• Solebury School • Summer Reading List • 2020 •

The English department chooses its titles based on literary merit, the relevance of the texts to what we will study in the coming year, and with attention to a variety of perspectives and genres. Students should come to school in the fall prepared to talk about and work with the texts they read. Sometimes these books contain material that may be controversial or upsetting. We encourage parents to read the books with their children.

> *** Required Readings:** these are mandatory readings that will be incorporated into course work in the fall trimester and will involve assessments.

> *# Recommended Readings*: these are optional readings to be chosen from the list provided. Students who choose to do recommended readings will be awarded bonus points in the fall term.

English 9: Introduction to the Genres (core)

> ******Poet X***, Elizabeth Acevedo**

> **# one title from the recommended reading list**

English 9: Introduction to the Genres (honors)

> ******We Have Always Lived in the Castle,* **Shirley Jackson**

> # **one title from the recommended reading list**

English 10: World Literature (core)

> ******Maus I: My Father Bleeds History***, Art Spiegelman (***Maus 1* **is required summer reading and** *Maus 2* **will be read in class.)**

> **# one title from the recommended list**

English 10: World Literature (honors)

> ***** *Maus I: My Father Bleeds History***, Art Spiegelman (***Maus 1* **is required summer reading and** *Maus 2* **will be read in class.)**

* one title from the recommended list

 # students can read an additional book from the recommended reading list for extra credit

English 11: American Literature (core)

* *Kindred*, Octavia Butler

 # one title from recommended reading list

English 11: American Literature (honors)

* *Kindred*, Octavia Butler

 # one title from recommended reading list

American Studies Literature

* *Kindred*, Octavia Butler

 # one title from recommended reading list

AP English Literature and Composition (Grade 12)

*Frankenstein, Mary Shelley

**Citizen: An American Lyric*, Claudia Rankine

*[Mandatory Writing Assignment](#)