, Neufeld (nf)  
*Death and the Maiden*, Dorfmann (d)  
*Dracula*, *Frankenstein*, *Dr. Jeckyl* (f)  
*East of Eden*, Steinbeck (f)  
*Hitch Hiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, Adams (f)

*Rain of Gold*, Villasenor (epic tale) (f)  
*The Awakening*, Kate Chopin (f)  
*The Bell Jar*, Plath (nf)  
*The Belle of Amherst*, Luce (d)  
*The Big Sea*, Hughes (nf)  
*The Hobbit*, Tolkein (f)  
*Wide Sargasso Sea*, Rhys  
*Wuthering Heights*, Bronte (f)

**MULTILINGUAL PROGRAM**

Students in this program read from the Core/Extended Reading Literature List K-12. In addition, the following titles are proposed for the high school core list for multilingual students.

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*A Long Way From Home*, Maureen Wartski (f)  
*Candle in the Wind*, Maureen Wartski (f)  
*Children of the River*, Crew (nf)

*Streams to the River, River to the Sea*, S. O'Dell (f)  
*The Face in the Mirror*, Maureen Wartski (f)  
*The Contender*, Lipsyte (f)

**ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION**

**AMERICAN LITERATURE CORE/EXTENDED LITERATURE**

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*The Beach*, Alex Garland (f)  
*Building Academic Literacy: An Anthology for  
Reading Apprenticeship*, Ruth Schoenbach (Ed.)  
*Carry Me Home*, Sandra Kring (f)

*Life of Pi*, Yann Martel (f)  
*Montana 1948*, Larry Watson (f)  
*My Sister's Keeper*, Jodi Picoult (f)  
*A Multicultural Read: Collection Two*, Many Voices



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<i>Cut</i> , Patricia McCormick	Literature Series (Pub.)
<i>The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time</i> , Mark Haddon (f)	<i>Ordinary People</i> , Judith Guest (f)
<i>Ellen Foster</i> , Kaye Gibbons (f)	<i>Planet of the Apes</i> , Pierre Boulle (sf)
<i>The Five People You Meet in Heaven</i> , Albom (f)	<i>The Secret Life of Bees</i> , Sue Monk Kidd (f)
<i>House of Sand and Fog</i> , Andre Dubus, III (f)	<i>Touching the Void: The True Story of One Man's Miraculous Survival</i> , Joe Simpson (nf)
<i>It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life</i> , Lance Armstrong (nf)	<i>Tuesdays with Morrie</i> , Mitch Albom (f)
<i>Never Let Me Go</i> , Kazuo Ishiguro (f)	<i>Plain Truth</i> , Jodi Picoult (f)
<i>The Time Machine</i> , H.G. Wells (f)	<i>Marley and Me</i> , John Grogan (f)
<i>Where the Heart Is</i> , Billie Letts (f)	<i>The Best Seat in the House: How I Woke Up One Tuesday and Was Paralyzed for Life</i> , Allen Rucker(f)
<i>The Echo Maker</i> , Richard Powers (f)	<i>The Island of Dr. Moreau</i> , H. G. Wells (f)
<i>The Book Thief</i> , Markus Zusak (f)	<i>The Kite Runner</i> , Khaled Hoseini (f)
<i>The Nazi Officer's Wife</i> , Edith Han Beer (b)	<i>The Last Lecture</i> , Randy Pausch (nf)
<i>The Lovely Bones</i> , Alice Sebold (f)	<i>Nineteen Minutes</i> , Jodi Picoult (f)
<i>The Glass Castle</i> , Jeannette Walls (f)	

NOTE: 9-12 English programs at Lincoln High School may use the Alternative Education American Literature list as extended literature. Extended reading for eleventh- and twelfth-grade students may also include literature titles in the ninth- and tenth-grade extended reading list. Seniors may also select extended reading from the core books listed in English courses that they have not taken.

Abbreviations Key

(d) = Drama    (e) Essay    (f) = Fiction    (nf) = Nonfiction    (p) = Poetry    (sf) = Science Fiction    (ss) = Short Story  
(b) = Biography

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