



In Conroe ISD, we encourage all students to read over the summer in order to enrich learning and provoke thought. Summer reading strengthens reading skills, increases academic achievement, fosters a love for reading, and empowers students to become life-long learners.

English IV Level Summer Reading

Dear Senior Students, Parents, and Guardians,

We are so excited to start the final school year for the Senior Class of 2022!

We invite all students who are scheduled to take English IV for the 2021-22 school year to read a “coming of age” novel of their choice (of at least 300 pages).

A “coming of age” novel is a story that focuses on the growth of a protagonist from childhood to adulthood (“coming of age”). The plot points of coming of age stories are usually emotional changes within the character(s) in question.

We suggest reading it during the summer as it is best if you come to class prepared to discuss the text using your notes and personal observations on the first day of class. You will be preparing a book talk over your summer reading after the fourth week of school. This will be an opportunity for students to learn about other novels that may pique their interests and get excited about reading!

The first few weeks of senior year are busy with college essays and applications and other course work. So, choose a novel and enjoy! See you in August!

If you have any questions, please email jzachry@conroeisd.net

Sincerely,

The English IV Team

Not Sure What to Read? Check out the following websites

Whichbook: You can choose books by themes, characters, plots, settings.

<http://www.whichbook.net>

Goodreads: Select books that you have read and liked in the past, and receive suggestions for books you may like.

<http://www.goodreads.com/>

Barnes & Noble top 100 Bestselling Books: Not sure what you like? Check out this website to see what's popular.

https://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/books/_/N-1fZ29Z8q8

Epic Reads: Interested in Young Adult (YA) literature? This website allows you to filter books by new releases, bestsellers, and series. There's even an infographic chart that includes popular retellings of classic stories.

<https://www.epicreads.com/>

<https://www.epicreads.com/blog/an-epic-chart-of-162-young-adult-retellings/>

Can't get your hands on a book?

There are many ways to access books online for free. See a list below for some available resources to help you gain access to books:

Apps found in the CISD SSO Portal:

- **Sora**
 - Free access to a variety of e-books and audiobooks
- **Destiny Discover**
 - Check out e-books and audiobooks from your campus library

Other websites with free resources:

- **Montgomery County Public Library**
 - E-Books & Audiobooks: <https://montgomerycountymd.libguides.com/elibrary>
 - Get a Digital Library Card:
<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library/services/registration.html>
- **Open Library**
 - Create a free account: <https://openlibrary.org/account/create>
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