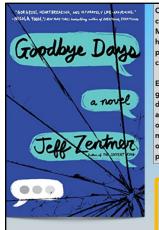
Advanced English 9 Summer Reading Assignment 2021

In Advanced English 9, we will study literature and look for connections among multiple texts. Therefore, for your summer reading options, we have provided you with a diverse selection of books written by renowned authors. This year's books are all contemporary fiction but from different genres. **You will select and read two**. You will take a test on each of your books on the first day of class.

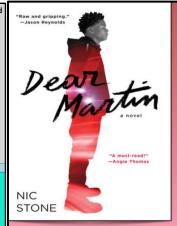


Carver Briggs never thought a simple text would cause a fatal crash, killing his three best friends, Mars, Eli, and Blake. Carver can't stop blaming himself for the accident, and a judge is pressuring the district attorney to open up a criminal investigation.

Eli's girlfriend, Carver's therapist, and Blake's grandmother ask Carver to spend a "goodbye day" with them to share their memories and say a proper farewell. As other families ask for their own goodbye day with Carver, will it mean making peace with their losses, or bring Carver one step closer to a complete breakdown— and possibly prison?



Book Details
Interest Level: 7-12
Lexile Level: HL620
Page Count: 404
Publication Date: 2017



Justyce McAllister is top of his class and set for the lvy League—but none of that matters to the police officer who just put him in handcuffs.

And despite leaving his rough neighborhood behind, he can't escape the scorn of his former peers or the ridicule of his new classmates.

Justyce looks to the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. for answers. But do they hold up anymore? He starts a journal to Dr. King to find out.



Book Details

Interest Level: 9-12 Lexile Level: HL720 Page Count: 224 Publication Date: 2017



When Brontë starts dating Brewster "Bruiser" Rawlins – the guy voted "Most Likely to Get the Death Penalty" her twin brother, Tennyson, isn't surprised.

But then strange things begin to occur. Tennyson and Brontë's scrapes heal unnaturally fast, and cuts disappear before their eyes.

What at first seems like their good fortune turns out to be more than they bargained for...much more.



Book Detail

Interest Level: 9-12 Lexile Level: 820 Page Count: 352 Publication Date: 2011



Amsterdam, 1943. Hanneke spends her days procuring and delivering sought-after black market goods to paying customers, her nights hiding the true nature of her work from her concerned parents, and every waking moment mourning her boyfriend, who was killed on the Dutch front lines when the Germans invaded. She likes to think of her illegal work as a small act of rebellion.

On a routine delivery, a client asks Hanneke for help. Expecting to hear that Mrs. Janssen wants meat or kerosene, Hanneke is shocked by the older woman's frantic plea to find a person - a Jewish teenager Mrs. Janssen had been hiding, who has vanished without a trace from a secret room. Hanneke initially wants nothing to do with such dangerous work, but is ultimately drawn into a web of mysteries and stunning revelations that lead her into the heart of the resistance, open her eyes to the horrors of the Nazi war machine, and compel her to take desperate action.



Book Details Interest Level: 7-12 Lexile Level: 720 Page Count: 320 Publication Date: 2017



Keep your friends close and your enemies closer. Isn't that what they say? But how close is too close when they may be one and the same?

The Seven Stages War left much of the planet a charred wasteland. The future belongs to the next generation's chosen few who must rebuild it. But to enter this elite group, candidates must first pass The Testing—their one chance at a college education and a rewarding career.

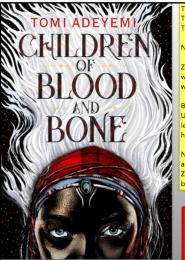
Cia Vale is honoured to be chosen as a Testing candidate; eager to prove her worthiness as a University student and tuture leader of the United Commonwealth. But on the eve of her departure, her father's advice hints at a darker side to her upcoming studies—trust no one.

But surely she can trust Tomas, her handsome childhood friend who offers an alliance? Tomas, who seems to care more about her with the passing of every gruelling (and deadly) day of the Testing.

To survive, Cia must choose: love without truth or life without trust.



Interest Level: 8-12 Lexile Level: 830 Page Count: 352 Publication Date: 2013



They killed my mother They took our magic. They tried to bury us.

Now we rise

Zélie Adebola remembers when the soil of Orïsha hummed with magic. Burners ignited flames, Tiders beckoned waves, and Zélie's Reaper mother summoned forth souls.

But everything changed the night magic disappeared. Under the orders of a ruthless king, maji were killed, leaving Zélie without a mother and her people without hope.

Now Zélie has one chance to bring back magic and strike against the monarchy. With the help of a rogue princess, Zélie must outwit and outrun the crown prince, who is hellbent on eradicating magic for good.



Book Details Interest Level: 9-12 Lexile Level: HL670 Page Count: 544

Publication Date: 2018