

## Watchung Hills Regional High School

### Freshman Summer Reading List 2008

All students must read the following text:

***The Color of Water*** – James McBride (Memoir)

Students should choose one work from the list below to read or any other book for personal enrichment that you can discuss on your return to school.

1. ***Nine Stories*** – J.D. Salinger
2. ***House of Spirits*** – Isabelle Allende
3. ***Funny in Farsi: A Memoir of Growing Up Iranian in America*** – Firoozeh Dumas
4. ***A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*** – Betty Smith
5. ***Feed*** – M. T. Anderson
6. ***Nectar in a Sieve*** – Kamala Markandaya
7. ***Goddess of Yesterday*** – Caroline Cooney
8. ***Home of the Braves*** – David Klass
9. ***Hoops*** – Walter Dean Myers
10. ***The House on Mango Street*** – Sandra Cisneros
11. ***19 Minutes*** – Jodi Picoult
12. ***Hoot*** – Carl Hiaasen
13. ***So Yesterday*** – Scott Westerfeld
14. ***Summer of My German Soldier*** – Bette Greene
15. ***Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas*** – James Patterson
16. ***Dear Miss Breed*** – Joanne Oppenheim
17. ***Fences*** – August Wilson
18. ***King Dork*** – Frank Portman
19. ***Bury My Heart At Wounded Knee*** – Dee Brown
20. ***Perks of Being a Wallflower*** – Stephen Chobsky

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### Sophomore Summer Reading List 2008

All students must read the following text:

***Angela's Ashes*** – Frank McCourt (Memoir)

Students should choose one work from the list below to read or any other book for personal enrichment that you can discuss on your return to school.

1. ***The Trial*** – Franz Kafka
2. ***Breathing Underwater*** – Alex Flinn
3. ***The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter*** – Carson McCullers
4. ***I Am The Clay*** – Chaim Potok
5. ***Linden Hills*** – Gloria Naylor
6. ***Middlesex*** – Jeffrey Eugenides
7. ***Autobiography of a Face*** – Lucy Grealy
8. ***The Rule of Four*** – Ian Caldwell and Dustin Thomason
9. ***700 Sundays*** – Billy Crystal
10. ***The Body of Christopher Creed*** – Carol Plum-Ucci
11. ***The Cobra Event*** – Richard Preston
12. ***Cut*** – Patricia McCormick
13. ***Elsewhere*** – Gabrielle Zevin
14. ***The Name of the Rose*** – Umberto Eco
15. ***Sound of Waves*** – Yukio Mishima
16. ***Trinity*** – Leon Uris
17. ***Wide Sargasso Sea*** – Jean Rhys
18. ***One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich*** – Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn
19. ***Big Mouth & Ugly Girl*** – Joyce Carol Oates
20. ***The Year of Secret Assignments*** – Jaclyn Moriarty

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## Junior Summer Reading List 2008

All students must read the following text:

***Nickel and Dime*** – Barbara Ehrenreich (Nonfiction)

AP students must read the following two texts: \*

***The Fountainhead*** – Ayn Rand

***The Tempest*** – William Shakespeare

Students should choose one work from the list below to read or any other book for personal enrichment that you can discuss on your return to school.

1. ***East of Eden*** – John Steinbeck
2. ***My Antonia*** – Willa Cather
3. ***A Thousand Acres*** – Jane Smiley
4. ***Snow Falling on Cedars*** – David Guterson
5. ***The Sound and the Fury*** – William Faulkner
6. ***Eye of the Needle*** – Ken Follett
7. ***I Know This Much Is True*** – Wally Lamb
8. ***White Oleander*** – Janet Fitch
9. ***Friday Night Lights*** – H. G. Bissinger
10. ***The Secret Life of Bees*** – Sue Monk Kidd
11. ***Catalyst*** – Laurie Halse Anderson
12. ***The Complete Stories*** – Flannery O'Connor
13. ***A Widow for One Year*** – John Irving
14. ***Sophie's Choice*** – William Styron
15. ***The Stand*** – Stephen King
16. ***Goodbye, Columbus*** – Philip Roth
17. ***A Child Called It*** – David Pelzer
18. ***Picturing Will*** – Anne Beatttie
19. ***The Women of Brewster Place*** – Gloria Naylor
20. ***Running With Scissors*** – Augusten Burroughs

\*AP students will read a total of four books.

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### Senior Summer Reading List 2008

All students must read the following text:

***The Brief and Wonderous Life Oscar Wao*** – Junot Diaz (2008 Pulitzer Prize  
Winning/Visiting Author 2008-2009)

AP students must read the following two texts:\*

***Letters to a Young Poet*** – Rainer Maria Rilke  
***The God of Small Things*** – Arundhati Roy

Students should choose one work from the list below to read or any other book for personal enrichment that you can discuss on your return to school.

1. ***Blink*** – Malcolm Gladwell
2. ***The Count of Monte Cristo*** – Alexandre Dumas
3. ***Rite of Passage*** – Richard Wright
4. ***Gandhi: An Autobiography*** – Mohandas Gandhi
5. ***Decline and Fall*** – Evelyn Waugh
6. ***The Diary of Samuel Pepys*** – Samuel Pepys
7. ***The War with the Newts*** – Karel Capek
8. ***Angels and Demons*** – Dan Brown
9. ***The Iron Heel*** – Jack London
10. ***The Breakable Vow*** – Kathryn Ann Clarke
11. ***Native Speaker*** – Chang-Rae Lee
12. ***Crank*** – Ellen Hopkins
13. ***Pop Goes the Weasel*** – James Patterson
14. ***Salt: A World History*** – Mark Kurlansky
15. ***Fight Club*** – Chuck Palahniuk
16. ***The Book of Laughter and Forgetting*** – Milan Kundera
17. ***The Lovely Bones*** – Alice Sebold
18. ***A Million Little Pieces*** – James Frey
19. ***Way of the Peaceful Warrior*** – Dan Millman
20. ***Palace Walk*** – Naguib Mafouz

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