

High School Summer Reading Guidelines

Friendship Christian School

Instructions

- Choose one book from the list provided for the grade level that you are entering. The book can be borrowed from the library or purchased online, locally, or electronically.
- After reading the book, write an essay that answers the following questions about your chosen book. The essay should be double-spaced, typed, and MLA-formatted. Students who are new to F.C.S. are not required to use MLA-formatting if they are not already familiar with it.
- Students entering ninth and tenth grades are to write at least one full page.
- Students entering eleventh and twelfth grades are to write at least two full pages.
- Please do not copy the questions into your essay or use bullet points. Instead, your essay should be in paragraph form.
- If any part of your essay is copied from another source (e.g. a website, a book), you will receive a failing grade and a discipline write-up. That is called plagiarism.
- The essay is due to Mrs. Klinect on Monday, August 14th, 2017 via email or hard copy.

Choose one of the following books:

Ninth:

- *Across Five Aprils* by Irene Hunt
- *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio
- *Amos Fortune, Free Man* by Elizabeth Yates

Tenth:

- *Anne of Green Gables*
by Lucy Maud Montgomery
- *Same Kind of Different As Me*
by Ron Hall & Denver Moore
- *More Precious Than Gold*
by John and Brenda Vaughn

Eleventh:

- *Through Gates of Splendor* by Elisabeth Elliot
- *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
- *The Red Badge of Courage* by Stephen Crane

Twelfth:

- *Amazing Grace* by Eric Metaxes
- *Men of Iron* by Howard Pyle
- *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen

Questions

- Provide the title, author, and genre of your book.
- Who are the main characters? Describe their character traits.
- What are the main events? Describe them in order.
- How does the author portray God in the book?
- How does the author communicate absolute truths or lessons in the book?
- At the end of your essay, please include one paragraph explaining whether or not you would recommend the book to a friend and why.