

Below you will find our annual MHS Recommended Reading List, collated by students in ReAD Club. **The English department invites every student to read one book from these lists, and many more if you'd like.** Please do not worry if you cannot find these particular books. We simply hope you read something you love, and we hope you share those favorites with our community. (There are also tips for accessing electronic copies of books on the MHS library website.)

As opportunities for our whole community to connect through reading, we will host a virtual book club over the summer. Anyone in our MHS community can join. The gathering on Zoom will be facilitated by members of the English department and MHS faculty, with ReAD Club members joining in. We look forward to a summer of wonderful reads!!

The Summer Book Club Book for 2021 is: A Very Large Expanse of Sea by Tahereh Mafi Date for Discussion: Wednesday, August 18 at 10:00 a.m. EST on Zoom More details and reminders to follow!

***You may take MHS books home for the summer!! All of the fantastic books on the lists below are in our library!!**

Summer Reading, suggested by ReAD Club May, 2021

Young Adult Fiction

- 1. Aftermath, Clara Kensie (realistic)
- 2. American Panda, Gloria Chao (realistic)
- 3. Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe, Benjamin Alire Saenz (realistic)
- 4. The Astonishing Color of After, Emily X.R. Pan (magical realism)
- 5. Bone Gap, Laura Ruby (magical realism)
- 6. The Book Thief, Markus Zusak (historical)
- 7. The Boy in the Black Suit, Jason Reynolds (romance)
- 8. Cemetery Boys, Aiden Thomas (fantasy)
- 9. Code Name Verity, Elizabeth Wein (historical)
- 10. Copper Sun, Sharon Draper (historical)
- 11. Dear Martin, Nic Stone (realistic)
- 12. Dig, A. S. King (magical realism)
- 13. Dragons of Darkness, Antonia Michaelis (fairy tale)
- 14. Emergency Contact, Mary H.K. Choi (romance)
- 15. Far from the Tree, Robin Benway (realistic)
- 16. The Female of the Species, Mindy McGinnis (suspense fiction)
- 17. Fire Color One, Jenny Valentine (realistic)

- 18. Forward Me Back to You, Mitali Perkins (realistic)
- 19. Gabi, a Girl in Pieces, Isabel Quintero (realistic)
- 20. The Hate U Give, Angie Thomas (realistic)
- 21. History Is All You Left Me, Adam Silvera (realistic)
- 22. The House of the Scorpion, Nancy Farmer (realistic)
- 23. I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter, Erika Sánchez (realistic)
- 24. I'll Give You the Sun, Jandy Nelson (romance)
- 25. A List of Cages, Robin Roe (realistic)
- 26. More Than This, Patrick Ness (science fiction/dystopian)
- 27. Mosquitoland, David Arnold (realistic)
- 28. One of Us Is Lying, Karen M. McManus (suspense)
- 29. Rani Patel in Full Effect, Sonia Patel (realistic)
- 30. Salt to the Sea, Ruta Sepetys (historical)
- 31. The Scorpio Races, Maggie Stiefvater (magical realism)
- 32. Seraphina, Rachel Hartman (fantasy)
- 33. Shipbreaker, Paulo Bacigalupi (science fiction)
- 34. Sparrow, Sarah Moon (realistic)
- 35. A Very Large Expanse of Sea, Tahereh Mafi (historical romance)
- 36. The Walls Around Us, Nova Ren Suma (paranormal fantasy)
- 37. We Are the Ants, Shaun David Hutchinson (realistic)
- 38. We Were Liars, E. Lockhart (contemporary suspense)
- 39. When the Moon Was Ours, Anna-Marie McLemore (magical realism)
- 40. Last Night at the Telegraph Club, Malinda Lo (historical)

Young Adult Fiction Series:

- 1. Across the Universe (Across the Universe #1) Beth Revis (science fiction)
- 2. Akata Witch (Akata Witch #1), Nnedi Okorafor (fantasy)
- 3. The Bear and the Nightingale (Winternight Trilogy #1), Katherine Arden (historical fantasy)
- 4. Chains (Seeds of America #1) Laurie Halse Anderson (historical)
- 5. Children of Blood and Bone (Legacy of Orisha #1), Tomi Adeyemi (fantasy)
- 6. Dread Nation (Dread Nation #1), Justina Ireland (fantasy)
- 7. Legend (Legend #1), Marie Lu (science fiction)
- 8. The Pox Party (The Astonishing Life of Octavian Nothing, Traitor to the Nation #1) M.T. Anderson (historical)
- 9. Six of Crows (The Six of Crows Duology #1) Leigh Bardugo (fantasy)
- 10. Strange the Dreamer (Strange the Dreamer #1), Laini Taylor (fantasy)

Young Adult NonFiction:

