

Students planning to take AP Literature should read the following three books.

1. *The Color of Water* by James McBride (Students will write an essay on this book the first week of class.)
2. a novel by one of the following authors: Chinua Achebe, Margaret Atwood, James Baldwin, Saul Bellow, Willa Cather, Kate Chopin, Joseph Conrad, Stephen Crane, Anita Desai, Charles Dickens (not *A Christmas Carol*), George Eliot, William Faulkner, E.M. Forster, Thomas Hardy, Ernest Hemingway, Henry James, James Joyce, Maxine Hong Kingston, D.H. Lawrence, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Toni Morrison (not *Song of Solomon*), Vladimir Nabakov, John Updike, Virginia Woolf, Richard Wright (Students will turn in a reading response dialogue journal on this book the first day of class.)
3. a book of choice (Students will talk briefly about this book and share some kind of visual—such as a poster, a brochure, a newsletter, or a scrapbook—the first day of class.)

Students planning to take AP Language should read the following three books.

1. a book by one of the following authors: Margaret Atwood, Nadine Gordimer, Barbara Kingsolver, Maxine Hong Kingston, N. Scott Momaday, V. S. Naipaul, Joyce Carol Oates, John Updike, Gore Vidal, Virginia Woolf (Students will write an essay on this book the first week of class.)
2. a book by one of the following authors: Hannah Arendt, William F. Buckley, Winston Churchill, Nora Ephron, John Kenneth Galbraith, Susan Sontag, Barbara Tuchman (Students will turn in a reading response dialogue journal on this book the first day of class.)
3. a book of the student's choice (Students will talk briefly about this book and share some kind of visual such as a poster, a brochure, a newsletter, or a scrapbook—the first day of class.)