

Runnels School Summer Reading Lists

7th Grade English – *Regular English will read 2 books; Honors English will read 3 books. Required book:*

- A Day No Pigs Would Die, Robert Newton Peck (*regular & honors students*)
- Night of the Howling Dogs, Graham Salisbury (*honors only*)

All honors & regular students can pick one additional novel from the following choices:

- Jacob Have I Loved, Katherine Paterson
- Hatchet, Gary Paulsen
- April Morning, Howard Fast
- The Witch of Blackbird Pond, Elizabeth George Speare

- Glencoe Language Arts, Grade 7, Grammar & Language Workbook (ISBN# 9780078205408) – *ALL students must have this book for the first day of class. It will be used in class throughout the school year. No summer assignments are required from this workbook.*

8th Grade English – *Regular English students select two from the following list; Honors English students select three.*

- Sword of the Rightful King, Jane Yolen
- With Every Drop of Blood, James Collier & Christopher Collier
- House of the Scorpion, Nancy Farmer
- Flipped, Wendelin Van Draanen
- The Cay, Theodore Taylor
- The Hobbit, J.R.R. Tolkien
- The Outsiders, S.E. Hinton

- Glencoe Language Arts, Grade 8, Grammar & Language Workbook (ISBN# 9780078205415) – *ALL students must have this book for the first day of class. It will be used in class throughout the school year. No summer assignments are required from this workbook.*

English I (9th grade) - *Honors students read all four selections. Regular English reads first 3 selections only.*

- The Lightning Thief, Rick Riordan
- And Then There Were None, Agatha Christie
- The Secret Life of Bees, Sue Monk Kidd
- Peace Like a River, Leif Enger (*honors only*)

- Glencoe Language Arts, Grade 9, Grammar & Language Workbook (ISBN# 9780028182940) – *ALL students must have this book for the first day of class. It will be used in class throughout the school year. No summer assignments are required from this workbook.*

English II (10th grade) - *Honors students read all four selections. Regular English students read first 3 selections only.*

- Night, Elie Wiesel
- Life of Pi, Yann Martel
- The Secret Life of Bees, Sue Monk Kidd
- Kite Runner, Khaled Hosseini (*honors only*)

- Glencoe Language Arts, Grade 10, Grammar & Language Workbook (ISBN# 9780028182964) – *ALL students must have this book for the first day of class. It will be used in class throughout the school year. No summer assignments are required from this workbook.*

English III (11th grade) – *AP & Honors students read all four selections. Regular English reads first 3 selections only.*

- The Things They Carried, Tim O'Brien
- The Piano Lesson, August Wilson
- The Secret Life of Bees, Sue Monk Kidd
- As I Lay Dying, William Faulkner (*AP & honors only*)

English III Honors – American Studies (11th grade)

- The Secret Life of Bees, Sue Monk Kidd
- Manhunt: The 12-Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer, [James L. Swanson](#)
- The Known World, Edward P. Jones

English IV (12th grade)

- The Secret Life of Bees, Sue Monk Kidd
- Dracula, Bram Stoker
- Great Expectations, Charles Dickens
- How to Read Literature like a Professor, Thomas Foster - *Students need this book for the first day of class; no summer reading is required from this book.*

English IV AP (12th grade)

- Frankenstein, Mary Shelley
- The Secret Life of Bees, Sue Monk Kidd
- Great Expectations, Charles Dickens
- How to Read Literature like a Professor, Thomas Foster

- Barron's AP English Literature and Composition 2008 2nd Ed. (ISBN: 9780764136825) – *Students must have this book for the first day of class. No summer assignments are required from this book.*

American History AP

- Manhunt: The 12-Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer, [James L. Swanson](#)
- America's Women: Four Hundred Years of Dolls, Drudges, Helpmates & Heroines, Gail Collins (*read Chapter 1 only; we will read the rest throughout the school year*)

American Government AP

- Bias, Bernard Goldberg
- Classic Ideas and Current Issues in American Government, Meena Bose & John J. DiIulio, Jr. (*This book will be used as a reader during the school year; it is not required reading for summer.*)