- 1. The 57 Bus, Dashka Slater (history)
- 2. Because I was a Girl: True Stories for Girls of All Ages, Melissa de la Cruz, ed. (anthology)
- 3. Brave, Not Perfect: Fear Less, Fail More, and Live Bolder, Reshma Saujani (self help)
- 4. Brown Girl Dreaming, Jacqueline Woodson (memoir/history)
- 5. Chew on This, Eric Schlosser (health)
- 6. Here We Are: Feminism for the Real World, Kelly Jensen, ed. (anthology)
- 7. I am Malala, Malala Yousafzai (memoir)
- 8. I Have the Right To: A High School Survivor's Story of Sexual Assault, Justice, and Hope, Chessy Prout (memoir)
- 9. Laughing at My Nightmare, Shane Burcaw (memoir)
- 10. March (books 1-3), John Lewis (graphic memoir/history)

- 11. #NotYourPrincess: Voices of Native American Women, Lisa Charleyboy & Mary Beth Leatherdale, eds. (anthology)
- 12. Poisoned Water: How the Citizens of Flint, Michigan, Fought for Their Lives and Warned the Nation, Candy J. Cooper, Marc Aronson (history)
- 13. Popular, A Memoir: Vintage Wisdom for a Modern Geek, Maya Van Wagenen (memoir)
- 14. Stitches: A Memoir, David Small (graphic memoir)
- 15. Vincent and Theo: The Van Gogh Brothers, Deborah Heiligman (biography)

Adult Fiction

- 1. All the Light We Cannot See, Anthony Doerr (historical)
- 2. Bee Season, Myla Goldberg (realistic)
- 3. Binti: The Complete Trilogy, Nnedi Okorafor (science fiction)
- 4. The Book of Lost Things, John Connelly (fantasy)
- 5. Borne, Jeff VanderMeer (fantasy)
- 6. Circe, Madeline Miller (mythology)
- 7. The Color Purple, Alice Walker (realistic)
- 8. Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter, Tom Franklin (mystery)
- 9. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time, Mark Haddon (realistic)
- 10. Cutting for Stone, Abraham Verghese (historical)
- 11. Ella Minnow Pea: A Novel in Letters, Mark Dunn (realistic fable)
- 12. Girl in Translation, Jean Kwok (historical)
- 13. God of Small Things, Arundhati Roy (realistic)
- 14. Half of a Yellow Sun, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie (historical)
- 15. Hamnet, Maggie O'Farrell (historical)
- 16. Imagining America: Stories from the Promised Land (revised ed.), Wesley Brown & Amy Ling, eds. (short stories)
- 17. In the Time of the Butterflies, Julia Alvarez (historical)
- 18. Kafka on the Shore, Haruki Murakami (fantasy)
- 19. The Keep, Jennifer Egan (gothic mystery)
- 20. The Library at Mount Char, Scott Hawkins (horror fantasy)
- 21. Longbourn, Jo Baker (historical)
- 22. The Magicians, Lev Grossman (fantasy)
- 23. A Man Called Ove, Fredrik Backman (realistic)
- 24. Mudbound, Hillary Jordan (historical)
- 25. The Namesake, Jhumpa Lahiri (realistic)
- 26. Never Let Me Go, Kazuo Ishiguro (science fiction)
- 27. The Night Circus: A novel, Erin Morgenstern (fantasy)
- 28. The Ocean at the End of the Lane, Neil Gaiman (fantasy)
- 29. Orphan Train, Christina Baker Kline (historical)
- 30. Pachinko, Min Jin Lee (historical)
- 31. People of the Book, Geraldine Brooks (historical)
- 32. The Poisonwood Bible, Barbara Kingsolver (historical)
- 33. The Power, Naomi Alderman (science fiction)
- 34. Salvage the Bones, Jesmyn Ward (realistic)
- 35. The Secret History, Donna Tartt (mystery)
- 36. Sula, Toni Morrison (realistic)
- 37. The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie, Alan Bradley (historical/mystery)
- 38. Tell The Wolves I'm Home, Carol Rifka Brunt (historical)
- 39. Waiting, Ha Jin (historical)

40. We Have Always Lived in the Castle, Shirley Jackson (gothic classic)

Adult NonFiction:

- 1. Becoming, Michelle Obama (memoir)
- 2. Before I Had the Words: On Being a Transgender Young Adult, Skylar Kergil (memoir)
- 3. The Botany of Desire, Michael Pollan (science)
- 4. The Color of Water, James McBride (memoir)
- 5. Complications: A Surgeon's Notes on an Imperfect Science, Atul Gawande (science)
- 6. Dear America: Notes of an Undocumented Citizen, Jose Antonio Vargas (memoir)
- 7. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings, Maya Angelou (memoir/history)
- 8. Invisible Women: Data Bias in a World Designed for Men, Caroline Criado Pérez (science)
- 9. Lab Girl, Hope Jahren (memoir/science)
- 10. Missoula: Rape and the Justice System in a College Town, Jon Krakauer (social justice)
- 11. Nine Continents: A Memoir in and Out of China, Xiaolu Guo (memoir/history)
- 12. Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women, Kate Moore (history)
- 13. So You Want to Talk About Race, Ijeoma Oluo (social justice)
- 14. When You Are Engulfed in Flames, David Sedaris (memoir/humor)
- 15. Where You Go Is Not Who You'll Be: An Antidote to the College Admissions Mania, Frank Bruni (self help)