



## Junior L2 English 2020-2021 Summer Assignments

**Welcome to Junior English (L2),**

**All students who will be taking 11th grade L2 English during the 2020-2021 school year are required to read two (2) books before the start of school.** Below you will find the summer reading selections. The selections cover a wide range of time, space and genre within the United States. The works canvas the “roots” of American racism and hatred, the immigrant voice, war, female oppression/suppression, and they all express the border-less genre defined as American Literature. The reading of these novels will help prepare you for many activities and discussions you will be participating in during the school year.

During the first week of school (2018-2019), students will be given a writing prompt in English class. The prompt will require students to analyze the novels in light of one or more of the elements of fiction. The books will be available at a variety of prices through a range of publishers and booksellers. Please obtain the full text, rather than the abridged, for each title. If your child has an unabridged version of this book already available, the text may be used. The Abington Community Library will have copies available on loan throughout the summer. Students are encouraged to use the library as well as the internet to locate the novels. Upon returning to school in September of 2018, students will be evaluated on their reading of this text. Students should take notes and annotate the text in order to enhance comprehension.

**Students must read the novel, *Into the Wild*, by John Krakauer**

Students must also **choose one** book from the following list:

### **Female Voices**

*The Awakening*, Kate Chopin  
*The Joy Luck Club*, Amy Tan  
*The Age of Innocence*, Edith Wharton

### **African American Voice**

*Native Son*, Richard Wright  
*The Street*, Ann Petry

### **Lost Generation**

*The Sun Also Rises*, Ernest Hemingway  
*Absalom, Absalom*, William Faulkner

### **Travel**

*East of Eden*, John Steinbeck  
*On The Road*, Jack Kerouac  
*Travels With Charley*, John Steinbeck

### **War and Chaos**

*The Things They Carried*, Tim O'Brien  
*The Road*, Cormac McCarthy

Have a wonderful summer & enjoy reading!

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